

I trust you had a nice Christmas and are looking forward to New Year, work and health, peace and some kind of prosperity - which is not too easy these days.

The Industrial league finished the calendar year with the annual pre-Christmas four player teams get-together. The pre-night draw had to be changed owing to several no shows and there were four sections of round robin held. Four semi-finalists emerged to the knockout through to the finals.

The team of Paul Kavanagh/Brian Ward/Ted Musgrove and Hank Van Gogh triumphed after a hectic night of darts, drinking and eating not to mention, least of all, the Karaoke afterwards. Horst Schirm/Erwin See/Gary Hardcastle and Bill McCartney were the runners up. Third place went to the team of Larry Hunt/Neil Olmstead/Bruce Capriol and Gord Bottoms. Fourth place went to Al Gardiner/Brian Walton/Shawn Warwick and Jamie Russell.

Not all highlights were recorded. However, Dan Fraser scored 180, Henry Graham finished 112, Jim Franks started 128, Brian Ward opened with 122 and scored 132. Paul Kavanagh scored three triple nineteens for a 133.

It is back to regular league play this Wednesday (30th) and the Halton league re-opens on Monday, January 4.

The Halton Monday nighters have had a fair break for the holiday season. At this juncture the league leaders, Legion #4 are undefeated and with no ties either, have maximum results. Second are McGibbon with George #2 and O'Tooles trailing behind.

Leading the MVP statistics is Paul Kirby, 103 points, including three 180s. Stan Rhynold is in second place with 93 points. Dave Scutt follows with 88 and Ian McDonald has 82. Next is self with 81 and Pete Pickering has 80. In the 70 points ranges are Eddie Ebginge, Chris Scutt, Brian Ward and Al Murphy. Keith Ewing leads the high finish stakes with a 136 and yours truly is next with 129 and Mark See has a 124. Ewing and Al Murphy are the only players with two finishes of more than 100. George #2 have four players in this category.

Jack Hamilton and Stan Rhynold each have two 180s to follow Paul Kirby's three. Again, George #2 have more 180s than any other team, with six players scoring here. However, there is a long way to go before the final countings are in.

Darts

Alex Tough

Back to the Industrial league for a moment or two of end of the year statistics. First division lead is shared by Hustlers and Gasketman Cutters with Westenders and Steeprock close behind. Second division leaders are Dream Team, away ahead of Ensigns, Hotshots and Independents. Inter County and perennial Bandits are the respective bottom dogs.

The high starts are held by Jim Carter (152) and Stan Rhynold (160). The high finishes are owned by Ron Scarlett (140) and Al Murphy (116). 180s have been notched by several players. Dan Fraser leads with two, Dave Scutt, Jim Carter, Bruce Stevens, Beau Beaumont, Al Murphy, Brad Youmans and Mike Hope have each scored one. The other highest scores are held by Paul Kavanagh (171) and Bruce Capriol (174).

In world darts the Masters championships were held recently in U.K. with senior male, female and all round junior categories up for grabs. In the male section, no surprise, World #1, Dennis Priestley, no longer an Eric Bristow protégé, took out second year in a row finalist, Mike Gregory 3-2, in five sets of five games. Shockers in the other sections. One young lady in the form of Welsh teenager Leigh Madoc won the Welsh junior - male and female combined, senior ladies and the Masters and World rankings in the same sections. What is more, she did not shoot over 13 darts in any match!

In addition to the upcoming year darts continuation, bear in mind the annual Ed Paterson Memorial tourney for open doubles at the George on Saturday, January 9. Register now at the George, with Dave Paterson or Grant Richardson for a small fee, which is donated to the Cancer Research Fund after all prizes are gone. A worthy day for fun tourney darts and a good cause, folks. Also, Sunday afternoon darts at Raves in Norval, mixed open blind draw doubles, for all. Just do not confuse the premises with Raves hair-dressing saloon in 'town, you may receive a shock!

Good darting to all, see you in 1993.

Minor Bantam Hurricanes finish '92 on winning note

The JDP Computer Minor Bantam Hurricanes played their last game of 1992 against the Brampton Maroons and delivered a convincing 7-1 win. They were led by centre Justin "Dazzle" Davis who scored or assisted on six of the seven goals.

He started things off at 9:05 by flipping in a soft screened shot which caught the Brampton goalie by surprise. Assists went to Ryan Taylor and Danny Haw.

In the second, Halton took a 2-0 lead as goal-mouth scramble resulted in Tom Baynton scoring on a slapshot with help from Davis and Steven Roy. Halton played shorthanded for the next seven minutes ending with a screened shot goal for Brampton. Geoff Beuparlant in the net was superb as he did everything but rob the Brampton bench of their water jugs. At 3:43 of the second on a power play, Baynton buried a rebound for his second consecutive goal with help from defenceman Robert Haringa and Davis.

On the opening faceoff of the third, winger

Darin Finlayson broke down the right side and placed a perfect pass on Davis' stick who one-timed it home for a 4-1 lead. Minutes later Haringa fed the puck to Finlayson who executed another identical passing play down the right side to Peter Mashinter who banged in the fifth Halton goal.

At the 9:06 mark Davis took a behind the net pass from Curtis Carr and Stuart Colvin, spun around and deposited it under the startled Brampton goalie. Davis again closed off Halton scoring by getting his fourth and the final goal off a scramble for the 7-1 victory. Mashinter and Haringa helped.

Defenceman Jon Atley, Richard Trotter, Haringa, Taylor, Stuart Colvin and Matt Vervoorn were unbeatable in the last period.

This was the league leading Hurricanes' 11th straight game without defeat. Coach John Mallany and assistant Kevin Elkins have added discipline to a close knit group of 14-year-olds who have demonstrated the ability to go far in the playoffs.

Acton figure skaters win big at Central Ontario competition

By STEVE LEBLANC

Special to the Independent/Free Press

Members of the Acton Figure Skating Club took home a great deal of hardware at a recent Central Ontario Section Interclub Competition in Orangeville.

Over 500 participants competing at this "Skates Alive" meet with local skaters taking home many golds, silvers and bronzes.

In the team events - element division, three Acton skating teams picked up first place finishes. Julia Metelka, Jessica Metelka, Edyn Marshall, and Tessa Timbers comprised the "The Herdie Gerdy's" and brought home a gold as did the teams of "The Luck Larry's" (including Joey Brunelle, Edyn Marshall, Daniel Pursoo, and Tessa Timbers) and "Cynthia's Sensations" (made up of Caitlin Dick, Cara McGiloway, Sarah Venema, and Candice Timbers).

"Heavenly Halo's", who take in Alison Coe, Joy Christopher, Bronwyn Marshall, Cora

Routledge, scored a third place finish.

In the Dance Events, Emily Savage and Megan McDowell, Cara McGiloway and Candice Timbers, and Bronwyn and Cora Routledge took firsts while picking up thirds were Tiffany Pursoo and Casey Miller and Mary Beth Robertson and Debbie Mashinter.

Capturing a gold in Preliminary Figures competition was Megan McDowell, Emily Savage, and Michelle Withers of "Circles Plus". Second place in the First Figure division for the local club was "Curvations Cuties", including Cara McGiloway, Candice Timbers and Sarah Venema while Emily Savage, Chloe Savage and Kari Hicks of "Figures Plus" finished third in the Pre-Preliminary Figures.

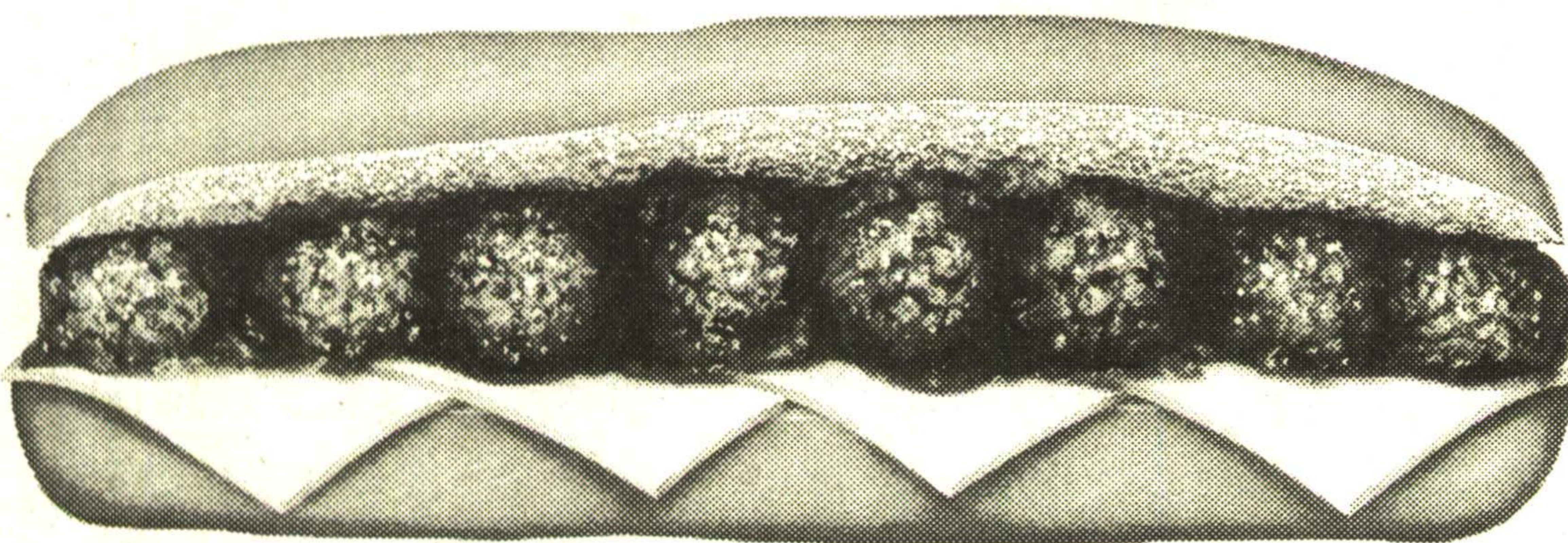
In Solo competition, Cara McGiloway, Candice Timbers, Adriann Coe, Bronwyn Marshall and Joy Christopher all scored firsts and Alison Coe finished second.

Edyn Marshall, Casey Miller, Kari Hicks, Sarah Venema and Debbie Mashinter collected third place showings.



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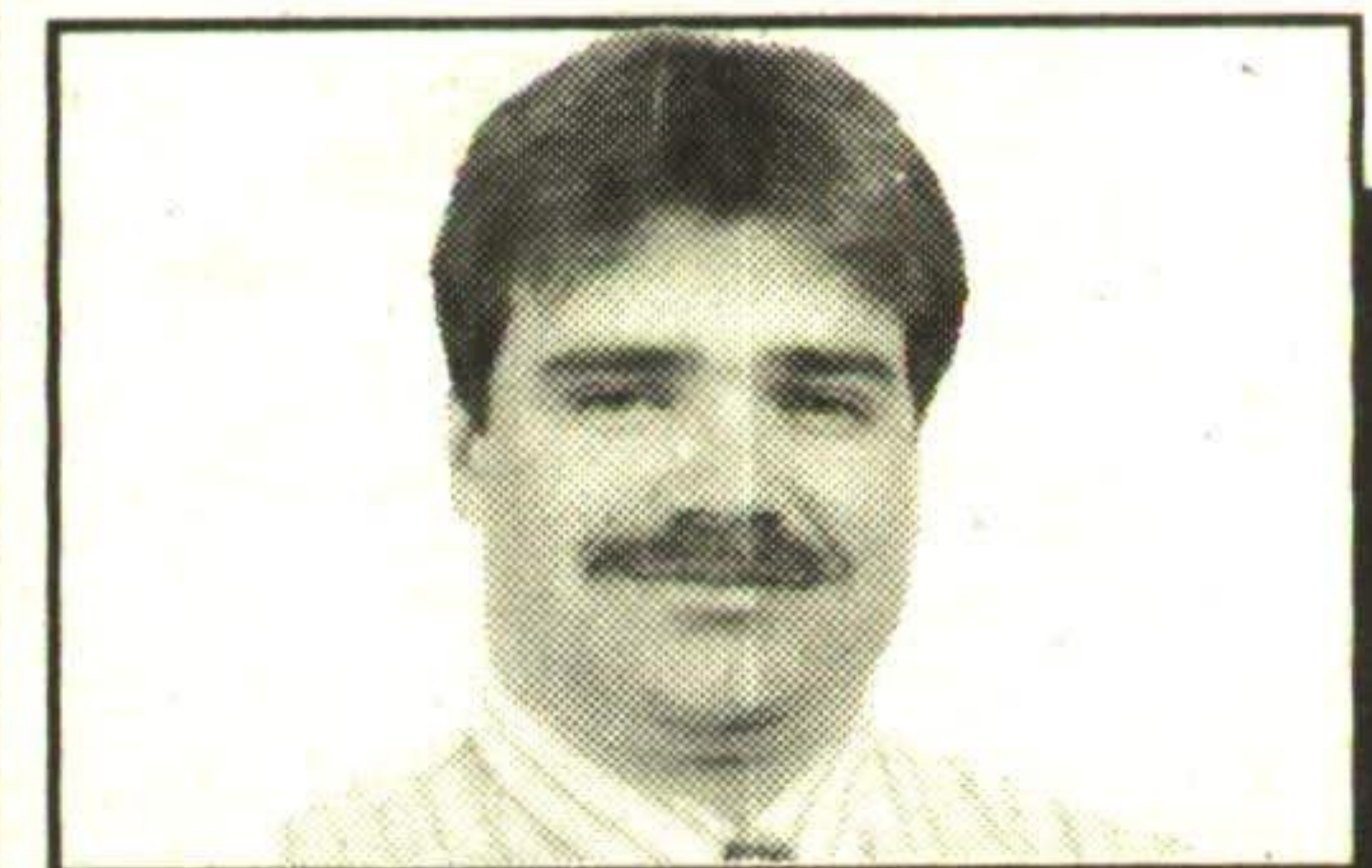
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