

55 teams competing for bantam tourney honors

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Some exciting hockey action has begun in Georgetown this weekend with the start of the 33rd annual Georgetown International Bantam Tournament, which began Friday, March 12 and runs until Sunday, March 21.

The tournament, being held at both Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena and Georgetown Memorial Arena, will feature 55 teams from across

Canada and the United States. Teams from as far away as Columbus, Ohio, Detroit, Windsor and Rideau St. Lawrence have made the trip to Georgetown to compete for top honors in the 10-day event.

The teams will be dividing up into four divisions, with divisions A and B including 12 squads and C and D comprising 16 teams (Brooklyn/Whitby have dropped out of division D).

Making up A division are:

Guelph, Ajax/Pickering, Kingston, Toronto Red Wings, Detroit, Burlington, Brampton, Stoney Creek, London, Brantford, Quinte and the Halton Hurricanes.

Division B will be made up of: Etobicoke, Thornhill, Ajax, York Simcoe, Barrie, Bowmanville, Hillcrest, Kitchener, Oakville, Waterloo, Cambridge and Rideau St. Lawrence.

Division C will comprise Kitchener, Georgetown (major bantams), Vaughan, Cambridge,

Scarborough, Owen Sound, Oakville, Caledon, Scarborough Stallions, Newmarket, London, Kingston, Windsor, Clearwater, Walden and Columbus, Ohio while Georgetown (minor bantams), Petrolia, Durham, Collingwood, Stratford, Brampton, Oshawa, Pickering, Stoney Creek, Trenton, Ridgeway, Gloucester, Lindsay and Manitoulin.

Semi-final playoff games will be held between 11 a.m. and 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 20 at Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena while cham-

pionship matches are slated for Sunday, March 21 at Alcott.

The Georgetown major bantams' final round robin game is scheduled for Tuesday at 5:55 p.m. against Newmarket.

The local minor bantams began play their next game Monday at 7:20 p.m. against Brampton. Their final game is set for 10:50 a.m. Wednesday against Oshawa.

A grand total of 99 games can be seen with the final on Sunday, March 21 at 8.30 p.m.

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The 46th Annual Toronto Sportsmen's Show is just around the corner! This exciting yearly event is being held March 12-21 at the Coliseum Building in Exhibition Place in Toronto.

The show covers over 10 acres with product, information and fun for the whole family. New events include the Toronto Stampede and the Wild West Rodeo Show.

Costs for the show are: \$8.50 per adult, \$6.50 per junior (6-15) and senior and children under 5 years are admitted free.

For more information, call (416) 638-6500.

Bridge results

The results of March 8 duplicate bridge at the Legion were: 1. Elsie Whitham, Karol Tobiasz; 2. Mike Lorusso, Rene March; 3. Judy Rivers, Earl Ryder.

Silver lining

Georgetown's first entry into the Dairy Queen Kids and Golden Agers National Championships was highly successful. Both the female and male teams ended in the silver position. The team of Bantam boys, Gregory Corman, Jason White with Golden Agers Trevor Williams and Gord Morton, came second to the Welland bowlers while Owen Sound placed behind them in third. The team of Bantam girls, Heather Pollock and Kelly Klimsiak with Golden Agers Joyce Tilson and Mabel Hives, tried to outdo the boys. However, they also succumbed to a team from Welland despite the vocal support of their coach, Debbie Hole.

Special hours

Glen Eden Ski Area in Milton will be offering special March Break hours. Monday, March 15 to Sunday, March 21, skiing is available from 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. and in the evening from 6:30 p.m. - 10 p.m. Monday to Friday only. Full day lift tickets will be \$24 for adults and \$19 for juniors, half day lift tickets from 1 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. will be \$20 for adults and \$16 for juniors. Evening lift tickets will be \$19 for adults and \$15 for juniors.

All even

The Erin Shamrocks and Orangeville Crushers are even at two wins each in their best-of-seven Mid-Ontario Junior C championship series. Erin won the opening two games 3-1 and 4-3 in double overtime but allowed Orangeville back into the series with 6-5 and 9-1 wins Wednesday and Thursday. Game five was in Orangeville Friday with a sixth game slated for Erin at 1.30 p.m. today (Sunday).



Full house

There was plenty of exciting curling action at last weekend's Wee Lassie Bonspiel, held Saturday, March 6 at the North Halton Golf and Country Club. Capturing first-place honors in the tournament were the team of Karin Henderson (skip), Brenda Smith, Donna Purcell and Nancy Gibson. Teammates Doris de Hueck and Ann Prior curled

in the morning game. Taking second place were Alice Fraser, Theresa Smith, Grace Rylett and Michelle Brown. Third place finish went to Mary Lou Grenier, Betty Shephard, Marlana Letson and Judy Ashenurst while fourth place went to Joan Trimble, Ann French, Ev McLaren and Donna Jackson. Photo by BARB STEPHENS

Hurricanes split OMHA encounters

It's now a best of three series as the Halton JDP Minor Bantam Hurricanes split the home and home OMHA tilt with London this past weekend.

In the first game Saturday, March 6 in London, the 14-year-olds faced their toughest opposition of the year in the Southern AAA champs, London Knights. It ended in a close 3-2 victory for the locals.

After 10 minutes of end to end scoreless hockey Richard Trotter took a point pass from Justin Davis and blistered a bullet at the net. The rebound was poked in by Curtis Carr. In the second Steven Roy picked up the puck at the blue line, flipped it to Darin Finlayson who fired point blank at the goalie with Doug Janjevich scooping up the puck and jamming it for a 2-0 lead. London made it 2-1 with a goal at the 5:38 mark on a wild shot that

caroomed in off a helmet.

One of the picture goals of the season happened at the 8:21 mark of the third as Tom Baynton fed a pass to Roy who slipped it to Dan Haw. As he burst by the defence-men Haw momentarily lost the puck, kicked it up to his stick and with a defenceman draped over him and off balance radared a wrist shot by the goalie for a 3-1 lead.

London's second goal of the game in the third made it 3-2 which was the final score. London had 12 shots to 26 for Halton but this was not indicative of the play.

As usual Geoff Beuparlant committed grand larceny during the evening against London.

Sunday's game at Thompson was a thriller which went into overtime. London scored first at 8:20 and Halton tied it up six minutes later when Matt Vervoorn's seeing eye

slapshot found the net. Assists went to Haw and Janjevich. Halton went ahead in the second when Davis stuffed in a cross goal mouth pass from Baynton and Peter Mashinter on a power play.

London tied it up 2-2 minutes later while shorthanded on a poor Halton clearing effort.

The third period was end to end full speed combat. A 10 minute overtime went to the last 32 seconds when with Beuparlant pinned to the ice on a scramble, London popped in the winner.

An exhausted crowd dispersed after seeing a great display of play-off hockey with the series now going back to London Saturday, March 13 and then to Thompson on Sunday, March 14. Many Hurricane players had good games but goalie Geoff Beuparlant, defenceman Jon Atley and winger Dan Haw excelled.

Colarossi competes at hockey Nationals

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Georgetown District High School student Stacey Colarossi was part of the action at the first Canadian National Under-18 Girls' Ice Hockey championships, held February 17 to 22 in Montreal, Quebec.

Having qualified for the Ontario Blue squad back in December during tryouts in Brampton, 16-year-old Stacey turned in some solid outings during the six-day tournament and helped the Ontario Blue team capture the bronze.

In round-robin play, Ontario Blue destroyed Prince Edward Island 8-0, lost a close 2-1 decision to Ontario Red, and notched a 5-2 win over Alberta. Ontario Blue then went on to edge out Alberta 3-2 in playoff action to win the bronze. Ontario Red captured the gold and Quebec took home the silver.

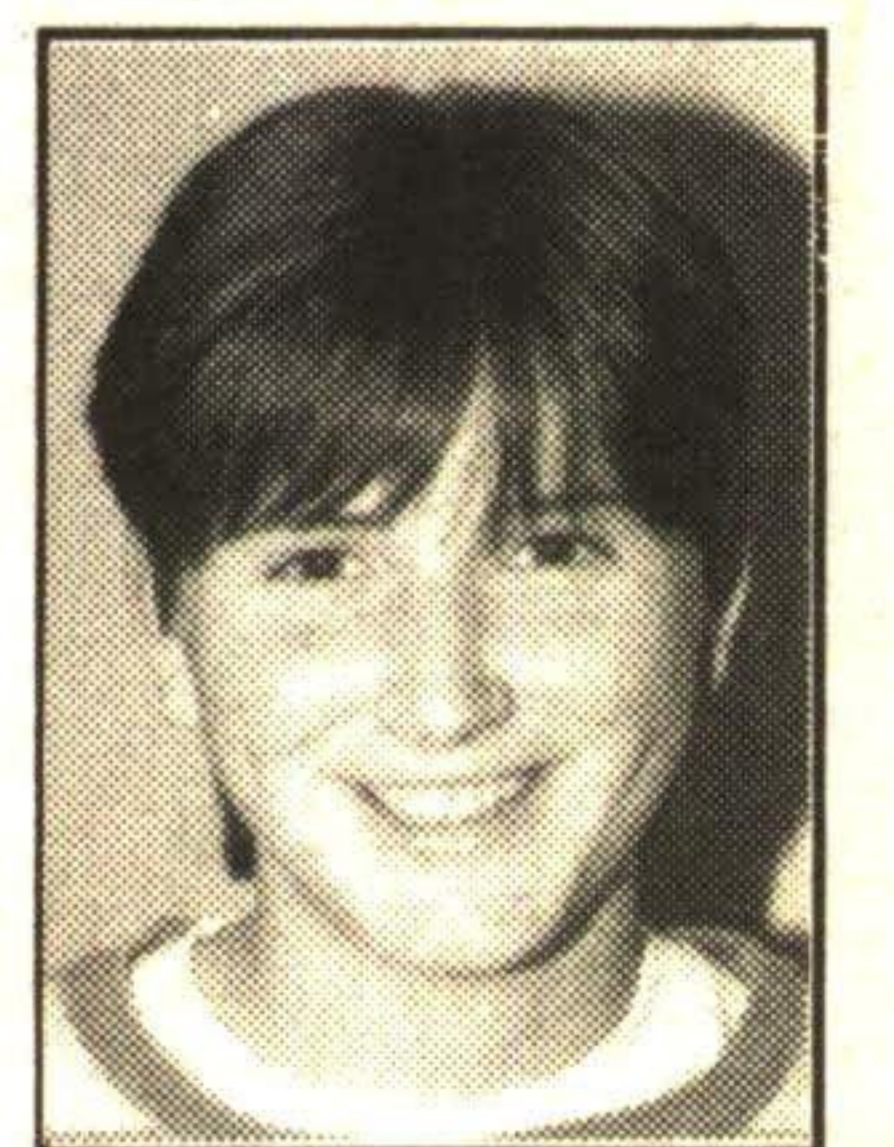
"The team really came together well during the tournament," said Stacey, a grade 11 student at GDHS. "Our game against Ontario Red, who went on to win the gold, was our best performance of the tournament and we stay with them all the way."

Stacey, who played left wing during the national competition, scored Ontario Blue's lone goal against Ontario Red and notched three goals overall, along with a few assists.

"I felt I played pretty well during the tournament. It was a lot faster than the regular league I play in. Being part of the first National Under-18 Girls' tournament was great."

Stacey hopes to earn an athletic scholarship to the United States and play university women's hockey after high school and lists the '96 Winter Olympics as one of her major long-term goals.

"I want to keep playing hockey for as long as I can."



STACEY COLAROSSII



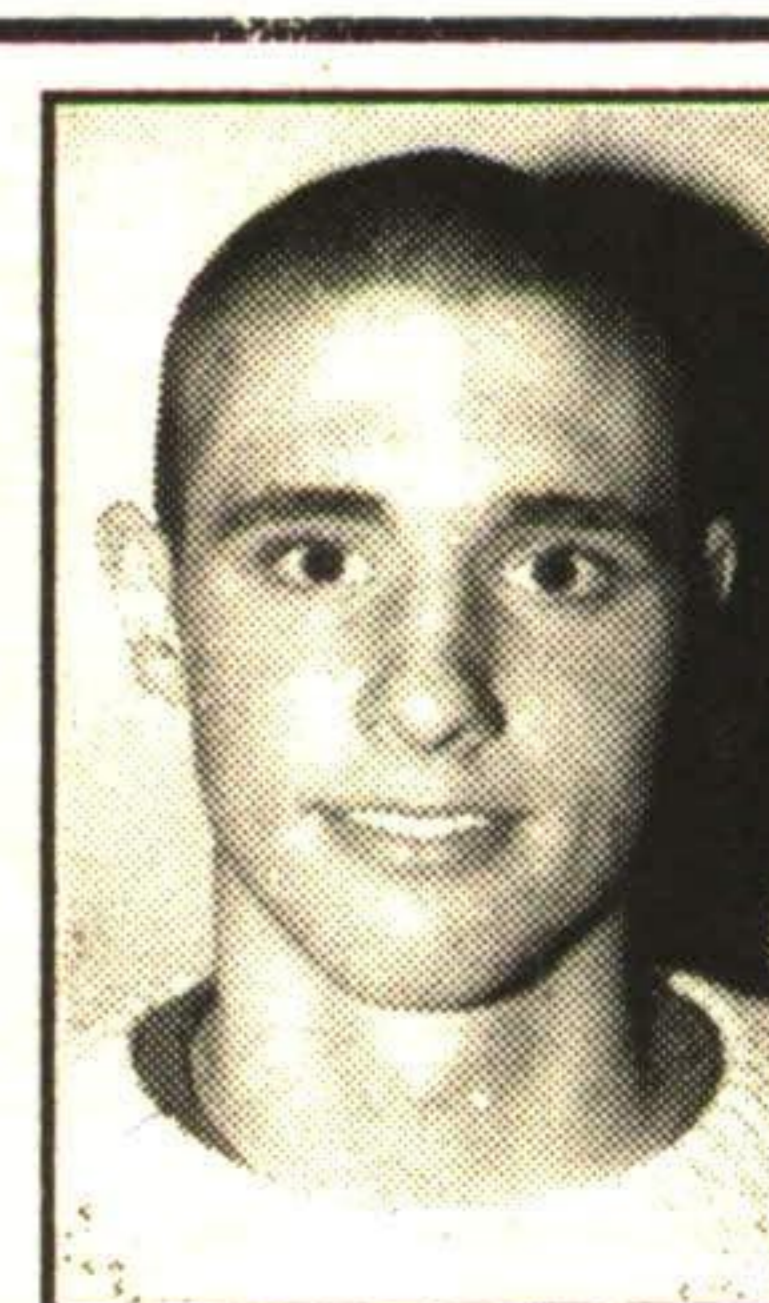
MICHAEL ANDREWS



JACKIE JAHN

Athletes of the Week

Acton Redmen track and field athlete MICHAEL ANDREWS, 14, competed at last Friday's track meet at York University. He took 6th place in the 800 metre run and an impressive 3rd place finish in the 1,500 metre run. JACKIE JAHN, 14, was a setter with the midget girls' volleyball team this season. Jackie helped the squad to a 4th place finish in the Halton championship tournament last month. The Redmen girls lost to Milton District in the semi-finals. Georgetown District High School McDonald's/MVP Distributing Athletes of the Week are KEVIN TAYLOR and HAYLEY BROWN. Kevin, 16, is a star cross-country skier who captured the bronze at the Ontario finals in Haliburton. He had previously place first at G.H.A.C. and in the Halton Championships. Hayley, 14, is a setter and co-captain with the midget girls' volleyball team and helped her squad win the Halton Regional Championships last month against Milton District.



KEVIN TAYLOR



HAYLEY BROWN