

Dart leagues resume

By Alex Tough

I trust you had a nice Christmas and are looking forward to a 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 getting together. The pre-night draw had to be changed due to several no-shows and there were four sections of round robins 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 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'Toole's 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 Ebbinge, 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 124. Ewing and Al Murphy are the only players with two finished 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.

Back to the Industrial League for a moment or two of end of the year statistics.

First division lead is shared by the 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 finished 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 the 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 protegee, 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 Madoe, 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, with Dave Paterson or Grant Richardson for a small fee, which is donated to cancer research 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 hairdressing salon in town, you may receive a shock!

Good darting to all, see you in 1993.

Minor bantam Hurricanes end 1992 with win against Brampton

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 a goal mouth scramble resulted in Tom Baynton scoring on a snap shot with help from Davis and Steven Roy.

Halton played shorthanded for the next seven minutes ending with a screened shot goal for Brampton. Geoff Beauparlant 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 face-off 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.

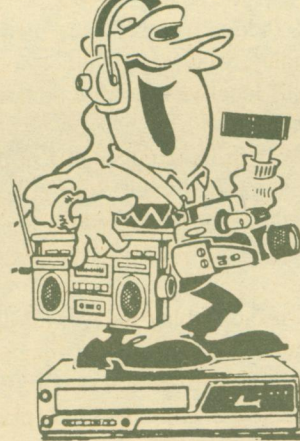
Coach John Mallany and assistant Kevin Elkins have added discipline to a close knit group of 14-year-olds who have demonstrated the ability to go far in the playoffs.

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