## Grand championship games set for Sunday

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ment for us, we got to fill in for a couple of games," said Marketplace Raiders coach Jack Moon.

In Division A, Stoney Creek has played some excellent hockey and advanced winning all three games. They will find it tough to go any further, however, as the Detroit squad looks poised to go all the

The B division has Mississauga awaiting the winner of group one involving Waterloo and Rideau St. Lawrence. Barrie looks to have a shot a shot at the wild-card.

Kitchener and Owen Sound will face-off in one Division C matchup, while the other two groups hadn't completed play at press time.

The D division has Parkdale and Durham awaiting the winners of the other two groups.

The division semi-finals start today (Saturday) at 11:00 a.m. with the last game being played at 9:30

The Division Finals start Sunday at 8:00 a.m. with the Grand Championship Round games slated for 2:30 and 4:30 p.m. The Grand Championship Final will start at

Various clubs have helped throughout the tournament. Saturday (today) is Lions Club Day, while Sunday is Legion Day.

Both organizations will help with the hospitality and kitchen duties and as well, the bantam parents, hockey moms and volunteers from the community will be on hand as they have been throughout the tour-

The Georgetown Minor Hockey Association hopes the community shows its support Sunday

### Hurricanes expand boundary to include Dundas group

The Ontario Minor Hockey Association recently announced that Dundas Minor Hockey Association players would be eligible to play in the Halton AAA Minor Hockey Alliance.

The Alliance is made up of the local hockey association including Acton, Erin, - Hillsburgh, Georgetown, Milton Orangeville plus the newest entry, Dundas.

The Dundas news is a significant event for the Hurricanes as this is only their third year of operation.

In this brief span, the Hurricanes have notched four Central League titles, two OMHA championships

and at date of writing, they have two teams (Minor Atoms an Minor Bantams) competing in the 1993 OMHA semi finals.

The Hurricane AAA program available for players from eight t 18 years of age. They are alway interested in talking with the par ents who are considering their play ers options for the upcoming hock ey season.

For more information, please ca 1-416-877-8379.

A new format is underway thi year as spring tryouts have bee scheduled starting Sunday, April 4 1993. A full listing of times can be found in next weeks paper.

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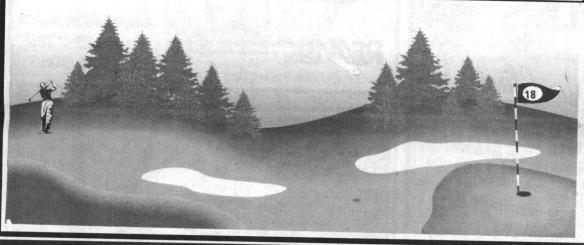
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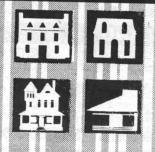
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# Deer suffer throughout winter

By David Featherstone

Winter is a critical period for wildlife. Food is scarce and is often less nutritious than at other times of the year. Wildlife adjust to winter conditions through three mechanisms: migration, hibernation and adaptations.

White-tailed deer are adaptable, making adjustments to stay active through the winter months. Fat reserves are built up during late summer and early fall. These reserves can supply nearly onethird of a deer's winter energy requirements. As winter approaches, deer move to suitable cover and decrease their metabolism to conserve precious energy.

Deer conserve energy through the winter months by moving to conifer 'yards". Stands of hemlock, cedar and pine catch snow on their branches, reducing snow depths on the ground. A network of trails and runways through these stands allows deer to move easily between food and cover.

During the winter months, deer feed on a variety of deciduous buds and twigs. Conifer foliage also provides a valuable food source. However, when compared to summer vegetation, winter food sources are difficult to digest and provide lower nutritional value.

As winter progresses, deer survival becomes directly related to three key factors: the amount of fat stored the previous fall, the availability of food, and the severity of the winter.

The late winter/early spring period is toughest on deer. Warmer temperatures and longer days stimulate deer metabolism, increasing energy demands. However, food supplies may be very low, especially if the winter has been severe or if deer have overpopulated their

Fawns born the previous spring are the first to suffer. Most of their: energy has been directed to body growth whereas adults spend lates summer and early fall building vitall fat reserves. Last year's fawns are: relatively small and have difficulty, moving through deep snow.

Adult bucks also suffer in late, winter. The physical stresses associated with the fall rutting period! burn up fat reserves which would otherwise sustain the bucks through the winter months.

Pregnant does are the last to succumb during the critical late winter period. Their metabolism rate falls to a level lower than that of other deer. This protective mechanism allows does to survive and perpetuate the species.

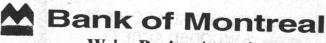
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