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Georgetown hockey school provides intensive, innovative instruction

By Mike Zrostek

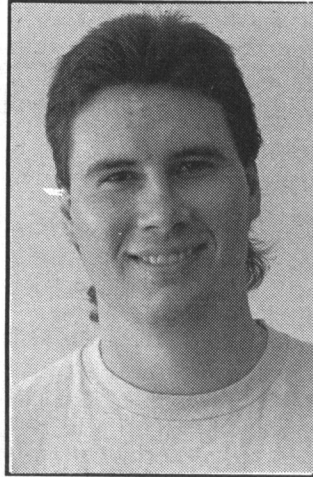
Hockey season is fast approaching and what better way to give the youngsters a headstart than enroll them in the Halton Hills Sports Academy 1993 Hockey School in Georgetown - the only hockey school operating locally.

The school runs from August 30 to Sept. 3 at Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena and will be headed by local hockey player Adam Bennett of the NHL's Chicago Blackhawks.

This year's Halton Hills Sports Academy hockey school will be the best one yet, said Dave Krause, who operates the Academy. "We have great instructors and a great program for the kids," he said. "Plenty of room is available with about 50 spots left, but parents should register their kids as soon as possible because the spots fill up very quickly as the date approaches and unfortunately, we have to cut off at 120."

Indeed, the instructors are top notch, having plenty of qualifications which will definitely benefit the kids.

Along with Adam Bennett the other instructors include, Jay Anderson, Tim Bennett, Simon Golding, Curtis Green

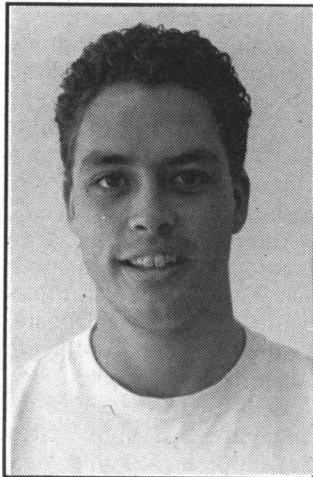


Tim Bennett

and Rod Pasma.

Anderson, a supply teacher at Georgetown District High School, played through the Georgetown minor hockey system and played for the Georgetown Gemini Jr. B squad. He was an assistant coach for the Raiders between 1988-90 and an assistant with Brandon University of the CIAU from 1990-92. He rejoined the Raiders last year. Anderson will be the dryland training instructor.

Tim Bennett, who is a Fitness, Health and Recreation Consultant at the Brampton YMCA, played 11 years in the minor hockey system in Georgetown and



Simon Golding

two years in Belleville playing college hockey.

Bennett has coached Novice AA Rep, Women's College Hockey, Midget / Juvenile House league and Atom AA Rep. He has a diploma in Recreation Leadership and received the Esso Medal of Achievement in 1988. Bennett will be an on ice instructor.

Simon Golding graduated from Brock University with Honours in Phys Ed. in 1992 and from Lakehead University in Education in 1993. He was a camp counselor for two years with Community Living in Mississauga working with handicapped children and is a

flag football and soccer coach. Golding will be the Sports Director of the camp.

Curtis Green is in his fourth year working with the camp. Green also played minor hockey in Georgetown, played three years for the Jr. B Raiders and spent time with the Guelph Platers.

Green currently is on a baseball scholarship at Troy State University in Alabama where he is studying Criminal Justice with a minor in Psychology. Green will be the goaltending instructor.

Rod Pasma played 10 years of minor hockey in Georgetown and a year with the Jr. B Raiders. He was drafted 9th overall by the Cornwall Royals in '89 and drafted 30th overall by the Washington Capitals in '90.

Pasma has worked at the camp the past two years and will be an on-ice instructor.

Youngsters between the ages of 6 and 12 will be taught the basic skills of skating, puck handling, passing, shooting and checking.

The program will provide a more intensive week of innovative instruction for each player. Thorough teaching of skating techniques will be a major component, as well as gaining a better understand-

ing of the concepts of hockey.

Featured in the program are video instruction, fitness and strength classes, sports and game classes and hockey seminars. Many of these aspects are continued today by professional hockey players.

Adam Bennett stresses that everything taught in the

school is geared to helping the youngsters improve his overall hockey game.

"This camp is run as a "hockey school", they will be learning all aspects of the game. It's not a playground atmosphere. The participants will get sound training of basic hockey skills," stressed Bennett.

Raiders rarin' to go

By Mike Zrostek

The 1993-94 season is slowly creeping up and the Georgetown Chrysler Junior A Raiders have been busy measuring up talent as they head for pre-season tournament play.

Early indications from the Thursday night practices in Brampton are very positive.

"This is the best group of local players at camp since I've been here," said Raiders general manager Finn Poulstrup. "We are very pleased with the players who have shown up for the workouts."

Local players that have stood out early are Doug Sheppard, Gavin Glassard, Ryan Pirie and Kevin Lunn.

Taking to the ice from last year's squad have been Ian Allison and Trevor Brandt, who are both expected to do a majority of the scoring for the Raiders this year says Poulstrup.

"We have two of the best goal scorers in the league and this year I think they will move up into the top five in league scoring. Hopefully we can find someone to play with them."

Overall, the Raiders are looking for some toughness to put them over the edge at defense but are carefully looking at the goaltending position as an area of major concern.

The coaching staff have been concentrating on trying to fill the position by looking at a fair number of candidates during the summer sessions.

One player the Raiders are looking at to fill the void in goal is six-foot-three, 200-pound 17-year-old Stephen Miffelin who played with the North York Canadiens last year.

As the Raiders get ready for the NHL Mini Tournament in Etobicoke Aug. 27-29, Poulstrup says he thinks the Raiders will finish in the top four this year in the West division.

"We had a strong finish last year and we know what kind of talent we have and the prospects are looking very good. With the players returning from last year, I think we will have a strong season."

The Raiders start their training camp Aug. 31 at Georgetown's Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena with the first home exhibition game scheduled for Sept. 4 against the Markham Waxers.

Acton adopted son signs with Canucks

By Colin Gibson

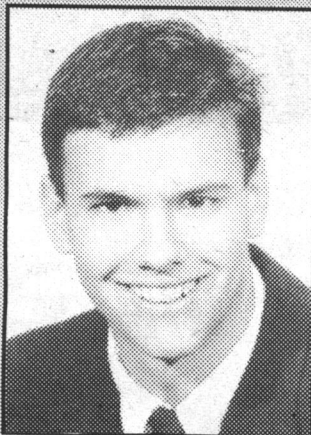
Halton Hills can add another NHL feather to its hockey cap in the person of Daryl Filipek, who recently signed a two-year contract with the Vancouver Canucks.

To be more accurate, Filipek might best be termed an adopted son, as his family moved to Acton from Alberta in 1989 and Filipek at that time was enrolling at Ferris State University in Michigan in the first year of a four-year hockey scholarship.

The university education has paid huge dividends for Filipek from both an educational and hockey standpoint.

The 22-year-old 6-foot, two inch, 205-pound left shooting defenseman advanced through the Strathcona Warriors Hockey Association in the Ardrossan Alberta minor hockey system and it was while playing for the Sherwood Park Crusaders, a Tier II Alberta Junior Hockey League team, that he was scouted by Ferris State assistant hockey coach, Bob Mancini.

Had Filipek chosen to go



Daryl Filipek

the Major Junior A hockey route, he would have been ineligible for a hockey scholarship under United States NCAA (National Collegiate Athletic Association) rules.

He was a player that caused scouts to sit up and take notice.

In 1987 at the Ft. Saskatchewan Major Midget provincial tournament, he was selected the Most Sportsmanlike Player.

In 1989, he was selected to the A.J.H.L. first team allstar team.

1990 proved to be a banner year for Filipek.

He was selected the FSU

Rookie of the Year; made the second team All Rookie Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) allstar team and was drafted in the 7th round (128th overall) by the Canucks in that year's entry draft.

He was made team captain at FSU last season, won a CCHA Defensive Player of the Year Award and received the fan award as the Most Competitive player at FSU in 1993.

He was also selected to the first team allstar team in the Mariucci Classic in Minneapolis Minn. this past spring.

A highlight of his university career was competing in the CCHA Final Four tournament.

His four year totals at FSU are equally impressive.

In 150 games, he scored 26 goals, added 49 assists and took 196 minutes in penalties. Of special note, were his 16 power play goals, his two shorthanded goals and his four game winning goals.

He also exited FSU with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration.

Filipek is hoping to join Rockwood's Mike Hudson, with the NHL's Edmonton Oilers and Georgetown's Adam Bennett, in the NHL ranks.

He will attend his first Canuck's training camp Sept. 10.



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