Sputtering offense proves fatal for Travel Midgets

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The Acton Travel Midgets began a two game "mini" slump during the period from Jan. 10-12.

In Arthur, a power-play goal with 42 seconds remaining was the decisive blow for the visitors in a tough 3-2 loss.

Down 2-1 entering third period play, Acton's Brad Cripps pulled the trigger to knot matters at 2-2. But the Midgets committed the cardinal sin being shorthanded in the late stages of a tight game as the buzzer negated any comeback attempt.

Mark Henderson had the other Acton goal. Dan King, Jim Lloyd and Roy Stuckless recorded the game's assists.

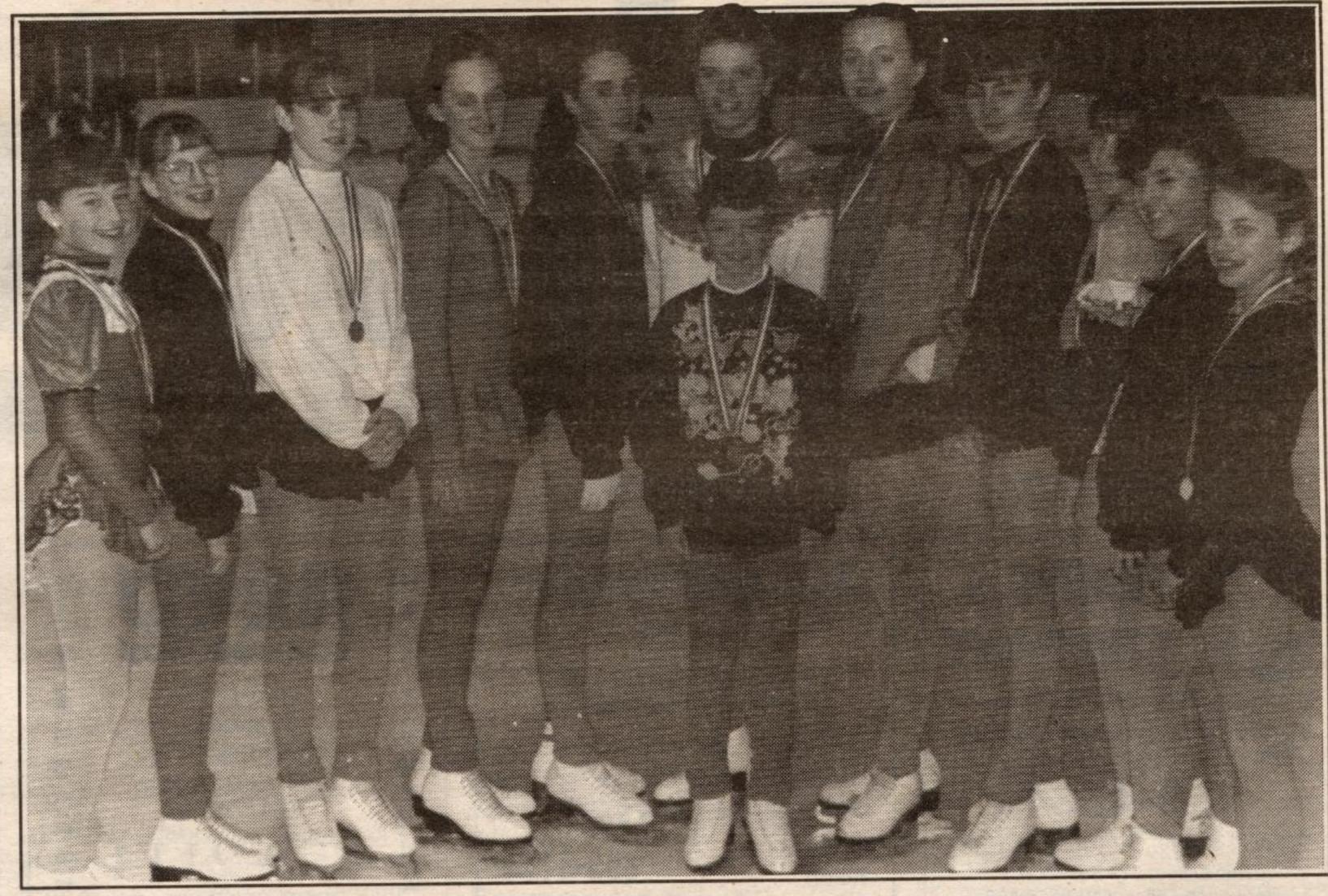
Meanwhile, goals were again hard to come by on Jan. 12 as a Brad Cripps's goal was all Acton could muster in a 4-1 defeat at the hands of Waterloo at the Acton Arena.

Assists were recorded by Troy MacDougall and Adam Reynolds.

The Midgets squeaked out a 6-5 win over Guelph in an exhibition game Saturday at Acton arena.

Cripps led the Acton scoring with a hat trick and two assists. King had assists on all three of Cripps's goals along with Lloyd and Rob Tiralongo.

Lloyd scored once with help from King and Duane Piper and King found the net twice with help from Cripps, Lloyd and Tiralongo.



TALENTED GROUP: December was a busy month for members of the Acton Figure Skating Club, as they were kept busy preparing for fall test day on Dec. 3 and Club Competition on Dec. 10. Many skaters successfully passed their tests and first and second place winners at Club Competition will go on to represent Acton at the Peel-Halton Inter-Club Competition on Feb. 13 and 14 in Erin Mills. This group of medal-winners posed for our camera last week: left to right, Bronwyn Marshall, Adriann Coe, Joy Christopher, Jenny May, Stasha Vancek, Dianne Burt, Alison Coe, Krista Petty, Debbie Mashinter, Cora Routledge and Candice Timbers. Front and centre is Cara McGilloway. (Eric Balkind photo)

Andy's defeats league-leaders

The Andy's Novice II rep team ended their three game losing skid last Tuesday, as Chad Greenwood recorded his ninth shutout of the season in a 1-0 road win over league leading Cambridge.

The loss, which was the first of the season for Cambridge, kept second place Andy's within breathing distance in Hub league play.

A hard-fought game by Andy's

players Andrew Forbes and Jeff Payne was all the visitors needed as they set up the game's only goal, pocketed by David Preston.

Nellis Novices doubled 4-2

Despite a two-goal performance by Acton Sabre Ben Williams, the Nellis Construction Novice I hockey squad dropped a hardfought 4-2 decision against the league-leaders in Arthur Thursday.

Ian Wallis assisted on both of Williams's goals, with single helpers coming off the sticks of David Brooks and Ryan Weatherall.

Bousfield blasts four

Wayne Bousfield's four goals were the difference in Churchill Collision's 7-3 win over Sit N Bull in Industrial hockey action at the Community Centre on Sunday.

Greg Landriault, with two, and Don Richards picked up the other markers for the winners. Richards and John Toebes both had a pair of assists in the game, while single helpers went to Bousfield, Steve Brunelle.

John McLean, Bill Hollings and Colin Brace scored for Sit N Bull.

In other action Sunday, Mr. Mugs and A.T.W. tied 3-3.

Doug Reid, Bren Irwin and Bill Morrison all picked up goals for Mr. Mugs.

For A.T.W. it was Art Currie potting a pair and Morgan Vatters with a single.

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