AHS Lady cagers hold Eagles to 27 points Marcoux's 8 points lift

BY DOUG HARRISON The Acton Tanner

What a difference a week makes.

Two weeks ago, the Acton Redmen Senior Girls' basketball team watched as the Bishop Reding Royals blew by them, scoring 20 points in the first quarter.

But a little confidence, more controlled passing and better rebounding later and the locals had kept the Q.E. Park Eagles to just over that total through an entire game in Oakville on Thursday.

Yes, the result was the same a loss (27-14) — but this was a drastically different bunch of ladies who were run out of their own building 79-8 to begin the season.

"The girls played 300 per cent

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better," says a content Anne Andrews, coach of the Lady Redmen. "They're starting to realize that to score you have to put the ball up. They played with confidence and passed much better, but we still need to work on our shooting."

If nothing else, the fact the Redmen have scored a paltry 22 points in their first two games begs for a refresher course in shooting.

The Redmen were down 11-7 at the half and threatened early in the fourth quarter, inching within three points of the Eagles at 18-14.

A good chunk of their success on Thursday could be attributed to their effective man-to-man coverage, something they had moderate success with in the final quarter

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against the Royals.

But there's a problem. Andrews is carrying only 9 players, so she's forced to play zone more to save her players' legs late in games.

"Man coverage is basketball. Zone is just what you fall into," Andrews explains. "We played man for the first quarter and half the second, but I had to rotate players because the girls were getting scrambly in their play."

Jen McKay and Shelby DaPonte led the Redmen with four points. Other scorers were Amanda Garwood (3), Shondra Stroud (2) and Jackie Jahn with a point.

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Cardinal Carter Invitational meet at Boyd Conservation Area in Woodbridge.

"I would like to see him (Andrews) run consistently. After a run like that he should run 27th or better all the time," says Andrews.

But Andrews says the youngster's size (5-foot-2, 95 pounds) continues to hurt him.

ATW to Tyke victory

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Mr. Mugs' Mike Rowsell could be dubbed the early season Five Goal Man after duplicating his 1994-95 debut with a fivegoal effort again on Saturday in his team's 6-3 doubling of Mike Luty Transport.

However, Rowsell wasn't silent on the other goal, teaming with Paul Schiller to set up Shane Drexler's goal.

Other assists went to Schiller with two,

Garret Lyall and Nevil Bapooji. Adam Lindsay with a pair and Jeff

Schouten replied for Mike Luty. Tom Dredge with two, David McEnery

and Mike Varanelli collected helpers. NOVICE

Kory Killingbeck and Shawn Gobin scored in Remax's 2-0 shutout of MacMillan's.

In other games, two goals each by Curtis McArthur and Tyler Vaness paced the Legion Branch 197 Maple Leafs to a 5-3 win over Galvcast.

Jason Beatty rounded out the scoring. Matt Chapman led the winners with three assists. Singles were awarded to McArthur, Vaness, Gavin Williams, Matt Williams and Derek Mandy.

Scoring for Galvcast were Tim Horseman, Jay Lalonde and Tim Pembleton.

Assists went to Pembleton, Kevin Zukowski, Joel Graydon and Ryan McFadden.

Jacob Kentner and Michael Keuprey score two goals to leadR & M Construction past MacKenzie-Chapman 6-0.

Steven Terry recorded two assists, while Kentner and Keuprey had one each.

TYKE

Powered by Andrew Marcoux's six goals, Acton Terminal Warehouse routed A & S Engraving 11-2 in Tyke play.

Also scoring were Nicole Gobin and Joe Douglas with two and Mike Kellas.

Gobin also chipped in with three assists. Others were given to Marcoux with two, James Berry and Brian Kim.

In a losing cause, Greg Henry and Joshua Stevens tallied for A & S Engraving. Nick Johnson and Shaun Harkley had assists.

Meanwhile, Kyle McDonald outscored Gavin Anderson 7-6, but his McIntyre Fuels were downed 10-8 by Al and Al's Red Brand Meats.

Fraser Anderson pocketed the hat-trick and Scott Timmins added a goal.

Fraser and Gavin Anderson, along with Todd Ferreira counted assists.

Paul Sharples completed the McIntyre Fuels scoring.

Neil Armstrong had a five-goal game against Best Transfer, but only managed one-third of his team's output in a 15-0 whalloping by Halton Hills Furniture.

Ryan Winters fired the hat-trick. Scoring twice were Trent Toletzka and Brad Near, while singles went to Michael Krasney, Kurtis Watts and Greg Black.

Watts and Kyle Toletzka had two helpers, while Krasney, Near, Black, Brenden Pezzack, Braden Artem and Luke Hurren netted singles.

Junior cagers to regroup

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It's back to basics for the Junior Redmen Girls' basketball outfit.

This was deemed necessary after the locals were run into the floor 40-16 at Q.E. Park High on Thursday against the Eagles.

While such occurrences as dropping balls and running with it before you have possession require a mere mental adjustment, erratic shooting, poor defensive coverage and a listless rebounding game calls for drills and then more drills.

"We did the right things but we didn't catch the ball," says Redmen

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coach Lyn McLaren.

Case in point: the Eagles' first 14 points were scored off Redmen turnovers, including missed passes.

Redmen players could also have been accused of not defencing their opponents well, namely being up to high in their coverage. Factor in skilled dribblers on the home side and it meant plenty open court for Eagles players to roam to the net.

"Our players are inexperienced and were out-rebounded viciously which is what I expect all year," McLaren comments.

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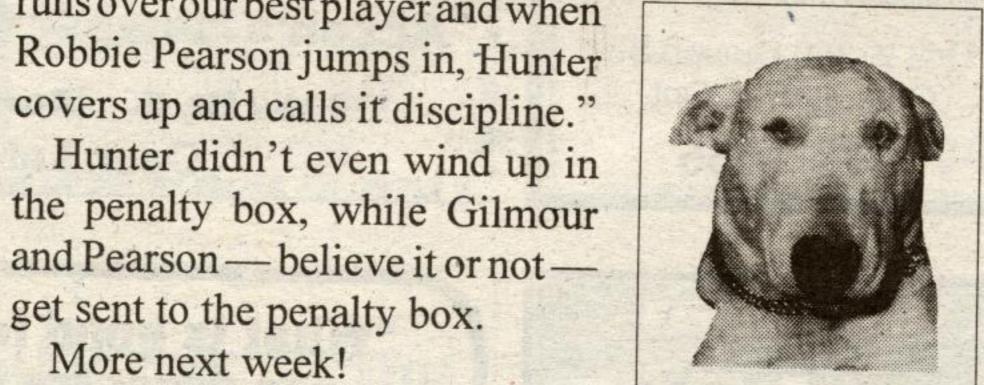
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Back to last year's Leaf loss to the Vancouver Canucks — and "disciplined" goon Tim Hunter. In the same game that Hunter cheap-shots Dougie Gilmour, John McIntyre rubs the face of Wendel Clark with his glove, but when McIntyre gets challenged he runs away and laughs. Here we have a guy who wears a mask, washes Clark's face, and then he points to scoreboard to mock his opponents. Pat Burns, Toronto head coach, said it best — there's no more honour in the game. In fact, Burns said "The code of honour in the NHL is dead and that's sad." When told that Hunter called his cowardice "discipline" Burns answered this way: "Discipline is such a funny word. Their toughest guy runs over our best player and when Robbie Pearson jumps in, Hunter covers up and calls it discipline."

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