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'TEAMS OF THE WEEK'

Acton teams are performing very well in Tri-County league playoffs.

Three local teams are currently embroiled in tough series, while the Bantam Firefighter Sabres reeled off three straight wins to upset Orangeville last week.

After thrilling victories of 13-1, 7-1 and 6-0, the Atom 1 Rotary Club Sabres week was capped by the notification that they had advanced to the final after prevailing in a tie-breaking goals-for, goalsagainst format against Arthur.

The Rotary Club Sabres finished the regular season in second-place with a 19-5-4 record. They are pitted against Oakville in the championship.

Meanwhile, the URW Local 603 Peewee 2 Sabres are playing Grand Valley in the final.

After compiling a 10-17-1 mark in the regular season, the locals have played strong in the postseason.

However, they could be in tough

against a Grand Valley squad which has yet to lose a playoff contest.

Struggling throughout the regular season to find the right combinations, the United Aggregate Local 488 Sabres have finally hit their stride in the playoffs.

A 5-22-1 regular season sure didn't convince many that the locals would still be on skates, let alone in the championship against Erin-Hillsburgh.

The Bantam Firefighter Sabres began to realize their potential after romping through the roundrobin portion of the Tri-County playdowns.

The 11-12-3 regular season Sabres toppled over the competition, losing just once and then shocked Orangeville in three games in the best-of-five final with victories of 6-3, 3-2 and 4-3.

Come out and support your local teams in their quest for a championship.

PEEWEE 2

The URW Local 603 Sabres suffered two losses last week to Grand Valley in their best-of-five Tri-County championship series.

In a spirited game on Sunday, Grand Valley prevailed 4-1, though the visitors' lead at the arena was slim at 2-1 midway through the third period.

A power-play goal and an insurance marker with Acton pressing sealed the home side's fate.

Hard-skating Matt Bodin completed a pretty setup by Reuben Rivers for the only Sabres score.

Last Wednesday in Grand Valley, the Sabres tied the game 1-1 with five minutes left.

But the momentum shifted when goalie David Gregson couldn't squeeze the pads on a long shot minutes later.

David Iacocca was the Sabres marksman.

BANTAM 1

After being thrashed 8-2 by Orangeville in the second-last game of the round-robin portion of the Tri-County playoffs, the Bantam Firefighter Sabres were given the chance to exact revenge before facing the same club for the league title.

A 3-3 tie started a four-game unbeaten string for the locals that culminated in a 4-0 weekend victory and a 3-0 series sweep.

Derrick McIntyre, Jon Routledge, Jason Christopher and Chris Yeatman scored for the Sabres in Game 3 of the best-of-five series.

Mark Faseruk with two, Christopher, Bob Brooks and Sean Durkin set up goals for the Sabres, who racked up a 6-1-2 playoff record.

The Sabres doubled Orangeville 6-3 in Game 1 before edging them 3-2 the next game.

BANTAM 2

Following a heart-breaking 3-2 loss to Erin to begin a Tri-County championship series, the United Aggregate Local 488 Sabres rebounded with a 6-4 win.

Adam King led the Sabres attack with two goals on Monday. Adam Petch, Joel Lucier, Jesse DeForest and Brent McGuire also scored.

Assists were awarded to Petch with three and two to Lucier. Registering singles were King and Scott MacDonald.

Scoring Sabres goals in the 3-2. loss last Tuesday were Lucier and McGuire.

Petch and Mark Ridley assisted.

COACHES!

Game sheets should be received by The Tanner no later than 9 am on Mondays.)

NOVICE 2

Dropping the fourth game of their OMHA championship 3-1 to Sutton on the weekend, Andy's Restaurant Sabres saw their bestof-five series evened at 2-2.

The fifth and deciding game was played last night (Tuesday).

Kyle Winters scored the lone Sabres goal with Nick Newby drawing the assist.

The Sabres seemed out of step in Sunday's game.

The series began three weeks ago with Sutton taking the first game 5-4 in overtime.

The Sabres, though, stormed back to win Games 2 and 3 (3-1 and 8-1) and looked ready to clinch the series on Friday night.

However, the game was rescheduled to Sunday.

ATOM 1

The Rotary Club Sabres took the first game of a best-of-three Tri-County final against Oakville with a 4-1 win last Wednesday.

Ryan Weatherall with two, Steve Barens and David Lyons fired Sabres goals at the arena.

Grabbing assists were Barens three times and Weatherall twice. Andrew Pembleton had a single.

Meanwhile, in a Mildmay tourney over the weekend, the Sabres whipped Goderich 8-3 to capture the consolation final.

Darren Banks and Jeff Payne each scored twice. Weatherall, Barens, Mike Dube and Mitch Moore collected singles.

Assists went to Pembleton, Payne, Weatherall, Barens, Lyons and John Field.



SABRE SURROUNDING! Acton Precision Millwrights Midget netminder Brian Denny attempts to smother the puck during a goalmouth scramble at the Community Centre recently. Acton dropped this Tri-County, round-robin playoff match 6-2 to Chinguacousy. (Eve Martin photo)

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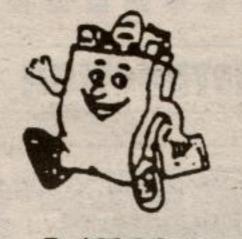
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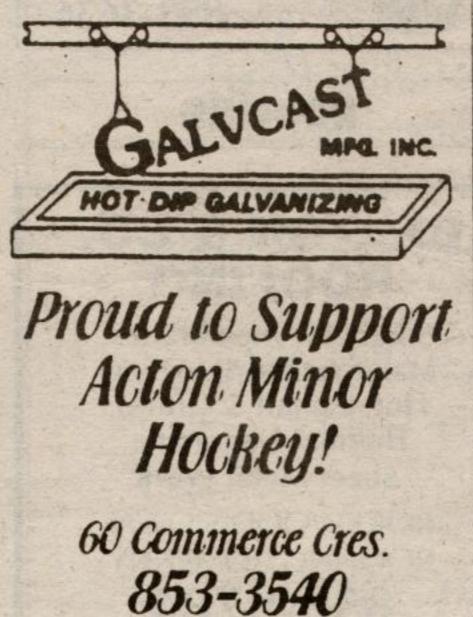
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