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## Acton Selects will be 'in tough' at Legion tourney

BY DOUG HARRISON  
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Roy Bosch likes to stress the defensive game and let the goals come by themselves.

That game plan may work during league play, but it could cause Bosch's Acton Peewee Select house league hockey squad to falter early in this weekend's 26th

annual Legion Peewee tourney at the arena.

"We're going to be in tough. If we go far this weekend, we're going to have to be a scoring team,"

says the first-year coach.

"We have a lot of speed and three or four kids who can skate with anybody."

Bosch, who stands behind the M & M Pro Sports bench during league play, says his 17 Select players are coming along, considering they've only been together for four exhibition matches (1-3).

He isn't at all happy with the lack of ice time in preparing his charges for a competitive tourney that will see outfits from across Ontario come here having already played 16 to 20 games.

Acton opens the three-day event on Friday (6:30 pm) against Bowmanville.

Their other competition in the B-Division includes Woodstock, Oakville, Lambeth, Orillia, Peterborough and London.

The B-consolation final goes on Sunday at 3 pm, while the championship is set for 6:30 pm.

Bosch feels he has a good mix of second-year and rookie Peewees, including his two sons, Adam, 14,

and 12-year-old Kurt.

"It's pretty hard to cut your own kids. You have to live with them," chuckles Bosch, who has coached his boys in baseball over the years.

He was named coach of the Acton team after attending a coaching clinic before the season.

"I was always pretty good critiquing the game on the couch watching TV, but I felt I needed to expand my knowledge," explains Bosch, who says Acton could advance far if they pass the puck more and stay with their man.

The Acton player roster: Willie Denny, Mike Grierson, Mike Lee, Joe McGrath, Matt Hall, Ryan Weatherall, Mike Rowzell, David McEnery, Marty Gordon, Alex Zinke, Nathan Williamson, Jay Waples, Adam Bosch, Kurt Bosch, David White, Nathan French, D.J. King and Shane Haslam.

The annual pancake breakfast is set for Sunday at the Legion from 8 to 11 am. Cost is \$3 per person and includes eggs, bacon, pancakes, toast, coffee or tea.



MEDAL MOMENT! From left: Kristy Haggett, Kaylyn McGilloway and Lisa Murphy won medals at an Acton Figure Skating Club competition on Thursday. Haggett and McGilloway won silvers, while Murphy captured gold. For more, see story below. (Karen Wetmore photo)

## Edwards gearing for NCAA track season

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You know Brent Edwards is having fun at the University of New Mexico when his biggest concern is the school's different grading system from that of Canadian institutions.

The NCAA track season doesn't start until next month, but the 1993-94 Canadian Junior long jump champion isn't complaining. The long rest since August has allowed Edwards to heal a pulled left hamstring.

"Things are going well, but it's hard work," Edwards admitted recently. "I haven't done much jumping work and I don't know why. It's been more cardiovascular training."

But the 20-year-old isn't doubting his coaching staff, which numbers four - jump, strengthening, cardio and weight - headed by Mike McEachan, who is in his 13th year coaching at U. of Mexico, located about three hours north of Mexico.

Edwards, who was guided by one coach, Carl Georgevski, when training at the University of Toronto, enjoys the four-coach system better, saying each is specialized in their line of work.

"Training is a lot more intense here, but I guess he (McEachan) is under pressure to have a good team. This is his full-time job - producing athletes," said Edwards.

"It's a really good team, considering they hadn't recruited the last four years before 1993."

Training consists of full-out sprints for 15 minutes followed by a 15-minute jog.

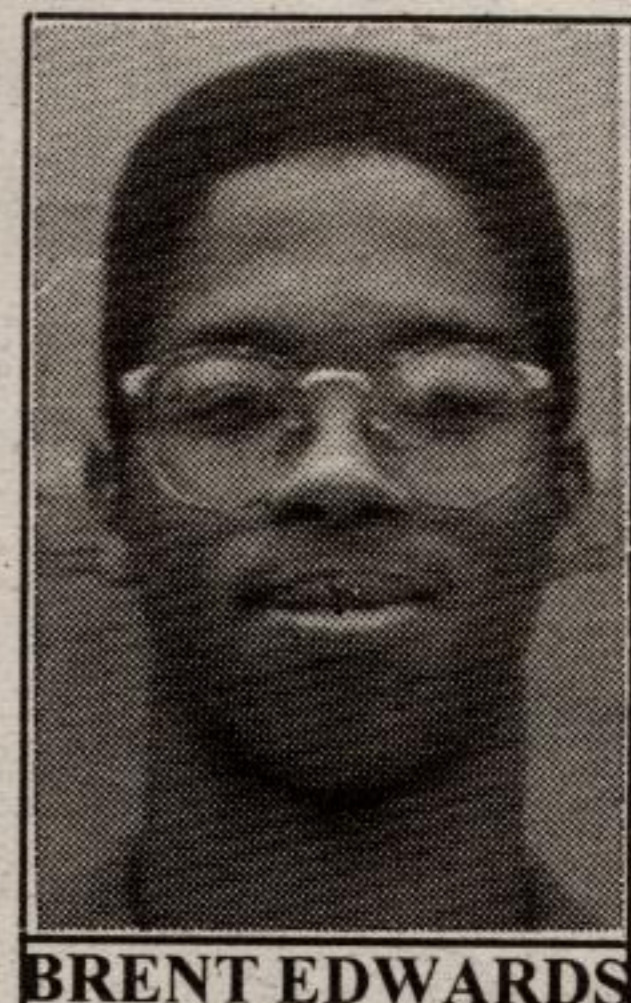
When he first arrived at U. of Mexico in August, Edwards struggled to balance his training schedule with his studies. But the freshman engineering computer science student brought his Grade Point Average (GPA) up to around 3.1 after the first semester.

"It's a weird thing, their grading system," Edwards said. "I got an 87 in Calculus which is a B-grade here, but an A there."

Preparing for the Aztek Invitational meet at San Diego State University followed by the Arizona Invitational, Texas relays and Texas El Paso Invitational, Edwards is setting a season goal to jump between 25 and one-half and 26 feet. Two years ago, the 6-foot-1 athlete met 24 feet.

"I want to be in the best shape possible. Competition is a lot better in the States," Edwards points out.

Slotted in the Western Athletic Conference, University of Mexico - with 25,000 under graduates - will compete this season against such schools as Colorado, Texas Tech, University of Arizona, California State, Arizona State and Texas El Paso.



BRENT EDWARDS

## Murphy top 'A' skater

The Acton Figure Skating Club held a club competition on Thursday for two levels.

The Pre-Preliminary group skated a one minute, 30 second solo to choice music.

In Flight "A" Lisa Murphy placed first, followed by Gillian Brunelle and Kristy Haggett. Other competitors were Anne Byrne, Carolyn Glatt and Courtnee Smith.

Kyra Malcolm led in Flight "B" with Kaylyn McGilloway second and Angela Schrempf third. Andrea Druif and Megin Weeks also performed.

Twenty-seven Canfigure skaters performed basic jumps and edges for the judges.

Placings: Group 1 - Elizabeth Wolfer, Alyssa Caverley and Lexie Metelka; Group 2 - Kyla Duncanson, Mandy Timmings and Lori Rauwerda; Group 3 - Bradley Ridler, Charles Hicks and David Preston; Group 4 - Chantelle Nadon, Brittany Bowen and Danielle Chabassol; and Group 5 - Aiden Stanley, Megin Weeks and Aynsley Anderson.

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