

# ACTON MINOR HOCKEY REPORT

## NOVICE 1

To stay sharp for playoffs, Acton's Nellis Construction Novice 1 Sabres played an exhibition game last Saturday against Stoney Creek and the locals came away with a 6-1 win.

Chad Artem and Andrew Robitaille led the way for the Sabres, collecting two goals and two assists each.

Tim Pembleton recorded four assists, while Daine Kuiken-Rogers added a goal and an assist. Jesse Sparkes scored the other goal for Acton, while Kyle Winters and Michael Wood earned an assist each.

The Nellis Novices play Fergus this week in Tri-County post-season action. Their playoff record now sits at five wins, one loss and a tie.

## NOVICE 2

The Andy's Restaurant Novice 2 Sabres bowed out of the OMHA playoffs on Wednesday night as visiting Elora defeated the locals 3-2 in overtime.

The loss eliminated the Sabres, with Elora winning the series three games to two.

Elora scored late in the first period of this encounter, but Acton's Kyle McDonald scored late in the second frame to even things up.

Elora went ahead with 5:18 remaining in the third period, but Acton pulled their netminder and forced overtime with just 43 seconds left. Ryan Winters deposited a McDonald pass behind the Elora goalie.

Despite outplaying the visitors in the overtime frame, Acton could not put the puck into the Elora net. Then, with 8:22 left in sudden-death, Elora got the puck behind the Acton goalie. To many observers, it appeared that the puck did not fully cross the goal line, but the referee signalled an end to the Novices' OMHA hopes.

The Sabres continued Tri-County playoff action in Fergus on Monday, but the locals have already qualified to battle tough Grand Valley in the final best-of-five series.

## ATOM 1

Acton's Rotary Club Atom 1 Sabres came up with a big win on Sunday as the locals moved closer to Six Nations in their OMHA semi-finals.

The Sabres took advantage of an Adam Lindsay hat-trick to defeat the visitors 6-5. Six Nations now leads the series two games to one.

John Field, Michael Borg and Sean Kirk scored the other Acton goals. Kirk and Field also had a pair of assists each, while single helpers went to Borg, David Lyons, Shawn Prentice and Peter Glatt.

Last Wednesday saw the Acton side drop the series-opener 3-1 at home. Lindsay's goal, assisted by Lyons, put the home side ahead until 7:14 of the final frame, but Six Nations scored three unanswered goals to take the win.

On Saturday at Six Nations the Sabres lost 5-3. Matt Wolfer, Field and Lindsay all scored for Acton, while assists went to Lindsay, with two, Wolfer and Adam Brouillard.

The hard-fought series resumes tonight (Wednesday) at Six Nations.

## ATOM 2

The Proplastex Atom 2 Sabres completed round-robin play in Tri-County playoffs with a 3-0 shutout of Milton on Saturday.

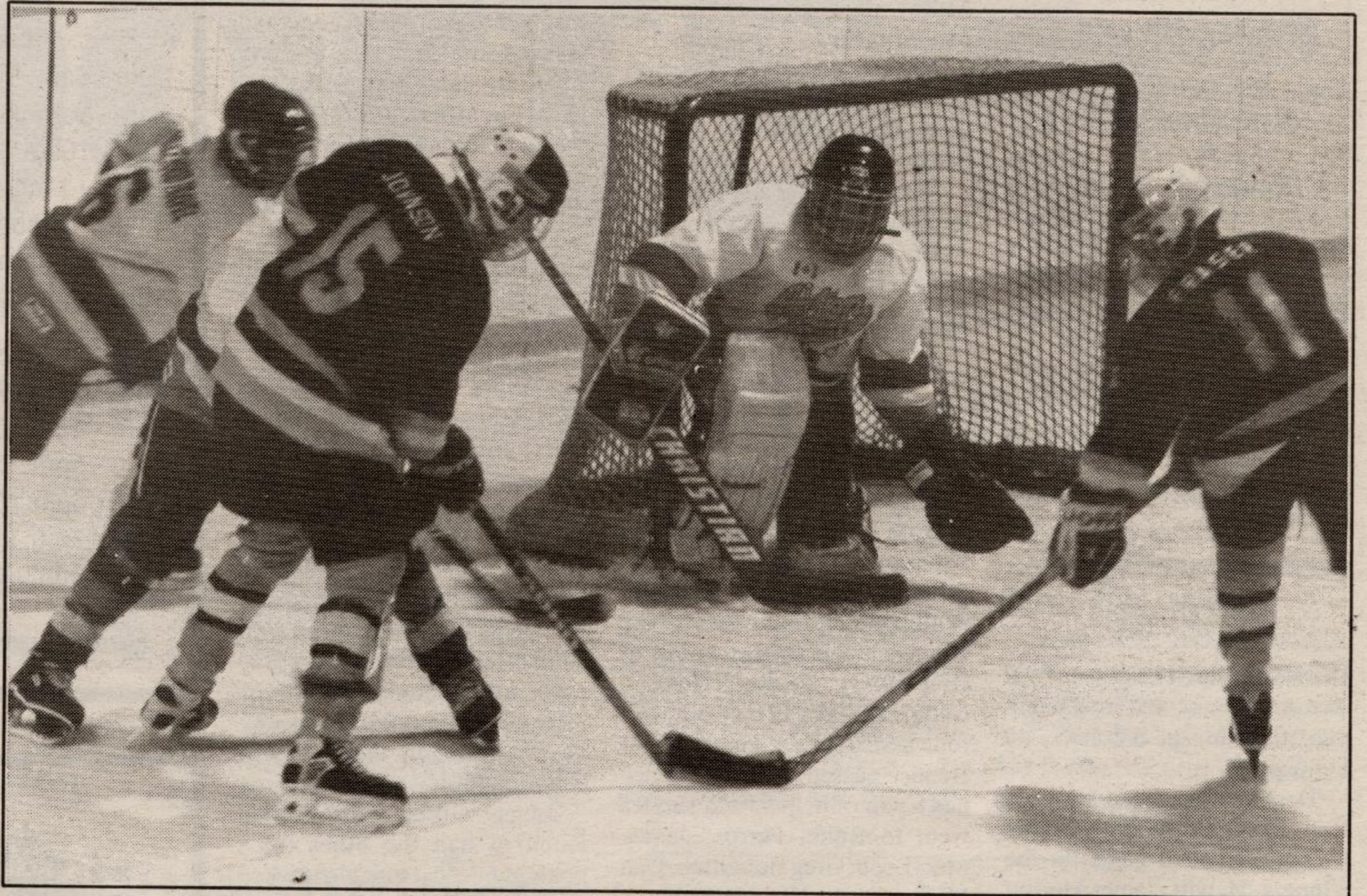
The Atoms finished first in league playoffs and will now play Grand Valley in the best-of-five finals.

In the Milton game, Dave Preston, Jesse Hepburn and Darryl Wright all fired Sabre goals. Stephen Boychuk had two assists in the game, while Joe Brunelle and Mike Gerrow passed for singles.

In an exhibition contest last Tuesday, Acton defeated Brampton 2-0.

Brian Field pocketed a pair of goals for the Sabres in this game, with Colin Sheehan and Brendan Dick contributing assists. Chris Schiller recorded the shutout.

The Tri-County championship series between Acton and Grand Valley begins tonight (Wednesday).



## TOUGH LOSS FOR BANTS

Bruce Hood Travel Bantam 2 Sabre netminder Chris Scully stands his ground against pressure from Elora forwards in action at the Community Centre on Saturday. Acton's Kevin Dick, left, offers help to his goalie. The Sabres lost this match 5-3, so Elora will go on to play Milton in the league finals. (Eve Martin photo)

## 'TEAM OF THE WEEK'

Acton's Proplastex Industries Atom 2 Sabres have been selected as the AMHA-Tanner Team of the Week.

The Sabres finished second in regular season action and advanced to the quarter-final round in OMHA playoffs. Acton defeated Fergus three games to two, but lost by a 3-1 margin in games to Alliston.

The Proplastex Atoms finished in first place in league playoff action and will play Grand Valley for the league championship. The best-of-five series starts tonight in Acton, with the puck dropping at 7:30 pm.

Acton will travel to Grand Valley tomorrow (Thursday) and Game 3 will be back here on Sunday afternoon at 4:30 pm.

Acton's overall playoff record sits at nine wins, five losses and a tie.

Goalies Neal Dawkins and Chris Schiller have played well in the playoffs for the Atoms, earning three shutouts in 15 games.

Strong supporting play by defenders Stephen Boychuk, Matt Gardener, Jon Newby, Ben Williams and David Preston have helped keep the Proplastex goals-against average down to 2.10.

Nick Mastro, Brian Field, Darryl Wright and Joe Brunelle are the top point-producers in the playoffs for the Acton side.

Other talented team members are Brendan Dick, Michael Gerrow, Shawn Gobin, Jesse Hepburn and Colin Sheehan. Kent Petty is coach, while Randy Gerrow is trainer, Trefor Gardener is assistant coach and Rick Boychuk is manager.

## THIS WEEK AT THE ARENA

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

7:30 ..... Atom 2 vs. Gr. Valley  
8:30 ..... Peewee 2 vs. Elora

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

12:00 . Novice 2 vs. Gr. Valley  
1 pm ... Atom 1 vs. Six Nations  
4:30 ..... Atom 2 vs. Gr. Valley.

MONDAY, MARCH 25

9 pm ..... Midgets vs. Ching.

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

7 pm ..... Novice 1 vs. Arthur  
8 pm ..... Atom 2 vs. Gr. Valley  
9 pm ..... Bantam 1 vs. Erin-H.

**GO, SABRES!**



## Acton Minor Hockey Association

Annual Meeting will be held  
Sunday, March 31, 1996 at 11 am  
in the Acton Arena

### - Proposed Executive Slate -

President: David McIntyre

Secretary: Rick Boychuk

1st Vice-President: Steve Prentice

2nd Vice-President: Brian Payne

3rd Vice-President: Wendy Weatherall

Treasurer: Gord Chapman

For any other nominations, contact Steve Prentice at 853-4649 before March 21.

All are welcome. Voting members include parents of players, coaching staff and all volunteers within the AMHA.

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