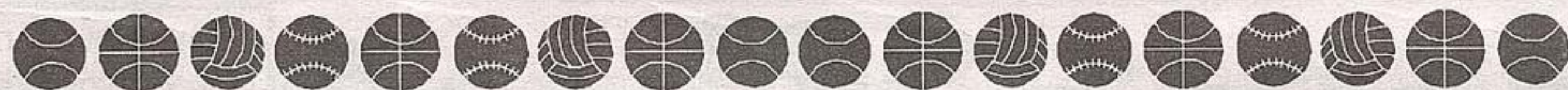


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House Hockey Gibbons nets five for Best Transfer

TYKE

Connor Gibbons scored five goals to lead Best Transfer to a 9-3 rout over Acton Auto Tech on Saturday in Acton. Dylan Creasey had a hat trick while Matt Murray had a single. Assists went to Megan Ferreira (2), MacKenzie Morrison and Jake Hnatiw. Brandyn McCarthy scored twice for Auto Tech and Matthew Mills had a single.

Colton Burgan scored four goals as Jescan Power doubled Hogarth Printing 6-3. Bradley Kri scored twice. Assists went to Bill Burgan, Rachel Kirkwood (2), Scott Morris (2), Jesse Alex Spurrell and Ryan MacLeod.

Brandon Bennett scored twice for Hogarth and Patrick O'Connell had a single. Assists went to Joe Frechette, Christian Wojcinski, Tyler Einman, Lucas Fraser, Alexander Wenzel and Anders Kravis.

NOVICE

Galvcast blanked Legion Branch 197 2-0 on Saturday in Acton. William Poirier scored in the first period with help from Aaron Hnatin and Justin Breen. Richard Brownlee scored, unassisted, in the third period. Corey Tennier had the shutout.

Joshua Essiembre had a hat trick to help M & M Pro Sports to a 6-5 win over MacMillan's. Gordon McKeon, Jacob Presseault and Mitchell Morrison had singles. Matthew Coverly and Matthew Diegel had two assists. Both Trent Copeland and James Reid scored twice for MacMillan's and James Wilkinson had a single. Assists went to Simon Thompson and Reid.

ATOM

Dennis Hunak had another hat trick—the last goal, the winner with 00:37 on the clock—as Georgetown Chrysler edged Allostra Catering 4-3. Allostra was up 3-0 in the second period when Spencer Morrison scored, unassisted, for

Chrysler. Hunak scored two goals to tie the game and then tipped in the winner from a Treth MacDougall pass. Geoffrey Baklarz scored twice for Allostra with help from Joshua Ceccotti and Brandon Ceccotti. Mathew Eaton-Kent had a single with help from Luke Hurren.

John Stevens couldn't be stopped as he scored five goals to lead The Graphic Shoppe to a 6-0 rout of R/M Construction. Jeremy Stevens had Graphic's other goal and Dylan Beardal had an assist. Federico Mena Diaz and Sean Galda shared the shutout.

PEEWEE

A & S Engraving and Halton Power Line battled to a 3-3 tie. Ashton Demers, Blaine Murray and Kyle Rodgers scored for A & S. Assists went to Ryan Gatner, Rodgers and Murray. Russell White, Dereck White and Mike Rudat scored for Power Line. Assists went to Dalton Winstone, Alana Chan, Ryan Stroud, Corey Wilson and Nick Perron (2).

Peter Finnie scored a hat trick as Daniel Varanelli downed Acton Kinsmen 6-4. Robert Kellas had a pair of goals and Matthew Chapman had a single. Assists went to Chris Norman (2), Jeff Thompson (5), Craig Matta and Finnie.

With seven seconds on the clock Matt Sebastian scored, with help from Matt Freckleton, to give Acton Terminal Warehouse a 4-3 win over Acton Precast. Freckleton also had a hat trick and Brent McKrimmon-Jones had a single. Assists went to Tim Kirk, Derek Thomas, Sebastian and Jesse Spears. Gavin Anderson, Mark Southworth and Mike Wood scored for Precast. Assists went to Darcy O'Driscoll, Joel Graydon, Jeremy Latour, Joe Brunelle and Anderson.



HERO WORSHIP: Acton's Amanda Schroeder, 11, met her hockey heroes at the Acton arena on Friday as members of the Beatrice Areos, including a Team Canada Olympian, signed autographs and skated with local Halton Hills Girls Hockey Association players. Areo players include, left to right: Cheryl Pounder, Bradi Cochrane, Geraldine Heaney, Jillian Ferrari and Cassie Campbell - Submitted photo

Women's hockey heroes thrill crowds at new Acton arena

BY FRANCES NIBLOCK
 The New Tanner

With all of the grace and good humour of true champions, members of the Beatrice Areos, the provincial champion senior women's AAA hockey team and national silver medallists, accepted heaps of blatant hero worship from young girl hockey players on Friday at the Acton arena.

Five Areos, including Team Canada player Cassie Campbell and former Team Canada player Cheryl Pounder, signed autographs, accepted Acton Proud Campaign coins from Mayor Marilyn Serjeantson and then joined members of the Twisters of the Halton Hills Girls Hockey Association for two practices.

For Acton's Amanada Schroeder, 11, it was a dream come true.

"I've never met a star before. They were all really nice and answered all my questions," Schroeder said, adding that she asked for advice

on how to raise the puck. Schroeder plays for an Acton Atom house league team and for the Brampton Canadettes, the same girls' Rep team where Olympian Cassie Campbell got her start.

Campbell, a forward who calls her hockey skills "a special gift," is happy with the continuing surge in the number of women players.

"I love being a female role model and seeing the enthusiasm in the younger girls for the game," Campbell said.

"Hockey is a love for Canadians, male and female, and now it's okay for females to play and their parents are allowing them to and they're loving it and doing well at it," Campbell said.

It wasn't just girls who were eager for an autograph.

"This is cool," said Braden Halls, an Acton Tanners Major Novice player, after getting Areo Cheryl Pounder's autograph.

"It doesn't matter if it's me or my sister playing hockey, I just like the game and it's cool to see somebody

who went to the Olympics, right here in Acton," Halls, 9, said.

The Twisters, now in their second year of league play, have 165 players and a waiting list of local girls who want to play for all-girl house and select teams.

"A lot of our success is due to the work of hockey ambassadors like the Beatrice Areos who promote women's hockey and give girls a challenge, a goal and someone to look up to," Twisters spokesperson Pam MacGillivray told the crowd.

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