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Juvenile Tanners crowned champs

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 The New Tanner

A five-goal third period rally - two of the goals were short-handed - gave the Acton Juvenile Tanners a 6-4 win over Exeter for the DHMA Southern Counties league championship on Sunday in Acton.

The referee ran the clock for the final 27 seconds of the game after an assistant coach or trainer on the Exeter bench whipped a water bottle at the Acton bench in frustration when Acton roared back from 4-1 deficit.

The bottle broke after it hit Plexiglas divider and part of it ended up on the ice. As the coaching staffs yelled and moved towards one another and players milled around, the referee let the game end peacefully, giving the Juveniles their third league championship in a row.

After two periods of slow, sluggish lacklustre play, Coach Rob Pembleton told the team to concentrate.

"I told them I couldn't win it - that they had to do it. My assistant coach, Shawee (Tooley) said anyone who didn't want to skate should stay in the dressing room," Pembleton said after the game.

"They were fired up in the third (period) and the two short-handed goals really helped - that really sparked our bench for a good come back," Pembleton said, adding he told the players to get the puck off the ice because the Exeter goalie always went down.

Sean Weatherall followed the advice and put one in the top corner on a short-handed break away and Jon Routledge found that high spot just minutes later.

"Jon waited and waited

and waited and the goalie went down and he went up and tucked it up underneath the net," Pembleton said, adding he was disappointed with the way the game ended.

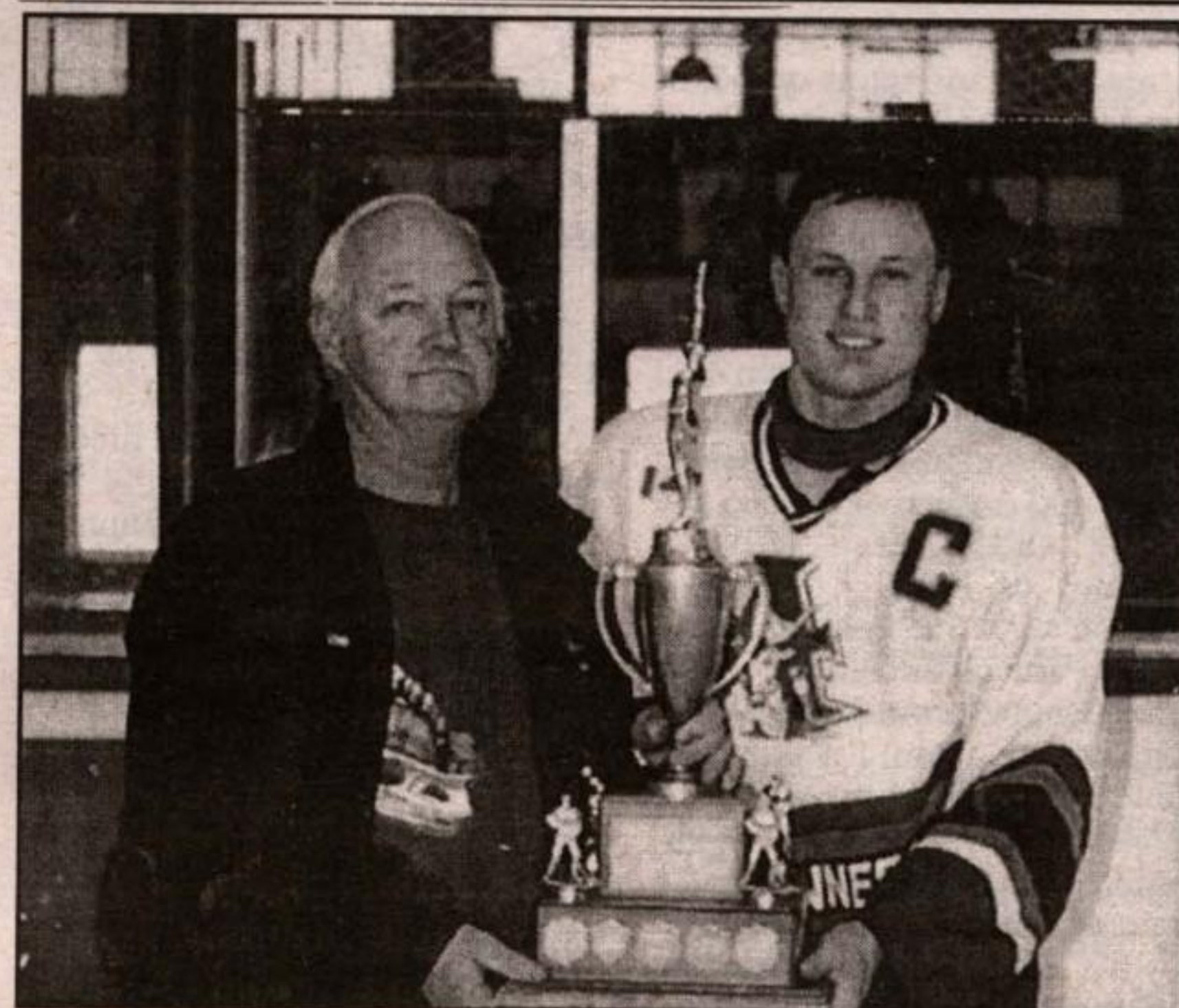
"I'm dead against violence in hockey - there's a winner and a loser and it's only a sport. We're trying to set an example and you get somebody like that who throws a water bottle. They should have played it out," Pembleton said, adding he understands why the referee took the precaution of running the clock.

Routledge scored Acton's first goal and Jim Corrigan, Marc Forbes and Derek McIntyre had singles, with team captain McIntyre scoring the go-ahead goal. Assists went to Forbes, Jeremy Bannerman, McIntyre, Routledge, Adam Petch, Jason Christopher and Grant Russell.

Five over age players won't be back next year including McIntyre, goalie Mike Kempton, Routledge, Bannerman and Petch.

"We don't even know if we're going to have a team next year, to be honest. It depends on the numbers," Pembleton said, adding he can draw players from Georgetown and Erin/Hillsburgh.

The Juveniles won 14 of their 18 league games and both league playoff games this season. They won their OMHA series against Aylmer three games to two and lost their protested OMHA series against Fort Erie three games to two, losing the series by just one goal and finishing the season half-a-point behind Aylmer.



JUVENILE CHAMPS: Acton Juvenile Tanners captain Derrick McIntyre accepted the OMHA Southern Counties Juvenile "A" championship trophy from league official Dennis McKinna following the team's 6-4 win over Exeter on Sunday in Acton. McIntyre scored the go-ahead goal as Acton came back from a 4-1 deficit. - Frances Niblock photo



KIDS RULE- PARENTS DROOL: Frank Goulding tries to kick one past parent team goalie Richard Kirkness during last Saturday's Under-7 kids versus parents indoor soccer season finale at McKenzie-Smith Bennett school.

Indoor Soccer Report

UNDER-7
 Superior ball handling skills and a bit of hustle gave the Under-7 boys a 21-4 win over their parents on Saturday at McKenzie-Smith Bennett. **Gregory Wells** led the scoring with four goals while **Walter Kirkness, Michaela Nascimento** and **Frank Goulding** each scored twice. **Erin Hamilton** had a pair of goals and **Emily Karat, Nicole Russell, William Russell, Danielle Cooper, Ellie Thomas** and **Jesse Rentz** had singles. **Mrs. Russell** had a pair of goals for the parents and **Erin Hamilton** and **Coach Karat** had singles.

UNDER-10
 Five goals from **Jesse Cameron** gave Lakeview Floor-a 10-3 win over Clarke's New-

foundland Store. **Matthew Nascimento** scored three goals and **Emily Molejan** and **Katelyn Jordan** had singles. **Rebecca Neil-Sampson, Mitchell Thomas** and **Samantha Rentz** scored for Clarke's.

Jesse Volkner booted four goals to lead MacMillan's to an 11-5 win over Dave's Home Services. **Nicole Drumm** had three goals, **Ben Hess** had a pair and **Arielle Hess** and **Mark Wells** had singles. Volkner and Ben Hess played well in net. **Chris Gabrielson** led the Dave's scoring with two goals. **Steven Okroukh, Jacob Loewen** and **Connor Tonkin** had singles.

UNDER-13
Personal Secretarial Services ended the season as champs with three wins in round robin play.

Herrington Printing, White Knights and **Denny's Insurance** each had one win, but **Denny's** claimed second place on a goals against basis. **White Knights** downed **Herrington** in the consolation game. In the very tight defensive final **Personal Secretarial** edged **Denny's** 4-3.

ADULTS
Dark Blue captured the adult mixed division crown with a 3-2 win over **White** on Sunday at Acton High School.

At the end of round one, **White** led with eight points; **Dark Blue** trailed with seven points and **Orange** was in third with six points.

Green edged **Light Blue** 3-2 on a penalty kick to claim fourth place and advance to the consolation round with **Orange**. **Orange** then downed **Green** 2-1 for the consolation championship.

Major Bantams lose in O/T eliminated from the playoffs

The Acton Tanner's Major Bantam Freight train came to an abrupt stop last Sunday in Flamborough as they lost 3-2 in overtime in the third game of their best of three Tri-County League semifinals.

They started the series off on the wrong foot losing game one 2-1 with **Andrew Pembleton's** unassisted effort their only bright spot. But the "refuse to lose" kids stormed back in the second game erasing a Flamborough 4-2 lead midway through the third period with five unanswered goals.

It was **Shane Drexler** night as the tall centreman potted four goals and an assist to keep his team alive. **Matt Wolfer, Peter Glatt** and **Mike MacDonald** each had a marker and a helper. Other assists went to **Adam Brouillard** (3), **John Field** (2), **Dave Lyons** (2), **Matt Gegear** (1), **Steve Atkinson**.

This set the table for the "winner take all" on Sunday match. Acton fought hard to take the game to overtime only to see their season end with only three minutes left in O.T. **Drexler** was hot again with two goals with aid from **Adam Mills, Mark Robinson** and **Glatt**. Netminder **Mark Finnie** played well to force the extra period.

"The boys never gave up

and tried their best," noted coach **Bryan McPhail**. "We've had to deal with injuries, suspensions and school commitments the last three weeks. It's a tribute to the

players to achieve what they did. It was a great, fun year. All the coaching staff was more than happy with the players and the parents this season."

Minor Novices finish as silver medallists

A 4-1 home loss to **Fergus** on Monday ended the OMHA playoffs for the Acton Minor Novice Tanners. The win was three-in-a-row for the formidable **Fergus** team that took the gold medal for the Central Region. The Minor Novice team received silver medals and a team trophy.

Acton coaching staff said the kids played their hearts out throughout the best-of-five series and couldn't have been asked to give any more. In the third game, **Brandyn McCarthy** scored with help from **Gordie McKeon** and goalie **Joss Warren** made some spectacular saves.

In game two, **Fergus** took a 2-0 lead, but Acton rallied and went ahead 3-2. **Fergus** fought back, scoring three goals to win the game 5-3. **Taylor McNabb** scored with help from **McKeon** who had an unassisted goal. **McCarthy** scored with help from **Dylan Creasey, Dirk**

VanSoelen was sharp in net. **Fergus** blanked Acton 2-0 in the opener. Acton had lots of chances, but couldn't score. **Warren** kept the score low with some great saves.

House Hockey

BANTAM/MIDGET
 With less than 37 seconds on the clock, **Darren Banks** and **Sam Brunelle** scored, within 15 seconds of each other, to give Acton Subway a 5-4 win over **Hi-Five Pictures** in the final league playoff on Sunday. The goal gave **Banks** a hat trick and **Ryan Schmidt** had a single. Assists went to **Andrew Martin** (2), **Adam Burgess, Brunelle** and **Schmidt**. **Tim Kirk** had a pair of goals for **Hi-Five** and **Blaine Murray** and **Mark Bailey** had singles. **Philip Goy** had a pair of assists and **Mike Vandenhoeck** and **Sean Brophy** each had single assists.

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