



WE'LL TAKE IT: The Acton Kinsmen Club has their annual Christmas Tree sales in the Trunk Sale area. Chris Miller from the Kinsmen help the Butler family from Acton pick on out. - Angela Tyler photo



HE SHOOTS: A Royal Canadian Legion player zeroes in on the Berkshire goal with a Berkshire defenseman in hot pursuit. - Maggie Petrushevsky photo

SPORTS

DEADLINE IS MONDAY AT 12 NOON

Minor Bantams feast on Elora look forward to Prague trip

By Chuck Tysoe

Acton Minor Bantams defensive assistant coach Matt Boycott's genius came under pressure in the third period here Saturday night against Elora, with his entire corps replaced by forwards in the third period. But they kept Brett Hirtle's shutout in a 10-0 swamping of Elora on 26 team scoring points from 10 skaters and eight goal-scorers, the highlight a season-first from Alex Dube, back from a concussion.

Brent McCrimmon-Jones had a strong three-point effort; the duo's linemate Jon Tysoe had a goal and two points. Matt Bronizewski (2-3-5), Kurtis McArthur (1-3-4), Mark Boycott (2-1-3), Pat Collins (1-1-2), Aaron Chiasson (1-2-3), Brett Manes

(1g) and Eric Goll (2a), added to the rout.

Team manager Bob Collins announced last week that the club is making excellent progress toward the 2001 Czech Republic/European Tour. Fundraising is well ahead of target, with generous responses to a letter campaign from local businesses, and from the Kinsmen and Rotary Clubs.

Sports Tours International, with 30 years of success, is the organizer. Leaving for Prague at the start of March Break, the team starts and finishes the tour with games against local teams in the home of the reigning Olympic Champions and Hall of Fame names like Dominic Hasek, Jaromir Jagr and the Stasny Brothers. Travelling

by bus to two matches in Salzburg, Austria and Munich, Germany, they'll stop at historical sites such as medieval castles and Dachau Concentration Camp.

Look for Tanners in disguise to be raiding local libraries and book emporia searching for material on ... yes! the rumour is true — all players will deliver two-page essays on the Czech Republic, for coaching staff to circulate within the club to make us all well-informed about our illustrious hosts.

The Tanners thank everyone in the community who by their help and encouragement, is making the cultural, historical and athletic opportunity of a lifetime possible.

Midget Tanners split two

By Jim Monaghan

Despite splitting their two games last week, the Acton Midget Tanners ended up with two victories - though one of them was of the "moral" variety.

On Wednesday in Acton, the home side scored early and often against Milton, clobbering them 9-2. Center Ryan Weatherall was the offensive star as he potted a hat trick of goals and had two assists. Linemates Matt Wolfer and Steve Barends had a goal each and split on eight

helpers. Other Milton killers were Steve Atkinson, Tyler Thompson and Adam Brouillard, the latter with a pair of markers. Honourable mention goes to Peter Glatt and John Field who also contributed with a duo of assists.

The next night, the Midgets ventured into Elora and lost 9-7 despite being down by as much as five goals. They clawed their way back and forced the home team to clinch the game with an empty netter at the 14 second mark.

Acton started poorly giving up three quickies at the start of the game with only a minute and a half played. But thanks to Wolfer's hat trick and a pair of goals each from Mike MacDonald and Thompson, Acton almost pulled off the tie in the last minute. Atkinson was also hot as he assisted on four of their goals. Other helpers went to Jeff Payne, Darren Selihar, Brouillard, Field, Barends, Weatherall and Thompson.

Major Novices win two lose two and earn a tie

The Major Novices had a busy couple of weeks, coming away with two wins, two losses and a tie.

On Tuesday, Nov. 28 they hosted Erin/Hillsburgh and came up with a 4-0 win. Dirk VanSoelen had a great game in goal to earn himself a shut-out. Bradley Kri scored a pair of goals with singles by Brandyn McCarthy and Jessy Kuenzig. Assists were had by Tyler Bandy and Kri.

The Major Novices played in Brampton on Saturday, Dec. 2. The whole team played a fabulous game and Joss Warren came up with some spectacular saves in goal, all of which contributed to the 3-3 tie. Kuenzig scored twice and McCarthy had a single. McCarthy, Kuenzig, Taylor McNabb and Drew Backman all had assists.

On Wednesday, Dec. 6, they were in Dundas and played hard to earn themselves a 3-1 win. Bandy scored twice with a single by McCarthy. Assists went to

Billy Burgan, Colton Burgan, Dylan Creasey and Kri.

The Major Novices come on strong on Friday, Dec. 8, in Hespeler, but ran out of steam in the third period, losing 4-1. The goal was had by Brandon Bennett and as-

sisted by Matt Murray-MacMillan.

On Saturday, Dec. 9, they hosted Burlington and it proved to be a very evenly matched game but Acton came up short, losing 2-0.

Villa cruises to easy Milton win

Acton Villa men's soccer team continued the new season with a resounding 13-3 victory over league rivals, Knight Caps, from Milton.

The normally tough Knight Caps team were short handed for much of the first half and Villa took full advantage to open a considerable lead. In the second half the full strength opposition found Villa too hot to handle and Acton cruised to a comfortable win.

Scorers for Villa were Mike

Griffin (4), Colin Lewis (3), Kevin Galloway (2) with singles from Allan Manson, Dave Banks, Ricardo Torres and Dave Entwhistle to round out the scoring.

Villa practises every Wednesday evening in the Acton HS gym from 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. Interested players are welcome to attend. All games are played at E.C. Drury in Milton. The next Villa game is Sunday, Dec. 17 against Milton Gunners.

KIDS' corner

Sports FACT:

WHO IS CREDITED WITH CREATING THE GAME OF BASKETBALL?

ANSWER: JAMES NAISMITH, A PHYSICAL-EDUCATION TEACHER IN SPRINGFIELD, MASS., WHO WANTED TO CREATE AN INDOOR SPORT THAT COULD BE PLAYED DURING THE WINTER.

Winter Find

There are 14 articles of winter clothing hidden throughout the scrambled puzzle below. See how many you can find and circle. The words go horizontally and vertically, backward and forward.

ANORAK	MUFFLER
BOOTS	PARKA
CARDIGAN	SCARF
EARMUFFS	SNOWSUIT
GLOVES	SWEATER
HAT	TURTLENECK
MITTENS	WOOL SOCKS

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TIMELINE

1772

- SCOTTISH CHEMIST DANIEL RUTHERFORD DISCOVERED NITROGEN IN THIS YEAR.
- ENGLISH EXPLORER JAMES COOK CIRCUMNAVIGATED THE GLOBE TO THE FAR SOUTH AND DISCOVERED SOUTH GEORGIA.
- ON JAN. 1, BRITISH BANKER ROBERT HERRIES ISSUED THE FIRST TRAVELER'S CHECKS IN LONDON, ENGLAND.

Holiday Scramble

Unscramble the letters below, and learn about some of the holidays that are celebrated during winter.

- Occurring on Jan. 5, this day is the beginning of carnival and is celebrated by feasting and lighting bonfires. **E T E T H L W H G N T I**
- This African-American cultural festival takes place from Dec. 26 to Jan. 1. **A Z N K A W**
- According to legend, this is the day when people learn if there will be an early spring or six more weeks of winter. **O N H G G O R D U Y D A**

new word

festive

Merry; joyous

How they SAY it in...

English: HAT
Spanish: SOMBRERO
Italian: CAPPELLO
French: CHAPEAU
German: HUT
Latin: PETASUS

Did YOU KNOW?

WHO WAS ARRESTED IN MONTGOMERY, ALA., ON DEC. 1, 1955, FOR NOT GIVING UP HER SEAT AND MOVING TO THE BACK OF A MUNICIPAL BUS?

ANSWER: ROSA PARKS

get the PICTURE?

Can you guess what the bigger picture is featured here?

ANSWER: BUCK