Acton Atoms Selects take Pete's consolation crown

The Acton Atom Selects travelled to Peterborough for their first tournament of the year on Saturday, Dec. 9. They had a tough start by losing their first two games to Peterborough and Stouffville.

Thomas Glassford netted the only marker in the first game - a 4-1 loss to Peterborough. In their second game, James Reid and Glassford scored goals in a 5-2 loss to Stouffville. Acton held Stouffville to a one-goal lead until the last five minutes of the third period with Stouffville winning 5-2.

The Acton Selects met the Markham Waxers in the consolation championship game. Markham scored early to jump to a 2-0 lead in the first period. Spurred on by the deafening noise of the Acton cheering section and a "never say die" attitude, Acton came alive. Colin Adema scored the first goal for Acton, which was quickly followed up by a goal for Reid. The Selects went ahead 3-2 on a goal by Glassford. Reid scored again to make it 4-2.

The Waxers bounced back

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with two unanswered goals to make it 4-4 at the end of regulation time. After one minute of four on four, the score remained tied. One minute of three to three was also scoreless. It wasn't until the very end of the two on two that Acton got a break.

Reid was tripped on a

breakaway, which resulted in a penalty. Reid and Glassford teamed up on the two on one, with Reid beating the lone Markham player and feeding a perfect pass to Glassford who scored the winning goal. Final score was 5-4. A proud but tired team returned home to Acton.

Major Novices win two, tie

The Major Novices did very well last week, coming up with two wins and a tie.

On Wednesday, Dec. 13 they hosted Brampton and played a great game but weren't able to hold on to the lead. Acton were winning 2-1 with just over a minute to go in the third period when Brampton scored to tie it up and make the final score 2-2. Jessy Kuenzig and Bradley Kri each scored and assists were had by Drew Backman, Kri and Colton Burgan.

The Major Novices played in Elora on Thursday, Dec. 14. They were down 1-0 after the first but fought back in the second and third periods to earn themselves a 3-2 win. Kri

scored twice and Dylan Creasey had a single. assists went to Jessy Kuenzig, Colton Burgan, Taylor McNabb and Brandyn McCarthy.

On Saturday, Dec. 16 the Majors played a great passing game and downed Dundas 5-0 in Acton. Solid defence by Matt Murray-MacMillan, Burgan, Taylor McNabb and Backman certainly contributed to the shutout earned by VanSeolen in goal. Kuenzig scored twice and McCarthy, Kri and Joe Frechette each had singles. Assists went to Dylan Creasey, Kuenzig, McCarthy, Taylor McNabb and Murray-MacMillan.

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Midgets slip into First Place

By Jim Monaghan

With two more wins last week, the Acton Midget Tanners have quietly slipped into first place in their league. Yet despite their remarkable 15-4-2 record, Arthur and the Elora Lightning are breathing down their necks after 21 regular season games.

In game one last week, the Tanners travelled to Carlisle where they beat up the host Flamborough Sabres 10-0. It was a real team effort as nine different skaters fired the puck past both Sabres' netminders. Only hard nosed winger Steve Atkinson had a pair of markers. Other successful marksmen were Andrew Forbes, Steve Barens, Mike McDonald, John Field, Andrew

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Pembleton, Ryan Weatherall, Simon Drexler and Matt Wolfer. Acton goalie Mark Finnie was excellent in maintaining the Tanners' second shutout of the season.

On Thursday in Cambridge, Acton once again played poor guests by upending the Hespeler Shamrocks 5-3. Wolfer was the offensive star with a goal and a Thompson, Jeff Payne,

Weatherall and Atkinson also chipped in with a marker each. Adam Brouillard, Barens and McDonald were credited with helpers in their well earned victory.

With three games left and one of them against Arthur (at home on Jan. 3), the Tanners are in a position to maintain first place. The team would like to wish all their supportpair of assists. Tyler ers a happy and safe holiday season.

Minor Pee Wees continue to roll over opposition

By Brenda Bassinger

The Heartland Shipping Supplies' Minor Peewee Tanners continue to strongly represent their hometown with pride.

Beginning a road trip on Nov. 23, the team soundly defeated the hometown Milton Winterhawks with a decisive 9-2 win. Greg Henry, the first star, led his team with a hat trick. Dec. 2 found the Minor Peewees in Hespeler who fell to a 9-1 dousing in front of their home crowd. Braden Artem lead the way scoring one goal and assisting on three others.

Finally in front of a very supportive home crowd, Acton Tanners edged a rejuvenated Erin team 4-2. Continuing their strong showing at home, the boys played sound hockey, winning backto-back games against Fergus 3-1 on Saturday night and edging Erin 2-0 on Sunday morning. James Burgie earned the shutout.

Over the past month, every player has counted in the scoring stats: Will Stull (3 assists) and continues to prove himself a leader among defencemen; Sean Nellis (1 goal, 2 assists); Kyle Fellows (1 goal, 3 assists); Zachary Curcijua (1 goal, 1 assist) Brad Ethier (1 goal, 1 assist), Craig Kirkwood (1 goal, 3 assists); Shaun Harkley (2 goals); Patrick Glatt (4 goals, 1 assist); Garrett Williams (3 goals, 4 assists); Darcy Gordon (2 assists); Braden Artem (5 goals, 6 assists); Greg Henry (4 goals, 2 assists); Michael Bentley (1 goal, 5 assists); and Daniel Woolford (3 goals, 2 assists).

Acton's Simon Sharples and Rockwood's James Burgie continue to be a formidable goaltending duo, each holding three shutouts to their credit.

Atoms lose to Hespeler but beat Milton twice

By Dianne Mellon

In Acton on Dec. 5 the Tanners played Hespeler, the first place team. The Tanners played well in the first period missing on a breakaway and a couple of other close plays. Hespeler scored late in the first period. In the second period Stephen Bennett scored from Matt Bentley and Bryan Curry. The final score was 4-1 for Hespeler.

Dec. 12 in Acton, the Tanners played the Milton Winter Hawks. The Tanners outplayed Milton but Milton managed to lead 1-0 in the first period. Zack Woolford scored an unassisted goal in the second period. Acton allowed Milton shots in the second period. The Tanners played good team hockey in the third with Stephen Bennett scoring the winning goal on a nice play from David Gardner.

In Milton on Dec. 16, led by Woolford's two goals, the Tanners shut out Milton 4-0. Thomas Harding got his

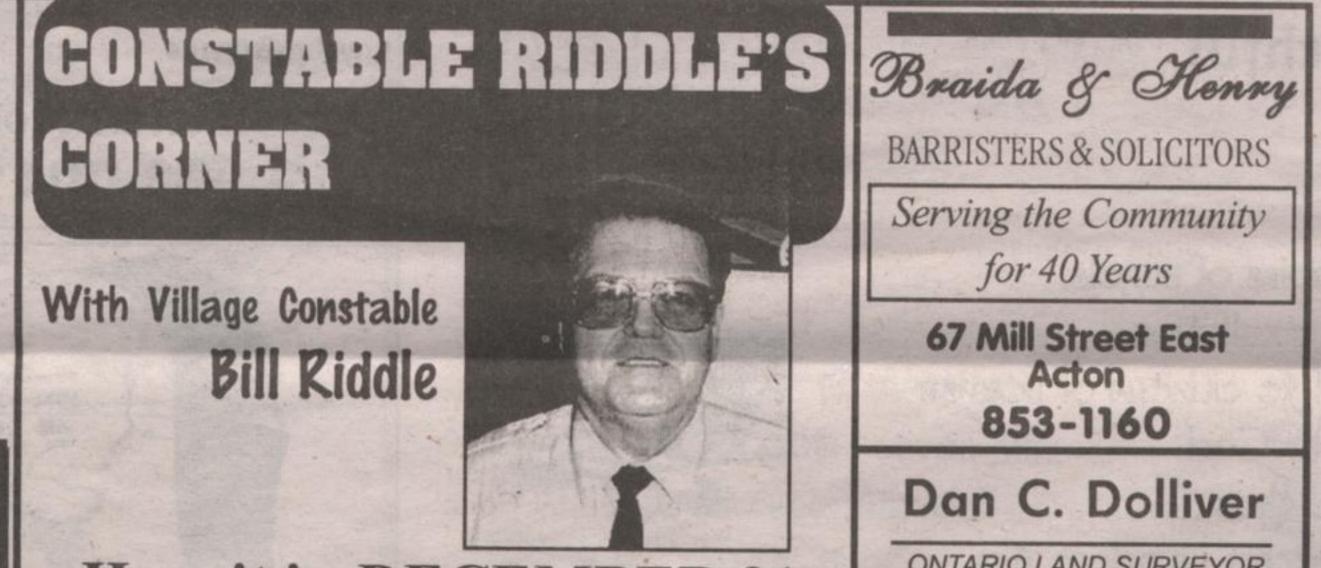
fourth shut out of the regular season. Other goals were from Aaron Hnatiw and Alexander Brake with assists going to Gardner (2), and Bennett (1). Milton tried to rough us up in the third period but the Tanners played smart hockey and controlled the game.

Tyke Selects nudged 3-2

The Emerald Isle Acton Tyke Selects travelled to Pickering on Saturday, Dec. 16 to take on their Select team. The score was tied 2-2 in the third when Pickering scored the game winning goal with less than three minutes of play remaining.

Scoring for Acton was Danielle Cooper assisted by Cameron Hryeiw and Dylan Cremona assisted by Devon Wylde.

The Acton Selects will next play Saturday, Dec. 23 in Hillsburgh where they will take on the Hamilton Mountain Tyke Selects at 6 p.m.



Here it is, DECEMBER 21, 2000, almost Christmas again!

Are you all shopped out? Have you bought everything? Did you remember the Batteries? Did you get your cranberries? What about stocking stuffers? It seems every year there are always last minute things to do and in my house that means another trip to the mall for me. I complain, but I would probably miss the hustle and bustle!

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