PeeWee A Tanners Rebound in 3-3 Tie

BY WARREN EDWARDS

Tanners The Acton Heartland Supply & Services Peewee 'A' team rebounded from two lacklustre performances earlier in the week with a fine effort on Sunday afternoon trying second place Guelph 3-3. The Tanners believed they had won the game with a late goal by Jessy Kuenzig, but a questionable refereeing decision of goalie interference on Bradley Kri overshadowed what was an otherwise outstanding effort.

From the opening face-off, it was apparent that both teams were committed to freeflowing, end-to-end action, much to the delight of the fans in the Acton arena. While the Kuenzig line featuring Brandon McCarthy and Kri dominated the Tanners' scoring, all three Tanner lines were deserving of credit for their fine two-way play. McCarthy opened the scoring on the back of sustained offensive pressure in the Guelph end. He was also equally brilliant in putting Kri into the clear for the Tanners' second goal with a pass of sublime proportions. Kri, whose early season scoring drought was remedied the previous weekend with a 9goal outburst in the Mooretown tournament, made no mistake in capitalising on this opportunity. Taylor McNabb picked up the other assist. Kri tallied again later on passes from Kuenzig and McCarthy. The Tanners' defensive core was solid, led by McCarthy and Scott Hoffman.

Coach Malcolm should also take some credit for moving winger Liam Robertson to defence and Alex Wenzel up to the Brandon Massini line. Roberston's speed helped to counter the pace of the Guelph forwards and Wenzel's grit on the left wing helped create scoring chances for his line mates Massini and Scott Weber. Both goalies put in outstanding performances as the end-to-end play offered teams many opportunities. Joss Warren, in the Acton goal, had one of his best performances of the year, making several key saves.

The Tanners will be in tough over the remainder of the season, with back-to-back games against both Burlington and Oakville, as well as a game against top-ranked Hespeler. However, these games should well prepare the team from their OMHA run, which will begin in January, reach tourney finals. The

Tanners put in a fine performance in their first tournament of the season, losing in the final to North London 5-1. The Tanners had earlier beaten Port Huron and tied against the host Mooretown team.

The tournament featured strong performances by several of the Tanners, including most notable Kri, who registered nine goals over the four games. Dillon Creasey also showed tremendous commitment throughout the tournament, creating havoc in front of the opposing net and taking considerable punishment as a result. Riley McGilloway also deserved credit, logging tremendous ice time, not only in centring his line, but also in double shifting to play defence on several occasions.

The Mooretown game was of particular significance as Mooretown could be a potential opponent to the Tanners in the OMHA run. The 5-5 tie flattered the home side and the Tanners were deserving of victory. They will meet Mooretown again in this weekend's tournament in St. Thomas and will surely look to score a victory and take some level of psychological advantage in the post season.

Bantam Scores shut out

The Acton Bantam Select team took to the ice Saturday November 16 for their first game of the season on home ice against Erin-Hillsburgh. The assembled crowd was treated to a great game of hockey as our players skated to a 4-0 win! The shut-out was shared by Acton net-minders Scott Mackie and Mitchell Dunn. Scoring early in the first period was Ian Reid who tipped a shot from Nathan Howson to surprise the opposing goaltender and elevate the spirits of the Acton players and fans. In the second period

Rick MacLeod scored with the help of Colin Adema and David Garvie. Next David Moore skated the length of the ice and scored unassisted as he patiently waited for Erin's goaltender to provide an opening. Moore scored again in the third period and credit goes to Nick Glover for the assist. The Acton Bantam Select Team will travel to Guelph for a game Tuesday November 18 and to Oakville on Saturday, November 29. Head Coach Scott Dunn was very pleased with the team's effort and anticipates a fun season of Select Hockey! AHHA's Select teams play every Saturday evening at the Acton Arena beginning at 9:30pm featuring either Peewee, Bantam or Midget Division teams against other Roster Select teams from the region. Our Novice, Atom and Peewee teams share an hour of ice time for games at the Red Rink, University of Guelph every Saturday evening at 8:00 throughout the season as well. We encourage the community to come out and watch some great hockey and cheer on our local players!

Ducks race Otters...

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why we went there. It's still early in the season and I was happy with the performance of our swimmers.

Results:

11-12 girls – Jennifer Kroezen 100 free-silver, 100 breast – 4th, 50 free 5th, 100 back –8th.

11-12 boys – Chris King 50 free – gold, 100 back – silver, 100 free – silver

13-14 girls – Mackenzie Kimm 100 back – bronze, 50 free –5th, 100 free-7th, Kate Feather 100 breast –5th, 100 back – 8th

13-14 boys – Gresham Kimm 100 back – silver, 200 I.M.bronze, 100 free-4th, 50 free-7th.TJ Waldie 100 breast – bronze, 50 free – 4th, 100 back – 4th, 100 free – 6th, Jordan Dunn 100 back – bronze, 50 free – 5th, 100 free – 5th

15 & over girls – Losina Faber 50 free – silver, 100 free – bronze, 50 fly – 4th, 200 I.M. – 4th, Victoria Fritz 100 back – silver, 100 free – 4th, 100 breast – 4th, 50 free – 6th

15 & over boys – Ashton Roza
100 back – silver, 200 I.M. –

silver, 100 free – silver, 50 free – bronze. Personal best times by Leanna De Vaan

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Five Game Winning Streak for PeeWee A.E. Tanner Team

The R&M Construction Acton Tanners Peewee AE team increased their winning streak to five games with wins over Arthur and Elora this weekend.

The Tanner's defense was solid at both ends of the ice in Acton's first home ice win of the year beating Arthur 6-2. Jamie Campbell opened the scoring on a goal assisted by Jesse Mortensen. Adam Amato scored the second from Drew Backman and Jamie and completed the hat trick with two unassisted goals.

Ellis Lavellee scored another with an assist to Amato on a perfectly executed two on one. Cole Fricker scored the other Acton goal assisted by Backman.

Good work again in the corners by Josh McDonell, Nathan Bennett and Ryan Faber created some excellent scoring chances. Great checks were given out by Mortensen, Backman and Jack Matthews.

Steven Wolstenholme and Luke van Dinther played solidly at defense while Tyler Bandy made a couple end to end rushes. Dirk Van Soelen played well in net making some key saves early but was unable to keep out the

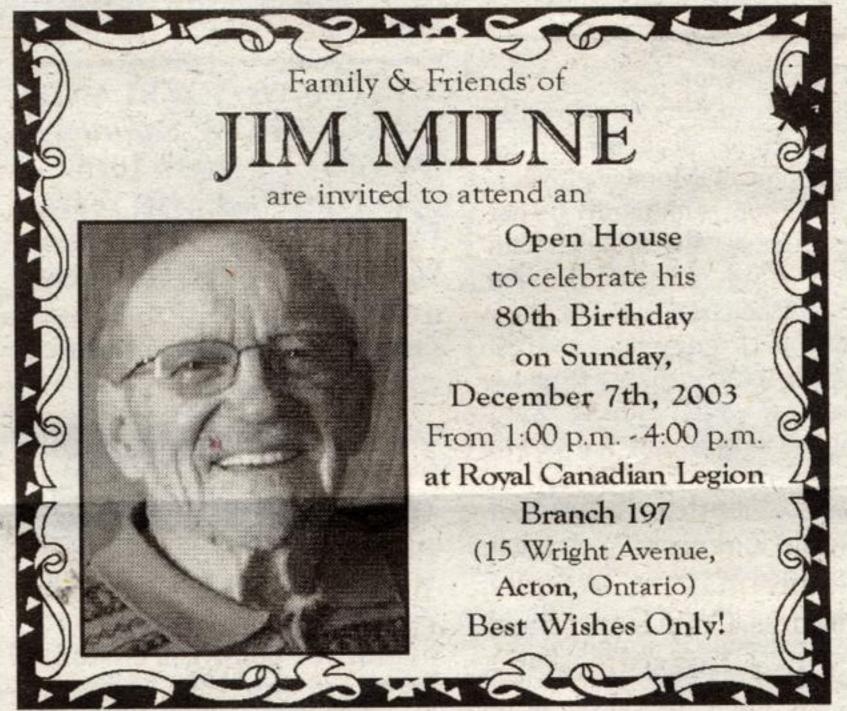
shots directed at him by his own team.

The winning ways continued against Elora as Acton was able to fight off a determined team to win 3-1. The defense continued to play a large part in the offense when McDonell and Bennett worked the puck back to the point and Matthews buried a low wrist shot past the Elora net minder. The familiar combination of Amato, Lavallee and Campbell combined on the second goal converting on another power play goal. Matthews scored his second of the game when Jake Hnatiw passed the puck to Backman who swung it over to his partner who unloaded another wrist shot that capped-off the scoring. Elora made the

game interesting with a late goal but Ben Hess proved too strong, making a number of good saves in the final period.



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