

Town Rec & Parks 'Spring' into action

Halton Hills Recreation & Parks is planning some programs this spring so residents can experience life the active way. They can take golf, tennis and rollerblading instructional classes for both youth and adults to improve levels of skill and enjoyment. The fitness programming has been expanded with many innovative classes planned at the new Gellert Community Centre such as Boxercise, Pilates, Walk Mix and Strollercize, as well as the popular water exercises.

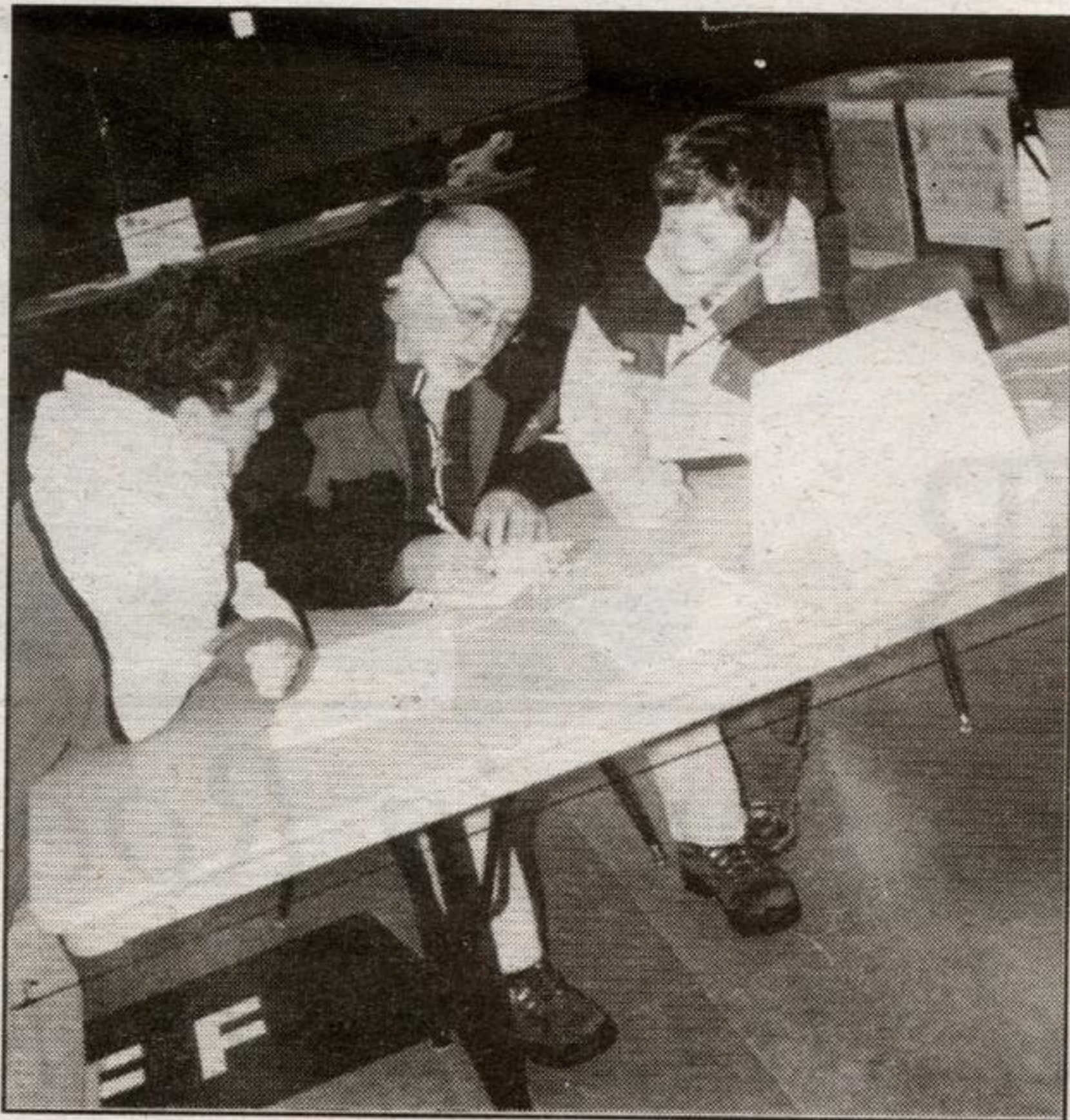
Aquatic leadership trainees can take the March Break Bronze Challenge. They are offering Bronze Star, Bronze Medallion and Bronze Cross from March 15 to 19 at the Georgetown Indoor Pool. Or get a taste of what a real life-guard experiences. Join the March Break Junior Lifeguard Club for 8 to 15 year olds. Participants aim for their personal best while having fun at the same time.

For all these programs and many more, the Town of Halton Hills Community Activity and Service Guide is the source for all the facts. Recreation and Parks is especially excited about the opening of the new Gellert Community Centre.

Guides were delivered starting Feb. 20. If you do not receive a Guide, they can be picked up at Town facilities such as the Civic Centre, pools, arenas and libraries or in outlying areas at general stores and post offices.

Be sure to submit registrations to Recreation and Parks at the Town of Halton Hills Civic Centre for all spring programs by the lottery deadline of Wednesday, March 3, 4:30 pm and for Summer Camps by Wednesday, April 7, 4:30 pm. Registrations can also be dropped off at the Acton Area & Community Centre or faxed to (905) 873-1587.

For more information please call the Program information Hotline at (905) 873-2601, ext. 2275.



SOCCER ANYONE?: Mike Cadwallader, along with sons, Rory and Haydn signed up for outdoor soccer at the Acton Soccer Club's final registration at the Acton Community Centre on Saturday (Feb. 20). - Ellen Piehl photo

Novice Chargers bite Bullets in Skyway showdown

The Novice Select Chargers stared down the Burlington Bullet in an awesome showdown at Skyway arena on Feb. 16.

Charger Tyler Brown set the tone with his unassisted goal 15 seconds into the game to put the Chargers on the scoreboard 1-0. The Bullets skated hard, but the Chargers retained their lead to the end of the first period. However, four minutes into the second, the Bullet hit their mark with a goal to bring the score to 1-1.

The Chargers continued to play their game, and Tyler Brown picked up his second goal, assisted by Dylan Schouten, to bring the score to 23-1 Chargers. Not to be out-calibered, the Bullet pumped another into the net with 1:49 left in the second period to tie it up 2-2.

A scrimmage in the Bullet zone resulted in Tyler Brown's third goal for a natural hat trick, assisted by Jake Corpe. This put the Chargers in the lead 3-2.

The Bullets brought out the heavy artillery and took a tripping penalty in the third period, which forced a penalty shot on net by Charger Jake Corpe. The Chargers remained unfazed, and Quinn Harding scored his first season goal, assisted by Evan Oulton and Dylan Schouten. This clinched the Chargers' victory, 4-2.

Charger netminder Josh Karat made numerous key saves and his superb goaltending hugely contributed to the Chargers' win. Great offence, defence and teamwork exhibited by all the Chargers. The next matchup is with Cambridge on March 6.

Win Challenge Cup

Talented AHS Bearcats end season with 9-2 record

The Acton Bearcats Junior Girls' Volleyball Team ended their season on Friday, finishing on top of the Volpe Division of the Halton volleyball league, with a 9-2 record. Earlier they travelled to St. Joseph's S.S. in Mississauga where they played strongly all day, won their pool play and finished as finalists to Notre Dame, also of Halton.

Having only eight players available for this tourney, they played a tiring 14 games and finally just ran out of gas in the final.

On Thursday they hosted Loyola in the quarter finals of league play. They came out a bit flat and ended up on the losing side in a closely contested match ending with scores of 28-26 and 25-23. They played well but unfortunately er-

rors in serving and communication made the difference.

In spite of the loss on Thursday, the Bearcats travelled to Sir John A. MacDonald S.S. in North York where they ended their season on a high note. They competed in the Second Annual GTA Challenge Cup which had nine cities and seven regions represented. They came away with the first place hardware after defeating North Toronto, Birchmount Collegiate and Michael Power in pool play, Sir John A. MacDonald and Bishop Allen in the quarter and semis and then defeating Dr. G.W. Williams S.S. of York County in the final match.

Led by the superlative setting of Captain, Melissa Bigg, the tournament's MVP, middles, Jennifer Wieck and Kirsten Lowe pounded their opponents

with numerous kills. Alison Minto, Danielle Soderholm, Kim Trumba and Carolyn Shaw added their strength to that of the middles, to shut down their opponents at the net with some very effective blocking as well as great passing. Jesseca Brake led the team in serving while younger sister, Amanda, was her team's most improved player. Lindsay Atkinson and Ally Martineau rounded out the roster.

All team members saw court time with each of them contributing their skills and spirit to the team's success.

Coaches Julia Trenton and Joyce Finley, would like to thank all the members of the team for such an exciting season.

Acton on three - 1...2...3...ACTON!

Novice BB Tanners win in OMHA and Tri-County

The Carquest Acton / Nellis Construction Novice BB Tanners continued their progress towards the OMHA finals with a 2-1 win over Erin on Feb. 17. They also continued Tri-county play, beating Woolwich 1-0 on the 21st.

Erin took a 1-0 lead in the second period, but the third period belonged to the Tanners, as they outshot Erin 6-1, to make the shots 19-7 for the

game. Walter Kirkness tied the game early in the third, assisted by Ryan Dunlevy and Mac Browes. Callum Bowles scored the winner on a dramatic rush from his own end, assisted by Billy Mowat and T.J. Baker.

The win gives the Tanners a 5-1 point lead in the first to eight point series.

The Tanners hosted Woolwich in Tri-County play on the 21st, and stole a

1-0 victory despite being outshot 9-5. Mason Overland recorded his eighth shut-out of the season. The Tanner goal was scored by Walter Kirkness, on the power-play, unassisted.

The OMHA series continues on Tuesday the 24th in Erin, then back to Acton on Tuesday March 2nd. They also play a Tri-county game at home on Sunday the 29th at 11:30.

OMHA playoff run ends for Acton Atom AE Club

Denny's Atom AE Tanners were eliminated from the OMHA playdowns by Goderich, in the fifth and deciding game.

The Tanners hosted Goderich on Feb. 21, and earned a 3-1 victory. Colton Wiens stopped 18 Goderich shots, while Acton had 34 shots on the Goderich net. Goderich took a 1-0 lead early in the second, but the Tanners tied it late in the second. Eric Butson took the draw and wrestled the puck back to Adam Duval, whose shot from the point travelled through a crowd and past the screened Sailor goalie.

Acton got the winner with four minutes remaining in the third, when Kirin Rice took a pass from Clayton Black, and

found Roger Kirkness alone by the side of the net for the tap-in. Eric Butson scored the unassisted insurance goal into an empty net with a minute remaining. Decider in Goderich. The deciding game was played in Goderich on the 22nd, and nothing went Acton's way, as they lost 5-1. Goderich again had 19 shots, but this time five of them went in, including an empty net goal. The Tanners could only manage 10 shots of their own.

Goderich built a 3-0 lead before Jon Porty scored, assisted by Dylan Britton, but the Tanners could not get any closer. The Sailors scored again early in the third, and finally with two minutes left into an empty net, while the Sailors were

two players short.

The loss was a team effort - only Gavin Ragan did not have a negative plus / minus for the game. The coaches were awarded two bench minor penalties, and head coach Bill Curry was ejected, as was Roger Kirkness for a hit-from-behind in the third. Ultimately the home team won each of the five games in the series.

The Tanners had a good run to get that far, eliminating Fergus and extending Goderich to the maximum number of games. They will now continue Tri-county play, with an excellent chance to win their division. The Tanners are 21-2-1 against their Tri-County opponents this season.

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