THERE IS LITTLE doubt that the quality of hockey in the Central Ontario Intermediate Hockey League is at its peak right now General concensus is that the hockey here now is even better than was played in the early '50s when some top quality hockey players brought in to get hockey going at the local rinks after artificial ice had been installed.

Georgetown was actually the first town to have the frozen surface of their rink changed (other than for Barrie, newest member of the Big Seven loop) and Milton followed a couple of seasons later. Oakville and Dundas added theirs within the next year after this while Bradford has had artificial ice for the past five years. Port Credit started up last year.

The addition of Oakville and Dundas to the league without having to peel their rosters too much from the days when they were in Senior "B" company, signifies the top brand of shinny being played

Oakville is just starting to show its power in the loop while Dundas, last place finisher in the Niagara-Metro Senior loop last year, is also hovering there this year with but five wins in the

Georgetown, Barrie and Bradford have fought a three way battle at the head of the league most of the year and over the past weekend the Raider squad from Georgetown moved into first place one night and right back out the following night. Barrie, after a strong start when they won their first six straight games, have since fallen back a bit while Bradford, always a top competitor in the league, has remained at the top throughout. The Fords have had a top team there ever since joining the O.H.A. ranks in Intermediate the first couple of seasons they spent in the "C" group.

What is probably the best setup ever is also in effect this year with five "A" entries in the league and two "B" entries. While the "B" teams will meet to decide a winner for O.H.A. competition (Bradford and Port Credit), one of the five "A" clubs is going to be out of luck come playoff time. The club finishing back of the other four will pack it up for the season without a stint in the playoff sessions and currently the two clubs battling for this honor are Milton and Dundas. Regardless as to which team represents the league in "A" competition there is little doubt few leagues will be up to the calibre of this one in Intermediate "A".

MINOR HOCKEY WEEK in Canada which gets under way this Saturday, January 21st and continues through to January 28th is a big buildup of everyday activities in Milton.

"We have Minor hockey week every week here," commented Herb Higgs, president of Milton's Minor setup, himself an addict of the hobby of attending to the cares of the young lads in the minor leagues in town.

Herb is one of many who spend countless hours with the boys in putting them through their hockey exercises. Coaches, managers, executive members, what have you, all join together to put the show on the road.

So why the need for Minor Hockey Week? The answer to this comes in one easy reply-to get the parents out to see their young lad take part in the fastest sport in the world and to help create a general interest right across the land. Many people know their boy is playing hockey, but ask them what team he is playing for or if he got any goals Saturday and they won't have a clue. These are the people Minor Hockey

Week in Canada is aimed at mostly. Twenty one well organized hockey teams in an age bracket up to 18 years of age certainly shows there is a lot of work being done each and every week in minor hockey in Milton. The coaches, managers, executive members, what have you, all deserve the finest credit for their services and while few seldom get any special means of thanks, there is little doubt that the satisfaction they get from helping in this manner is payment

enough for their troubles. There are many slogans devised for this Minor Hockey Week, all of which contribute to the main idea of giving the boys a means of proper recreation.

If there is some small way you can give a hand to the coach of the team your boy plays on, don't hesitate to do so, as even a word of thanks is sometimes a big boost at the right time.

### SPORTOPICS

Personally I don't think hockey ever had it so good, what with boys from the age of six years on up able to play the game to their hearts content in organized leagues . . . Every town now has a good minor setup and if hockey players are ever going to be developed the next few years should show it . . . Lets hope it is producing good citizens as well, as a first effort.

The juvenile hockey club is having its share of troubles, what with not having won a game all year and Monday night a couple of incidents marred an otherwise good game . . . I was officiating at the Hamilton-Peterborough game and therefore did not see the games here Monday but according to reports the incident involving Don Currie and a Hespeler forward was strictly a routine affair after the Hespeler player T. Shantz, had egged Currie on all night . . . Always a showman of sorts Currie could not allow himself to be tormented by the opposition and therefore did something about it in his usual roughshod manner.

HOW ABOUT THAT-After the final or eighteenth hole, the golfer adds up his score and stops when he reaches 86. He then has a swim, a pint of gin, sings "Sweet Adeline" with a bunch of other liars and calls it the end of a perfect day."

#### Outlucked Midgets Bow to Orangeville Then Hespelerites

Orangeville Saturday night and goals in the second. came home with a 4-1 loss, but At the start of the third period, ertson with a hat trick in the the second period.

a few minutes later.

took charge and completely out- home the marbles. played the hosts until the final Refereeing was exceptionsaves until the end.

Hespeler Midgets visited Mil- charge.

heartbreaking goal near the end clubs involved with Robertson of the game over Milton's rubber- moving further in front of the legged goalie Stemman, who had six teams in the league, and Gerbeen injured earlier in the game. rys yet to pick up a win after After a goal-less first period, Hes- dozen starts. Milton Midgets journeyed to peler came through with two

ton Monday night, and won on a

the score was no indication of Milton got two quick goals to put scoring department. Ronny Phil- ams and Oakville Rams meet and the play. Orangeville blasted them back in the game, Fletcher lips, Nipper Gervais and Bob in the late game Hamilton Spec- 12.10-Magnon vs Leaver home two quick goals before Mil- unassisted and McKersie from Sales helped out in the cause by tator takes on P. L. Robertson. | 12.50—Sine vs Stroud ton got set and scored again in McDuffe and Lawrence. On a getting two goals each and Tomdetermined rush, Hespeler drove my Barrett added a single. Bruno Currie then tipped in McKer- right in on goalie Stemman, who Delazzer and Meco Poliziani scorsie's pass from behind the goal was badly shaken up and had to ed for Queenston. The first Q.M. retire for repairs.

In the third Milton came out Bob Lawrence, on a pass from to set the count at 3-1 and then determined but Orangeville slip- Aselton tied it up again, but Hes- the other goal was fired by Poliped in a fluky shot from a tangle peler again scored at 16.05 over ziani in the third to make it 7-2. of bodies. From there on Milton the shaky Milton goalie to take

bell, but Orangeville's goalie was ally good in this game, with Roterrific and made impossible ger Freeborn of Hespeler and Cliff Houston of Milton, in

mont, Doug Gervais, Stu Mc-

Donald, Don Heslop, Bob Stark, Paul Ward, Andy Williams and Dave Ferguson. Brampton's Junior "B" team, Bill Richardson who played 8-0.



Hawkins scored the final goal of win by the locals could put them

Clinch Win

Oakville came back in the se- the game at 17.41 in a dieing ef- into an almost solid position for

10.40-Maple Leafs vs Detroit

12.50—Pharmacy vs Bantams

7.40—Pittsburgh vs Buffalo

8.20--Cleveland vs Pee Wees

10 Minutes

7.00 a.m.—Springfield vs Rangers

10 Minutes

10 Minutes

10 Minutes

10.40—Maple Leafs vs Boston

12.10—Bantams vs Ledwiths

12.50-Knights vs Pharmacy

7.00 a.m.-Magnon vs Sine

10 Minutes

10 Minutes

10 Minutes

8.30—Maple Leafs vs Chicago

Saturday, February 25

7.40—Stroud vs Leaver

9.10—Detroit vs Boston

10.00—Bantams vs Knights

10.40—Ledwiths vs Pharmacy

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10 Minutes

10 Minutes

10 Minutes

Saturday, March 11

10 Minutes

12.10—Cleveland vs Buffalo

Saturday, March 4

7.40—Sine vs Leaver

11.20—Chicago vs Boston

12.10-Knights vs Ledwiths

Saturday, February 18

9.10-Magnon vs Leaver

11.20—Detroit vs Chicago

9.50—Sine vs Struod

LEGION SOFTBALLERS moved up from "C" to "B" ranks last summer and captured the District "B" crown in the annual tournament here. Saturday evening, a sports dance was held at the Legion to honor the players. Deputy Zone Commander Fred Johnson, right, presented the trophy to coach Lorne "Dooney" Evans on behalf of the district sports officer. Looking on at left with their individual trophies are local sports officer Dennis Rowley and Branch 136 president Chuck Gervais, both players on the team. D.Z.C. Johnson is also a player on the crack squad, which has won a district championship three years in a row.

Veteran Art Melanson fired two then again in the second. Bruce tering the final frame.

Milton had command of the cond period, Billy Ford and Herb fort for the Oaks.

Oakville. The win drew the brack tally one for the Oaks. Hannant, Jack Price and a final

fourth place Merchants to within Bruce McFadden and Melanson tally by Melanson all but clinch-

game most of the way and the Baker notching goals and the The game provided few thrills

Oaks came back twice to tie the Merchants were kept off the for the some 200 paid customers

count, once in the first period and score sheet to give a 3-3 tie en- on hand, and the goalkeeping

10 Minutes

7.00 a.m.--Rangers vs Cleveland

7.40—Pittsburgh vs Springfield

10 Minutes

10 Minutes

10 Minutes

7.00 a.m.—Pittsburgh vs Pee Wees

8.20—Cleveland vs Springfield

10 Minutes

10 Minutes

10.40—Maple Leafs vs Chicago

Saturday, February 4

8.20—Pee Wees vs Buffalo

9.10—Magnon vs Sine

9.50—Stroud vs Leaver

12.10—Bantams vs Knights

Saturday, February 11

7.40—Rangers vs Buffalo

9.10—Magnon vs Stroud

9.50—Sine vs Leaver

12.50—Ledwiths vs Pharmacy

one point of Oakville, seated in scored before the end of the ed the win for Milton but Bob portant game of the season. A

goals last night to lead Milton Brown opened the scoring for

Minor Hockey Schedule

Following is the Milton Minor | 9.50-Buffalo vs Springfield

Hockey set-up's schedule for the 10 Minutes

league. Players are asked to clip 11.20-Sine vs Stroud

remaining games in this winter's 10.40-Magnon vs Leaver

least 15 minutes ahead of game 12.50-Detroit vs Chicago

Lopsided Tilts Feature

and please be at the arena at 12.10-Mape Leafs vs Boston

third spot in the seven team period.

the schedule for future reference

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10 Minutes

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Saturday, January 28

10-1 count.

11.20—Sine vs Leaver

Saturday, January 21

#### Three Other Teams Deadlocked The final games on the sched- | fong, Richard Randell and Dick | Sclisizzi scored all four goals to ule which was released for minor Marshall were the Bantam marks- give Buffalo the tie and Bruce hockey back on November 19 men. Ledwith goals came from Evans assisted on the second were completed Saturday, This Harold Wilson and Paul Martin. goal. week another schedule starts Ken Thompson and Don Christen- Craig Brush notched a pair,

games included in the list, else- Wayne Brush and Harold Wilson had singles for the Pee Wees. where in the paper.

NOVICE

Hearns each fired two goals to Jack Keirvan and Gary Thomas 1-1 in the pee wee loop action give Leafs a 4-4 draw against had singles in the tilt while Craig Saturday, while in the second pee Boston in the first game of the Riddell notched a pair on the morning. For Boston Gary Nay- Knights win. Louis Howitt scored ler performed in his usual man- twice, Pat Carr and Bob Wilson Magnon played to a 2-2 tie as Danny Evans added the other Brigstocke, Carr, Wilson and marker. Tommy Learmont and Howitt drew assists also Bertoli Gary Young assisted on one of and Keirvan had two assists each Wilkinson's goals while Mike Mc- for Knights. Grath and Young helped on the

David Gates fired the only two goals of the game to give Chicago ion over Rangers in the first bana 2-0 win over Detroit in the sec-

MIDGET loop with a 4-2 win over withs. Leon Stickle, Roger Wild-

of Fred Leaver in the Milton net

was the big difference in the tilt.

what is termed as the all-im-

List Standing

a playoff spot in the loop.

with this Saturday morning's sen drew Bantam assists while Paul Kitchen and Marty Seed

M. Sclisizzi Fires Four in Tie

helped on the two Ledwith tallies. Keith Higgs, Gary Devlin and Knights took the second Midget | Craig Brush had assists as well. league game when they edged George Wilkinson and Donny Pharmacy 5-4. Renato Bertoli, once each for Pharmacy. John

PEE WEE

wee game (which was the last

game of the morning) Leaver and

Ray Kolyn scored on a pass

mppen Dail.

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Sine tally and David Wells notch-

ed the Stroud marker with an

assist going to Edward Perry.

BANTAM

Brian Crucefix fired three goals three of the markers, Jim Keane and Bill Weston clicked for the agers and Keene ond Novice league game. Gordon Jones added the fourth tally with McCallum assisted on the second Wayne Bell drawing assists on Bantams won their tilt in this Rangers and Keane drew an assist Led- on the Weston goal as well.

Springfield walked over Pittsburgh 3-1 and it was Roger Johnson who came through to notch two goals for the winners. Craig Varley tallied the third goal. Ron Hachey, Wayne Casson and Lorne Ella picked up assists as well.

Milton Merchants Take Command Freddie Finn fired the Pitts-Whip Oakville 7-4 on Wednesday burgh single and an assist wen to Tom Ramshaw. Schisizzi Fires Four

Buffalo kept right in the thick of the battle for top spot when Merchants to a 7-4 victory over Milton only to have Phil Alcum- Goals by Larry Shuker, Stu Friday night the Merchants they tied Pee Wees 4-4. Marty host Dundas Graftons here in

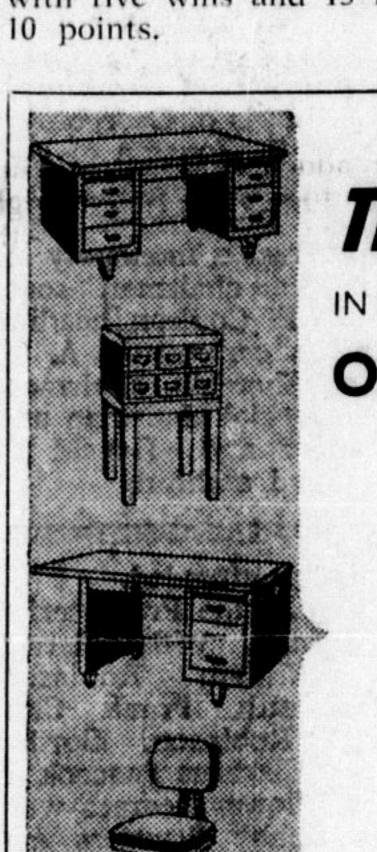
#### Meet Nobleton The newly formed Junior hoc-

key Club is to play the Nobleton Juniors on Friday, January 27 in Nobleton. Game time is 8.30 p.m. Standing in the league as of The game will be preceded by last night is: Georgetown and three Minor league games.

Bradford tied with 23 points | This will be the first game for each; Georgetown has 11 wins, both teams in their own groupsix losses and a tie while the ing. Against "B" clubs, Nobleton Fords have 10 wins, five losses lost 11-7 to Unionville and the and three ties; Barrie is next Milton team lost 7-2 to Brampwith 20 points on nine wins, five ton.

losses and a pair of ties; Oak- The Miltonites meet the Toronville is fourth with eight wins, to Marlboro Juveniles on Friday, seven losses and a tie for 17 February 10 in their first home points; Milton is next with eight appearance. wins and 11 losses for 16 points;

Fluctuations in the national in-Dundas is sixth with five wins, eight losses and a tie for 11 come closely parallel va and louis points; and Port Credit is last in pulp and paper p.oduction. with five wins and 13 losses for Prosperity in the industry and in Canada are inseparable.



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# Juniors Drop 7-2

handed Milton's new Junior team with the juveniles two years ago a 7-2 loss Sunday in Brampton. J. has joined the club. The team D. Cameron who moved into the will be cut to 16 players this Milton net in the second period week. was injured after five minutes of play. He received a severe concussion and missed the All-Star game when hit on the forehead with a shot from the point.

For Milton Stu McDonald scored assisted by Don Heslop, then Doug Peddie scored from behind the net.

The two meet again in February and the Milton crew has to be convinced Brampton is five goals the better team. Milton lineup, Doug Peddie,

Jim Peddie, Wayne McConnell,

Brian McDuffe, Mike Brush, Gord

Hasselfeldt, Bill Scott, Don Lear-

D. ERVIN

Sunday Afternoon Action Two lopsided games featured erent times . . . Both times he 9.10-Chicago vs Boston the Sunday afternoon action in received major penalties, as did 10.00—Ledwiths vs Knights the Milton Hockey League. P. L. his opponents . . . Neil Thomson Robertson popped off on Queens- was involved in the second shufton Motors, their nearest challenfle and was ejected from the ger to the tune of 10-2 in the game by the officials . . . 12.10—Cleveland vs Pittsburgh opener, and in the second game may be suspended at a league 12.50—Buffalo vs Springfield Gerrys were turned back by a meeting to be held tonight by the team heads . . . All told 14

Both wins were decisive for the minor penalties were doled out . . The second game saw only 7.40—Detroit vs Chicago eight, five to Gerrys and three to Oakville . . . Tonight Gerrys 8.30—Bantams vs Ledwiths meet Glen Williams in the first 9.10-Knights vs Pharmacy game at eight o'clock and in the second game Queenston Motors 10.00-Rangers vs Cleveland

**Hutt Notches Trio** Bill Hutt led the way for Rob- and Hamilton Spectator will play 10.40-Pittsburgh vs Springfield . . Sunday at three, Glen Willi- 11.20—Pee Wees vs Buffalo

marker came in the second period

Two Hat Tricks Eddie Milman and Max Lang each scored three goals to sink Gerry's ship in the second game. Other Rams goals were scored by Bob McKay and Garry Hughes, both of whom had two each

to their credit. Gerrys' only goal came in the third period when Don Wilson scored three minutes before the end of the game, when Rams led

**NOTES:** The first game was a roughly played contest with Don

Kearney squaring off with two of the Queenston players at diff-

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