



Sports Ramblings

WITH BRUCE HOOD

STILL IN THE MIDST of Minor Hockey Week in Canada, everyone from Prime Minister John Diefenbaker on down the line has joined in to aid in the efforts too. Mr. Diefenbaker noted in his telegram to Lionel Fleury, second vice-president of the C.A.H.A. and chairman of the minor week, that "minor hockey is an important annual event in most Canadian communities," and he went on to "urge everyone to give their aid to the volunteer workers in this sport in the community."

Physical and character building, competitive spirit, co-operation with others, body-building, respect for others, and in general the benefits of healthful, supervised recreation and disciplined training are the facts which form the basis of operation in minor hockey leagues. From these and other such organizations tomorrow's leaders are created.

There are over 200 boys playing minor hockey in Milton, let's see that many parents file out to the arena to support the lads.

MILTON RECREATION COMMISSION is about to start off another year of activity. This will be the second year the group has been organized and while there have been a number of changes since the inception of the Recreation Commission by the town fathers, a giant step forward was made in '60.

Ed Grawronski, Lorne Evans, Ian Scovell and Neil McPhail were the original members of the group while Art Desjardine and Mary Pettit were the council members who were designated to sit on the Commission. This was in keeping with a ruling by a branch of the Department of Education through which the Commission is organized, in order that grants for various events can be sought.

Since that however, some have tendered their resignation and have been replaced.

As it is now Ed is chairman for his second year, Lorne Evans is treasurer, Art Melanson is secretary (a post which he was furnished with when Scovell left the scene) and Ted Jennings has taken up where Neil McPhail left off. Ted is also assistant chairman.

As for the council members, Mary Pettit is still with it while Don Merritt, a most serious thinker, is the other member. As for Desjardine the man who was the most force behind getting the Commission established in the first place, he has since left town after giving some fine service to the community in his six years here.

The budget for the Commission's operation in 1961 has been submitted to council for okaying and now the group will get down to business for the busy itinerary of the season ahead.

SPORTOPICS

Ice fishing has hit the town and while one group reports no luck at all on two trips out, others have had better luck. Ken Buck, Sid Fay and Jack Irving were out Monday and caught 12 whitefish but another group in the same spot on the weekend reported no luck. Cal Armstrong, Len Naylor, Don Kearney and Jack Buck tried their luck at Oro Station Saturday but stated there was not too much activity. Neil Whitney and Ruby Gaeton have the answer with their own fishing but Gaeton is on holidays now and is making the best of the ice fishing season. They have their headquarters in the district east of Barrie.

The Legion Zone bowling tournament Saturday was a whopping success according to all reports. The only thing the matter was Milton lost out. Port Credit was top dog in the event and it was Georgetown who edged Milton out for the third spot in the finals. The top three clubs will take part in the provincial finals. A veteran is a person who has taken part in an activity for quite some time. Right? We agree as does Art Melanson who was referred to as a veteran last week when he scored two goals in a game for Milton over Oakville. That's right Art, it doesn't mean age. After all I am a veteran referee after five years at it and I'm just a youngster.

Ingersoll Marlands, the club which gave the Merchants so much trouble in pre-season exhibition tilts, is setting a terrific pace in the six team league they are in. They have won 16 games out of 17. Other clubs in the circuit are Aylmer, Exeter, Port Dover, Lucan-Ilderton and Delhi. Ken Brown was re-elected president of the Oakville Rod and Gun Club recently. Ken is a brother of Merchants forward Bruce Brown and formerly played hockey here as well.

HOW ABOUT THAT—More about the golfer—After each hole has been completed the golfer counts his strokes. Then he subtracts six and says, "Made it in five, that's one above par. Shall we play for fifty cents on the next hole too?"

Palermo League Champs In Junior Farmer Hockey

Palermo Junior Farmers finished out the regular schedule in the Halton Junior Farmer hockey league as league champs. Monday night they registered a 7-6 win over Milton to clinch the title, in a game played at Milton arena. In the other game of the night, Norval, second place finisher, defeated Acton 8-3. Acton finished in fourth spot and is therefore out of the playoffs.

Milton and Norval go at it in the semi-finals starting this Monday at 8:30 p.m. in a three game series. First club to capture four points will go on to meet Palermo in the finals and the right to claim the Milton Milling Trophy.

Four Goal Man Ken Richardson was a four goal man for Norval in its 8-3 victory while Jim Richardson fired another two. Ron Archer and Earl Wilson added singles. Alan Hayward had two and Doug Black had one for Acton. The game was a closely played contest until the third period when Norval broke loose for four quick goals.

Sixteen Minors The 7-6 victory which Palermo squeezed out over Milton was close throughout and the officials handed out 16 minor penalties. Each club drew eight in the contest that could have gone either way.

For Palermo the league's top scorer Dave "Peanuts" Murray

Acton Second

Port Credit Tops in Bowling

Amassing a three-game pin total of 3,602, Port Credit Legion Branch 82 bowlers walked off with the Zone B7 bowling trophy Saturday afternoon in Milton. The Port Crediters won out over competitors from Milton, Georgetown, Acton, Streetsville, Oakville and Brampton as 20 teams and 120 bowlers met at Milton Bowl-away in the annual five-pin tournament.

Acton's five best placed second with 3,376 and Georgetown followed with 3,238, just two points ahead of Milton, last year's champions. Oakville's Harry Ridley claimed high single with 326 and Port Credit's Jim Harrison (a member of the trophy team) had the biggest triple with 823.

Three Shifts The tournament was organized by Zone sports chairman Al Reynolds of Port Credit, with the assistance of secretary Alex Waldium, Port Credit. Teams included three from each town except Acton (with two), and they bowled in three shifts, from 11 a.m.

New Recruits Only Scorers As Merchants Lose Big One

Two new recruits in the persons of Bill Brush (a local lad who has not played much more than school hockey this term) and Bill Hutt (an industrial league toiler) were the only two goalscorers for Milton Merchants last night. Barrie Lakeviews defeated the Merchants to the tune of 9-3 and while the win moved the Lakeviews into possession of first place in the league standing, a 6-3 win by Oakville Oaks in Georgetown last night helped move Milton back into fifth spot in the seven team loop.

The goaltending of Gary Sharman for the Lakeviews was something terrific as he turned back thrust after thrust by Merchants' best. Bob Garner was a three goal man for Barrie while Robertson and Forbes scored two apiece and singles came from McBride and Pring.

Brush and Hutt were pressed into action with the absence of regulars Joe McCann, Al Mufford and Bruce Brown from the Merchant line-up.

Meet Raiders Georgetown Raiders play here tomorrow night in what is likely to be one of the biggest games of the term. The Raiders have lost to Barrie and Oakville right in a row and therefore will be out for a big win. Meanwhile

the Merchants must pull a win to remain in contention for a playoff berth with March playoff time not too far away.

Standings in the league at present: Barrie on top with 12 wins, five losses and three ties for 27 points; Bradford second with 11 wins, five losses and four ties for 26 points; Georgetown third with 11 wins, eight losses and one tie for 23 points; Oakville fourth with nine wins, nine losses and one tie for 19 points; Milton fifth with nine wins, 12 losses for 18 points; Port Credit sixth with seven wins, 13 losses for 14 points; Dundas last with five wins, 11 losses and a tie for 11 points.

Saved in Third

Pull Big Home Ice Victory

The third period was once again the lifesaver for Milton Merchants Friday night. A week ago Port Credit Sailors came from behind to tie the Merchants on home ice and they were forced to pull a big win in the third frame. Again this week (with almost the same setting) Dundas Graftons did the same thing. This time the score was 5-5 going into the final 20 minutes and once again the trio of Bruce McFadden, Larry Shuker and Jackie Price were the lifesavers as they notched the three needed goals in the period to give a final count of 8-5.

The win proved to be one of the big ones for the Merchants (aren't they ah?) and moved the club seven points ahead of the Graftons sitting in fifth spot in the seven team loop. Graftons must finish ahead of Milton in the league standing in order to be eligible for the Intermediate "A" playoff in the league.

Al Scores First Al Mufford, rollicking defenseman with the Merchants scored his first goal since joining the club a few weeks ago and gave indication of how the scoring was spread over the club. John Heipel,



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Bruce Brown, Larry Shuker, Nick Ferri, Jack Price and McFadden with two all dipped their finger in the scoring bowl.

For the visitors Glen Wood, Bill Searle, Don Meyers, Moe Laufman and Jim Lauder did the scoring.

Dundas led 3-2 at the close of the first period and were in front 4-2 early in the second before the Merchants started the comeback.

NOTES: Roy Weston won the blue tickets to the Maple Leaf game, which were raffled off for this season and turned in his gear over the weekend. Fred Leaver has played a top brand of hockey in goal since taking over between the pipes for Bill Orr.

Orr is the finest reserve goalie in the league. Murray Grenke missed the tilt due to a leg injury. Merchants played well last night. Barrie defeated Georgetown 5-2 in their last outing.

14 Penalties Six minors and a major were called against Milton by referee Bev Hamilton while Dundas drew six minors and a misconduct. Monday night the Merchants go to Dundas for a return engagement while next Friday sees the questionable Oakville Oaks here at 8:45 p.m. Tomorrow night Georgetown Raiders are here to give the local fans two top games at home this week. Over 500 were out last Friday.

Biggest Output

Glen Posts Double Win

Glen Williams, the newest entry in the Milton Hockey League came through with its biggest output of the year Thursday and Sunday to record big victories. Thursday they scored 10 goals to win over Gerrys 10-0 and then Sunday in a closer match they fired six markers to win over Oakville Rams 6-3.

In other league action on the two days it was Hamilton Spectator who suffered two defeats. Thursday Hamilton Queenston Motors defeated them 7-3 while in the second game Sunday, P. L. Robertson stretched his league lead by turning back the Spec. squad 11-1.

Bud Haines, the league's top point getter at present, also had his biggest output on the week.

Graham Gillies with two each and singles by Norm Flemington and Bob Merry.

A large crowd of Junior Farmer spectators is expected to turn out for this Monday's game between Norval and Milton in the playoffs.

Frasson Hot

Joe Frasson had himself a big night Thursday too. Frasson is the top scorer for Queenston Motors and in defeating Spectator he scored two goals and assisted on three others in the 7-3 victory.

Brian McMillan, also hot on the scoring trail notched a pair and Pat Dufor, John O'Brien, and Terry Fetter scored single goals as well.

Andy McQuarrie, Dave Murray and Ron Filman were the Spec marksmen in this tilt.

Four Goal Men

It took four two goal men plus single efforts to give Robertson their 11-1 verdict Sunday. Bill Hutt, Ron Phillips, Tommy Barrett and Bob Sales all came through with two goals each in the lopsided victory while Terry Brush, Nip Gervais and Skeeter

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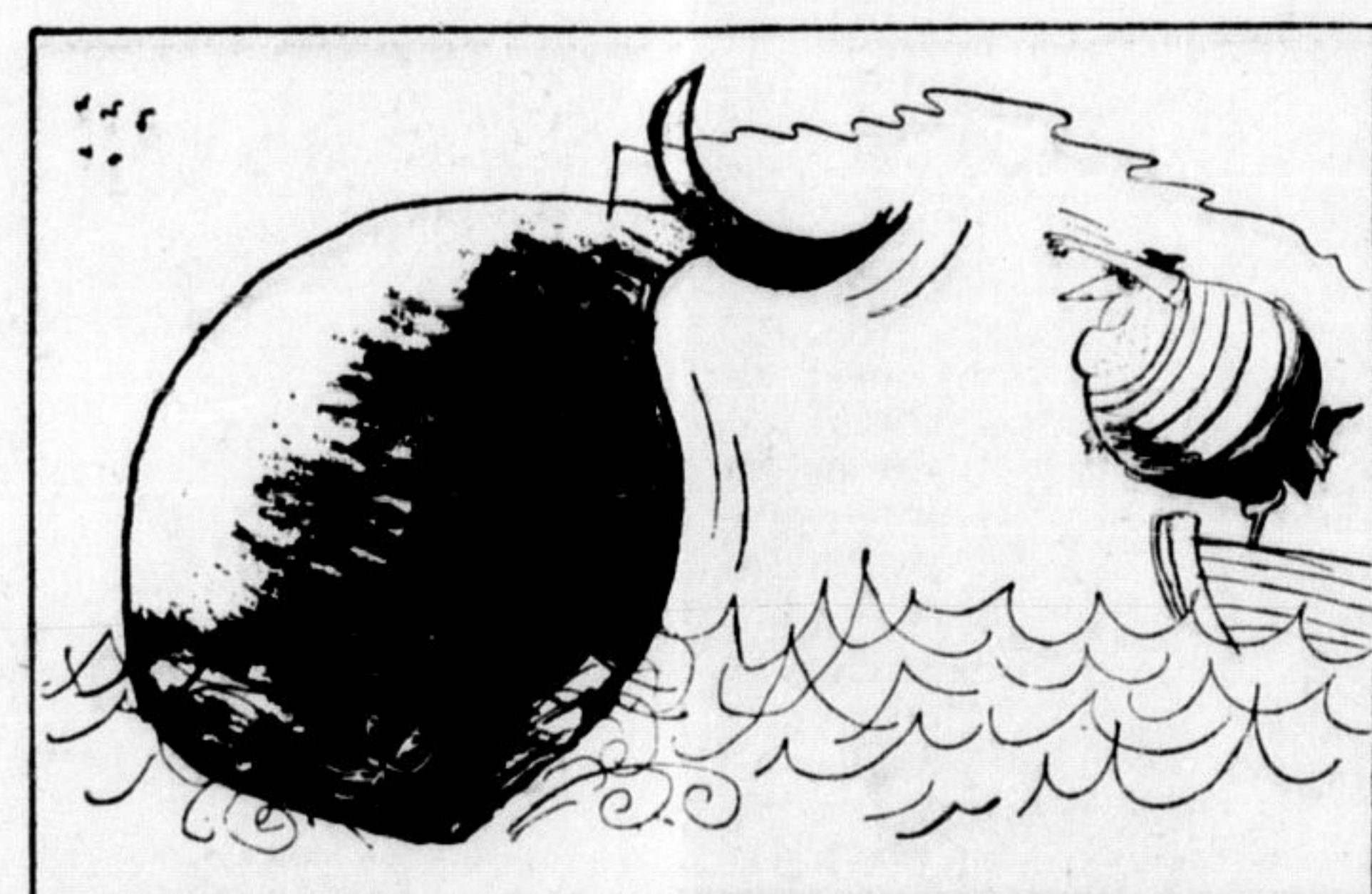
to 5 p.m. Next year the champions will be host to the tournament at Port Credit.

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Legion Sports

Port Credit was the top club on the day in the Zone B7 bowling play-off Saturday here. Acton finished second, while Georgetown edged our local club by two points. Jim Sprout, Eric Toletzka, George Fletcher, Frank Kaszycki and Gord Hadley were on the team which was outlacked at the final bell. The top three clubs will now go on to take part in the provincial play-downs to try and bring some of the laurels to our zone.

Mr. Euchre himself, Frank Hadley, won the 50-50 euchre club top prize Friday night when he turned in the high card. Next night of euchre in this operation will be held Friday, February 10.

DARTS It's still Big Boppers and Wildcats who are doing the battling for the top spot in the dart loop at this stage. Both clubs have 64 points to date and are in front of Legionnaires in the third spot by a margin of 12 as they have 52.

Three teams, O.S.P., Misfits and Mountaineers are tied with 48 each on the next step. Brickers have 42, Firemen 40, Juicers 38 and Ledwith Specials bring up the rear with 36 points.

EUCHRE Toppers kept going on their merry way last Tuesday when they captured nine points over Old Pros to move into a first place tie with Sputnicks at 26 points each. Sputnicks meanwhile tied Army for seven points. Tigers are in third with 22 while Army holds fourth with 21. C. T. Service and Old Pros are tied with 20 while O.S.P. with 17 and Blue Sunocos with 16 bring up the rear in this loop.

Baso Smith and Hugh Patterson, along with Al Penick and H. Pier of the Toppers, are running along well this round. The Coulson clan (Old Pros) are doing their best to keep in the running although they are having some difficulty at times.

Sports Scoreboard
C.O.H.L. SCORING RACE

	G	A	Pts.
Jack Price Mil.	23	19	42
Jr. Beaumont Geo.	19	18	37
Larry Shuker Mil.	7	27	34
B. McFadden Mil.	14	17	31
Earl McCrone Bar.	11	20	31
Gary Vasey Brad.	10	19	29
C. Gardner Bar.	12	15	28
Billy Ford Oak.	14	13	27
W. Maxwell Oak.	13	14	27
J. MacDonald Bar.	8	19	27

Bell clicked for one goal apiece as well.

Bob Hawkins drew credit for the only Spectator goal of the game which came in the third period with the score sitting at 6-0.

Notes: Don Kearney of P. L. Robertson and Neil Thomson of Hamilton Queenston Motors have been suspended for the next game between the two clubs (Feb. 23). . . The two drew the one game rest for their part in a skirmish in the last game the 2 clubs played Sunday, January 15. . . Club managers met Sunday to decide their fate. They also asked that the referees call the games tighter with an eye towards the boarding being given. . . A tight race is developing for the top four spots in the league.

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Pee Wees Gain Only Win In 3 Georgetown Games

Georgetown's Novice and Bantam clubs won their games against the local opposition Saturday while the Pee Wee tilt went to Milton 9-2. Score in the Novice tilt was 5-2 for the visitors and in the bantam tilt the pee wee score was reversed with Georgetown winning 9-2.

The Novice tilt started off the afternoon activities Saturday at 4:30 p.m. and once again it was the line of Kemshead, Moody and King which spelled fins to the locals. Kemshead was a three goal man and Moody had the other two in the win, while King helped on four of them. For Milton Don Hearn and Ted Hood did the scoring.

Two in Burlington The Pee Wees and Bantams won over Burlington Wednesday night in exhibition games staged at the arena. The Pee Wees won their tilt 5-3 while the Bantams edged Burlington 6-5 in their end.

Craig Brush fired a hat trick, Doug Hearn and Paul Kitchen scored one goal each in the Pee Wee win. For the bantams Roger Wildfong was the big man with two goals and Don Christensen, Richard Randell, Ken Thompson, and Steven Seed notched one goal each.

The Bantam club took it on the chin in their game. Georgetown had complete control of the game throughout and won easily by a seven goal margin. Only players able to put the puck past Richard Braisby in the Georgetown nets

—About 150 attended the Milton Girls' Pipe Band dance in the Legion Hall Friday. Several spot prizes were awarded and a good time was reported by all.

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Thursday, Jan. 26
FIGURE SKATING
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Two Games
Starting 8 p.m.
Rams vs P.L.R.
Burlington vs Gerrys

Friday, Jan. 27
INT. "A" HOCKEY
GEORGETOWN vs MERCHANTS
8:45 p.m.
(re-scheduled game)

Saturday, Jan. 28
PUBLIC SKATING
2 to 4 p.m.
8 to 10 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 30
MINOR HOCKEY NIGHT

Tuesday, Jan. 31
FIGURE SKATING
4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
JUNIOR FARMER HOCKEY
2 Games starting at 8 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 1
ADULT & PRE SCHOOL SKATING
2 to 4 p.m.
8 - 10 p.m.

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