

Merchants continue winning ways Hearns sparks attack with pair



Sports forum by bob burft

If the exhibition games are any indication of what Merchant fans have to look forward to and coach Ed Swiss has to contend with this year, it might be advisable for some alert capitalist to devise a way of selling tranquilizers wholesale at the Friday night home games.

In both contests the Merchants played the first period as if they had left their skating legs at home and came back to win both games in the third period.

It was suggested to Swiss between the first and second period that the boys had been hustling but he thought different. "They're not skating at all", he grumbled. "Only a couple of the boys are skating."

Don Hearns led the club with a pair of goals and constant hustling from start to finish. Phil Brush turned in his second fine performance in two games. Brush played the last half of both games and it's not unlikely he could have been the stabilizing factor in either game.

Last year's regular goalie Bob Lee started the first game and Dale Dunning played the first half of the second game. Dunning comes to the Merchants from Etobicoke and will use up one of the four import cards if he makes the club.

Dunning is the expected starter for the Georgetown opener if Lee's ankle is still bad. Although it is conceivable Bgush could get the starting nod, it is expected he will spend the season in the Juvenile nets.

Tstomu Hanzawa caught the eye of the 350 fans Friday. Tom, as he has been handily nicknamed, is one of three Japanese boys trying out with Canadian junior hockey clubs in Ontario. Two of the three worked out at Wednesday's practice but only Tom saw action Friday night. One was working out at a Hamilton Junior B camp at last report.

Apparently the trio have been sent to Canada by a Japanese firm who have agreed to foot the bill for the year with the express intent of having the boys return to Japan and represent them in the 1972 Olympics. It is also rumored this same firm has pledged 150,000 for the three boys' expenses.

Although no decision has been made about keeping Tom on the squad, he has met with the approval of many fans and several executive members.

One man admitted "if anyone had told me they could skate like this in Japan, I'd have eaten my shirt. I'd look in the Sahara desert before going to Japan to look for hockey players."

But Tom is real. Although his skating leaves little to be desired, the coach showed some concern about his ability to take the punishment. If he could overcome the language barrier and avoid injuries he could be a very real asset to the club.

Juvenile manager Joe Wilson announced yesterday, practices will be held on Thursdays from 10 p.m. to 11 p.m., with players ready to go on the ice at 10 o'clock.



Fish and Game News by arn coulson

Let's all hunt safely this year. The hunting season is here again, and rifles and shotguns are being readied for the big hunt in the north. Supplies are bought and hunting clothes are brought out of mothballs. Licences have all been bought and hopes are high.

But what about the hunter? Has he been overhauled and made ready to hunt safely? Great effort has been put into everything for the hunt, but very rarely does the hunter take stock of himself. Yet he is the one who aims the gun and pulls the trigger, the one who makes the rifle kill. What he will kill is another matter. We as sportsmen have a record for safety in the last few years that we can well be proud of, yet we have a long way to go.

In 1966, 130 hunters in Ontario happened to be in the line of fire of hunters who were not sure of their target. The score — 13 killed, 117 wounded. The experienced hunter last year caused just as many accidents as the newcomer to the sport. Why?

In the interests of safe hunting, we at the Halton Sportsmen's Association urge you to brush up on safe gun handling. A new hunter, before he can get a licence, has to take a course in safe gun handling. How about some of us older ones taking a refresher course? We may discover things about safety that we did not know before.

To sum it all up, the most important rules of safe hunting are:

A gun loaded or unloaded is not a toy, and must be treated always as if it were loaded.

Never point it at anyone. Never carry a loaded gun in a boat or car or plane, and please never leave one loaded in a house or building.

Make sure of your target before you pull the trigger, and be cold sober.

Rules of safety, like rules of the road, become dull and boring, but we just can't forget them.

We at the Halton Sportsmen's Association have watched with high hopes the planting of the Kohanee Salmon, and are very happy to announce that they are spawning by the thousands in Bluejay Creek and the Maniac River on the south side of Manitoulin Island. This is, perhaps, the first major spawning of this species in Ontario. These fish were planted in 1964.

The Department of Lands and Forests would appreciate anglers letting them know if any of these small, red fish (trout-like in form and between 12 to 18 inches long) are seen. Although it is still too early to be certain, it appears that the introduction has been less successful in Lake Ontario than in Lake Huron.

Sixty-five dollars' worth of small change, gathered from the bottom of the Department of Lands and Forests beaver,

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After a shaky first period, Milton Merchants settled down, started to skate and turned in their second comeback win in two starts. Milton beat Dundas 5:3 Friday before a crowd of 350 people. Something less than a 100 per cent skating effort from the forwards and the defence-

men's failure to clear the puck gave coach Ed Swiss cause for concern after the first period.

Don Hearns paced the club with two goals while singles went to Roger Wildfong, Craig Brush and Tstomu Hanzawa.

Dundas scored first and Brush tied the game up in the



TSTOMU HANZAWA

first period when he, scored on a rebound off Ted Hood's shot from about 20 feet out. Dundas went ahead in the second period when Ernie Budalin tucked one in between goaltender Dale Dunning's legs.

Hearns came back with two goals less than a minute apart late in the second period. He furnished the first goal unassisted. He swept over the blue line and dipsey doodled through the Dundas defence with the puck still on his stick and slid it past the Dundas shot stopper in a back-hand shot. Only seconds later, Hearns rapped one up into the top right-hand corner of the net. His second goal came on a well executed pass play from Roger Wildfong and Paul Holmes netted the equalizer for Dundas midway

through the final period after several whacks at it in front of the Milton net.

Wildfong scored the winner from Rick Cole and Kip Tugwell. Hanzawa, one of three boys sponsored by a Japanese firm to learn Canadian hockey, scored the final goal. It was the Japanese lad's first appearance with the Merchants.

Last year's goaltender Bob Lee watched the game from the stands Friday night. Lee is out with a sprained ankle and was replaced by Dale Dunning and Phil Brush. Brush repeated a fine performance of the first game, allowing but one goal. Brush played steady goal throughout but looked exceptionally good on a break-

away by Cam Hostein. Brush moved out, cut the angle down and thwarted the forward in a competent fashion.

Coach Ed Swiss, a little happier after the third period than the first, told his crew they could go a long way and do a lot of things if they could play three periods of hockey rather than just the last two.

Officials levied 18 penalties, two majors for fighting, a misconduct and a major for butt-ending and several minors. Steve Gervais spent five minutes in the sin bin with Pete Aussens after the pair engaged in a brief duel.

Milton will meet Georgetown here Friday night in the league opener.

Five Milton teams in Tri-County action

Five Milton Teams in Tri-County Milton will have an entry into each of the five tri-county divisions again this year. The following is a break down of the teams, their coaches and sponsors of the various teams.

NADALIN ELECTRIC JUVENILE TEAM
Coach Stu Hannant; manager Joe Wilson; assistant manager Vern Gooding. Players: Rod McKersie, Paul Kitchen, Rick Colbeck, Keith Higgs, Wayne Arnold, Barry McTrach, Tom Gooding, Steve Clement, Phillip Martin, Paul Mountain.

TRAFALGAR MOTORS
Coach Gus Mowbray; manager Dawson Ellison. Players: David Turner, Bruce Ellison, Ronald Twiss, Scott Seeny, Gary Dance, Bradley Smith, Craig Jubb, Steven McCutcheon, Paul Sprout, Rod Gooding, Brent Murray.

LEGION BANTAMS
Coach Glen Dance; Manager

ROTARY MIDGET
Coach Joe McCann; manager Lockie McKersie, assist. manager Nick Chuchmach. Players: Ray Evans, Buddy Thomas, Mike Frame, Bill Wilson, Raymond Tonelli, Benny Nijholt, Rick Gooding, Jim Marshall, Keith Bridgman, Nigel Ferguson, Donnie Chuchmach, Terry Cole, David Gates, Gary Young.

KINSMEN PEE WEE
Coach Bob Cullen; manager Ken Young. Players: Tony Saliba, Dave Roberts, Ross Fuller, Richard Bridgman, Glenn Turner, Scott McKenzie, George Hood, Garry Gooding, Ken Fay, Norm Mowbray, Gary Hunt, Peter Chuchmach.

Pro-am schedule

The following is a list of the Pro-am schedule

Pro-am hockey players will don their skates for the season opener in both the Tuesday and Thursday night divisions this week.

The following are team lists and a portion of the schedule for the Thursday night division. Both Tuesday and Thursday night first games will start at 7:45 p.m. The first game listed will begin at 7:45 and the second will start at 9 p.m.

GREEN — Capt. Rick Edwards
Goalie John Eves; Ross Mc-

lead, John Hopkins, Fraser Hass, Mike Sullivan, Dwight May, Garnet Foran, Terry Barker, Manly Stephenson, Ross Howard, Dave Pinkney, Bob Newell.

RED — Capt. Dick Cain
Goalie Don Timbers; Wayne Howden, Lloyd Zuest, Ross Sharpen, Vic Auger, George Brown, Bruce Gates, Fred Sullivan, Dick Veestra, "Tippy" Thibert, Ivan Shepherd, Florent Lambert, Arnie Vannest.

BLUE — Capt. Carl Hiltz
Goalie Ian Adams; Jim Donaldson, Don Aikenhead, Dan Prestidge, Jim Johnson, Ron Sullivan, Mac Elliott, N. H. Auger, John Jarvis, Ben Anderschick, Dave Syrett.

YELLOW
Capt. Jack Champoux

Goalie Reg. Zannatta; Al Chalmers, Lou Nadalin, John McLennan, Norm Barker, Tom Ramshaw, Fred Duimstra, Carl Smith, Win Cameron, Bob Burrft, Don Neelands, Wayne Sharpen.

Oct. 26 — Edwards vs. Cain; Hiltz vs. Champoux.
Nov. 2 — Edwards vs. Hiltz; Cain vs. Champoux.
Nov. 9 — Edwards vs. Champoux; Cain vs. Hiltz.
Nov. 16 Champoux vs. Hiltz; Cain vs. Edwards.
Nov. 23 — Hiltz vs. Cain; Champoux vs. Edwards.
Nov. 30 — Champoux vs. Cain; Hiltz vs. Edwards.

Merchants release Junior "C" schedule

Milton will open the season with a home game against Georgetown Friday and a second game in Georgetown Sunday. They have slated an exhibition game against Hamilton Red Wings from the O.H. A Junior A division for January 7 as a special attraction.

Milton home games will get under way on Fridays at 8:30 and Sunday at 7 p.m. With the exception of three Sunday games, Milton will play all their home games on Friday.

HOME
Friday, Oct. 27 Georgetown; Friday, Nov. 3 Orangeville; Friday, Nov. 10 Streetsville; Sunday Nov. 19 Oakville; Friday Nov. 24 Georgetown; Friday Dec. 1 Orangeville; Friday, Dec. 8 Ajax; Friday, Dec. 15 Newmarket; Friday, Dec. 22 Richmond Hill; Friday Dec. 29 Lindsay; Friday Jan. 5 Orangeville; Sunday, Jan. 7 Hamilton Red Wings; Friday, Jan. 12 Streetsville; Sunday Jan. 21 Oakville; Friday, Jan. 26 Oakville; Friday Feb. 2 Georgetown.

AWAY
Sunday Oct. 29 Georgetown; Tuesday, Oct. 31 Streetsville; Thursday Nov. 16 Orangeville; Friday Nov. 17 Oakville; Sun. Nov. 26 Georgetown; Tuesday Nov. 28 Streetsville; Sunday, Dec. 10 Richmond Hill; Thursday Dec. 14 Newmarket; Sat-

—Baseball is finally over and hockey is getting underway. Close to 400 boys will take part in Minor Hockey in Milton this year.

—Those same faces that showed up faithfully to coach ball during the long, hot summer are popping up at the arena, preparing for a long, cold winter of hockey.

—Milton Merchants meet their old rivals, Georgetown Raiders in the Suburban Junior C opener here Friday night.



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MUSTANG OFFENSE lines up for action. The Mustangs lost Friday's game 24-23 to Bishop MacDonnell in a Junior thriller. The Juniors now have a two and two record. Quarterback Paul Perrott prepares to receive the ball from

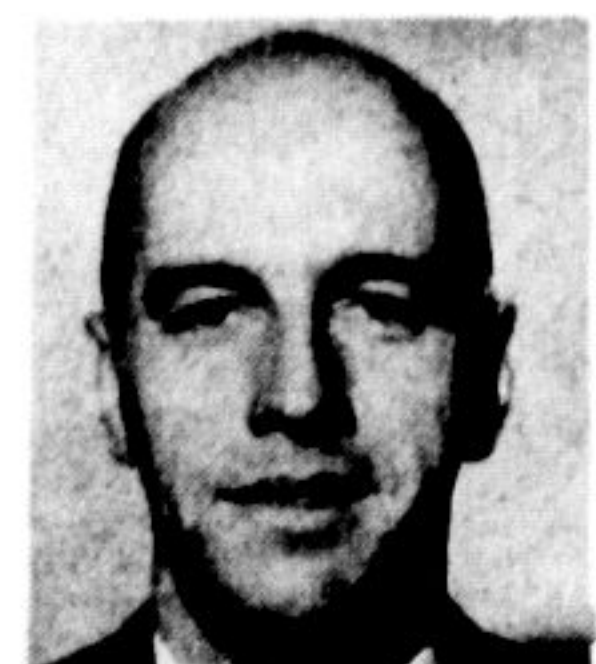
Don Fay. To the left of Fay is Ken O'Hara and to right is Renard Poloni. On the left in the backfield is Jim Marshall and on the right Yuri Kudrassovs.

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