



Sports forum

by bob burtt

Nothing is either all right or all wrong, all black or all white. In 99 cases of 100 there must be allowance for a shade of grey. So is the situation with the hunter-farmer problem, a most controversial problem in this area.

To say that all hunters are bad would be pure drivel and similarly to say all hunters are good would be just as wrong.

Farmers of course are basically interested in protecting their animals, property and family while the aim of many hunters is simply recreation. As Arn Coulson, a representative from the Halton Sportsmen's Association notes, hunting to hunters is just as important as a bridge game, bowling or a movie is to those who enjoy bridge games, bowling or movies.

Recreation hunters, the biggest majority of these hunters, obey the rules of hunting and generally those of a good citizen. With these folk there are no problems.

However, there are others who are not as concerned about conservation, good hunting habits or being a good citizen.

To ban hunting would be to take from the good hunters their favorite recreation and it doesn't seem fair. But farmers and some homeowners see it as the only means toward safety of their children, animals and property.

The hue and cry against the hunters has probably never been as loud and the role of fish and game clubs has never been as important. To keep the sport operating in Esquesing, Nassagaweya and other areas where it still is operating, sportsmen's clubs are going to have to prove their worth or they'll be knocking on closed doors.

Nassagaweya Councillors have threatened to ban the sport next year, as soon as they are able. Trouble is springing up in Esquesing and before long delegations will likely be making presentations of Esquesing Council.

The Halton Association has time and time again said they would be eager to meet with any council and try to find a way they could help straighten a problem out. They are also willing to help farmers in the time of need to protect their private property where possible.

Just this week near Campbellford, over 15 people were caught hunting illegally. With the exception of one they all had licences to hunt yet none of them could read the "no hunting" signs.

This points out irresponsibility on the part of the people issuing the licences. "None of our club members have ever been like that," Arn Coulson assures us.

The Halton Sportsmen's Association plans to take it up with their federation, hoping the situation can be rectified.

Perhaps part of the answer would be for the councils to band together with farmer and fish and game clubs to force more strict legislation on issuing licenses. Perhaps when a farmer crisis arises fish and game clubs should offer assistance to control the unwanted hunters. This of course would help curtail the problem and from the hunter's point of view it would have the added effect of being alienated with the farmer. Farmers in need should feel free to ask. Only then does the club know of a problem.

Regardless of what happens in the future there are some definite quarrels against hunting and unless steps are taken soon, the hue and cry will grow louder.

Gone are the days when you could grab a gun and head for a leisurely day in the bush. The need for tighter legislation is apparent and part of the onus to spearhead the legislation must fall on the hunters themselves.

Jets tie Brampton in midget action

A nip and tuck battle saw Jim Snow Jets lead Brampton four times in a Tri-County Midget game here Monday. The game finally ended in a 4-4 tie. Milton scored first, Brampton tied and Milton went ahead again setting the pattern for the game.

Dave Heipel rapped the first goal home on a play from Richard Murray and Hugh Marshall. Marshall assisted on the first three goals of the game.

Greg Chuchmach rifled one home before Heipel scored his second goal. Hugh Marshall and

Rich Murray assisted on Heipel's second goal of the game.

Harold Merry scored Milton's fourth goal on a pass from Phil Collen. The club meets Cobourg in exhibition action Sunday at 3 p.m. in Milton.

Manager Jim Murray said the game was a good clean game. It was a fast game he said noting there were only two penalties called which is low for a midget game.

Mackenzie scores two

A two goal effort by Scott MacKenzie and singles by Kerry Kitchen and Gary Hunt gave the Legion Bantams their third win of the year Saturday afternoon in Milton arena. The Bantams have three wins, a loss and a tie and scored a 4-1 over Preston Saturday.

Kitchen's goal came in the first period and gave Milton a 1-0 lead until the second period. Preston counted their only goal of the game at the 6:10 mark and it was early in the final stanza before Milton tied the game up again.

MacKenzie scored twice in a row from Mark Grenke and Kitchen and Gary Hunt rapped the fourth Milton goal in from Wayne Mowbray and Dave Robertson.

Manager Bill Rowney said the game was a good one featuring many end to end rushes and was close until Milton really came alive in the third period. "We're beginning to look like a third period hockey club," he commented.



TROUBLE FROM REFEREES is nothing really new for Ed Bush, Hamilton Red Wing Coach. NHL Linesmen Bob Nyers and Ron Wycks prepare to heave Bush into the sin bin during a benefit game here Friday between Hamilton and Milton. Referee Vern Buffey signals the penalty. The picture was posed before the game started. Proceeds of the night went to the Ted Hood fund.—(Staff Photo)

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Raise \$1,400

Wings just too much Merchants play well

Proceeds from a benefit game featuring Hamilton Red Wings of the OHA Jr. A. and Milton Merchants Friday night amounted to close to \$1,400 which will be donated to the Ted Hood Memorial Fund.

The game was organized by the Junior club as their share in raising money for the fund. Ted Hood died in a car crash one month ago. NHL officials Vern Buffey, Bob Myers and Ron Wycks refereed the game.

While Milton came out on the bad end of a 9-4 final score they handed in some of the best hockey so far this year. Both clubs made headlong, end to end dashes and kept the 1,200 fans in attendance happy. About 200 bought tickets but did not attend.

Brooks scored the first goal of the game for Hamilton, banging one home from close in after a scramble at the 1:57 mark of the first period.

Milton's Ches Beck found himself roaring in on the Hamilton net all alone but he appeared to be nervous early in the game and his shot was a soft one.

Midway through the period Don Hearnis flew into the Hamilton zone and beat Hamilton goalie Veisor on a hard high shot.

Forty-six seconds later Gary Hudson followed suit to give

Milton a 2-1 lead. The Milton lead was the first and the only one of the game. Milton fans went wild as the Merchants surpassed their expectations.

Hamilton goals by Gilbert and Ron Climie put the Wings ahead before the end of the first period.

Hamilton poured it on in the second period firing four unanswered goals, taking a 7-2

Rowley scores three goals

Ron Rowley paced Milton Ed's Welding Pee Wees to an 8-3 win over Preston in Milton Saturday afternoon. Rowley scored three goals, two in the first and one in the third as Milton came back from a 3-2 deficit at the end of the second period scoring six times in the final stanza.

Paul Stover, Bruce Ellison, Steve McCutcheon, Dave Turner and Paul Sproat all scored singles in addition to Rowley's hat trick.

Scott Seeny assisted twice and single helpers went to John Tonelli, Bruce Ellison, Rod Gooding, Paul Sproat and Steve McCutcheon.

Brampton visits Milton Saturday at 4:45 for exhibition action.

lead on goals from Gilbert Ryan, Williams and Gary Goalter.

Williams found the range again in the third period as the Wings went ahead 8-2 and then 9-2 on a goal from Buster Harvey.

Marty O'Neil and Ken Parton cashed in on golden opportunities, closing the gap to 9-4 late in the third stanza and bringing the fans to their feet once again.

Gary Naylor assisted twice, Marty Seeds, Bob Robson, Ken Parton, Don Hearnis and Don Chuchmach all assisted. Hamilton outshot Milton 43-31.

FOOTNOTES: Merchants played their best hockey of the year against a team two divisions better than themselves. They skated hard, shot when they got the puck and hit hard but clean.

Ken Parton stepped into big Buster Harvey at the Milton blue line once. The puck got through and Harvey, although slowed down a little, got through as well. Anyone else would have been more than slowed down. Harvey was one of the most impressive Wing players.

An interesting point came up in discussion about the NHL referees after the game. Their calls resulted in stretches of play for two or three minutes and in general a more entertaining game.

Milton edges Blades in all out slug fest

After three periods of knock 'em down, drag 'em out hockey Milton Merchants defeated Oakville Blades 3-2 in the roughest, toughest game of the season. The win extended Milton's undefeated streak and sent them into first place all alone in the Western division of the Junior C Suburban loop.

Both teams carried their sticks high in the first two periods of play and hit every opportunity they had. The penalties in the first two periods were confined to minors with the exception of a 10-minute misconduct to Tom Daley of Oakville.

After the first 10 minutes of play it was apparent the big question was when the lid would be lifted, rather than if. It happened in the third period and never stopped happening.

Milton's defenceman Ken Parton and Gord Armstrong tangled in the first of a series of battles in front of the penalty box. As Parton exchanged blows with Armstrong near the penalty box Gerry Nash and Doug Antoine tested each other at the other end of the rink. All four combatants scored clean shots at each other and for their efforts received a total of 20 minutes in the sin bin as well as game suspensions for Nash and Antoine.

Before the game was completed Bridgman and Ray Chisholm became engrossed in combat and Gary Hudson of Milton and Bob Clark of Oakville exchanged blows. Hudson, while he got in his share of the punches, is believed to have been the only one with serious injury. It was thought his nose was broken.

Keith Bridgman opened the

Anyone for badminton?

Anyone for badminton? While the sport is not active in Milton or district right now, any local adult enthusiasts can join in the fun through the Sunningdale Recreation association in Oakville. The group, according to president Mrs. Irene Goobie, has weekly Thursday night games at White Oaks Secondary School with four courts in action for three hours each Thursday evening, at a cost of 75 cents per night or \$5 for the series of 10 weeks. Attendance usually averages 28 and it's a lot of fun.

scoring, firing the only goal of the first period. Gerry Nash assisted on the play. The goal came on a scramble play. Bridgman had scored a goal earlier that had to be disallowed.

Eric Ausman put Oakville on the score sheet on a partially screened shot in the second period. Ausman's shot caught the upper corner of the net.

The second period ended 2-2 with the play getting progressively rougher and it was apparent from the stands that it would only be a matter of time before the game was turned into utter chaos and it did in the last period. There were 101 minutes in penalties in that period alone and a total of 139 minutes during the game.

Milton defenceman John Gagne played his best hockey of the year in the midst of the ruckus. The hard hitting rear guard avoided the sin bin all game and at the 6:52 mark of the third period sidestepped the Blade defense and ripped one in from just inside the Blade blue line that caught the corner, putting Milton ahead 2-1.

The Merchant lead lasted for exactly 30 seconds. Tom Chisholm put Oakville on even footing when he picked up a loose puck at the Merchant blue line and with Unsworth at his mercy deked him and slipped

the puck into the open corner. With only three minutes showing on the clock Gagne again side stepped the Oak defender and managed a pass to Ken Parton who got a shot away that was partly blocked but finally slowed to a dribble and slid across the line for the winner.

With a face off in the Milton zone Oakville pulled their goalie and put on the pressure but could not beat Unsworth. The same two teams met last night in Oakville but were without the services of Gerry Nash and Gary Hudson from the Merchant roster and Tom Chisholm, Bob Clark and Doug Antoine from the Oakville club.

FOOTNOTES: This game was the roughest of the season and left one thinking of the gory battles Merchants and Georgetown used to engage in, as was their tradition for years.

Merchant trainer John Penson, who is noted as being overly vociferous just about became engaged in some of the violence Sunday night. Penson had been taunting some of the Oakville players and while they were getting play underway after the game's last fight one of the Blade players challenged Penson and pushed once before being pulled away by his own teammates.

Newmarket leads loop

Milton Merchants are the only team in the Suburban Junior C Hockey League still undefeated. However their record is not as glamorous as it might seem, as it is marred a little by two ties.

The Merchants are two points behind Lindsay and four points behind Newmarket in the overall standings. Merchants have two games in hand over Lindsay and three games in hand over Newmarket.

The following are the league standings including games Sunday.

Team	GP	W	L	T
Newmkt.....	8	7	1	0
Lindsay.....	9	5	2	2
Milton.....	4	0	2	2
Ajax.....	8	4	3	1
Oakville.....	6	4	2	0
Bowmnl.....	7	3	3	1
Pt. Hope.....	8	1	5	2
Stsville.....	6	1	4	1
Thornhill.....	8	0	7	1

MILTON ARENA

THURSDAY, Nov. 13
Figure Skating 4:30 - 7:30
Pro-Am 7:45 to 10 p.m.

FRIDAY, Nov. 14
Junior Game 8:30
Bowmanville vs. Milton

SATURDAY, Nov. 15
Public Skating 2 - 4 - 25c.
Tri-County Hockey 5 - 7
Public Skating 8:30 - 10:30 -50c

SUNDAY, Nov. 16
Tri-County B Groups 3 p.m.
to 7 p.m.

MONDAY, Nov. 17.
Monday Nitters 4:30 - 6
Tri-County A Clubs
7 to 10:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, Nov. 18
Monday Skating 4:30 - 7:30
Pro-Am 7:45

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 19
Adult & pre-school 2 - 4 -
25c and 10c
M.M.H.A. - House League
5:30 - 9

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