

# Pee Wees win championship top Stoney Creek in seven

Milton Pee Wee Optimists downed Stoney Creek 5-2 on their own ice Wednesday and in the process captured the All-Ontario Pee Wee A Minor Championship.

The Optimists bounced back from a two game losing streak and put together a strong team effort to defeat their opponents. Milton struck early in the first period with two quick goals, Duane Stark scoring from Steve Blair and Norm Flemington plus Fleming from Mike Murray and Stark.

**Came roaring back**  
The second period was scoreless but Stoney Creek came roaring back at the start of the third period and scored two goals to tie up the game at 2-2. Within minutes, Steve Blair had scored the first of his three goals, unassisted, to put Milton ahead 3-2.

Then, with a Milton player in the penalty box, Blair stole the puck, broke through the Stoney Creek defense and put it in the net to make it 4-2.

**Break up plays**  
Ian Wanless fed Blair the puck shortly after and he scored his third and the final goal of the game. Honorable mention should be made of the fine job done by the defensive trio of John Loeprich, Mike Murray and Ian Wanless in tying up Stoney Creek and breaking up their plays.

The Optimists' record for this final series was four wins, one tie and two losses. Coached by Kent MacIntosh and managed by Jack Champoux the club played commendable hockey during the season and in the playoffs.



MILTON OPTIMIST PEE WEES include the following, front row: Norm Flemington, Mike Shepherd, Donnie Bell and John Loeprich. Middle row: coach Kent MacIntosh, Danny Tielemans, Steve Blair, Duane Stark, Doug Dorsey, Mike Murray, and manager Jack Champoux. Back row: Bob Benton, Rick Vaughan, Ian Wanless and Rick Asselton. (Photo by B. Burtt)

# Nearly 600 participate in juvenile tournament

Nearly 600 boys are participating in the 15th annual Tri-County Juvenile Hockey Tournament being played all this week at the Milton Arena. Teams from as far away as Kingston to the east and St. Clair Beach to the west are hoping to make it to the championships on Saturday in this all-Ontario tourney.

Competing again this year are two of the three defending championship clubs. Welland and Woodbridge have returned to the A and C class respectively. Not in action this year is the defending B championship team from C. F. Borden.

**Milton fills in**  
Although there was to be one American team entered into the tournament, the Port Huron Michigan team could not play because of another engagement. The Milton team filled their position in an exhibition game against Kingston and Jim Robertson put on a dazzling performance, scoring the first hat-trick of the tournament and leading Milton to a 4-0 victory. Glen Turner received the shut-out, the only one in the first day's action. Milton played their first scheduled game last night (Tuesday) against Markham.

In other play, defending C champion Woodbridge lost to a confident Erindale team on Saturday morning 4-1. Woodbridge was to play the Orangeville team Tuesday night at 9 and if successful, they will advance to the consolation semi-finals.

A powerful Etobicoke team overwhelmed Dundas 6-1 and Ridgeway defeated Petrolia 3-1 in the C division. Also played Saturday morning was the always interesting Toronto Marlboro-Welland match. The defending A champions managed to slip by the Marlboros 3-1.

**Saturday action**  
In hockey action Saturday afternoon Belle River forced Alderwood into the consolation when they won a 6-4 match. Waterloo edged Huron East of London 2-1 and Niagara-on-the-Lake slipped by the St. Clair Beach team 3-2. Also on opening day, Collingwood won over Pt. Credit 4-2 and Lindsay defeated Brampton by the same 4-2 score.

Fans Monday night were thrilled by two games decided according to the penalty shot rule. After the end of one overtime period Applewood and Collingwood were still tied 2-2. Then Dave Ryan deked the Collingwood goalie to give his team a 3-2 victory.

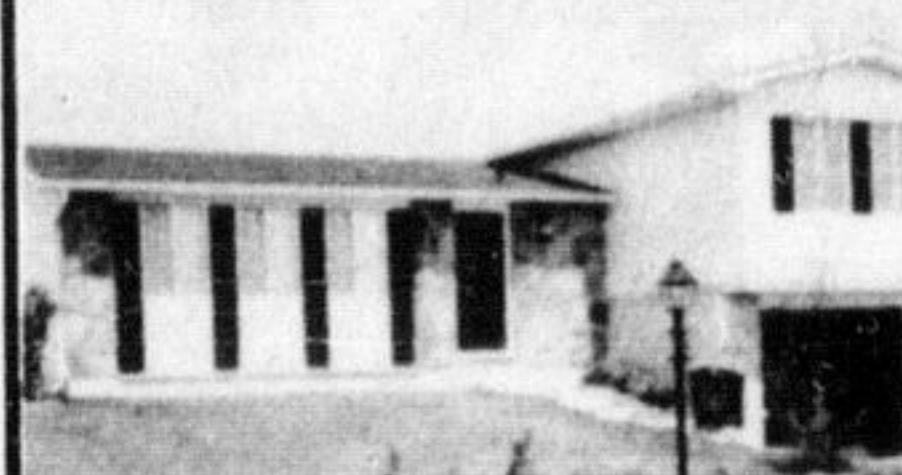
In another thrilling game which saw action flow from one end of the rink to another, Oakville finally scored the winning goal on the first penalty shot attempt to defeat Hamilton 7-6. That same evening Paris just slipped by Stoney Creek 2-1 and Richmond beat Burlington by the same score.

Four games were played on Tuesday night and four games will be played Wednesday and Thursday evenings. Play will commence at 8:30 Friday morning with the final game that day to be played at 10 p.m. Finals will begin early on Saturday morning with the three championship games starting at 6 p.m. that night.

This year's executive consists of Bill Rowney as director for the seventh year in a row and Herb Robinson as the registrar.

Secretary-treasurer is Larry Arbic for the 12th consecutive year.

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# Popular juvenile tournament features top calibre hockey

By Steve Cassina

The history of the Tri-County Juvenile Hockey Tournament goes back to 1959 when it was inaugurated to help the people of Listowel after the collapse of their arena. Response was so enthusiastic that it became an annual affair to promote juvenile hockey.

The tournament was originally founded as The Listowel Fund Juvenile Hockey Tournament when Art Snarr of Milton, then president of the Tri-County Minor Hockey League and Milton juvenile coach, drummed up the idea among his colleagues as a method of gaining funds to aid the families of those affected when the Listowel Arena roof collapsed. Today the proceeds are distributed to aid a variety of worthy projects such as hospitals, minor sports and charitable groups, including the Sunshine School for retarded children.

**High calibre**  
But more than that, fans have been stirred by the excitement of such high calibre hockey displayed at every juvenile tournament for the past 14 years. The memories of winning goals, sudden death penalty shots and hitting the goal post will hopefully remain with players and fans alike for many more years.

Players participating in the juvenile tournament for the first time may be greatly inspired by the memories of outstanding Toronto Maple Leaf veteran Ron Ellis who once patrolled a wing for the Toronto Marlboros in the local tourney, or Bruin chatted Paul Popiel who dressed in the livery of the Georgetown Juniors or New York Rangers' Rod Seiling. They once enjoyed the contentment of sharing in such a tournament.

Yet not to be forgotten are some of the people so greatly involved each year in bringing this hockey tournament into existence. People in Milton will not forget local resident Bruce Hood who acted as referee-in-chief for the first four years and who has now achieved fame in the National Hockey League refereeing circle.

**Four directors**  
Then there is Larry Arbic who has been treasurer of the tournament since 1962. Perhaps the biggest load is on the director's shoulders, and when a man of Art Snarr's calibre is directing such a tournament it makes it easier on the others involved. Art's responsibilities were taken over in 1963 by Bill Burrell of Brampton who became registrar the following years and has been involved in the tournament ever since. In 1964 Arnold McDuffe of

Milton took over the director's position and was succeeded in 1967 by Milton's Bill Rowney who has handled the responsibilities ever since.

To name all the dedicated men who have given their valuable time and effort in organizing this great event would be an impossible feat. It was not attention they sought, it was merely the satisfaction of promoting juvenile hockey to the status it is now enjoying.

**Past champions**  
But who can write about the Tri-County Juvenile Hockey Tournament without naming the ever-so-popular winners? The very first grand championship team was the Simcoe All Stars who defeated the B champions, Milton Sportsmen. The following year the championships went to Toronto and Aylmer in the A and B class respectively. In 1961 it was Ottawa Flyers (A), Brampton (B) and Fergus (C).

The 1962 winners were Weston, Ottawa and Watford respectively. In 1963 championships went to Toronto, Trenton and Milton. These three teams also won the 1964 tournament. In 1965 Brampton, Trenton and Elmvalle were champs. Then in 1966 championships were bestowed

upon Welland, Lakeview and Alderwood. In 1967 Toronto Marlboro Midgets, Don Mills and Alderwood received top honors.

The following year Riverside, Milton and Elmvalle won. In 1969 Windsor, St. Thomas and Woodbridge were tournament champions. Waterloo, Dorset Park and Sutton were 1970 winners. In 1971 Welland, Milton and Hagersville excelled and last year's winners were Welland, C. F. Borden and Woodbridge.

—No one reported any major catastrophes on Friday the 13th.

## Seeking manager

Milton Minor Baseball Association is hoping to recruit a coach, assistant coach and manager for the town's entry in the Halton County Bantam League.

Most other spots in the system are full. Persons interested in working with the Bantam club should contact Al Turner at 878-2768.

**Spots open**  
The association hasn't looked for coaches and helpers for house league teams but Turner noted there were always opportunities for men or boys who wished to help in that regard.

To date registration has reached about 230, about the same as last year.

## A Vote of Thanks

My deepest thanks and appreciation to all those who offered and came to our aid with manpower and equipment during last Monday night's (April 9th) severe storm.

Your untiring efforts saved many feet of lakefront property and I know I speak for the entire community in extending our gratitude to each and every individual for your dedicated assistance during this emergency, and in particular the following organizations and groups:

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- St. John's Ambulance
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- Public Utilities Commission
- Police Department
- Works Department
- Fire Department
- E.M.O.
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