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THE OPTIMISTS' ATTACK is impressive to watch as they come in on the Georgetown goal in recent Tri-County league action. Rep games are played at Milton Memorial Arena Saturday and

Sunday afternoons and Monday evenings. House league games are played Saturdays at the Milton Sports Centre, some on Sunday with the house league "Select" teams.

Promise fulfilled

Flyers sting Dixie 8-1 club has new firepower

By Peter McCusker
Milton Flyers are high after an 8-1 dressing of the Dixie Bees at Milton Memorial Arena Friday evening, breaking a slump which the team carried from the opening of the season.

Returnee Ron Smulders was a menace to Dixie, directing a hat trick behind Dave McDougall in the Dixie net and assisting on two others. Consistent standout Rod Gooding enjoyed a four point evening, taking one goal and setting up three. Dave Turner and Ben Allen also displayed superlative play—Turner had two goals and Allen notched a marker and three assists.

The long awaited goaltending strength Flyers have been lacking was found in Ron Sachs, imported from Newmarket by owner Vern Gooding. Sachs stopped 46 Dixie attempts to score.

Flyers improved their powerplay, scoring on three attempts and cut their penalty minutes to 12 in an entire 60 minutes of play.

By the end of the opening period Flyers held a 3-0 lead. They increased that to 6-1 at the conclusion of two frames

and notched another pair in the final minutes.

Flyers have started to put things together as coach Doug Peters had 19 players dressed that the Flyers played for the team.

Peters said the boys played a smarter game and only took necessary penalties. He complimented the powerplay and how effective it was Friday—scoring three times compared to only making four attempts in the first 10 games.

Attitude had something to do with it.

Peters said Flyers went onto the ice with fire and drive Friday evening. Before this night, he said, they weren't coming to the rink mentally ready to play.

Some of the disciplining rules seem to be shaping a club spirit and it is showing at practices. Everyone is coming out, with the exception of those who have work commitments and injuries.

Attitude is one part of the game, but Peters also shuffled some lines and had scouted Dixie well earlier in the week.

For example, Peters knew that the Dixie captain liked to

lug the puck. Early in the period Brett Patterson laid him out along the boards and the Dixie captain started getting rid of the rubber early.

"I've known all along we had the horses, now if they do the right thing it will pay off," Peters said.

Dave Turner is to be credited with opening the assault on Dixie with his goal at 17:21 with Mike Kalapaca and Gooding assisting. Ron Smulders gave Flyers the edge and blew Dixie away with two goals, the first at 12:52 from Gooding and the second at 8:55 from Marty Venner and defenceman Mike Murray.

Rod Gooding marked Milton's first powerplay goal early in the second period with Ron Smulders providing the assistance.

Dixie's lone goal came shortly after with Mark Forget scoring from ex-Flyer Keith Yorke and Chris Boucher.

Dave Turner and Smulders scored two more in the period as Turner scored his second of the evening from Ben Allen and Smulders. Allen and Gooding assisted on

Smulders' hat trick completion.

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Show of strength for Legion Atoms

They're dynamite!

The Milton Legionaires, major atoms, exploded again with a 10-0 victory over the Flamborough Sabres at Milton Memorial Arena on Saturday.

The shattering offence of the Milton atoms was felt by Guelph two weeks ago when they fell 15-0. The locals rolled to two wins last week over Oakville and Georgetown, and continued to collect the two points this week.

Credit is given to the Flamborough team who had a number of nine-year-olds in the lineup due to the limited number of 10-year-old players in their system.

Sabres' Dave Elliot and Jeff Newstead played extremely well under the barrage of pucks shot, and managed to keep the tally from going higher.

The Legionaires counted three goals in the opening period with Todd Horne scoring from Rich Brodie and Tim Rayner. Darren Shaw fired one unassisted and Eric Chudleigh notched the third from Don Vandenhoeve and Mike Delpapa.

Steve Scannell added two in the second period with Mike DelPapa and Venner adding singles. Shaw, DelPapa and Sean Davidson scored in the final frame.

Sport

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The Ontario Hockey Association has done it again. In the interest of promoting and preserving amateur hockey in Ontario they've stepped on the toes of hard working hockey people who put up the money and hard work to keep teams alive.

The case I'm talking about involves the Milton Tridents and all the other Intermediate "B" teams in the Southern Counties Intermediate "B" Hockey League — with the exception of one.

St. Mary's is a newcomer to the league this year, along with New Hamburg and Waterdown. At a league meeting it was agreed OHA Intermediate B teams could carry one senior calibre hockey player.

The problem came up recently with St. Mary's as they had two resident senior players and they wanted to play both.

They made their request to the league and it was turned down. St. Mary's took their case to the OHA.

The OHA then asked Les Murphy to make a poll of the league again by telephone and the league came out strongly against the St. Mary's request. They had their rules and were going to stick by them.

St. Mary's returned to the OHA again and asked for a sub-committee ruling on the case and they were granted the approval to sign the second senior player.

This allows St. Mary's to carry two local senior players plus the one senior permitted by the league, making three senior calibre players. This, plus being allowed an import goaltender card, spells one thing—a stacked hockey club.

Russ Lane of the Tridents is angry and is going after the OHA to see what Christmas presents he can get for the rest of the league.

What it means for Tridents and other clubs is that they'll be facing a total of three seniors and three imports on the St. Mary's club.

Lane believes the four-win, one-loss record of St. Mary's certainly doesn't warrant the OHA decision.

"If the OHA wants to go this way, why not open this league up like the Intermediate 'A' league?" Lane told me Monday morning.

He questioned the use of driving all over southern Ontario and taking the time to attend league meetings when their decisions are not respected.

I agree.

I think the OHA should realize that they do not fund, organize or set up hockey clubs in this province. They simply set governing rules, dictate leagues, change them around and spend our money.

Lane said he feels the OHA should have backed the league. He said they are there to help hockey clubs along, be competitive, etc. Lane is hoping to set up a meeting with the OHA and a few league representatives to iron the problem out.

Now St. Mary's has the power they've requested, and been given, they are no longer in my eyes an Intermediate "B" club.

They should get out of the league and play where ever they can, in senior, Intermediate "A". If they can't play the game fairly they shouldn't be allowed to play at all.

The league could suspend St. Mary's for their actions, as rules are rules. They are made to be played by.

The OFSSA, that's the Ontario Federation of Secondary Schools Athletics Association, will be holding their provincial championships for cross country Saturday at Scarborough College, part of the University of Toronto. Milton will be sending the midget boys' team and two individuals, Roy Poloni and John Phelps, to the championships and we at The Champion wish them luck.

It will be interesting to watch the growth of cross country and road running in the town over the next couple of years. Brian Kerr was one local man who initiated the Milton Road Runners Club this year and received a response from local runners which made the outlook for the future optimistic.

There are a lot of talented young runners coming out of the public schools as well, namely W. I. Dick, and their showing at major events such as the Kitchener-Waterloo Oktoberfest meet and the earlier Erindale College meet, confirms what I'm saying.

Milton will steadily improve its position and hopefully someday we'll be able to compete with the super runners from Georgetown. Georgetown has been developing its system for years in the public schools with advanced programs in cross country and it certainly has shown benefits at the high school level in the past few years.

The Milton Youth Soccer Club will make a presentation to the Town of Milton on Monday evening at 7.30 p.m. at the Town Hall. The MYSC incorporated part of the town's crest in their logo and in thanks, will be presenting Mayor Donald Gordon with a plaque containing the MYSC crest. MYSC vice-president Reg Griffin will be making the presentation.

This is to be done just before the soccer club's annual general meeting which will be held upstairs in the old Milton Fire Hall on Main St. A nominating committee this year has submitted names of people who are ready to stand for positions on the executive—which will make the meeting run more smoothly.

The major portion of the meeting will be introducing the newly written constitution and by-laws of the MYSC.

Grue's Shell claims lone WOHL top spot

Grue Shell is "king of the mountain", at least for the time being, as they topped Schroeder Construction 5-1 on Sunday morning claiming the undefeated first place in the White Oaks Hockey League.

Three unanswered goals in the final period did the trick for Grue and Bryan Watson led the way with a goal and two assists. Bob Baker had a goal and an assist. Kevin Reid, Mel Shulist and Lou Girard also notched single goals.

Keith Mitchie, Gene Holdridge and Jim Girard had single assists.

Kerry Davison notched the lone Schroeder goal from Rusty Chapman and Larry Dean.

Russell's Towing downed Mississauga's Club Claire 7-1 in Sunday's match at the Milton Sports Centre on Laurier Ave. Dave Beaty came up with two big goals and an assist. Reid Nelson fired two goals, Glen Austin and Dave Kelly each had three assists, Dennis Fowler and Terry Adam had a goal and assist each.

Rounding out the Russell scoring were Brian Bennett with two assists and Terry Budd with the other goal.

Steve McNally garnered an assist.

Bob Need scored the lone Club Claire goal, unassisted.

Keith Mason and Don Hearn were the stars for the Charles Hotel as they knocked off the league's other expansion club, the J-J Bruins 5-0. Mason earned the shutout and Hearn's five point day, with three goals and two assists.

Paul Kitchen notched three assists on Hearn's goals with Steve Hannon and Al Fritzelley generating single goals.

Joe Widdis had two assists and Terry Thompson and Rick McTrach single assists.

think the direction of the team would be to solidify its position, maintain the momentum that has them on top of the standings, and to continue working as a unit.

"Once you're up there you have to keep working just to stay there," he said of the standings and how they'll reflect the team's continual performance.

It is Hymers' perspective on statistics to make sure Tridents keep working with the positive attitude that is pulling the club up. He said in conclusion that it is much easier to continue playing the game and having fun when you're on top, rather than struggling half way up the pile.

Tridents held a 1-0 lead after the opening period Saturday in Waterdown, as Lorne Lesuk scored on a powerplay opportunity being set up by Gord Lyons.

Early in the second period Waterdown found the equalizer early at 18:43 as Bob Jaggard beat Cole.

Lyons released the tie breaker at 8:40 from Jim Robertson and Lesuk and the third period opened with a 2-1 tally.

Jamie Howe found the mark and again matched points with Milton at 18:04 of the third but just two minutes later, Tridents unleashed a barrage of scoring to put the game on ice.

Lyons notched his second goal from Lesuk and Marty Seeds at 15:47. John Arnold took the pass from Lyons at 15:28 for his first goal of the evening and a minute later Seeds lit the red light unassisted.

Bill Sherlock wasn't going to break the goal-a-minute momentum and so scored his at 13:33 while Milton was short-handed.

Keith McKinnon topped Milton's powerplay at 9:31 from John Arnold and Sherlock to complete the win for Tridents. John Meager scored once more in a faint effort for Waterdown with eight minutes remaining in the game and the tally 7-3.

John Tracus was on the bench to back up Terry Cole Saturday. Tracus was signed from Toronto and played senior hockey last year for Thunder Bay Twins. He played with the Ontario title Streetsville Derby squad six years ago and played his minor hockey in Streetsville.

Tridents are hoping to retain the services of Brad Evans as well.

At home Tuesday evening Tridents handed their two year nemesis Paris 29'ers their second slap in the face.

Lorne Lesuk was the sharpshooter, potting a hat trick and one assist. Ken Fay kept local fans happy with a pair of goals and Jim Robertson and Gary Richardson each fired singles to pace the victory.

Paris had held a 4-0 lead

going into the second period with Larry Heinbuck scoring twice, Larry Ellins and Skip Foster netting singles.

Tridents jumped on the 29'ers with Gord Lyons assisting with Lorne Lesuk for their first goal scored by Jim Robertson.

Six goals and a top defensive effort closed Paris off the scoreboard and gave Tridents the win. They tallied one in the final frame.

Sports Scoreboard

SOUTHERN COUNTIES INTERMEDIATE

"B" HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS

North Division

TEAM	G	W	L	P
Milton Tridents	5	5	0	10
St. Mary's	5	4	1	8
Plattsville	7	4	3	8
New Hamburg	4	3	1	6
Ayr Rockets	7	3	4	6
Paris 29'ers	5	1	4	0

WHITE OAKS HOCKEY LEAGUE STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	T	P
Gure's Shell	5	0	0	10
Schroeder Const.	4	1	0	8
Charles Hotel	2	3	0	4
Russell's Tow	2	3	0	4
Club Claire	2	3	0	4
J&J Georgetown	0	5	0	0



THE BOUNCING PUCK eluded Georgetown's netminder as Charles Hotel's Bruce Brown is parked on the doorstep. The Georgetown club

has received sponsorship for their entry in the White Oaks Hockey League. Charles claimed their second win of the season.