

Scheduling change postpones Aeros' season opener

Those Aeros hockey fans who opted to watch the World Series between Kansas City Royals and Philadelphia Phillies instead of watching Aeros' scheduled home opener last night (Tuesday) didn't miss much. In fact, they didn't miss anything.

Scheduling changes made Thursday, in light of the withdrawal of the Ayr Rockets entry, altered the schedule—in effect, postponing the game between Paris 29ers and Aeros until Tuesday, Nov. 4.

Originally billed as an Eddie Shack Pop Shoppe special promotion, the home opener was one of the first dates to change when the league considered revamping the schedule from six teams down to five in the Intermediate B League's Southern Counties division. It was not known whether the Shack promotion will hold for Nov. 4.

Aeros will open the season on the road against powerful Rockton Real McCoy's Thursday Oct. 23, in eight days' time, against Lou Nistico, Barrie Elliott and Company. Rockton gave Georgetown Raiders, Intermediate A perennial champs, a good battle in an exhibition contest last Tuesday in Georgetown. Raiders won 7-5 but had to press hard to secure the win.

The change in the schedule effectively moves the starting date up 11 days from when Aeros were originally scheduled to play. The squad was intended to open last Sunday in Ayr. The extra time is viewed as a good thing by Aeros' associate director Carl Hymers.

"The delayed start gives us a chance to look at players released from other camps like Georgetown Raiders, Preston and Cambridge," explained Hymers. "The 11 days gives all Intermediate B clubs a good chance to sign some better players (on import cards mostly)."

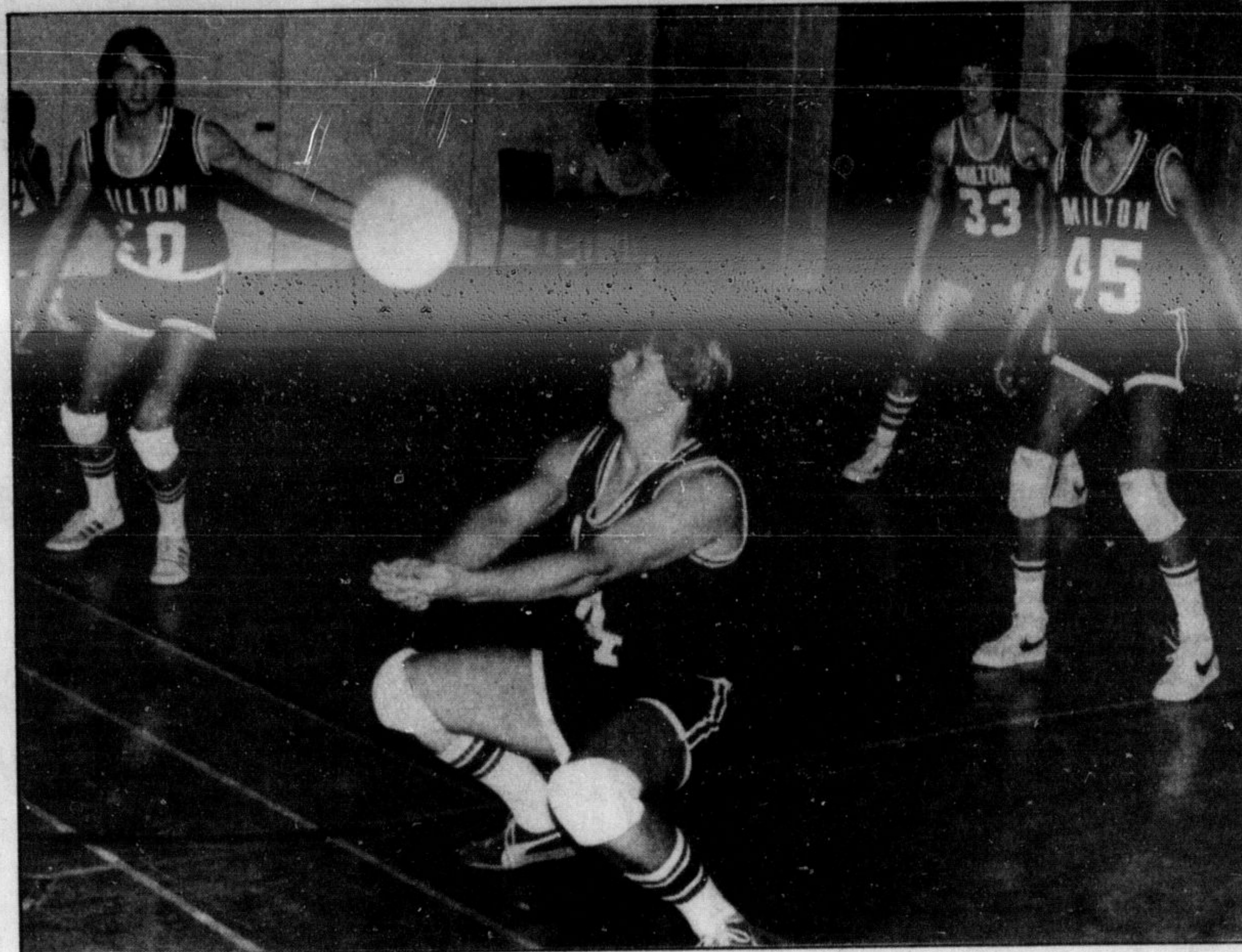
"If we had to set our team this week with regard to imports, we might have to pass on some because we wouldn't have many spots to fill."

Aeros, said Hymers haven't signed any imports to OHA import cards and will not do so until at least after the team's two practices this week. The squad is still looking at several players who first showed up for camp last week.

Hymers added the delayed start could help financially as well.

"With the World Series on TV now," he added, "it's hard to get people interested in hockey. But with the Maple Leaf games now on TV, people are starting to get it in their minds that hockey is in order."

With the change in the schedule, Aeros will play 32 games this year, four at home and four away to each of Rockton, Dunnville, Smithville and Paris. A league tournament is also getting the go-ahead, at last count, for New Hamburg the weekend of Nov. 6-8.



Spike set up

Mustang Dan Bonin goes down to set a spike during a senior volleyball game Wednesday at MDHS. Oakville-Trafalgar High School won both games. Mustangs finished fifth overall of seven teams as the season ended. Watching the play are (left to right) Graig Clarke, Gord Haines and Tony Clayford.

Practice times for early curlers

By Larry McGregor

To the throngs who have so patiently awaited the return of everybody's favorite column, we offer a semi-sincere apology. Since the frost is not quite yet on the pumpkin, we deemed it a touch premature to thrill you with the latest in fact and fiction from the Milton Curling Club.

There are, however, one or two bits of information as you prepare for another year of throwing stones.

First and foremost, the club is open every night this week for practice and instruction. Ron Tracey is once again offering his mini-clinics for those of you who are new at the game, and for those of you who curl like you're new at the game. Instruction takes place 7-9 p.m. and it's a good opportunity for new curlers to gain some worthwhile experience.

Regular league curling begins next Monday, Oct. 27. In case you've forgotten, here's how the draws are set up:

Monday: 7 p.m.—Men's Social; 9 p.m.—Men's Social.

Tuesday: 7 p.m.—Mixed Social; 9 p.m.—Men's Social.

Wednesday: 7 p.m.—Men's Competitive; 9 p.m.—Men's Competitive.

Thursday: 7 p.m.—Mixed Competitive; 9 p.m.—Mixed Competitive.

Friday: 7 p.m.—Mixed Social; 9 p.m.—Mixed Social.

I should mention one detail about the men's Golf & Curl day last Saturday: Craig Thomas finished second. Or, put another way, of the two guys who kept score, he finished last!

Keep your eyes on the sports pages folks—we'll be back in a week or two with our ever-popular pre-season predictions.

Basketball clinic

Erindale College, in co-operation with Basketball Ontario, will be sponsoring a Level II Technical Clinic for basketball coaches.

The clinic will take place on Saturday, November 1st and Sunday November 2nd at Erindale College. The clinic will be held in the gymnasium in the south building located on Mississauga Road (a quarter of a mile north of Dundas Street).

If you wish to attend the clinic, contact John Robb at 828-5268 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Cross-country . . .

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said he felt his team could overcome the Halton entries. The teams from Peel are unknowns so Vella couldn't accurately make a guess.

Denise Worth led the junior girls with a seventh-place finish followed by Lynda Wingfield, 18th, Lynn Copeland, 22th, and Nadine Morby, 27th.

In other finishes for Milton, in midget boys Mike Van Wart was 19th and Glen Faulkner 26th. In junior boys, Nolet was 17th, Norm Rose was 24th and Jens Francksen 30th.

In senior girls, Brenda Ryan was 12th, Renee Nolet 16th, Val Plant 21st and Laurie Zions 23rd.

For E. C. Drury High School, the school entered teams in both junior division and finished seventh in both events. Top finishers were Lee-Ann Macdonald 21st in girls and Sean Lopes 34th in boys.

In addition, the school entered three runners from E. C. Drury School for the

Hearing Handicapped and one from Trillium School. Colleen LeBlanc, Simon Patterson and Dave Edwards put in strong races from Drury School for the Hearing Handicapped while Joe Worthington, from Trillium, was 35th in junior boys.

Central Ont. Jr. B Standings

	As of October 21					
	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA
Burlington	8	6	1	1	82	34
Oakville	8	5	1	2	42	27
Orillia	9	5	3	1	49	36
Oak Ridges	8	5	3	0	47	43
Brampton	9	5	4	0	60	40
Thornhill	7	4	3	0	56	39
Barrie	8	4	4	0	48	42
Streetsville	7	3	3	1	37	51
Acton	9	3	5	1	49	61
Georgetown	8	3	5	0	33	46
Dixie	9	2	7	0	30	81
Milton	8	1	7	0	29	60

Fish and Game news

with ARN COULSON

The run of coho and chinook salmon has begun up the Credit and Bronte creeks. For all living creatures there is a time to die, and so it is with salmon. When they enter rivers their shape and color changes as their bodies prepare to spawn and die. At this stage of their lives, they refuse to feed and turn a very dark color. We suggest you cease catching fish at this time.

Meanwhile, don't put that fishing gear away for a while. This is the time of year when most trophy fish are caught. Pike hit best at this time of year. Moon River produces some very large walleye in October. There are some very mean days in October and November. Ironically, that is when the fish hit best.

The following is a subject we don't like to write about. It seems at this time of the year, every year, as people close their summer cottages and head back to the city for the winter, many people do one thing in common.

That cute little kitten your little girl brought home from a neighbor at the cottage has now grown into a full-sized cat. This once-cute little kitten, it seems, is now no longer wanted. The food is placed outside the cottage and it is conveniently forgotten and left behind to fend for itself. To survive, this cat must turn killer, preying on small rabbits, young pheasants, partridge, etc.

The very same happens to that cute little puppy which won't be allowed into the apartment when you return to the city. It, too, must become a killer to survive and many go into packs.

Please don't allow this to happen to an unwanted pet. Take it to the veterinarian or the Humane Society. For a few measly dollars, it can be painlessly put to death or a home found for it.

Just a word of warning to those who like to gather vines or leaves when they're at their colorful best.

Few sights can match the glory of our autumn leaves. But, in gathering your goodies, never pick the most colorful vine. Chances are those brilliant scarlet leaves are poison ivy.

For you bird lovers, now is the time to get the bird feeder out. Paint it and fill it with tidbits for the noisy blue jays, colorful cardinals and chickadees.

Sockets drop heartbreaker

Streetsville scored the winning goal in the last minute of play sending the visitors home with a 4-3 win over Milton novice Sockets in Tri-County action Sunday afternoon at Memorial Arena.

The late goal ruined a three-goal game by Milton's James Green who had given Sockets the lead in the second period. Assists on Green's goals went to Derron Bain and Adrian Meli.

Sockets gained one point on the weekend when the squad drew 1-1 with Orangeville Saturday in Orangeville. Sockets had several opportunities to score but couldn't capitalize on its chances around the Orangeville net.

David Wivczaryk scored Sockets' goal assisted by Paul Carles.

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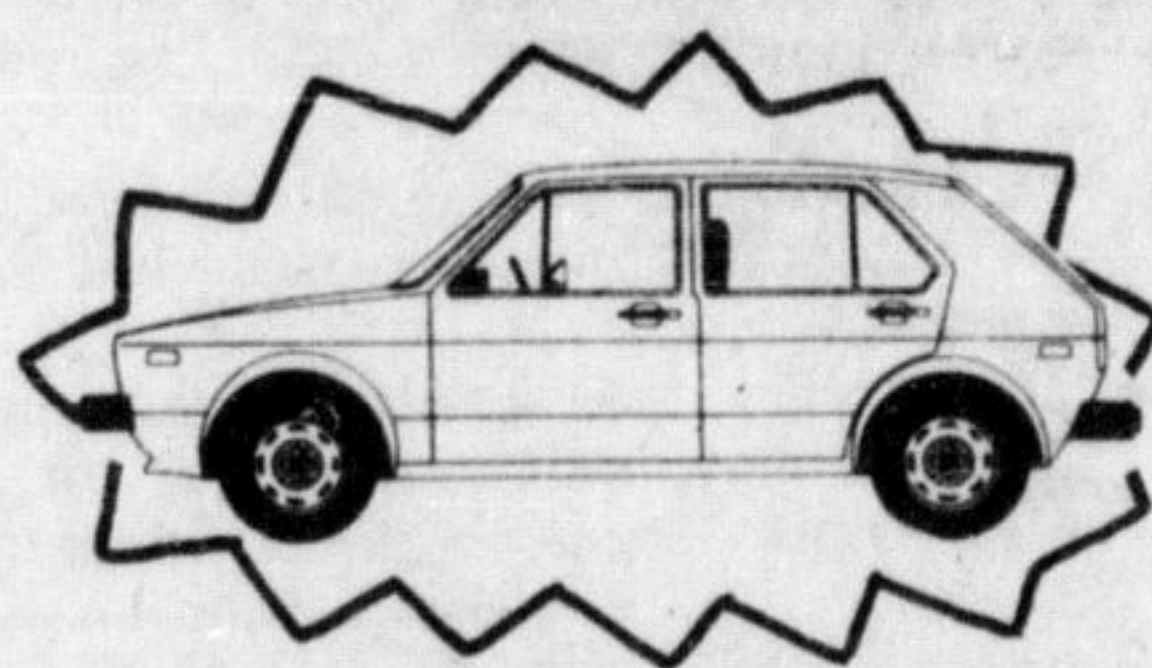
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