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**Oldtimers game should be dandy**

A DIFFERENT HOCKEY spectacle will be featured Saturday at Memorial Arena when a group of Milton old-timer hockey players battle the CFTO-TV Bassett Hounds.

A full schedule of events is set to get underway at 7:30 p.m. and continuing through the night. House-league novice teams, figure skating displays, a licensed room and several other presentations will highlight the evening.

Although the Milton Old-Stars are a bunch of over-35 guys who just enjoy getting out and playing hockey, they have decided to hold two major fund-raising nights with the complete benefits going to purchase video equipment for Milton District Hospital.

The players will donate everything toward the hospital project. A second game, featuring the Old-Stars against a team of ex-NHLers who have played against the Milton players at one time or another, is planned for March.

All players on the Old-Stars are from town and have effectively bought the team. They own all their equipment and are responsible to no one although Rockwell International has helped them along the way. The players have in turn repaid Rockwell in full.

It's sure to be a good evening of entertainment.

The Halton Regional Police Force's second annual Al Ruelens Memorial Volleyball tournament, previously slated for November has been re-scheduled for Friday at Perdue High School in Oakville.

Believe it or not, a fastball league of old-timers is being formed.

The calibre is expected to be top-flight and this over-35 set won't be playing slo-pitch. They'll be in there hard and tough all the way.

Teams are being fielded in Acton, Etobicoke, Brampton, Glen Williams and Milton at least three other centres under consideration.

The Milton entry will play their home games at Brian Best Park and will attend a league meeting Thursday.

Any interested players are asked to call either Bob Davidson at 878-0401 or Joe Auger at 878-3191.

Interesting to note, the highly publicized young hockey career of 14-year-old Tim Pollen is back in the news again.

Pollen registered with minor hockey over the weekend and played in a Milton major bantam game Monday night. He is limited to playing three games with the Jr. B Flyers after the Jan. 10 deadline before surrendering his rights to minor hockey.

**Aeros fall to ninth**  
Ingredients ready for club's rebounding

Miltonne Realty Aeros received a lot of news of both sorts last week which in the end should boost their playoff hopes and provide the club with a solid club down the stretch.

Aeros announced the signings of goaltender Peter McDuffe, Bruce Ellison and defenceman Art Currie which will bolster some key positions in the line-up.

However on the other side, the club blew two chances to move up the standings last week coming out on the short end of an 11-3 score to Paris 29ers Tuesday night at Memorial Arena and again 7-5 to Dorchester Dolphins Friday at Dorchester. A scheduled game Sunday at Ingersoll was postponed.

The signings of the three players fill the last remaining voids on the team. McDuffe, a proven NHL goalie, will step right into the netminding chores without much in the way of practise. Regular netminder John Nuizelaar injured his hand a couple of weeks ago and had a cast put on recently. He should be out for at least two weeks leaving all the duties to McDuffe.

Ellison, who was picked up by Aeros last year about this time after being released by Georgetown Raiders, was a key player in the playoffs last season and should nail down a right-right-wing spot. Currie is another ex-Acton Sabre who finished his junior play last year. He was signed earlier but needed to sit out the remainder of a 10-game suspension he picked up last year as a Sabre.

McDuffe, Ellison and former Aeros' defenceman Marty Seeds each attended Aeros' last home game Tuesday while various members of the team's executive tried to talk each player into joining the club.

In the game with Paris, Aeros bounced back from a 2-0 disadvantage after one period to close to 4-3 with just less than four minutes left in the period. Paris was awarded a penalty shot with three minutes left when a Milton player fell on the puck in the goal crease. Al Hill converted on the shot beating Nuizelaar upstairs and the goal seemed to take the starch out of the Aeros' attack.

Paris erupted for three more goals before the third period was five minutes old and coasted to the easy win.

Tom Butt led Milton with a strong effort notching two goals and an assist in a three-minute span late in the second period. Doug Fry added three assists while Brad Buchanan added a single goal.

Aeros were awarded a penalty shot of their own late in the game but Glenn Murray's shot was wide of the mark.

Against Dorchester, it was a penalty shot again which proved Aeros' downfall. With the score tied 4-4 midway through the third period, Dorchester was awarded a penalty shot and converted to put them in a lead they didn't relinquish.

Aeros started goalie Rob Benson for his first and only game of the year because both Nuizelaar and McDuffe were unavailable.

Bob Baker led the attack for Milton with two goals while Denis Longpre, Perry Caputo and Butt fired singles. Archie Chase, Lorne Lesuk and Glen Murray had two assists apiece.

Dorchester led 1-0 and 3-2 after the first two periods.

Notes: The club had an opportunity to pick up four points last night against Dunnville. When the two teams met last in Milton, the contest was called with just over two minutes remaining after a

rhubarb on the ice forced the officiating crew to call the game. Dunnville led 8-6 at that point but had two men in the penalty box while Milton had one man in the box.

The ending was to be followed with the main event featuring the same two teams. The club plays at home against Port Dover Lakers next Tuesday at 8.15 p.m.

Former Aeros goalie Mark Fisher has signed to play with Rockton Real McCoys for the remainder of the year. Fisher joins ex-Aeros Ray Evans, Doug Schoenfeld and Barrie Elliott with the club.

**Flyers win at home**  
... and another at OHA

It's unfortunate Milton Flyers' season wasn't beginning now instead of approaching its end.

Displaying some of their best hockey skills of the year, the club doubled the score on Georgetown Gemins 4-2 Friday at Memorial Arena before coming out on the short end of a 8-5 decision to league-leading Oakville Blades Sunday night at Oakville.

Despite the split, it was a double-win weekend for Flyers who were officially awarded a victory (see C1-Walker) in its protest against Blades using an ineligible player. The OHA appeal committee decided against the Oakville appeal.

Flyers dominated Georgetown throughout much of the contest and received superlative efforts from rightwinger Bill Lynch and goalie Paulo Zulian.

Lynch scored two picture-perfect goals and assisted on the other two as his club bounced back from a 2-1 disadvantage after two periods to score three unanswered tallies in the final frame.

The victory ended Flyers' losing string at 13 games and effectively put a halt to Georgetown's drive for a playoff berth. Gemins trail Acton in the bid for the eighth and final playoff spot.

After Georgetown's Lance Doucette put his club ahead 1-0 five minutes into the second period, Randy Perusello gathered up his own rebound and drove it home for a power-play marker with six minutes left in the frame.

Lynch assisted on the goal, Georgetown went back in front four minutes from the

**Spurt lifts Curries**

Lisa Simpson and Christine Wanless fired third-period goals to lift Milton Currie Plumbers to a 2-1 win over Georgetown in senior girls' hockey action Sunday in Georgetown.

Milton was led by a stellar defence of

end of the period with a goal from Brad McMeekin.

Lynch evened the score for the home side in the first minute of the final frame. His wrist shot beat goalie Mike Steer cleanly. Dean Warren and Brad Mills assisted.

Three minutes later, Lynch made a nice pickup and quickly put Milton into the lead with an unassisted effort. Just over a minute later, Brad Mills and Lynch combined on a nice effort for a two-goal cushion while Flyers held the rest of the way.

Zulian was extremely sharp in Flyers' nets kicking out 33 shots while his teammates fired 30 at Steer.

Against Oakville, Blades took a 4-2 lead after one period and nursed the lead the rest of the way to secure the win.

John Turner led Flyers with two goals while Jeff Martin, Jeff Graham and Lynch added singles. Richard Griffiths, Mills and Martin had two assists apiece.

Notes: Former Flyer Mike Murray helped shore up the defence by returning to the blue-line corps for the first time in two years. Murray will play sparingly as his studies take up most of his time.

Letwinger Dave Smith was selected in the first round of a draft of available lacrosse players by Mississauga junior Tomahawks. Smith has played lacrosse longer than hockey. He is also looking into the possibility of playing hockey in Belgium next year.

Flyers host Barrie Friday at 8 p.m. at Memorial Arena before travelling to Thornhill Sunday.

Peggy Finn, Bonnie Rivers and Rhonda Reynolds which supported goalkeeper Barb Edwards.

Monday night, Tracey Horne and Simpson scored singles as Milton and Oakville played to a 2-2 tie at Milton Sports Centre.

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**Juves horizons look brighter**

Hard-working Dave Eves received some fruits of his labor when he scored the winning goal with just six minutes remaining to lift Milton Wilson's Auctioneers juveniles to a 2-1 win over Burlington Saturday at Memorial Arena.

Eves put out a great effort during the game and was rewarded for his work by scoring the winning goal from Chris Adamson and Doug Howden.

It was a week of upbeat news for the juvenile squad which signed former Milton Flyer Derrick Neelands to a card last week. Normally a goalkeeper, Neelands will split the netminding duties with Steve Marshall and Mike Sheppard. In addition, Neelands has shown some strength on the forward line and, when he's not tending goal,

will suit up as a skater. "He's playing his position well," explained manager Jeff Cookson of Neelands on the forward line. "He certainly doesn't look out of place and it's good to have his positive attitude on the team."

In other good news, Mark Bertoia has ended his brief sojourn from the club and returned to the fold. Barry Riebot has completed his 10-game suspension and will rejoin the club, and Adamson, a former player with Milton District High School's hockey team, has been signed to a card.

The additions give Wilson's 17 players and the victory over Burlington is a strong sign the club is capable of some upsets down the line in the playoffs.

In beating Burlington, Milton's penalty-killing unit put out a strong

effort erasing eight power-play chances. In contrast, Milton was assessed just two minors.

Neelands put out an outstanding game in

goal in holding Burlington to the single tally. Kirk Mauro, with a first-period goal, had given Milton a 1-0 lead. Doug McCann and Bart Rowe assisted.

Milton plays in Georgetown Thursday before returning to the comfortable surroundings of Milton Memorial Arena Sunday for a 4.45 p.m. start.

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