



## Dennis Hull next 'victim' of Opti roast

The highly successful Optimist Club Roast comes around again with former Chicago Black Hawk Dennis Hull roasted this year.

Hull was the smash hit of last year's roast of Don Cherry and will be on the receiving end of barbs directed at him by former players within the National Hockey League.

So far, roast organizer Chris Heath has lined up Jim McKenny and Doug Jarrett for roasters and is bringing back popular Ross Brewitt as the master of ceremonies.

Heath is in the process of lining up several more players for the head table but has not yet received confirmation from them all. Included in the list of unconfirmed is Dennis' older brother Bobby Hull.

Calls are also out for Bobby Orr, Mickey Redmond and Pat Marsden but none have yet confirmed.

The roast goes March 19 at the Optimist Club and is always a large success. Last year's roast of Cherry drew the second largest crowd since Bruce Hood was roasted several years ago at the old Roma Hall.

Milton Flyers' owner Vern Gooding and Milton Aeros' owner Gary Thomas met this morning with mayor Gord Krantz and Parks and Recreation director Larry Arbic in an effort to find a mutual understanding for Aeros' request for a share of the Friday night home dates at Memorial Arena.

Last week, council approved in principle of a sharing of the Friday nights although details of the number of dates and their schedule for the 1982-83 season need to be worked out.

A mutual understanding must be reached before Monday's upcoming council meeting. If an agreement is not reached by that date, council will vote on the matter.

Somehow through all this Friday-night business, Flyers' owner Vern Gooding has been made to appear the villain in the entire matter and that shouldn't be.

Let's remember that the Goodings have handled the club alone for the past 12 years with little help from many other people.

There haven't been any financial problems with the Flyers and often the club has been on the receiving end of sponsors who don't pay up.

While some people may question his hockey operation, all owners are subject to hockey criticism, no one has ever said anything negative about the complete operation.

It's a credit to Vern and to his wife Beth that they have provided Milton with continuous junior hockey without a major incident.

They are dedicated people to hockey who are involved with the sport because of their love for the game.

People like that are hard to come by.

The relative harmony which existed between Milton's Minor Hockey and Milton Girls Hockey Association suffered a setback over the weekend.

Since their parting back in November, the two associations have got along in relative peace and co-operation.

However, Saturday the Girls Association set up a gargae sale and bake sale at the Community Room at Milton Sports Centre to run through the day.

When two members of MMHA executive saw that a display table had been moved outside the door and technically inside the lobby, Parks and Recreation Director Larry Arbic was informed by MMHA president Bob Davidson that since minor hockey had rented the arena at that time, he wanted the display table moved back inside the room.

Arbic notified the people involved in the sale and the table was removed.

Although minor hockey was within the policy rights to ask the table removed, the incident shows a lack of communication between the two organizations.

According to policy, whoever rents the ice, has control of the lobby.

Minor hockey has an understanding that since people don't want to be bugged to pay every time they enter an arena, special displays are allowed only in special circumstances.

The incident has upset several members of the Girls Hockey Association who call it a "small" act.

A little communication between the two sides before the sale, with some mutual understanding, could have prevented the incident.

After all, everyone's into it for the kids—right?

Major Peewee rep coach Larry Scott says he is planning to run for the president of MMHA if he's nominated.

I'd be surprised if he ran although he says he wouldn't mind a chance at the job.

In fastball news, the Milton Fastball League held its second meeting of the 1982 season Sunday with five member teams present.

While it's known The Racer's Edge has folded, doubts are now surfacing concerning Colbeck Realty World and Lowville, neither of which sent reps.

Teams should bring a \$200 deposit to the next meeting March 28 as proof of their status for the new season.

In other related news, former Stags' and Kilbride pitcher Mark Curtis may play ball in Regina. The firefighter left last week for the Saskatchewan city for a tour.

# Dolphins surprise Aeros win opening playoff games

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Amid some internal squabbling and bickering, Milwone Realty Aeros dropped their first two games of their Intermediate B quarter-finals to Dorchester over the weekend.

Dorchester scored three straight goals in the third period to earn an 8-5 win Friday night in Dorchester and then doubled the score on Aeros 8-4 for a two-game lead Sunday also in Dorchester.

The series resumed last night (Tuesday) at Memorial Arena with the fourth game going Friday at 8.15 p.m. at Memorial Arena. If necessary, the fifth game goes Sunday afternoon in Dorchester, the sixth is Tuesday in Milton and should it go the limit, it'll be decided in the seventh game next Wednesday at Dorchester.

Aeros' director Russ Lane called on the team to end its internal disputes and concentrate on winning the series.

"I think once we get rid of all this bickering," said Lane, "we'll start to play as a team again. We're not playing near up to our capabilities."

For the first few minutes of the opening game, it appeared Aeros would make a runaway of the game. Bruce Ellison and Steve Cloutier fired goals before the period was three minutes old for a 2-0 lead and Aeros dominated Dorchester in every department.

However, having the advantage of playing on the smaller ice surface all year, helped by some unnecessary penalties Aeros picked up and encouraged by their own team effort against the individual forays of Aeros, Dorchester escaped the period down just 3-2 and took a 5-4 lead into the third period.

Dorchester captured the OHA Int. B. championship two years ago and it wasn't difficult to discover the reasons for their success. Staffed with several players who have played together since junior, Dolphins didn't panic in the game and took the game away from Aeros, literally, in the second period. Dorchester took advantage of the smaller ice surface to employ their dump-and-chase routine effectively and forced Aeros to cough up the puck in their own zone.

In addition, Dorchester showed a willingness to bend but not break as was prevalent in the first period when Aeros had Dolphins on the ropes but couldn't mount much of a lead.

Ellison turned in a spectacular opening period. He had at least half a dozen good scoring chances and converted two of his opportunities.

He opened the scoring two minutes into the game picking up his own rebound in front of the net and with several swipes at the puck pushed it into the goal past netminder Bob Budden. Barry Trood, started the play, and Cloutier assisted.

Just 12 seconds later, Perry Caputo's shot from the point was corralled by Cloutier and he drove it home.

Dorchester narrowed the gap with a power-play goal two minutes later and then tied it up with just seven minutes gone with a drive from the point.

While killing a penalty later in the period, Ellison forced a scramble in front of the Dorchester goal and flipped the puck past Budden for a 3-2 Aeros' lead.

The lead held up for five minutes of the second period when Dolphins notched the equalizer and then Dorchester grabbed the lead with a short-handed goal. After Aeros' captain Tom Butt just



Finding the going a little rough in front of the Dorchester goals is Aero captain Tom Butt during Aeros' 8-5 opening loss. An 8-4 Dorchester win Sunday put Dolphins ahead 2-0 in the best-of-seven series with the third and fourth games back at Memorial Arena.

missed a good scoring chance, a Dolphin defenceman picked up the puck and passed ahead to a breaking forward on a breakaway. The forward made no mistake with a nice deke around Aero goalie John Muizelaar.

Just 24 seconds later, and on the same power play, Billy McGilloway tied the score when his shot from the point caromed off a skate in front for a goal. Ed Huizingh and Steve Bronozewski earned assists.

Dorchester scored the go-ahead goal with three minutes left in the period on a breakaway which would have been called offside except that the puck deflected off an Aero stick. Although

Muizelaar stopped the breakaway, the rebound was scooped into the net.

The third period contained about as much excitement as watching grass grow as Dorchester went into the equivalent of a full-court press.

Two more Dorchester goals later in the period sewed up the win although Aeros got one back when little-used Paul McCann popped one home. Glen Murray and Butt assisted.

If the contest had a turning point it was middle of the second period when persistent Dorchester checking prevented Aeros from mounting any kind of offensive attack.

The second game, was much of the same with

Dorchester rolling up a 4-0 lead after one period and 7-2 after two periods.

Ellison scored two more goals for Aeros with Murray and Bronozewski picking up singles.

Arrows: Goalkeeper Peter McDuffe missed Friday's game because of a tooth operation for his son. McDuffe started the second game.

There are a few surprises in the other series. Paris 29ers, trying to get even with former coach and present Dunnville Mudcat coach Vic Porter, lead Mudcats two games to one. St. Mary's Flyers also lead second-place Delhi Leafs 2-1.

Rockton isn't having any problems whatsoever blasting Tillsonburg 10-1 and 12-1.

## Skaters on edge

Trying their best at turns, spins and finesse, several members of the Milton Figure Skating Club participated in the annual club competition over the weekend.

All results of the top five competitors in each competition can be found on page C5.



Caught in mid-air is senior figure skater Kim Patcheson during the Milton Figure Skating Club's annual competition Sunday at Milton Sports Centre. The club meet gave the skaters an opportunity to show what they've learned over the past year.



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