#### Calcutta coming

### Boy, has it been busy

E'RE RAPIDLY approaching the time of year when there's more going on in the club than space in the column to properly cover.

As usual, it's on the weekenus when some of the more exciting things happen, as a considerable number of regular members discovered Saturday and Sunday.

Sunday morning featured a single 10-game playoff affair between the Junior teams of Stephen Oldford and Andrew Johnson for the privilege of representing Milton in the Junior Winter Games which we are hosting December 11 and 12.

Going in, the best estimate was a cakewalk for the older, more experienced Johnson rink but by the end of regulation play, all was tied at seven. The 11th end produced a last-rock cold draw to the four-foot by Oldford to win the event. It's hard to say whose nails were bitten shorter during this cliff-hanger—The eight juniors or the more than 30 exhausted spectators behind the glass.

While the Juniors occupied centre stage, another drama quietly played to a close on the the next sheet as Don Gibson's senior rink won the right to move on to seniors divisional play by downing Dennis Rowley's foursome in the third game of the series.

The first game Saturday morning saw Rowley easily handle a shaky-looking Gibson rink. By one o'clock, this latter bunch had steadied down enough to win in a close contest. The Sunday morning game was over after eight ends when Rowley got trapped in one of those innocent-looking five-enders.

Good luck Don and company and we'll watch your progress in the weeks ahead with interest.

Saturday activities also featured the first junior in-club spiel with six rinks and a total of 21 curlers. Once again, the calibre of play was pleasantly surprising to the many parents, friends and casual observers who dropped by at intervals throughout the day.

The spiel was organized around two four and one eight-end games, and by the time the last rock was home, the top three teams were separated only by a single point. In fact, a run on last rock in one game meant the difference between a first and third place finish for the team.

Overall winner for the day was the rink of Stephen Oldford, Mike Johnson and Ian and Wendy Lang, two first-year curlers. A special thanks goes to the members who organized the day: Drew Pusnie, Pearl Long and Andy Mezei for the kitchen help, and especially the Scott Paper Company for their generous help with the prizes.

On Wednesday, the ladies organized their first in-club spiel appropriately named the

Gurling Gues

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"Get Acquainted Spiel." Although attendance was down at some 24 curlers, the ladies showed some imagination by having the first game broken at the halfway mark for coffee and doughnuts (so they claim). There's no word on the effect of this on the curling, but a regular game after lunch produced the winning rink of Louise Kemp, Lynne Martin, Joanne Thompson and Jean Meane (another first-time curler.)

If I've mis-spelled some names, I'll blame the fact that we haven't yet got the new directories, and ask your indulgence. Hello, head office, picked up your messages lately?

Over the weekend, Ron Rowley's regulars headed off to the wars in the playdowns for a berth in the Channel 4 affair, held this year in the two-sheet club at Elmvale. Foreign correspondents reports are decidedly scattered and confusing but at press time it appears that the guys dropped early into the tough 'B' side yet managed to claw their way back for two final games on Sunday.

As one of their ladies said "Well, they played at 9 a.m. Sunday and they're not home yet, and it's Sunday, so they must have won their first game today anyway." A late phone call said we were free to watch Sunday afternoon movies this year. Good try guys.

Next Saturday sees the kickoff of that super Calcutta affair with first games scheduled to go at 8.30 a.m., and final games scheduled as late as 6.30 p.m. Under this system, the top four teams at the end of the day go into the first event, the next four into the 'B' event, and so on through third, fourth and consolation events.

There will be lots of action for both spectators and curlers throughout the day, and everything will be capped off by a dance Saturday night with, presumably 'Big Bertie' handling the chores of cattle auctioneer.

By all means, block off the next two weekends on your calendars as they promise to be among the most entertaining of the year. If you're not sure of the way anything works, check on the notice boards or ask someone from the committee. See you, for sure, behind the glass or in the hack.

## Campbell gets good news

By LESTER WOOD

Janet Campbell, head coach of Milton Springers Gymnastics Club Inc., this week received the inspiring news that she had been awarded a oneyear scholarship in the initial Ontario Gymnastics Federations Master Coach Program.

Her application to be awarded Apprentice-coach status in the program had received favorable approval from the reviewing committee. Its prime interest is to select experienced coaches who demonstrate a continuing ability to communicate and teach othe gymnastic coaches throughout Ontaric.

In reviewing Janet's abilities, consideration was given to her recent success in provincial competitions with Milton Springers Gymnasts, her service as a technical representative for the Ontario Central Region and her participation as an organizer of the Provincial Gymnastic Coaches Congress this year.

The \$42,500 Ontario Gymnastic Federation program is supported and funded by the Ontario Ministry of Tourism and Recreation. Three national level Master Coaches and seven apprentice Coaches have been named. The objective of the program is for the selected Master Coaches to train the Apprentice coaches to:

1. Improve the technical knowledge of the apprentice coach in the areas of vault, uneven bars, balance beam, floor exercise and choreography.

2. Improve the teaching skill proficiency of the apprentice coach.

3. Improve the knowledge of training coach of the apprentice coach.4. Increase the technical flow of information to

all regional coaches and clubs.

5. Increase the teaching proficieency of the regional coaches.

6. Improve the training methods used by the regional coaches.

Ontario is divided into seven regions with one

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apprentice coach selected for each region for the training program.

Janet's selection as the Apprentice Coach for the Central Region places a future training responsibility on the Springers head coach for Ontario's largest region which contains over 35 per cent of the province's gymnasts. Central Region spans the geographic area covered from Niagara to Owen Sound and Guelph to Mississauga.

Throughout the next year, while continuing to maintain her prime head coach respnsibilities in Milton, Janet will receive extensive tuition from three master coaches, all of whom, at one or more points in their careers, have coached Canadian national level teams.

She will attend at least three technical and theory sessions with each Master coach, will be upgraded to become a course conductor for Level II of the National Canadian Coaching Programs. She will be required to technically assist existing provincial level coaches in Central Region, to conduct a gymnastic clinic and to prepare written

quarterly program reports.

Janet's appointment will produce direct spin-off benefits to the Milton Springers and the Central Region by extending her increased knowledge to the local club's coaches and gymnasts.

Mike Toke, of Hamilton, visited Milton Nov. 13th and assisted the local club's coaching staff and gymnasts during a special training session. The Hamilton resident is a National Level gymnastics coach and has trained a number of gymnasts in the national level stream of gymnastics in Ontario.

The purpose of his visit was to provide the benefit of his expertise during a training session early in the season and prior to the first qualifying meet

Toke complimented Janet Campbell and staff on the achievements of the local gymnasts to date and expressed surprise that the results were incredible when considering the training conditions in which the club operated. He said, "This must be the funniest little gym in the West," but that the club could not expect to continue to raise its competitive standards without drastic improvement

On Sunday, Dec. 5, the local club will be hosting, at E.C. Drury, an invitational meet for Argo C and Argo B Central Region Gymnasts. The meet will be a low-key competition and will not be scored.

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Strong penalty-killing efforts and excellent goal-keeping by Myrna Newman helped propel Milton Home Hardware to a 2-1 win over Flamboro in intermediate girls hockey action Thursday at Carlisle Arena.

The penalty-killing efforts of Christina Bacon, Christianne Tremills and Joanne Wanless were successful in killing both Milton penalties while Newman came through with another strong showing between the pipes for Milton.

Carolyn Grasby opened the scoring with an unassisted goal before Chris Bacon upped the lead to two 40 seconds later. Tricia Marcucci and Halle Van Wart assisted on the play. Flamboro closed the gap to a single goal in the second period but Newman closed the gap the rest of the way for the victory.

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## Peewees win fifth in a row

It's beginning to look like nothing can get in the way of Miltowne Realty peewee Jr. Aeros success.

The club upped its league winning string to five straight games with a well-earned 3-1 decision over arch-rival Georgetown Saturday in league play before handling a Hamilton club 7-2 in exhibition action Sunday at Memorial Arena.

In Georgetown Saturday, Milton scored single

goals in each period to squeek out the win.

Pat Penman opened the scoring in the game when he took a Jason Campbell offering and poked it home midway through the frame.

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Milton made it 2-0 four minutes into the second

period with Doug Poulton scoring from Nicky Van Zutphen. Georgetown narrowed the gap to a single goal four minutes from the end of the period but Campbell scored with three minutes left in the game to ensure the win. Poulton assisted.

In Milton Sunday, the home side built up a 3-0

lead in the first period and coasted the win.

Milton's scoring was shared among seven

players. Doug Carles scored once and added two assists while Colin Grieve, Steve Schaeffer Shawn Hasselfeldt, and Jeff Closs each scored once and had an assist. Compbell added a goal while Mike Stephens had two assists. Jim Speck and Scott Charlton had one assist each.

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