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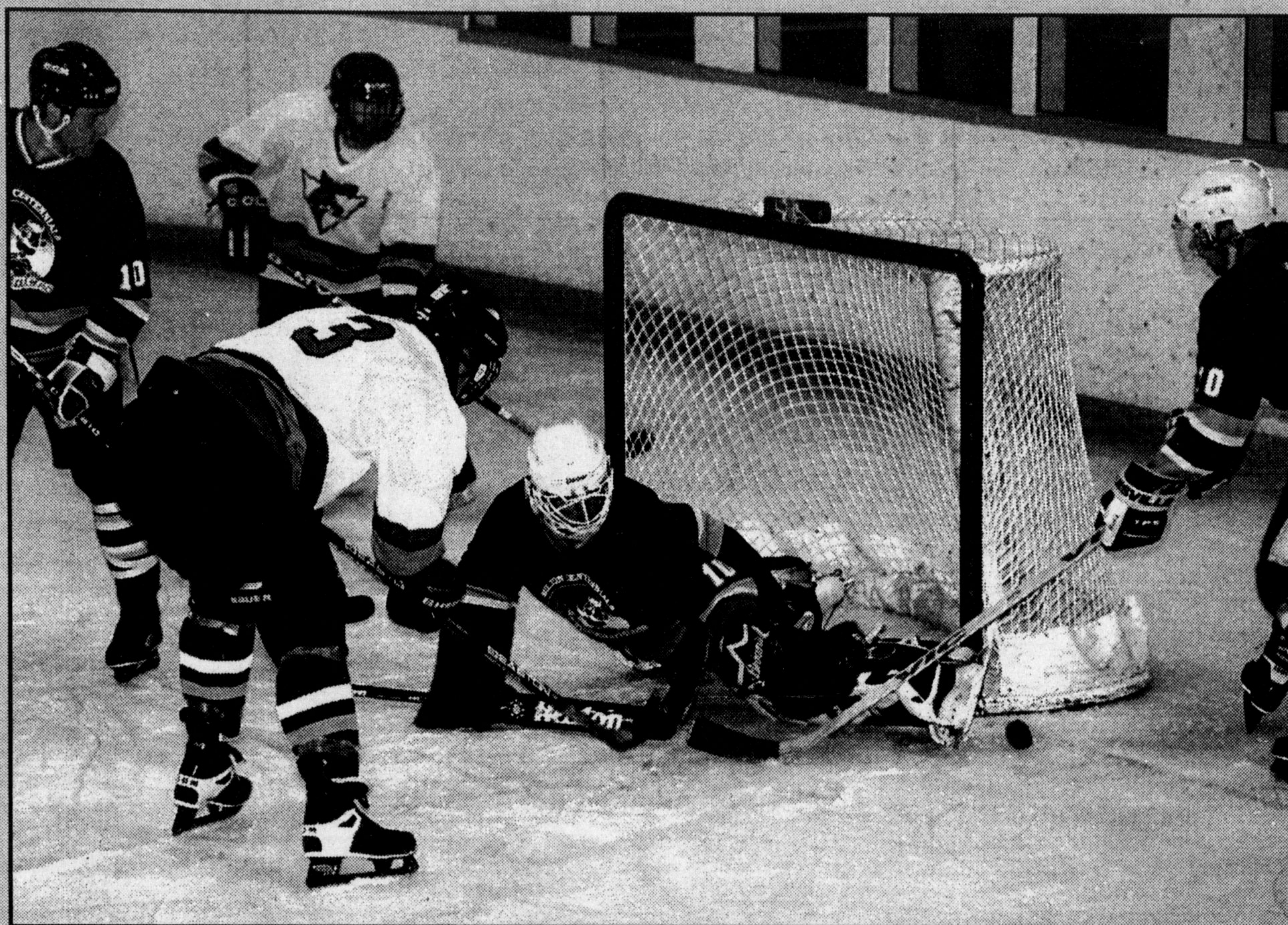


Photo by GRAHAM PAINE

Sandmar Sharks swarm the Milton Centennials' net in Milton SKD Old Stars/Labatt's Tournament play at Memorial Arena Saturday. See story for full championship results.

Hortons oldtimers unmatched in tourney for second season

Tim Hortons once again had no equals at the annual Old Stars Labatt's Hockey Tournament in Milton.

They went undefeated for a second straight season en route to defending the "B" division championship.

Much like last fall, the victors struck early — with three goals in the opening frame — and turned in stifling defence throughout the finals Sunday.

The combination was more than enough to dispose of Royal LePage, whom they toppled 6-2.

MVP honours went to Ben Andrews, who tallied twice and delivered the eventual game winner with just over a minute to go in the first period. He also helped set up goal number one.

Steve Emmett had a goal and two assists while also scoring were Mark Gillies, Buck Herben and Joe Sherran.

Replying for Royal LePage — who kept pace through the early going before being stoned over the last two periods by

crafty cager Rick Landry — were Kirk Henderson and Dave Van Kleet.

Tim Hortons won all three games over the weekend showcase, just like they did last year.

Fierce finish

Four goals in the final frame powered the Mississauga Hawks to a 5-1 triumph in "C" division finals play against the Toronto Tornados.

Jim Chapman paced the offense by setting up teammates Kevin Keirstead, Frank Parisien and Mike Walt. Also scoring for the champs were Don Abbott and John Siemens.

The Tornados' lone marker was potted by Brad Burke. His team took a number of penalties early on which killed their momentum.

'D' for drama

The "D" division finals proved to be the most exciting of the lot as Air

Canada's Guy McGinnis scored in double overtime to lift his team past the Millennium 2-1.

His solo effort came just half a minute before a third extra session was about to be played.

Tim Turner sank their first goal all the way back in the opening frame while Millennium's Paul Calvert would even the count in the second stanza.

Classic contest

In another spirited showdown for division bragging rights, CC's trimmed Fergus 2-1 to take the "E" title.

Karl Steip capitalized on the powerplay early while teammate Gino Maietta followed up with the game winner midway through the second.

Terry Woodman was between the pipes for the victors. He was beaten only by Matt Biodeau, who spoiled the shutout bid with under four minutes remaining in the game.

In overtime

Merchants lose and end streak

By STEVE LeBLANC

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Even in defeat the Merchants refused to skate away empty-handed.

Milton's first blemish of the season, a 6-5 loss to the much improved Kilty Bees, was delivered Monday night at Hamilton's Mountain Arena.

But since it came in overtime, the local lads garnered one point and maintained their first place position in the Ontario Provincial Jr. A League's West Conference.

At Memorial Arena Wednesday, they padded that lead by toppling the Burlington Cougars 4-1.

Coach Marty Williamson says he has been happy with the club's third-period performances, though he admits a more complete effort will be needed once stern tests start coming with more frequency.

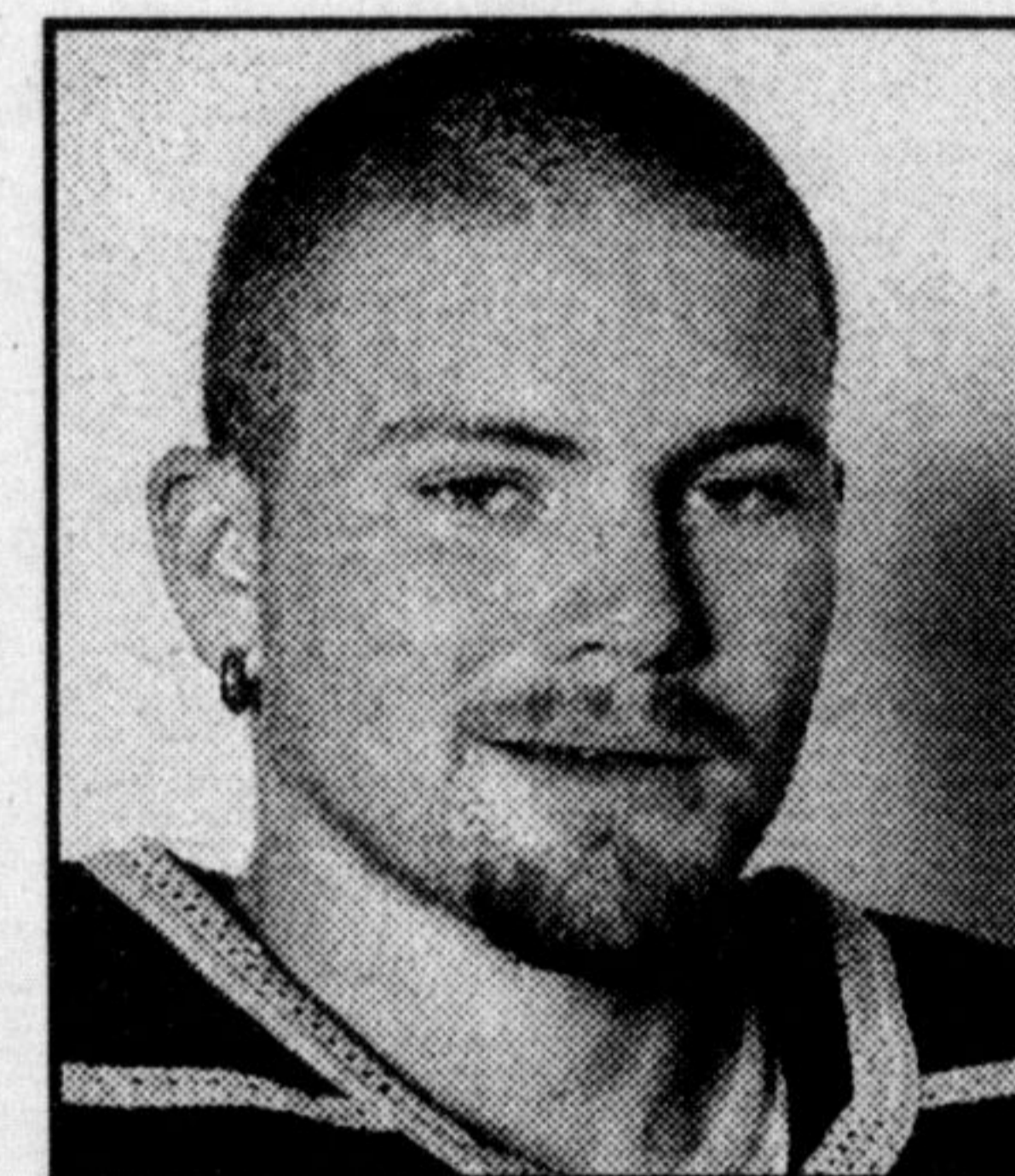
"We played real solid hockey and took away their chances," he remarked of the final frame Wednesday.

"Had we been playing like that the whole game it wouldn't have been so close. We've made it tough on ourselves a few times this year. This team has to realize that if they work a full 60 minutes, they're extremely tough to beat."

Leading the charge this past week was Ian Malcolm, who tallied twice in each game and is slowly starting to display some of the magic from last year when he scored 47 times with Markham.

He's now up to nine goals and currently shades an equally talented Elliot Altberg — who's currently centering the top produc-

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Ian Malcolm:
On a tear

Midgets powerplay suffers an outage

By STEVE LeBLANC

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The AA midgets' powerplay suffered a power outage at Memorial Arena Monday.

Milton had four opportunities with the extra attacker and managed a grand total of one shot on net — five less than the visiting Simcoe Warriors would accumulate while killing off these penalties.

On a night when little else separated the two combatants, the host team's dismal display with the man-advantage proved to be the deciding factor in them falling 4-1.

The evening clash, which cut the local boys' season-opening win streak short at two games, was painful for the Spectrum Airways Winterhawks on two fronts.

They not only lost the contest but also goaltender Josh Arnold

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