## Glen Eden has inexpensive ski lesson packages available

Skiing can be a wonderful way to get fresh air and exercise in the weeks after a busy Christmas season. It's a great way to meet people and enjoy the winter.

The ski industry has made a number of changes in the past 30 years, including installing advanced snowmaking systems, night lighting and upgrading lift operations.

Ski areas are more accommodating than ever before when it comes to new or beginner skiers. Ski lesson packages, rentals and beginner slope lift tickets are made available at reasonable prices.

This season Glen Eden ski area has created a package for the new skier called 1-2-3 Learn To Ski, which includes; a one hour group lesson, Little Dipper lift ticket and a complete set of rental equipment for \$28.



Lesson times are Monday and Wednesday at p.m. and 7 p.m.; Friday at 1 p.m. and Saturday at 7 p.m. only. Interested soon-to-be skiers should get involved in this terrific program.

Glen Eden is offering many ways of enhancing the fun of skiing. A fireworks display on January 25 will mark the 30th anniversary of Glen Eden operation.

National Ski Week, which runs from January 18-26, will also bring many special events to all ski areas across Canada. Some areas even offer special rates during this week.

Glen Eden will offer a free lift ticket to the 30th person each day and night during National Ski Week. As well as having the fireworks display, there will be a late night ski with the hills staying open until midnight.

Lift tickets are \$18 from 6:30 p.m. to midnight or \$15 from 9 p.m. to midnight. Radio station Q107 will host the Psychic Slalom race on Jan. 19, the Telemark Ski Race will go on Jan. 21 and the Tri Ski event takes place Jan. 26.

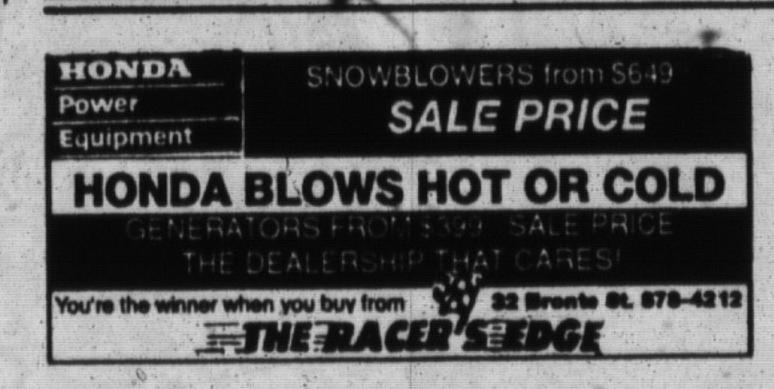
Sundays are family days at Glen Eden, with special events scheduled frequently. Fun races will run on February 2, 9, 23 and March 1. Various sponsors such as CFTR, MIX 99.9,

Sleeman's, Corbett Sports, McCain Foods, Atomic Sports and Glen Eden Ski School will donate their time or prizes.

Glen Eden will also host the Diet Coke Star Series races, in which individuals can compare their times against others in the same classification, nationwide.

Don't forget your sweetheart on February 14. With the purchase of an adult lift ticket you get another one free. This offer is vaild from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. only.

Circle March 8 on your calendar. Glen Eden will be the sight for the annual Family Fun Day. Everyone will thoroughly enjoy themselves as activities are available for all ages. Skiing skills are not essential as candy scrambles, egg tosses, relay races and an obstacle course will be some of the events.



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### Pick me, pick me!

An anxious bunch of senior girls volleyball players crowd around the object d'sport during a recent match between Bishop Reding and St. Thomas Aquinas in Milton. The Royals swept their Oakville opponents 3-0 with the Reding junior team matching the achievement. Tracey Fowler, who also leds her talents to the Peel Selects club team, is in the centre. The win keeps Reding's perfect record Intact at 5-0. The juniors are 3-2.

#### Youth soccer registration soon

Summer soccer registration will take place at John Tonelli Sports Centre's Community Room on Friday, Jan. 24 from 7-9 p.m.; and Saturday, Jan. 25 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for boys and girls aged six to 18.

The registration for the Milton Youth Soccer Club includes house leagues, rep teams and tournament teams; and mini soccer a seven-a-side game for six to 10 year olds.

Registration fees are \$60 per person with a family rate of \$150. Rep players got. have an additional \$25 surcharge while select teams pay \$15 more.

For further information contact the Milton Youth Soccer Club at 875-4072.

# Merchants accused of goon tactics in win over Oakville

By BRAD REAUME

A 5-2 Merchant win over Oakville has put Milton one point back of the first place Blades with 10 games remaining in the Central Ontario Junior B regular season.

With the win Friday night at Memorial Arena, Milton took a 2-1-2 lead in the season series with a single game remaining, Jan. 30 at Oakville.

Both teams are putting some distance between themselves and third place Georgetown and are likely to get byes in the first playoff round. In that round teams finishing third through sixth play for the right to face one of the top two teams.

It was against the canvas of possible playoff spots that the real story of the game took place. Eric Smith, co-coach of the Blades, angrily accused Milton of goon hockey after the contest while Merchant coach Rick Bince, contritely explained why, despite all appearances, it wasn't.

Milton scored three goals in the third period to break a 2-2 tie and claim the win. Milton's Kelly Leroux got into tussle with Ralph Radzki causing both players to be tossed from the game. Bince said after the game that he expressly told his team not to get involved in any violence as the clocked ticked down.

About this time Milton's Todd Blackman went back for a loose puck and was belted by Jason Honchar. After the game Blackman claimed he was speared in the neck. His immediate reaction, or rather, explosive reaction was consistent with his claim in that he immediately wrenched Honchar's helmet off and began punching. Because the linesmen were not near the scene when it began Blackman managed about a

dozen shots before being subdued. The lines changed during the ensuing stoppage and a line came off that hadn't heard Bince's explicit instructions not to mix it up. According to Bince, team captain Shawn Healey and linemate Mike Dunphy who were coming off the ice, told members of their replacement line to finish the job on Honchar, who hadn't been removed from the ice.

Danny Digronimo obliged, again pulverizing Honchar, who by this time was a little bloody and more than a little dazed.

"I'm sick and tired of these guys sending out guys to beat up midgets," said an angry Smith after the game. "We bring up two midgets and they goon them. If they want a brawl well they're going to get it. They should be winning the league by 97 points with the talent they've

Bince denied the goon hockey charge, though he conceded that ap-

pearances made his case look thin. Bince said that he began to ream out his players for their behaviour after the game when Blackman pointed out the spear mark on his neck.

"I ripped stuff up in the dressing room," Bince said. "There was no call for that crap. It reflects on me. It makes me look bad."

Then Dunphy and Healey came forward with their confession getting

Digronimo partly off the hook. The two linemates met with Bince in a closed door session after the game.

"I was going to appologize but now I'm not, said Bince. "Even incident was Leroux's sparked by something much earlier in the period."

Bince said that he would try to patch things up with the Oakville organization which he claims to

respect. In the game Oakville scored at the 8:56 and 19:15 marks of the first frame to build a 2-0 lead. Both goals were by Scott MacDonald, and both were on scrambles around Jason Chipman in the Merchant net. Milton, however, got a Steve Rocco power play goal at 19:59 of the initial

The Merchants tied the game at 13:14 of the second on Mike Cox's tip off Rick Emmet's shot from the point. They took the lead on Emmet's power play goal at 1:25 of the third bad."

and put the game away when Jason Ritchie knocked home his own rebound on a breakaway during an Oakville powerplay.

"The 19:59 goal took away our momentum," said Smith. "It's a terrible mistake that shouldn't happen after 32 games. But it was the shorthanded goal really broke our back."

Clancy Seymour put in a insurance goal at 19:42 when he made a nice

deke at the Blades' blue line to go in alone before he popped it home.

"Against Brampton last night (an 8-5 loss) was the first time I didn't feel tentative since I've been back," Seymour said. "I feel good now."

Seymour is heavily taping his good leg in hopes that anyone with mayhem on their minds

will spy the tape and go after the wrong leg. Seymour, who attends McMaster University said, "I don't go to university for nothing."

Smith was conciliatory after his initial anger. "They beat us to the puck all night," said Smith after the game. "They're a hell of a team, that's why I'm so disappointed in the stuff at the end."

Bince held that the apparent goon hockey didn't come from the bench, despite his long history of rock 'em, sock 'em hockey as a player. "I know nobody believes me but I don't do that stuff as a coach," he said. "I feel

#### Brampton seven-goal rally turns back Merchants 8-5

Last week the Merchants travelled to Brampton where they dropped an 8-5 decision. In a strange twist Merchant coach Rick Bince was elated with the outcome.

"It brought the team together," said Bince. "We took a 5-1 lead but after a huge number of penalties against us they tied it up. Then our lights went out. We've played a lot of games lately and we were just too

Milton got goals from Clancy Seymour, Jason Ritchie, Mike Murray, Mike Dunphy and Mike Cox.

"They scored a couple of goals and we couldn't hold on with all the penalties. We tried to press and they scored again," Bince said.

"Any time it was even we were all

over them."

Bince described the game as a war, with numerous fights and lots of penalties. Seven players were ejected for fighting. In one play Dunphy

picked up four minors while Brampton's Kevin Dance was given

Shortly after this award of a six minute power play Milton picked up a five minute major for checking from behind giving a two man advantage. Soon after Milton was hit with two more penalties.

Bince ascribes some of the problems to the fact that the game came on cut down day, the last day the team can pick up players who are eligible for the playoffs.

"The guys weren't sure about things and it showed on the ice," said Bince. 'Last night just brought us together as a team. The veterans weren't sure about some of the new guys and they weren't sure how they fit in. Now they are."

Bince was not happy with the refereeing, saying his team had been "hosed royally in the last few games" by the officials.

