

Only three compete

Howard rink wins handily in Consol spiel

Russ Howard's rink emerged victorious in the British Consols playdown curling bonspiel held at the Midland Curling Club over the weekend.

Howard's rink of Paul MacDonald, Kent Carstairs and Carl McAllen defeated Penetanguishene and Orillia in the four game series. They won the final game with a score of 8-1.

Rod Reynolds, president of the Midland Curling Club said they were a little disappointed that only three teams came out to play in the bonspiel. He added however, that with so many bonspiels going on at this time of year, the teams have to choose which ones they want to play.

Reynolds said that the

Win 8-2

Coldwater Bantams beat Lefroy

Jeff Marshall placed the Coldwater Bantams to an 8-2 win over Lefroy Sunday, December 11 as he scored three goals in the York Simcoe Minor Hockey League game.

Coldwater picked up 19 minutes in penalties during the game—almost twice as many as Lefroy—but were able to overcome the obstacle for the win.

Dewayne Stacey opened the scoring for Coldwater and Marshall's hat trick put the game away. John Nicol, John Bell and David Fedoriv scored once each in the later stages of the game.

Coldwater's final goal was scored by Kevin Watt, his first goal in five years of Minor Hockey. Darryl Nicholson scored twice for Lefroy, beating Coldwater goaltender Gregg Doughty.

Coldwater earned a 4-4 tie with Beeton in their game of December 6. Steve Bird scored twice once to open the scoring and again at the end of the game for the tie. Steve Cronin and Dewayne Stacey scored a single goal each.

Greg Brown and Gregg Doughty shared duties in the Coldwater net.

Penetanguishene rink of Larry Merkley had to play off against five teams in Penetanguishene to make it to the British Consol Bonspiel. He said that Orillia's Larry Will's rink had to play off against six other rinks before they could come to Midland.

It was expected that more teams would enter the bonspiel and the tournament would take all weekend to play. However, on Sunday the curling club was closed up tight since the bonspiel ended sometime on Saturday afternoon.



Champion skip

Mrs. Laura Argue watches a rock skim towards the house during the final game of the Business Girls' Curling competition last Thursday night at the Midland Curling Club. Mrs. Argue's rink defeated a rink skipped by Mrs.

Diane Patchell 10-9 to win the French's Dry Cleaners Trophy. The win by the Argue rink marks the end of the pre-Christmas schedule for Business Girls Curling. Competition will resume in the New Year. Staff photo

MSS wrestlers place 6th

Wrestlers from Midland Secondary School placed sixth out of ten teams at the Bracebridge Novice Meet last week with a total of 22 victories and numerous high placings in their class.

The team of 13, fought against entries 30 men strong, in the Ontario-wide competition and did well in the 146 pound class.

Kirk Swales advanced to the finals in that class but, lost the final match of the day and finished second.

Chris Shearer won the consolation finals in the 97 pound class and the pair of Marvin Evans and Fred Webster finished third and fourth respectively in the 136 pound class after wrestling each other in the semi-final.

"Everyone who went had at least one victory," said Midland coach Rick Leroux. "And even the new kids were really amazing."

Leroux started the wrestling program at

Midland Secondary a short two years ago and has watched it grow from a small activity for a few interested students into a popular school sport.

From the original two or three wrestlers the team has grown in number, to its present 13 members and promises to do well in the remaining seven tournaments planned for this year.

Individual tourneys

There are no league competitions for wrestlers and all events are in the form of individual tournaments that allow teams to gain experience before the various Athletic Association finals in the spring.

Members of the Midland Secondary School team include: John Pickett, Ken Paterson, Jim Forbes, Todd Clarke, Tom Walker, Ted Long, Walter Lenio, Chris Moreau, Brad Oakley, Swales Shearer, Evans and Fraser.

Leroux said the team

entered two tournaments in their first year of competition and the number of invitations to the events increases as the team travels more each year.

Saturday, the team travels to Bracebridge again, for an invitational meet that will include fourteen schools from all over Ontario.

"It's starting to catch on," Leroux said. "There isn't a sport that compares to it in the physical demands it makes on a person."



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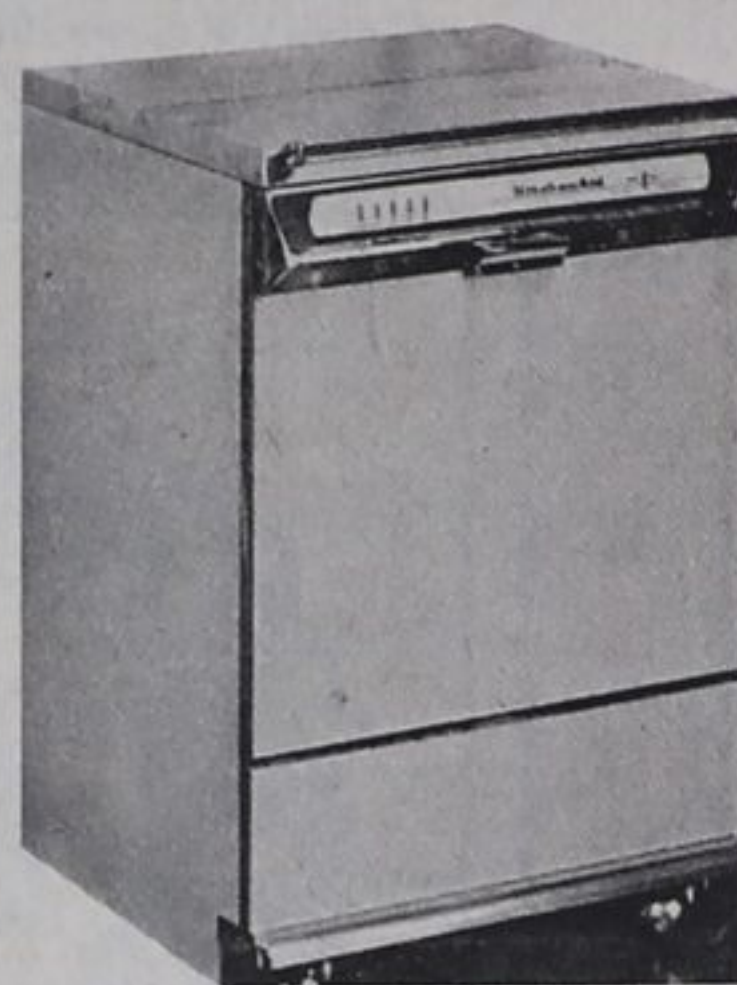


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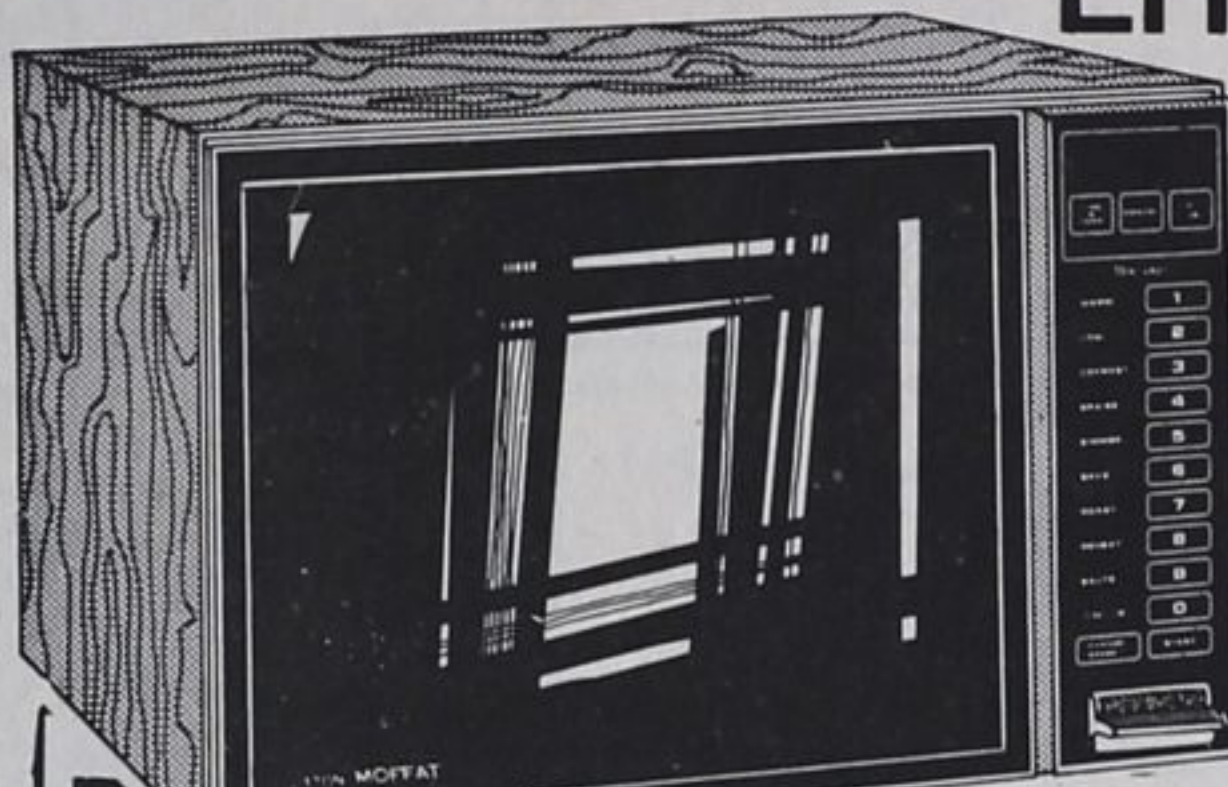
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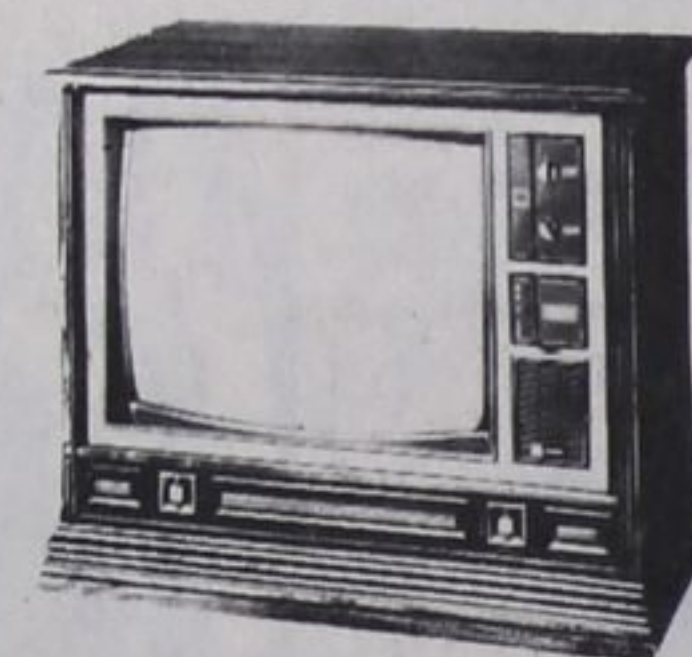
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