



Here they come again

Therriens wows Sudbury

Therriens Furniture hockey club really wowed them in Sudbury recently, when they came up the big winners in a tournament and walked away with most of the awards.

Besides winning a large championship trophy, the team, who usually play in the Coldwater and District Men's league won \$200 and had two of their number win individual

awards. Terry Spiker won the scoring championship at the two-day tournament while Ross Cousineau took the most valuable player award in the final game.

Therriens defeated Oshawa in the final 5-4 on Cousineau's overtime goal at the three-minute mark.

Also scoring for Therriens were Joe

Gagnon, Tom Gignac, Ted Weatherell and Peter Brissette.

The Midland team started the tournament on the wrong foot with a 9-7 loss to Chemsford.

Terry Spiker scored a hat trick, while Cousineau and Peter Brissette scored a pair each.

The team from Chapleau, Quebec, fell victim to the scoring power of Spiker and Cousineau losing 10-2. Both players had a hat trick in the game, while Gignac and Brissette came up with a pair each.

Spiker and Peter Grigg came through in the final minutes of Therriens game with Mississauga to give them a 7-5 win over a strong Mississauga club.

Losing 5-2 going into the third period, Therriens staged a comeback with goals by Gignac and Cousineau, who also scored the first two goals for their side.

What promised to be a close game with Lively, turned into a rout as the Midland entry romped to a 7-0 win.

Spiker found the mark twice in the game with Ted Weatherell picking up a pair as well. Singles went to Tim Lamoureux, Joe Gagnon and Conrad Maloney.

Ted Weatherell and Hugh Robertson earned praise from their teammates as they both played through the championship final with head injuries.

"A good hockey coach could adapt quickly," he said. "It's not exactly the same as hockey, but close enough that with a few adjustments, he could adapt."

All other teams have had coaches appointed already. The peewees enjoyed a strong season last season and this year the league is planning a second team to allow those who aren't picked for the representative team to practice and compete on an occasional basis.

"We can dress 18 players," Roberts said. "So if we have 12 to 14 good players, that would form the nucleus of the team and we would fill the other positions from the second team on a rotating basis."

He said the boys on the second team would practice to learn the game and probably look forward to playing two games during the season.

The fee structure for lacrosse players is geared to encourage new members and give them a break on equipment expenses in their first year.

The fee for a new member is \$5, regardless of the age group he wishes

to compete in. After the first season the fees are \$10 for Tykes, Novices and Bantams and \$15 for Midgets and Juveniles. The higher rate for the older players is due to higher costs for game officials in those age groups.

Any player entering his first year of lacrosse can expect to pay between \$20 and \$60 for equipment,

depending on what he has already and what quality of equipment he buys.

Hockey players who already have a helmet and facemask, gloves, shoulder pads and back-kidney pads, need only buy a stick.

Midland teams competing in the D division of the OMLA will play teams in the Huronia area including Barrie, Hunt-

sville, Gravenhurst, Orillia, Oro and Alliston.

The first practice sessions for the teams are scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday nights at the Midland Centennial arena. Below is a list of times and team coaches for the practices.

Tykes—Wednesday 7 p.m. Ron Bianco.

Peewees—Wednesday 8 p.m., Lee Watie.

Midgets—Wednesday 9 p.m.

Novice—Thursday 7 p.m., Jim Counahan.

Bantams—Thursday 8 p.m., Dave Stone.

Juveniles—Thursday 9 p.m., Doug Swales.

A second registration for the league will take place tomorrow at Monsignor Castex school in Midland from 9 a.m. until noon.

Midland GC ready soon

Golfers who've been polishing their putters to a dazzle will have a chance to muddy them soon as the Midland Golf and Country Club begins its season with the Early Bird Tournament Sunday, May 7.

The tournament will begin with a shotgun start at 9:30 a.m.

The ladies section will hold their opening meeting and luncheon on Thursday, May 11, starting at 10:30 a.m.

Showdown champion out

Tommy VanNatter of Elmvalle who recently won the district, regional and Ontario championship for 13-year-olds in the Minor Hockey Showdown competition, was disappointed on Monday when he was told he would not represent Ontario in the Canadian finals.

Tom understood he would be travelling to Thornhill on either Saturday or Sunday of this week to participate in the Canadian Championship finals. However, when his coach Ross McConnell called officials organizing the competition, he was told Tom was not eligible. Only the four with top marks were called to compete and although Tom was in the top ten in Canada, he was not in the top four. This news was a shock to both the Van Natters and to Mr. McConnell. It was their understanding from the beginning of the programme that if anyone from this area did become the Ontario champion, they would automatically compete in the Canadian finals.

Minor Hockey Showdown is organized by Sports Dimensions in Toronto along with the sponsorship of Coke-a-Cola.

According to Mr. VanNatter, the top four chosen to compete in the finals this weekend are from Alberta, New Brunswick and Quebec. He was unable to remember the fourth province. Mr. VanNatter spoke with Mr. Orser, production manager of Coke-a-Cola in Penetanguishene on Monday, and Mr. Orser gave the impression he too was unaware of the conditions for the Canadian finals. According to Mr. VanNatter it was Mr. Orser's understanding that Tom would be in the competition. Mr. Orser was

going to investigate the matter further but the results of his investigation were unavailable at press time.

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First lacrosse practice Wednesday

Lacrosse will return to Midland Arena Wednesday, when the Midland Minor Lacrosse Association holds the first practice sessions of the 1978 season.

Dave Roberts, president of the MMLA said the return to the new arena will help cut costs for both players and parents who were forced to travel to Elmvalle last

year. There will be six representative teams from Midland this season with an extra team in the popular peewee division.

There will be six teams representing Midland this season, the same number that played last year, although one team was a joint effort with Oro.

The regular age groupings of Tyke, Novice, Peewee, Bantam and Juvenile will apply. The Midget team, which last year travelled to and from Oro for many of their games with teammates from Oro, will be made up entirely of Midland players if there are no problems finding a coach.

Roberts said the league was still looking for a coach with experience who would take on the team for the approximately four month season.

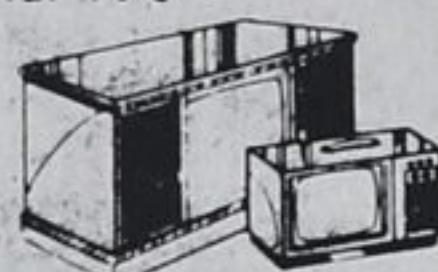
"We're quite sure there are enough players from last year's list, I think we'll have a team alright, but at the moment we're still looking for a coach."

Roberts said anyone who had coached Midget age players (15-17 years) in the basics of positional play for a sport, could do the job.

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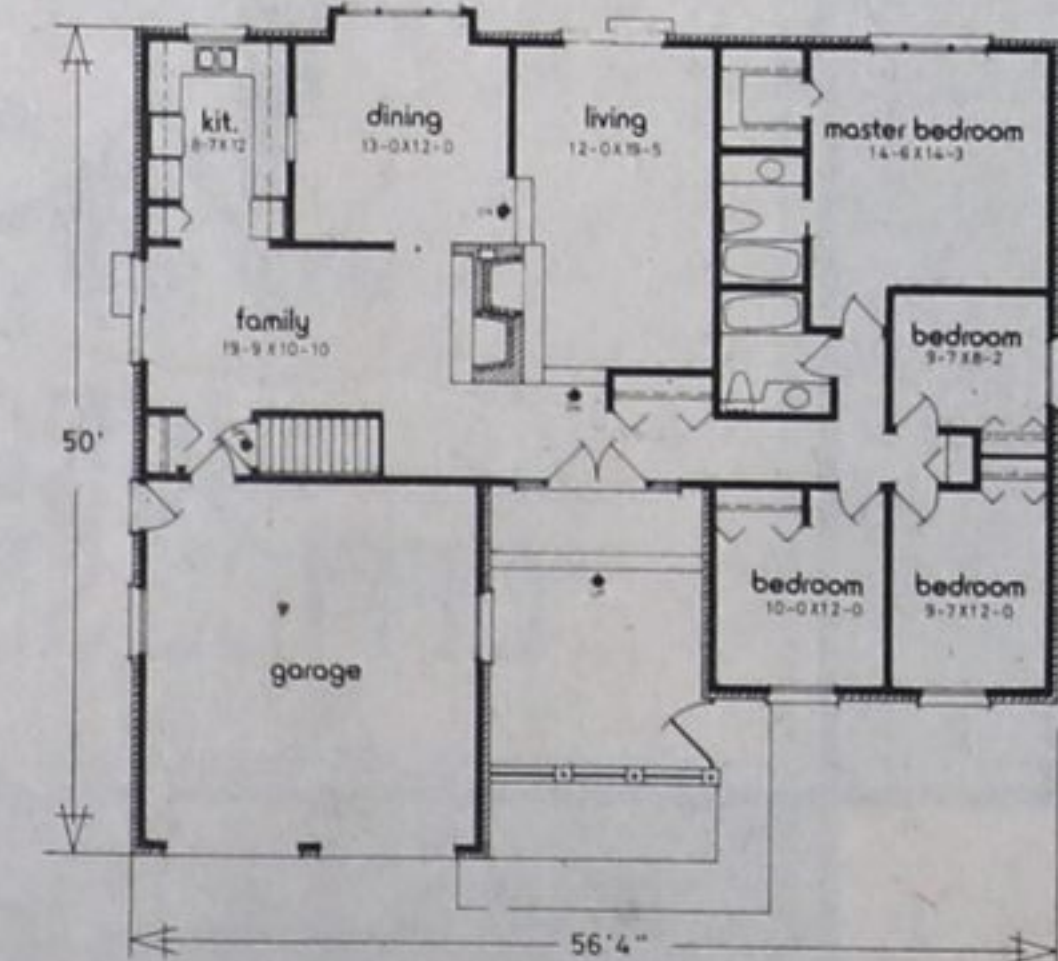


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