Desroches Bros. and Dusome Garage battle for lead

There was only one significant change in Penetanguishene Industrial Bowling League standings after last week's play and that saw Gignac Muffler make a jump from 8th position the week before to a tie for 6th spot currently.

The move up the points ladder came as a result of the Gignac team chalking up three consecutive wins in Nov. 4 action.

They now have 30 points along with Oak Ridge Boys'.

Although there have been no changes in the league's top spots, there is a ferocious battle going on, particularly among the top three teams.

Action

In the previous week's action, Dusome Garage had won all of their games to move within one point of league leading Desroches Brothers.

It marked the first time this season that Desroches Brothers were threatened with losing top spot.

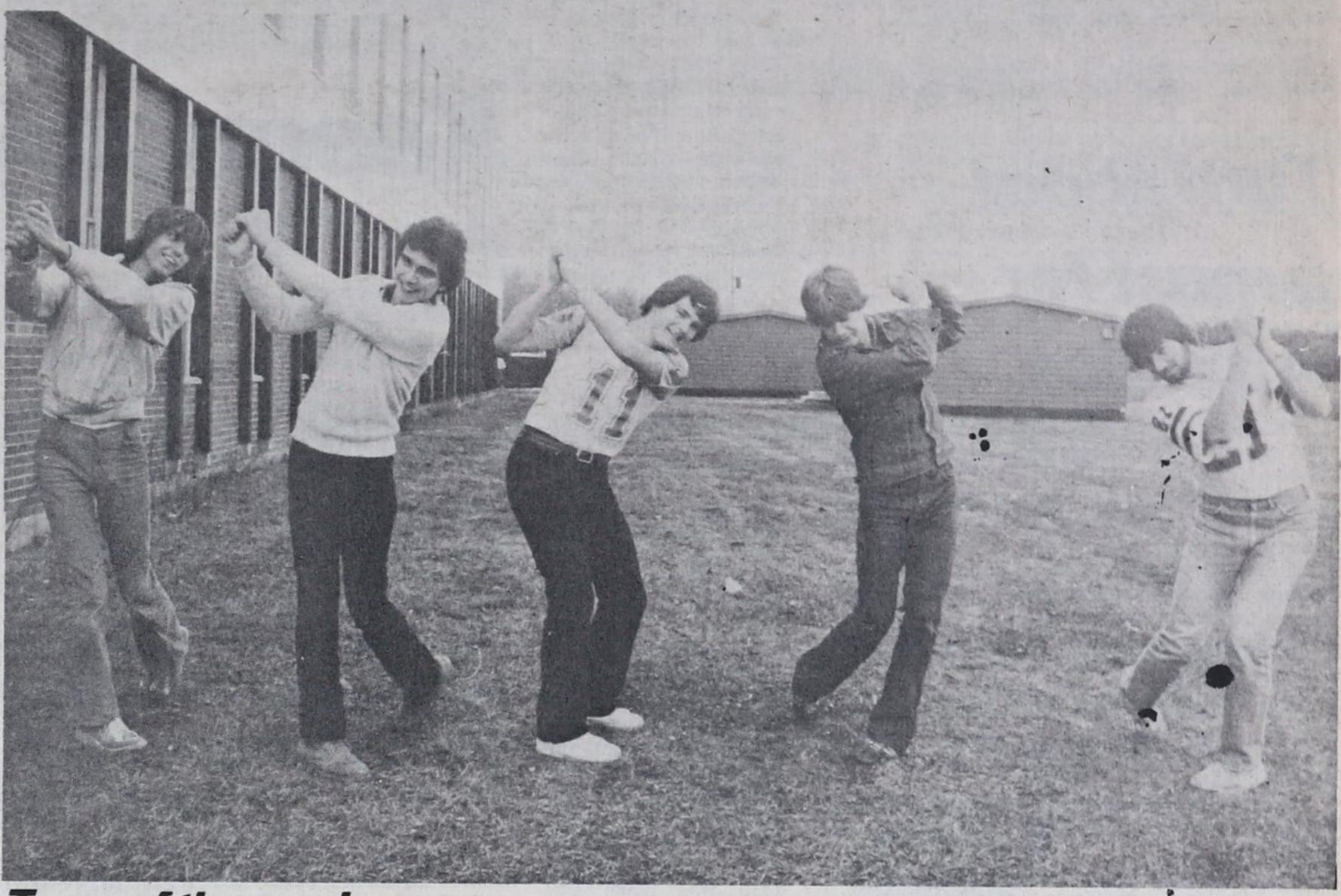
Following last Tuesday's bowling, the teams remain just one point apart, both having won all three of their games for the night.

Still in the picture as well is Lakeview Dairy, who lost a point on the leaders, winning only two of three games, but they're still within six points.

High triples last week went to Ron Desroches with an 811 score and a 339 single. Don Robitaille bowled a 723 triple and had a high single tally of 256 while Larry Dion tripled with 708 and his high single was 258.

Here are league standings after last week's bowling:

	W.L.Pts.		ts.
Desroches Bros.	20	7	48
Dusome Garage	20	7	47
Lakeview Dairy	17	10	41
Midland IGA	16	11	36
Pilon Const.	15	12	34
Oak Ridge Boys'	13	14	30
Gignac Muffler	13	14	30
Sarjeant Boys'	13	14	29
Fibreglass Sales	12	15	29
Commodore Hotel	10	17	22
Huronia Collision	8	19	19
Legion 68	5	22	11



Team of the week

These five "swingers" are the members of ESPSS Golf team, practicing their follow through outside the school. The team finished their season recently and will soon have to practise their putting indoors as winter closes in. From left to right are: Dave Atkinson, Shaun Sauve, Tom Rankin, Dave Desroches and Ken Martin.

Sauve, Desroches and Atkinson will graduate this year forcing a rebuilding of the team next season.

Rams capture first place in Flag Football

The Elmvale and District Flag Football League is heading into the semi-finals following the conclusion of the regular season of play last Sunday.

The teams have been meeting at Elmvale District High School football field each week and four groups, the Bulls, Colts, Rams and Bears have been involved in play.

Last Sunday's matches saw two games go with the Rams and the Bulls facing each other and the Bears and the Colts in action together.

In the first game of afternoon, the

league leading Rams defeated their opponents, the last place Bulls, by a score of 28-20. The two middle teams took to the field for the second game, and the Bears downed the Colts by a 21-8 score to capture second place in the standings.

All groups played a total of nine games in the regular schedule and the Rams came out on top with a total of 12 points on six wins and three losses.

Bears captured second place in the league over the Colts, even though both finished the season with

10 points on five wins and four losses. The Bears pick up second place because the team had a better record against the Colts.

The Bulls trailed in the final standings following a year that included only three wins and six losses.

Semi-final action

The semi-finals in the Flag Football League are scheduled to get underway this Sunday at EDHS field again.

The first game will go at 12 noon and will see the first place Rams face the third place Colts. At 1 p.m. the

Bears and the Bulls will face each other on the gridiron.

The Championship round will go Saturday, Nov. 22 at 1 p.m.

Spiker continues top scoring form

Terry Spiker continues to lead Midland Athletics Intermediate A hockey club in team scoring with 17 goals and nine assists.

Spiker is second in league standings while Ross Prentice, who is in second place for team scoring, sits in sixth place in league standings.

Prentice has 18 points.

Here are the top five scorers on Midland Athletics: G P Pts Terry Spiker 9 26 Ross Prentice 14 18 Wayne King 6 14 Ken Knapton 7 12 Bill Beauchamp



PENETANG - MIDLAND GYM CLUB **Gymnastics Corner**

by Ken St. Amant

With the first provincial qualifying gymnastic meet just around the corner, Dec. 12 and 13, many of our gymnasts are starting to panic. This first meet is very important for a couple of reasons.

First, it sets the tone for this season and, second, it gives the coaches an indication of their chances at qualifying for the provincial championships.

Structure

Proper placement of gymnasts is very important for individual success. Many factors come into play. For example: age, ability, years of experience and the number of hours of practice per week. The Ontario Gymnastic Federation (O.G.F.) publishes rules and guidelines to assist the coach in placing his gymnasts in the correct category. Below is a brief outline of the Women's Competitive structure in Ontario.

National Stream

Presently there is a two stream system in existence. Girls working on national testing

and training for the Canadian tryouts are grouped into the National Stream. These gymnasts are considered the top in Canada. Because of this club's short existence, it is obvious that none on our gymnasts are in the National Stream. Therefore, at this point in time, no further discussion on this stream is warranted.

Provincial Stream

There are three age groups and within each are at least two or more ability levels in the Provincial Stream. This is the stream in which our club is interested.

The youngest level is the Argo. Gymnasts in this group must be under 12 years of age as of Jan. 1 of the competitive season. It is recommended that the minimum age for competition be eight years old.

Within the Argo division, there are three levels based on ability. For example, first year gymnasts enter in Argo C and they are allowed no more than 12 hours per week or practice time.

Argo B is reserved for those of higher

ability and / or second year gymnasts. They are allowed 14 hours per week of training.

Argo A athletes are the best of this age group. They are allowed 16 hours per week of practice and can move to the National Stream if the gymnast has a successful season.

The next age grouping is the Tyros. These gymnasts must be under 14 years of age as of January 1 of the competitive season. Again, there is an ability grouping. These are Tyro A and B. The top gymnasts of this age group would be placed in Tyro A. Those gymnasts who are entering competition for the first time or those who need more exposure to competition would be placed in Tyro B.

The Junior level is an open age one. As is the Tyro division, there are two ability levels, A and B. A level is considered to be more advanced while the B category is for those who want to compete with those of their own ability level. Don't underestimate the skill level of these B gymnasts — they are good!

The last competitive level is the senior. Although this is an open age category, these gymnasts tend to the older ones who want to continue to compete at an advanced level. It is reserved for all former Junior and Senior competitors not competing in the National Stream.

Conclusion

The purpose of this system is to provide a broad base for competition. The objective of this structure is to keep as many girls involved in gymnastics as possible. We are finding that gymnasts who compete in O.G.F. at any age group, or ability level have to be extremely well trained. Competition is very tough indeed and as a result, I am not sure if this structure allows fulfillment of its objectives.

Gymnastic Calendar

- Tuesday, Nov. 18 - General meeting of Hurons at Corpus Christi School. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 12 and 13 - O.G.F. Competition in Toronto.