



### Star billing

The marquee of the Pen Theatre, normally taken up with the title of the latest movie to hit town and the times of showing, was taken up on one side Monday with a noncommercial

message. The Penetanguishene native won the Canadian Senior Men's Figure Skating Championship Sunday in Halifax. Need we tell you?

# Kings take lead in playoffs with Cents

Midland Centennials and Penetanguishene Kings Jr. C hockey clubs are squaring off face to face in the playoffs in that league, their first game already having been played.

Penetanguishene Kings were the winners in that game played Sunday night in Penetanguishene Arena. The final score 8-3.

The Kings scored first 13:08 into the first period. Wayne Dixon getting the goal on a power play while Paul Hahn was sitting out a holding penalty.

Terry King and Carl Cowan assisted on that goal.

A minute later, Midland's Hahn got that goal back with assists going to Ken Mugford and Noel McEachern while Penetanguishene was shorthanded, Gerry Lethbridge sitting out a roughing penalty at the time.

Penetanguishene went ahead again in the second period on a power play with Midland's Hahn in the penalty box for cross-checking.

Doug Gillespie scored the go-ahead goal for Penetanguishene with King and Dixon getting the assist.

Penetanguishene pumped in three goals in the first 10 minutes of the final period, Paul Robillard getting the first goal four minutes into the period.

Cowan and Gillespie assisted on the goal scored while Al Pumptis was in the penalty box for tripping. It only took Penetanguishene 33 seconds to put their next goal in, Chris Anderson getting the goal and Robillard and Terry Pilon receiving assists.

At the half way point of the final period, Penetanguishene's Bob Weatherill scored with

Brad Copeland assisting on the play.

Midland Centennials closed the gap a bit with two quick goals around the 13 minute mark, the first being scored by Travis Bonneville from Dale Denis and Mike Abram.

Lethbridge was in the penalty box at the time of the goal, sitting out a high-sticking penalty.

Midland's third and final goal came a minute later from John Webb on a pass from Mugford and Hahn.

Penetanguishene then took command of the game at that point, scoring three more goals in the last five minutes of the game.

The first of the three goals was scored by Cowan from Robillard and Dixon and the second goal was scored by Robillard, his second of the game.

Pilon and Anderson assisted on Robillard's second goal.

With two and a half minutes left to play, Dixon scored Penetanguishene's final goal of the game, Cowan and King assisting on the play.

Midland outshot Penetanguishene 42 shots to 39 but the strong goaltending of Brian Lethbridge kept Midland from getting closer on the scoreboard.

Midland and Penetanguishene will lock horns again, Friday in Penetanguishene, their second game having been played last night in Midland Centennial Arena.

Their fourth game of the series will be played Sunday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. in Midland and should a fifth game be needed, it will be played back in Penetanguishene Monday night at 8:30 p.m.

# Kings finish season with close win

Penetanguishene Jr. C Kings hockey club finished their regular season on a winning note as they defeated Parry Sound Shamrocks in Penetanguishene arena Friday night by a score of 7-6.

It was "Paul Robillard Appreciation Night" and Robillard didn't let the fans down as he popped in three goals for the night.

It was Robillard who scored Penetanguishene's first two goals, the first coming with 7:02 left in the first period and the second coming 4:27 into the second period.

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Parry Sound was ahead 2-1 at the time Robillard's second goal was scored, both of their first two goals coming in the first period.

Parry Sound went ahead 5-2 with three quick goals before the end of the second period but Penetanguishene wasn't about to let them away that easily.

The Kings' Doug Gillespie scored a pair of goals around the 16 minute mark of the second period to keep them within one goal of the Shamrocks.

Cowan and Terry King assisted on Gillespie's first goal and Cowan and Wayne Dixon were the helpers on Gillespie's next goal.

Only 3:12 into the third period, Robillard scored his third goal to tie the game at 5-5 for Penetanguishene with

Terry Pilon and Jerry Robitaille getting the assists.

Penetanguishene took the lead at this point of

the game with a goal by Dixon from Gillespie and Cowan, that goal coming at 12:39 of the final period.

With about three minutes left in the game, Parry Sound tied the game at 6-6 and it looked like the Kings

were going to have to settle for a tie until the 33 seconds point of the final period. Cowan scored the

winning goal for Penetanguishene then with Dixon and Gillespie getting the assists on the goal.

Paul Goodine faced 33 shots in net for Penetanguishene while the Kings fired 43 shots at the Shamrocks' net.

## Howard's rink finalist for second time

Glenn Howard's curling rink of Midland has been named Ontario Junior Men's Curling Finalists for the second year in a row.

Howard is joined on his rink by Tim Tully, Peter Mount and Paul Harbottle, those three attending various universities at this time.

Howard's rink won the distinction of finalist by competing this past weekend in the Pepsi-Cola Jr. Men's Curling Finals in Windsor in which eight teams participated in the round robin competition.

Howard began his play Friday when he came up against Trenton which he won easily by a score of 9-1, the game being called after six ends of play.

Their second game Friday was against Avonlea which Howard's rink took 9-4 after eight ends of play.

Their first loss came Saturday against Kingsville 5-3 in 10 ends of play and they came back later that afternoon with a 7-5 win over Ottawa in 10 ends.

Their final game Saturday was tough going but Howard's rink eventually won the game 7-6 in 11 ends of play.

Howard's rink played a rink from Glencoe Sunday morning and Howard took that game 9-6 in a hard-fought match.

In the finals, Howard came up against Oakville. with the score at the end of 10-end play 6-4 for Oakville.

Prior to that final game, Howard was in a five and one win-loss tie with Oakville while Kingsville had a four and two win-loss record.

If they had tied Midland for wins and losses, another game would have been necessary to decide the finalist position.

This will be the last year the four boys can compete as a unit, Harbottle, Tully and Mount advancing onto senior levels with the extra year on Howard.

However, the four will still compete in Scotland in March as the prize in the Toronto Curling Association-Sun Life Junior Men's Bonspiel they won lately.

While in Scotland, the boys will play five exhibition games with teams from that country.

## Morton sitting in good position at All-Ontario championship

Lynn Morton's rink of Midland is in good position in Port Arthur Curling Rink for the All-Ontario Ladies' Curling Championship as of yesterday morning.

At that time, she had only recorded one loss in three games, that loss coming yesterday morning to the Seltzer rink from Sudbury 9-3 in 10 ends of play.

Her two wins were games played on Monday in which she won over the Smith rink from Humber Highland 9-4 in 10 ends and the Provo rink from Thunder Bay 7-6 in 10 ends.

Her win and loss record leaves her in a tie with Smith of Humber Highland for second while Seltzer of Sudbury is in first with three wins and no losses.

Morton's rink played yesterday afternoon

against the Ventura rink from Ottawa but news of the results came too late for press time.

She will, however, be

curling today against a rink from St. Catharines at 9:30 a.m., her last game in the competition.

Should a tie occur after that game, the teams that are tied will play off to decide the top spot.

## Big Brothers bowl along

The preparations for the 1981 Bowl for Millions Campaign, being run by the Big Brothers Association of Midland-Penetanguishene, are progressing extremely well according to Martin Prost, this year's chairman.

The fund raising drive is the sole source of income for the local organization and will be held during the week of February 7-14.

According to Prost, two areas have been particularly encouraging. The Celebrity Day to be held on the 14th has been generating a great deal of interest.

On this day, local

interest groups, who do not bowl on a regular basis, are invited to participate.

"We have teams entered from many local businesses such as MacDonald's, Lembo Corp., Fabulous Formals and Xandu Farms with new entries coming in daily.

There is also an indication that professional groups such as doctors, police, firefighters, politicians and realtors will be well represented," he reports.

Prost has also been encouraged by the enthusiasm of the league bowlers. Many

have approached him because they are anxious to begin signing up their sponsors and they want to improve over the last year totals.

It is also hoped that prizes donated by Huronia Travel, Ted Light's T.V., Sears, Woolco, The Place Setting, Rolfoto Photo Studios, Huronia Alarms and other businesses will provide extra incentive for the bowlers.

He wishes to remind the public that anyone can get involved.

If you want more information you can call 526-5838 and someone will be glad to help you.

## Vessairs, Van Dolar continuing winning ways

Gary Vessair of Honey Harbour took first place in Bradford, Ontario's races sanctioned under Ontario Snowmobile Racing Federation this past weekend.

But the story doesn't end there because his brother Bruce took second and their teammate, Peter Van Dolar placed third.

The wins alone are tremendous but an added factor makes it even more impressive.

The Sno-Pro competitions scheduled for Weedport, New York the same weekend were cancelled due to poor weather conditions and the majority of the factory teams there decided to race in Bradford instead.

Gary Vessair has been winning a lot of

races lately, as has Bruce Vessair and Van Dolar and this recognition has paid off for Gary in particular.

The Bombardier Snowing Team has chosen Gary to test the "Million Dollar Machine" as the sled is better known.

This sled was raced by Gilles Villeneuve of formula one racing fame in the past and that makes it a special honour.

Whatever their decision to entrust Gary with this particular sled might mean, it surely shows that they are definitely looking at Gary as a possible member of their factory team.

Gary is a competent mechanic and that makes him a valuable racer.