

# It's getting to be a happy habit for A. E. LePage

## Novice lacrosse players bring home championship trophy from Barrie tournament

by Dave Chalmers

The Huronia Lacrosse Championship trophy is in the hands of the Midland A. E. LePage Novice Lacrosse team as a result of three straight wins at the Huronia playdowns held in Barrie on the weekend.

This is the second time in as many seasons that the A. E. LePage Novices have captured the championship.

Midland started the playdowns with a pair of games against Orillia in a two game total goals series which Midland handled 22-5.

Midland dropped Orillia 12-2 in the first game as the A. E. LePage team had to contend with the ever present chippy play of Orillia and they played the equivalent of one entire period short-handed.

This allowed Midland to flex their scoring muscle as Chris Walser and David Chalmers each blasted three goals in the game. Shawn Desjardins and Shane Nichols followed with a pair each while Jesse Perrault notched a single goal and an assist. Mike Waltenbury collected a pair of assists to finish the scoring in game one.

Orillia literally showed new life in the second game as the score was deadlocked at 1-1 after the first period.

As the first period closed and the second began Orillia returned to their patented style of play in which they collected 10 minor penalties and a major high sticking penalty.

This once again permitted Midland to concentrate on the Orillia net and work on the problem of this new goaltender Orillia had for the game. This roadblock was remedied as David Chalmers, Shawn Desjardins and Chris Walser each scored a pair of goals as did Mike Waltenbury.

Jason LeClair and John Brophey fired singes to round out the scoring as Shawn Desjardins collected three assists with pairs

going to Jesse Perrault, John Brophey and Mike Waltenbury.

Chris Walser, Shane Nichols, Donald Kruger, David Chalmers and Greg Scott also collected assists. The final score for game two was Midland 10, Orillia 3.

After the two preliminary games against Orillia, the A. E. LePage Novices faced Huntsville for the Huronia Championship. The track record of Midland and Huntsville during the seasonal matches indicated that both teams were very evenly matched and that the team to win would have to play a skillful game to have any margin.

Midland landed a minor penalty before the opening draw of the game and the advantage was quickly in Huntsville's favour. However, the ball was dropped and nine seconds later, Perrault scored to put Midland ahead 1-0. Perrault scored a total of four goals with one assist while David Chalmers scored three goals with one assist and Shawn Desjardins hit for a pair of goals as Chris Walser picked one goal with two assists.

The quick start stunned Huntsville to be sure and after two periods Midland was up 8-0.

The A. E. LePage team added two more during the third period but during a brief snooze during the period Huntsville whipped three goals into the Midland net. Three was the limit for Huntsville as Midland netminder Shawn Price turned back numerous scoring shots in an outstanding game.

With the scoring finished, the final outcome was 10-3 in favour of Midland. Each player earned their awards as they put the team play together required to be a contender.

The next challenge will be the provincial championships in Kitchener on Aug. 28, 29 and 30.



### Hurons hold Indian Day

Wednesday was Indian Day for the Hurons Gymnastics Club. In LEFT PHOTO Gaby Held has her leg painted by Brenda Spencer. In RIGHT PHOTO Katie Gadd

gets a boost from Anne Claire Montgomery, assistant coach. Other young girls and boys in Corpus Christi School's



gymnasium were practicing walking the balance beam, and doing hand springs and straddles.

### Pontiettes in Oakville today

Penetanguishene Stoneleigh Pontiettes ladies softball club will be trying to win provincial honours today, tomorrow and Sunday when they take

part in the All-Ontario finals in Oakville. The Pontiettes placed fourth in the regional competition held recently in Penetanguishene.

## \$1,000 up for grabs Therrien's Tourney

The third annual Midland Therrien's Invitational Ladies Softball Tournament will get underway at the main diamond in Midland tomorrow morning at 9 a.m.

There will be eight teams in the competition, Ivy, Newmarket, Queen's Hotel of Barrie, Gough's Ladies of Toronto, Glenfield, Penetanguishene All-Stars, Toronto Oilers and Collingwood.

Up for grabs will be a total of \$1,000 in prize money, the first place team taking home \$500. Finalists will receive \$200.

Consolation winners will win \$200 and consolation finalists will get \$100.

A rain date for Sunday has been set.

Admission for the tournament is \$1 per adult and that gives the ticket holder a chance at a rocking recliner chair or \$100 worth of gasoline.

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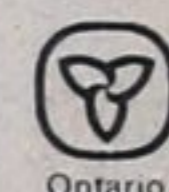
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