

Home opener tonight

Meet the Centennials

by Garry Forbes

The Midland Centennials should be good and ready for their 1981 / 82 Georgian Bay Junior C season debut tonight at Midland Arena.

The Centennials will meet the Gravenhurst Indians in their opener, set to start at 8:30 p.m.

Coach Tom Garner elected to skip exhibition play this year, opting

instead to put his young club through its paces in long, arduous series of practices in which speed, stamina and skating - a lot of skating - were the main focus.

The Centennials had their best year last season, working their way to the semi-finals.

Second game for the Centennials

will be against area rivals Penetanguishene Kings Sunday in Penetanguishene beginning at 7:30 p.m. The Kings also open their schedule tonight, facing off against the Huskies in Huntsville.

Fans will notice a couple of rule changes tonight, rules introduced by the Ontario Hockey Association this season.

They are:

-- All penalties are to be served to duration. Players may not return if a goal is scored against their team;

-- Elimination of the centre red-line for off-side passes (a player must pass from his own zone to the far blue line to be off side.)

With that, here are your 1981 / 82 Centennials:



TOM GARNER
Coach



STEVE BRESSETTE
Right wing, age 17, height 5-7, weight 155, first-year junior, last club Midland Major Midgets, minor hockey Midland.



AL PIPHER
Goaltender, age 18, height 5-10, weight 145, first-year junior, last club Coldwater Juveniles, minor hockey Coldwater.



BRIAN CADEAU
Centre, age 17, height 5-10, weight 165, first-year junior, last club Midland Major Midgets, minor hockey Midland.



RICK REIVER
Left wing, age 17, height 5-11, weight 150, first-year junior, last club Midland Major Midgets, minor hockey Midland.



BRIAN GARNER
Centre, age 17, height 6 ft., weight 145, first-year junior, last club Midland Major Midgets, minor hockey Midland.



CALVIN SINE
Right wing, age 17, height 5-10, weight 180, first year junior, last club Coldwater Juveniles, minor hockey Toronto.



BILL PUDDICOMBE
Trainer



JOHN WALTER
Right wing, age 16, height 5-8, weight 155, first year junior, last club Midland Major Midgets, minor hockey Midland.



BRAD BUMSTEAD
Goaltender, age 17, height 6ft., weight 175, second-year junior, last club Midland Centennials Junior C, minor hockey Midland.



BRAD COPELAND
Defence, age 18, height 6 ft., weight 175, second-year junior, last club Penetanguishene Kings Junior C, minor hockey Midland.



CRAIG BROWN
Centre, age 19, height 5-10, weight 175, third-year junior, last clubs Barrie Colts Junior B / Gravenhurst Indians Junior C, minor hockey Barrie.



AL PUMPUTIS
Defence, age 18, height 6-2, weight 195, second-year junior, last club Midland Centennials Junior C, minor hockey Tillsonburg.

NOTE: More Centennials from the above line-up: will be introduced here as they sign with the club. Missing Dwayne Story, Terry Cameron and Rob Greenlaw.

26 of 48 undrafted

The Midland Parks Board's denial of ice time which would have allowed the Midland Recreation Hockey League to expand has left 26 players out in the cold.

Eight prospective new players and 18 would-be returnees were turned down at the league's annual draft last Sunday at Midland Arena.

A total of 22 players were drafted by the existing six teams in the league. Also announced at the draft meeting was the appointment of Gary

Lizotte, a former junior player and member of last year's Intermediate A Midland Athletics, as coach of the Duggans Polar Kings.

Following is the MRHL draft list:

Roadrunners: Dennis Pelletier (1st league pick), Gary Olleran-shaw (3rd), Mike King, John Bell, and goaltender Robert Davies.

Performance Motor Sports: Randy Giles (2nd league pick), Kim Ormiston (4th), Russ Coull, and goaltender George Monahan.

North Stars: Randy Lalonde, John Edgar.

Hebner's Taxi: John Frame, Joe Gagnon.

Duggan's Polar Kings: Dave Ogilvie, Danny Trendell, Steve Brodeur, Dennis Lemieux, Bryan Marion, John Webbver.

Olympia Sports: Marshall Marion, Frank Decola, Charles Scott. Olympia won last season's league championship, Duggans was runnerup.

The league is in action each Monday night at Midland Arena except on holidays.

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