

Durham joins Intermediates

Owen Sound is out, Durham is in and Port Elgin is pouting after an OHA Major Intermediate A Hockey League meeting Wednesday night in Collingwood.

The smoke still hasn't cleared yet, but the league will have at least five but probably six teams for the 1982/83 season, alleviating previous fears that a maximum of five was a certainty.

Representatives from the present clubs in Midland, Barrie, Collingwood and Georgetown approved Durham's application to join the league from the Senior A ranks, a move which upset the Port Elgin organization to the point where they threatened to leave.

Port Elgin representatives told the meeting that due to a

poor employment situation and declining population in their area, they were hoping to draw from a wider region, including Durham.

Durham, however, said they have a full lineup of 17 local players ready to go. They dropped from the Senior A league because of travelling expenses and the greater financial burden the Senior league imposes.

Port Elgin said before the vote they'd fold if the league accepted Durham, but later said they'd think it over and would let the league

know by next Wednesday if they'll be in or out.

Owen Sound folded because of the condemning of one arena in town and the rumor that the second facility would also meet the same fate. They'll be out at least until a new arena is built.

Earlier this year, the Orillia Terriers threw in the towel due to financial problems.

Midland Athletics manager Shawn Stewart is hopeful that Port Elgin remains in the league to make it six. Otherwise, he said, it'll mean playing the defending champion and virtually untouchable

Georgetown Raiders a couple of extra times. "I definitely don't like that idea," Stewart said.



Watch your back!

Members of Midland Indusmin (white) and the Midland Autos clashed in a local Barrie and district Recreational Soccer League matchup

Wednesday at Midland Secondary School. Indusmin came out ahead in the collision, though, battering the Autos to the tune of 7-0.

Lethbridge out

Midland Color Works Spectrums interim manager Danny Lethbridge was relieved of his duties Tuesday afternoon by Midland Minor Baseball Association president Arnold Burgher.

Installed as manager for the remainder of the season was Bob Scott, with Kevin Marchand

designated as a coach. Along with Lethbridge, coach Malcolm Kelly was also notified of his dismissal Tuesday.

The team has just come off one of its best weekends so far this season. They lost both games, 10-3 to Ivy on Sunday 12-7 to South-Simcoe League

powerhouse Barrie last Friday, but both games were an improvement on some of the more massive losses they've suffered in previous encounters against those clubs.

Original manager for the first-year club, Dick Thompson, resigned last week after a 28-1 loss to Orillia.

After Lethbridge was removed Tuesday, the club was drubbed 18-1 that evening in Orillia.

The move came as a surprise to Lethbridge and to most of the players.

"He didn't give me a reason, really," Lethbridge said yesterday. "I wasn't really all that happy about the whole thing."

Lethbridge didn't go to Tuesday's game and says he'll probably quit playing for the team.

Indusmin dent Autos 7-0

Cox nets three

Paul Cox scored three goals to power Midland Indusmin to a 7-0 hammering of the Midland Autos in their Barrie and District Recreational Soccer League matchup Wednesday at Midland Secondary School.

It was only the third victory of the season for Indusmin (one of their other victories was also over the Autos) against five losses and two ties, but the record is good enough to hold them in fourth place in the eight-team loop.

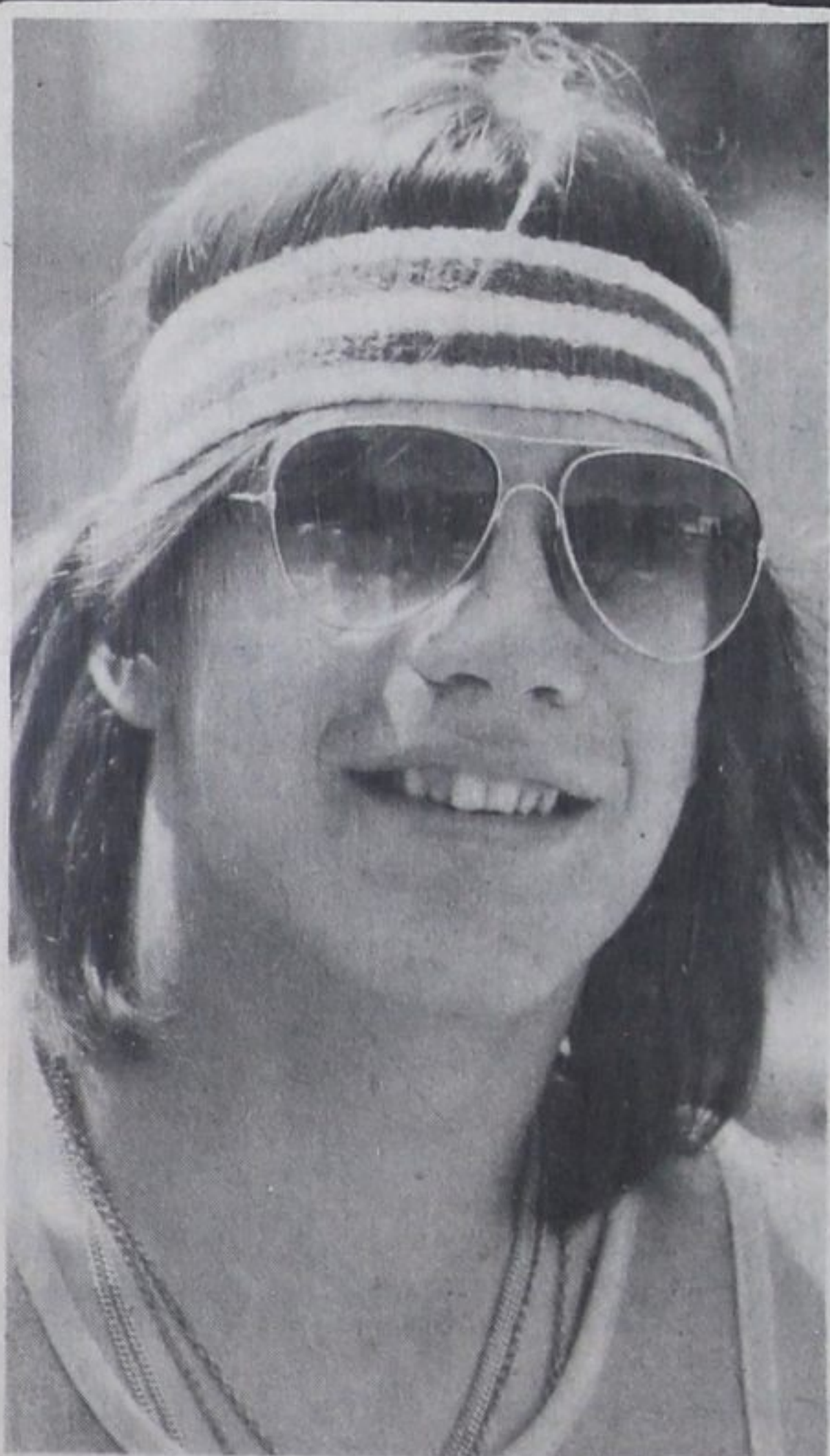
The Autos are currently on the bottom of the league with one win to their credit.

Barrie American Hotel has moved up to top spot after the former league-leading Barrie Italian Sportsmen lost their last two outings and slipped to third.

Gord Fleming and

Andy Wicksted rounded out Indusmin's scoring Wednesday with two goals each.

Indusmin led the game 5-0 at the half and threatened to at least double that total with several good chances early in the second half, but they could only come up with two more late in the session.



Ron's wrist resting

Midland's Ron Robillard tore ligaments in his wrist while playing basketball before the Ontario Games for the Physically Disabled in Sarnia last week and couldn't enter any of the four wheelchair races he was scheduled for. Robillard said Wednesday the wrist should be back in working order by next week, plenty of time for lots of training before he jets off to join the Canadian National team for the 1982 Pan-American Games for the Physically Disabled Aug. 21-29 in Halifax.

Pair hit low blows

Two members of the Midland Golf and Country club won top prizes at last weekend's Junior Invitational at St. George's Golf and Country Club in Etobicoke.

Curtis Lemesurier won first low net in the Juvenile division by firing an 81 gross for a 68 net, and Mike Quilty earned the top prize for low net in the Bantam division with a 94 gross for a 73 net.

One hundred sixty-two golfers took part in the event, played on a windy, dry day.

Three other Midlanders -- Jeff Bales, Owen Quilty and Colin Milligan -- also took part.

Top Junior score for the day was 73.

Next Thursday more than 90 golfers from all over South and Central Ontario are expected for the fifth annual Midland Junior Centennial Invitational.

Early next week, MGCC teaching pro Bob Reid will team up with club Juniors Mary Pat Quilty and Jody Blanchard at Islington Golf and Country Club in Etobicoke for the annual City Buick Pro-Am. The two-day 36-

hole, event combines the pro's gross score with the nets scores of a Junior girl and boy from his club.

Also on the MGCC Junior agenda is the annual Board of Trade Junior Invitational later this month in Woodbridge, where 240 golfers will clash. Midland representatives at that one will be Trevor Scott, Mike and Owen Quilty, Lemesurier and Milligan.

Five net top spots

Low net winners for the Midland Golf and Country Club's Ladies Section play on Tuesday

were Dorothy McLellan, Barb Smellie, Kay Lapere, Joan Lavin and Carol Lavin.



Price
Off to B.C.

Midland Peewee Braves coach/manager Gary Price and his charges will be setting out for British Columbia Monday. The team, which will be heading west for a National Championship Tournament try, will board a bus at Midland Arena at 3 p.m. Monday. The club will be entering the tournament on quite a roll: they've only lost once in 15 league and tournament tries so far this season. They'll be picking up their Ontario rep sweaters this afternoon at the arena.