

Welcome to Labatt's tankard challenge round

Sportsreport

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SENIOR REDSKINS: ESPSS boys' cagers were undefeated until recent loss to Barrie Eastview
-Photo by Andrea Lau

Some of the best curling in Canada here

This evening marks the gala beginning of the Labatt's Tankard Challenge Round curling bonspiel at Midland Curling Club.

There are 16 of Ontario's finest curling foursomes competing for one birth in the provincial finals. The competition will be stiff and cut throat.

Action begins at 6 p.m. when eight rinks take to the pebbled rink. The other half of the first draw goes at 9 p.m.

Here are this evening's opening round match-ups. 6 p.m.—Oughton vs. MacKenzie; Brown vs. Denney; Fedosa vs. Ruston; and Munro vs. Walker. 9 p.m.—Ingram vs. Rusconi; DeRooy vs. Gurowka; Dyas vs. McCarrel; and Stubbs vs. Frizzell.

Should be the best curling seen in this area in many years. The spectator area will fill up fast, so be sure to get there early and get a good seat.

Hoops!!! MSS roundballers win twice

Midland Secondary School boys' basketball teams ventured to Barrie on Monday to tangle with the Central Collegiate squads.

It proved to be a successful trip, as Marauders won two of the three games. Midgets won 43-21, and the juniors matched that with a close 44-41 triumph, while the seniors were topped by Central 51-40.

MSS midgets outscored Central 14-4 in the second quarter, and 14-2 in the last quarter en route to the convincing win.

Dennis Hearn's team was paced by Kevin

Gray and Steve Kay with a dozen points each, and Brad Price with seven.

Junior Marauders run up a 15-6 margin in the third period of their game, and held on to down Central by three

points. The strong third quarter enabled Chester Graham's boys to overcome a four-point halftime lead for Central.

Kevin Thomas was high scorer with 12

points, while Jeff Bales and Tim Grenier had 10 points apiece.

In the senior encounter, MSS fell behind by 13 in the first half, couldn't come back. Although Jeff Attwoods team improves with

each game, they continue to run into teams who refuse to lose.

Lloyd Pilon and Sloan Campbell had 11 points each to lead the Midland scorers, and Craig Pender chipped in with eight.

A fish story

Bruce Eplett of Jephson Street in Victoria Harbour got a big surprise last Monday while fishing in Georgian Bay near his home.

Eplett hooked into a big one, which proved to be more than a match for his rod and reel. Realizing that he was not equipped with a gaff to bring the monster in, Eplett raced home to get assistance.

Neighbors Dick Brown and Lee Todd went to his aid and helped haul in the fish.

The prize catch turned out to be a 43 inch, 18 pound Northern Pike. It took all three men to bring in the beast.

It was a classic case of the big one which didn't get away.

How's that for a fish story!?

Schmidt beats cold, rivals at nationals



Midland's Angela Schmidt is back in tropical Huronia again, or at least it must seem so for her. Schmidt spent the last week or so in Labrador City competing in the Canadian Cross Country Skiing Championships.

The reason that Schmidt welcomes the climate here is the fact that the temperatures in Labrador plummeted to the depths of -34 celsius. With the wind chill factor in effect, the mercury slipped to -43 degrees one day.

Angela was not affected by the cold for most of the five day meet, as she brought home some hardware.

In the individual 5 km even, she placed third, winning a bronze medal. Schmidt was fourth in the 20 km race and had to withdraw from the 10 km race because of the frigid conditions. Some of the competitors suffered from hypothermia and were treated at hospitals.

In the 3x5 km relay, Angela Schmidt teamed with Kelly Rogers and Allison Drought to form the Southern Ontario squad. The team placed first, with Schmidt turning in the fastest 5 km leg in the competition.

While these results represent a major accomplishment, Schmidt has no time to rest

on her laurels. She leaves this Saturday for a week's training in Italy, from whence she goes to Sarajevo, Yugoslavia to take part in the pre-Olympic meet being held there. The dates of that meet is Feb. 7-13.

Angela Schmidt's coach, Don Foster, will not be accompanying her on the European trek as he is staying at Mountain View Ski Hills to take care of business. In connection with this, Foster reports that both cross country and alpine conditions are good for this weekend. Now that it appears that the snow will be staying for a while, it looks like Don Foster has himself two jobs again.

Super Bowl Trivia

Well the big game is finally here. Sunday's NFL Super Bowl marks the end of regular games in the season. (Finally, she sighed) Let's see how much do you know about past games?

1. One trend surfaces throughout the history of the Super Bowl. The team with a quarterback wearing sweater number 12 usually wins. There are five of them if you can recall.
2. The single game scoring record is more than two touchdowns. Who holds the record, and how many points did he score?
3. Super Bowls III and IV evened the AFL's record with the NFL. Green Bay won the first two games, now who were the two teams to recoup those setbacks?
4. This year marks the second time a quarterback who played in the Grey Cup, will play in the Super Bowl. The second is easy, who was the first? I guess a point apiece!
5. With all the fast running backs to suit up for Super Sunday, the longest run from scrimmage is only 58 yards. Who holds the "land speed record"?
6. What team has been to the most Super Bowls? Easy one!
7. Only one player has been in five Super games without being a member of the team mentioned in number six. Can you name him and the two teams he played for?
8. There are six teams who have played in the Super Bowl and have never won it. Can you name the "Sorry Six"?
9. Who is the only "wild card" team to win the Super Bowl?
10. The last time Miami and Washington played each other in the big game, the most memorable play was an intercepted pass leading to Washington's only touchdown. Who threw it, and who caught it?