

Cents beat Indians in final tune-up

Open at home tonight

BY RON JOHNSON

Midland Centennials evened their pre-season record at two wins and two losses at Centennial Arena on Tuesday night, as they beat Gravenhurst Indians for the second time in two tries by the score of 5-3. After surrendering three goals to the Indians in the first period of what looked to be a long night for the Cents, coach Ross McConnell's crew stormed back, played tighter defence, and locked up the win in the final two frames.

Dan Whitton scored twice to pace the win, and Al Whidden, John Walter, and Brad Copeland netted singles.

Cents appeared sluggish at the start of the game, especially on

defence, as the Gravenhurst forwards met little opposition in the attacking zone, and had several good chances to score on goaltender Pat Madaire.

Manager Doug Fox thought that the slow start could be a bit of fatigue.

"The kids have been on the ice every day for two weeks, playing four games and an intra-squad game in that time. I think the boys are getting a little tired. Now that the schedule is starting, they will get a little more time off, and start to pace themselves," explained Fox.

The team appears ready for the opening of the season, with four

good exhibition games behind them, as well as

a grueling training camp.

Cents have five defencemen and nine forwards signed to cards for the season, and still have three netminders in camp.

Pat Madaire was sent back to Midland Minor Hockey, and the team is left with Chris Lemieux, the probable starter in most games, Peter Newburn, the back-up for both weekend games coming up, and Dwayne Latondress, who has played for Cents for a couple of seasons.

On defence, Cents have signed Brad Copeland, Dean Marcellus, Chris Reedman, Paul Hurl, and Dan Whitton, and probably will add John Webb in the near future. Three of these are straight out of

midget hockey, and life in the Cents defensive zone could be exciting for a while at the start.

Forward lines look to be solid, as has been stated here in the past. Cents are expecting big seasons from Walter, Shawn Davy, Brian Cadeau, Al Whidden and others. Chances are they won't be disappointed.

Centennials open their season tonight at home against Oro 77's at 8:30 p.m. Oro played their first game on Wednesday night at home, blowing a five-goal lead and settling for a 6-6 tie against Parry Sound Shamrocks.

Midland Centennials are looking for better results than that at Centennial Arena tonight at 8:30 p.m.



Cents open tonight

Midland Centennials are off and exhibition play which wrapped up skating tonight in their home opener Tuesday night. In this photo, Cents' of the 1983-84 Georgian Bay Junior C Jeff Hurl chases the puck in the Hockey League. Cents take on Oro corner with Gravenhurst Indian 77's in an 8:30 p.m. start at Centennial Arena. Cents won two and lost two in

Lindsay swim meet results

Keegos back in the water



Midland Y Keegos are back in the swim of things for another season.

Keegos opened their 1983-84 swim season at the Lindsay pool last Sunday in a meet with Lindsay, Orillia and Muskoka swim teams.

Keegos once again proved they were a team to watch, as several of their swimmers came up with excellent placings.

Two of the team's better performances were turned in by members of the boys' team.

Chris Charron, although he didn't place in any of his events, bettered his previous personal best times in all three of the events he finished.

Charron topped his own records in the 100 back, 100 breast, and 200 free for boys aged 11-12.

In the boys aged 13-14, Peter Laurin, new to the group this year, bettered his best times in three events out of five. In the 100 back, 200 IM and 200 free, Laurin ranked in the top eight, and had his best times ever.

Top finishers for the Keegos included the following swimmers.

Jason Pursell had a first and four second-place finishes in boys 10 and under group.

Ted Norman had a second and three thirds in this age group.

For boys aged 11-12, Bryan Shouldice grabbed three firsts and

a second, while Danny Whittam had a first, a second, and a third-place finish. Spencer Battrick grabbed a second-place ribbon in the same group.

The Bourrie brothers once again shone in the boys 15 and over swims. Andre gained a first, two seconds and a third, while Tim swam to two seconds and a third-place finish.

The Keego gals also held their own in the pool last weekend.

Becky Whittam in the girls 11 and 12 group, had a first and a third. Marni Shouldice had a second and two thirds in this age bracket also.

Anne Leavens had a second and two thirds in the girls 13 and 14 competition, while

Heather Cairns snagged two thirds in the group.

Lise Magnan in the girls 15 and over, had five third-place finishes.

In relays, the girls 13 and 14 year old 200 free relay team of Anne Leavens, Heather Cairns, Becky Whittam, and Marni Shouldice, placed third.

The boys 11 and 12, 200 free relay team was second. Toben Jerry, Danny Whittam, Joel Magnan and Bryan Shouldice swam for the Keegos.

A third-place finish was recorded by the boys 15 and over 200 freestyle team made up of Tim and Andre Bourrie, Bryan Shouldice, and Toben Jerry.

No cigar for Old Bulls

short-handed

by two Midland nipped 4-0

by DOUG REED

Midland Old Bulls, despite the fact that only 13 suited up Sunday afternoon in Toronto, came away from a "friendly" rugby match with hosts Balmy Beach with their heads held high.

Bulls were nipped 4-nil but possibly played one of their best games of the season.

Balmy Beach went with 15 players on the pitch to Midland's 13 but the game was evenly matched at that with Bulls getting some mighty good chances to score.

Balmy Beach notched an unconverted four-point try in the early going and that's all the scoring there was for the afternoon.

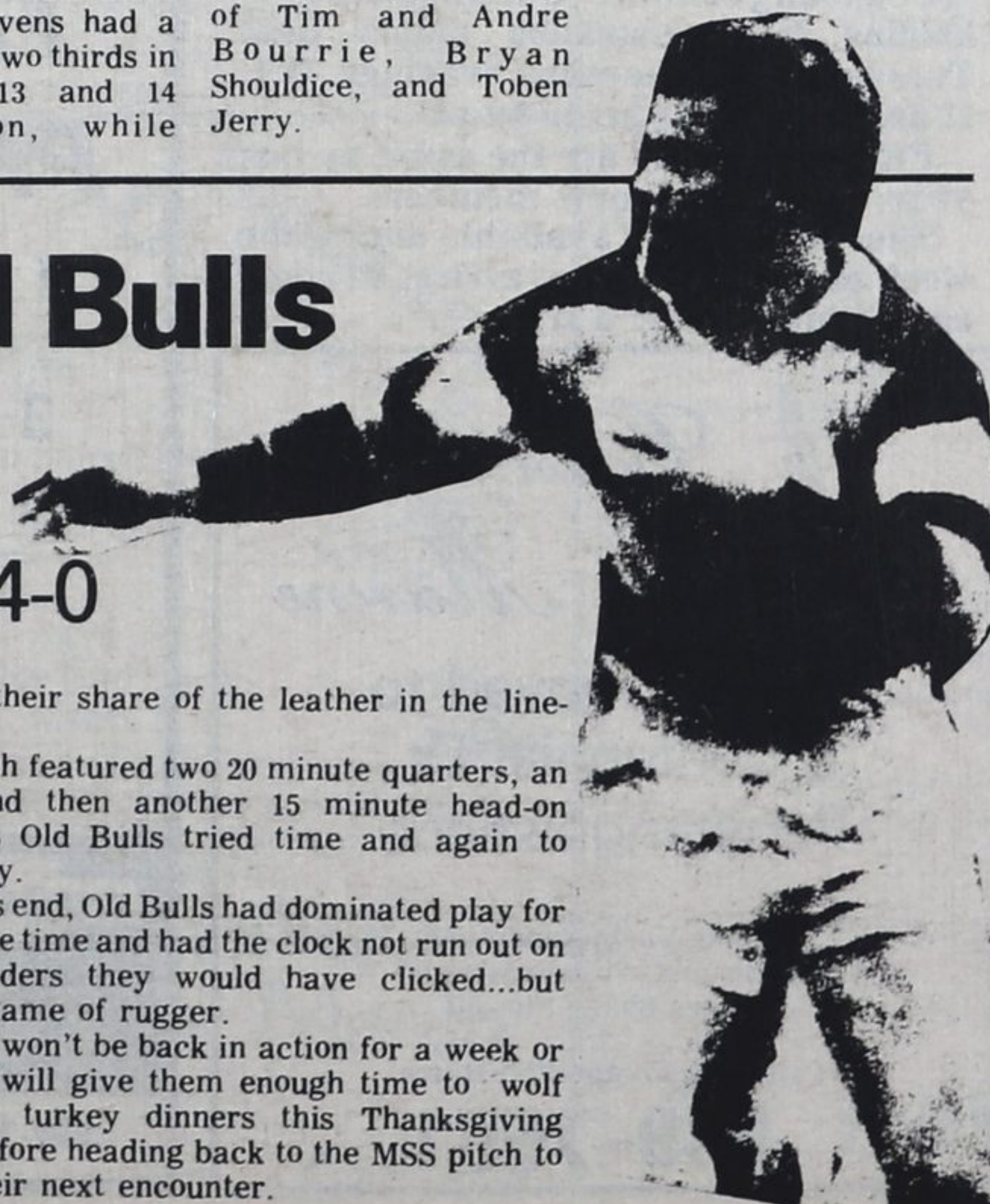
Old Bulls were keen in the scrums while they

controlled their share of the leather in the line-outs.

The match featured two 20 minute quarters, an interval and then another 15 minute head-on collision as Old Bulls tried time and again to record a try.

At game's end, Old Bulls had dominated play for considerable time and had the clock not run out on the Midlanders they would have clicked...but that's the game of rugby.

Old Bulls won't be back in action for a week or two, which will give them enough time to wolf down their turkey dinners this Thanksgiving weekend before heading back to the MSS pitch to drill for their next encounter.



Hockey Trivia Quiz

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Here it is, the last quiz. Hope you have enjoyed them over the past 11 months. To finish it off, let's have a quiz to start off the hockey season. It's all about some pretty untouchable records.

1. Here's one that will never be broken, the most consecutive games played by a goalie. Who holds it, and how many did he play?
2. Another untouchable - the most shutouts in one season by a goalie. Who, and how many?
3. Which player drew the most penalties in one NHL game?
4. What is the most goals in one NHL game by a defenceman, and who did it?
5. What is the most goals scored by a player in one period?
6. Who scored the fastest NHL goal from the start of a period?
7. What is the record for the fastest goal ever scored by a rookie in the National Hockey League? Who was it?
8. Who recorded the fastest three assists in a game? How long did it take?
9. Here's another longstanding record. Most career games by a goaltender.
10. Which goalie recorded the most career shutouts? How many?