

# Cents hurt by injuries on weekend

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Gravenhurst Indians made it to Midland Sunday night in spite of snow and ice storm conditions but the Cents wish they had been stranded somewhere along the way.

For two and a half periods both goalies, Chris Lemieux for the Centennials and Cec Grosse for Gravenhurst, frustrated all the shooters on both sides as the teams battled to a 0-0 tie. But then, in the space of 52 seconds, the roof literally fell in on Midland.

First Tim Laine scored at 9.51 then Ron Guy at 10.30 and Dwayne Mercer at 10.43. Gravenhurst added two more from Marc Antonia and Tim Laine before the game was over.

In defence of the Centennials, it must be said that they were missing some pretty fair shooters due to injuries. John Walter, John Johnson, and Daryl Belcourt all sat out due to

injuries, plus Dean Marcellus, who is still not back to top form. During the game Al Whidden had to leave early.

However, Coach McConnell expects all players back for Fridays game in Penetang. Next home game is Jan. 10 when Cents host Huntsville.

The battle for first place was played in Midland Friday night, but nothing was decided as the Parry Sound Shamrocks scored with 1.11 left on the clock to gain a 3-3 tie with the Midland Stoneleigh Centennials.

Parry Sound jumped off to an early lead when Kevin Barks scored from Todd Beasley and Mike McNamara at the .54 second mark. Another Shamrock marker by Todd Beasley from Barron King gave Parry Sound a 2-0 lead at the end of the first.

Shawn Davy, on a beautiful passing play

from the Barber brothers, Doug and Dave, put Midland back in the game early in the second.

The score remained at 2-1 till Davy scored his second at 5.07 of the third from Dave Barber and Rob Fortin.

The Cents got the go-ahead goal at 10.44 when the two Midland speedsters, Marlon Gieseler and Daryl Belcourt, picked up a pass from goalie Chris Lemieux and weaved their way through five Parry Sound defenders and Gieseler finally putting it in the net.

Successive penalties to John Johnson and John Ulitzke near the 12 minute mark gave a good scare to the Midland fans, but the able Cents defenders managed to hold off the Shamrock attackers.

With a minute and a half left in the game, Parry Sound pulled their goaltender when

there was a face-off in the Midland end.

Midland called a time-out and, as was later learned, Coach Ross McConnell instructed his defenders to make sure of any pass they made out of their end.

Unfortunately that's exactly what didn't happen. A Midland pass was intercepted by Kevin Barks, passed to Paul McNamara and finally put in the net by Barron King with 1.11 remaining.

Midland had one last chance at 19.24 when Sean Gallagher of Parry Sound was sent off for holding, but even with the man advantage, the Cents could not score on Roy Clifton, who was outstanding in the Shamrock net, especially in the second period when he robbed them time and time again.

Final shots were Parry Sound 27 to Midland's 44.

# Wasaga winners win at higher level

Silver Stick hockey action in the Wasaga Stars Community Arena may be over for another year, but the tournament finalists will still be representing Wasaga Beach during January's international competitions.

"Over the last five years, the finalists from our tournament have won 10 International Silver Stick Championships," claims Keith Dickens,

president of Wasaga Beach Minor Hockey. "It doesn't have to say Wasaga Beach across the sweaters for a team to be one of ours."

Both finalists at Wasaga's West Central Ontario tournament go on to higher levels of Silver Stick competition. According to Dickens, Wasaga winners usually become All Ontario Champions. He suggests that minor

hockey fans keep an eye on the Elmvale Peewees and Oro Midgets in C division, and the Alliston B division Peewees for the remainder of the 84/85 season.

It is hard to believe that just seven years ago the Silver Stick tournament in Wasaga was cancelled due to lack of interest. It is now estimated, by the town's minor executive, that the Silver Stick brings \$1 million dollars in revenue to Wasaga Beach each year, from the boys, their families, and the team officials who stay during the tournament. And as official hosts, the Wasaga Beach Minor Hockey Association generates 25 percent of its operating revenue each year from the big event, adds Dickens.

Dickens was proud to hear that about three out of every four visiting

coaches consider Wasaga's Silver Stick to be the best regional hockey tournament for its level in Ontario.

While many tournaments experience trouble getting competitors, Dickens believes Wasaga could attract twice as many teams. But by limiting registration to about 80, tournament organizers ensure a smooth running, quality hockey competition, he says.

Wasaga is one of the very few minor hockey centres where young players are introduced just like the pros for the final game, one by one under a spotlight in a darkened arena. An even bigger thrill awaits the finalists when they compete for the International Silver Stick championships later this month in Sarnia, Port Huron, or Moretown, N.Y. All three hockey centres

have superb, huge arenas, "just like Maple Leaf Gardens," exclaims Dickens.

As in past years, Dickens will follow the Wasaga tournament teams south. At meetings with Silver Stick executives in Sarnia this week, he will begin to plan next season's West Central Ontario tournament. Dickens reports that the new scoring system, where teams are awarded points for ties

and wins after each period, proved itself fair and competitive when used for the first time in

Wasaga last month. He expects tournament organizers to use it again next season.

## Hindson's ices Pollard

Hindson's Marine hammered Pollard's Refrigeration 13-4 in Penetang Rec Hockey League action in the Penetang Arena last Sunday.

Steve St. Amant, with five goals and four assists, and Greg St. Amant, with four goals and four assists, led Hindson's attack. Terry Spiker, also on the same line, drilled two goals and added four assists.

Rounding out the scoring for Hindson's were Grant Quesnelle and Larry Cowan, each with a goal.

Pollard's got single tallies from Dave Vajda, Ron Lalonde, Dave Genier and James Dupuis.

In the second game, Duquette's TV came out 6-4 winners over Commodore Hotel.

Wayne King got the hat trick for Duquette's, while single goals were scored by Gary Preston, Claude Archer and Gary Handsford.

Paul Robillard replied for Commodore with a pair of goals. Single goals were notched by Marc Duquette and Mark Decorcey.

In the final game, Therrien's Furniture skated away with a 7-4 victory over G. Wilicers.

Bill Arbour and Chris Anderson each found

the target twice for Therrien's, while Keith St. Amant, Terry King and Steve Buttineau were each credited with a goal.

G. Wilicers' Wayne Miller led his team with a two goal performance.

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