# -Ringside Report

by LARRY BOWEN

Despite its long reputation as basically a live action, ringside sport, with a loyal following of TV fans, professional wrestling has recently entered the "video age."

Wrestling videos have sometimes been available, on rare occasions for a few years, but just before Christmas 1985 Coliseum Video began to market a full line of 14 World Wrestling Federation (WWF) cassettes.

Their spectacular "Wrestlemania" video, filmed in New York's Madison Square Gardens last March 31, is an excellent choice for newcomers to the sport, because it features about 10 bouts between the biggest names in professional wrestling.

"Hulkamania" is probably the most popular of

the new videos. Its star, Hulk Hogan, is easily wrestling's number one celebrity, and you really get an inside look at what makes him tick, on this tape.

One of my favourites is still "Rowdy Roddy Piper's Greatest Hits." After hearing Piper interviewed, and watching his outrageous antics on video, it becomes obvious why this man was voted "Most Hated Wrestler" for 1985.

The first regional distributor for Coliseum wrestling tapes was Toronto's A & H Video, but several selections are now available for rent at Midland's Roxy Home Video, and Pen Theatre Video in Penetanguishene. Coliseum plans to add another three wrestling cassettes to its lineup, by Feb. 26.

## Rosewood raises \$1,300 in benefit

Midland Saints Oldtimers and CKVR No Stars entertained a full house Saturday evening at Centennial Arena with proceeds going to Rosewood, the area shelter for bat-

tered women and children. According to reports, \$1300 was raised as a direct result of ticket sales.

The No Stars received full marks for their antics, which delighted

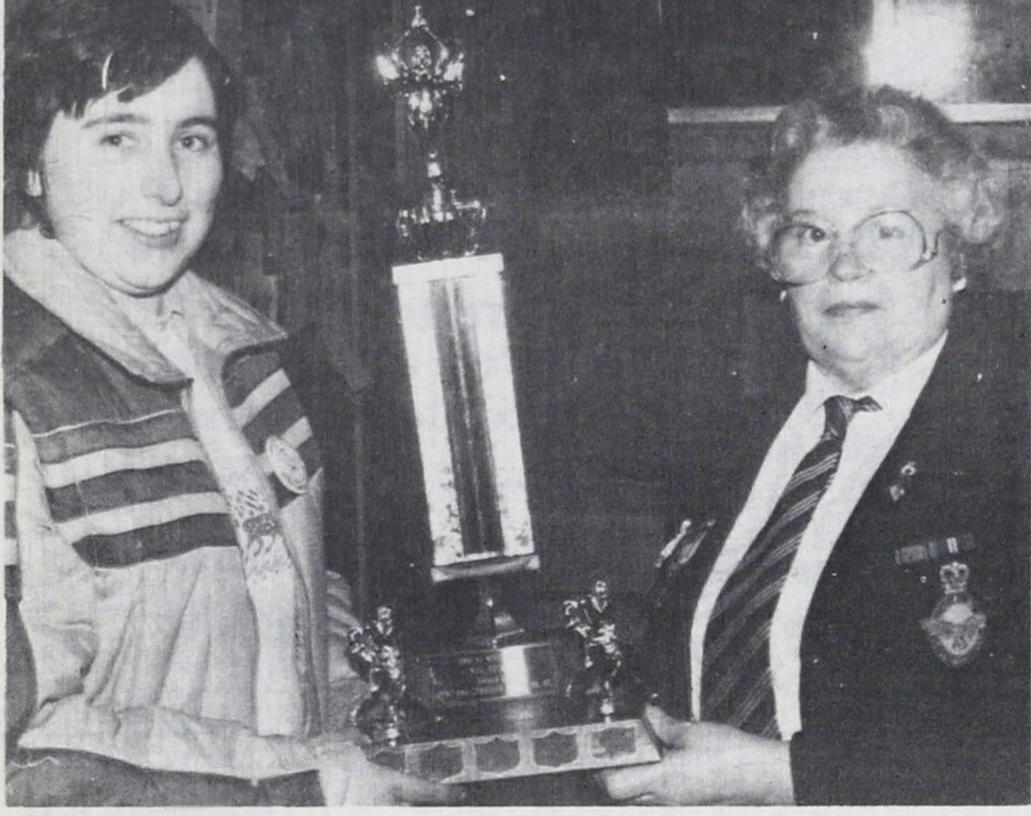
one occasion, a No Star skated from the faceoff with a puck on a string connected to his stick and preceeded to put the puck (and the stick) behind

the fans of all ages. On the Midland goaltender. On another occasion, the No Stars were apparently upset that their goaltender allowed Midland to score a goal, "traded" him to Midland in exchange for their goaltender.

However, the first shot he handled, the No Stars goaltender turned around and shot the puck into the Midland net. Another time, CK-VR seemed to disagree with referee Rick determination Griffis' where the face off should be, and didn't seem to be able to convince the adamant Griffis until a crisp \$20 bill was proffered. This prodedure occured three times until the faceoff was well into Midland territory.

If anyone is interested, the score of the game was 9-6 in favor of Midland, who were "thoroughly boo'd by a partisan crowd," according to Midland Saints' Bryan MacKell. Fred Flood recorded a hat trick for the Saints.

MacKell also stated that the Saints donated their time for the contest, and went on to say that the team "thoroughly enjoyed their participation."



### Legion had the Winterama spirit

Sports Officer Kitty Perrault from the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 68 in Penetang (right) presents Cathy Dupuis, organizer of the First Annual Winterama Ball Hockey Tournament, with the winning trophy for the

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children's tournament. The Legion, along with the Dock Lunch, sponsored the first ever ball hockey tournament that was won by a squad from St. Ann's School.

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### The Winterama Domino Factor

Tom Borsa, (left) was edgy prior to this photograph, as novice skiers standings in line on a slippery slope are apt to succumb to "The Domino Factor." And they did: (left to right in line) Borsa, an as yet unidentified

derriere, Kirk Swales, Peter Graham and Sunday's Stumble Inn host Jimmy Swales, who vowed to be back shortly on the slopes beside Penetang



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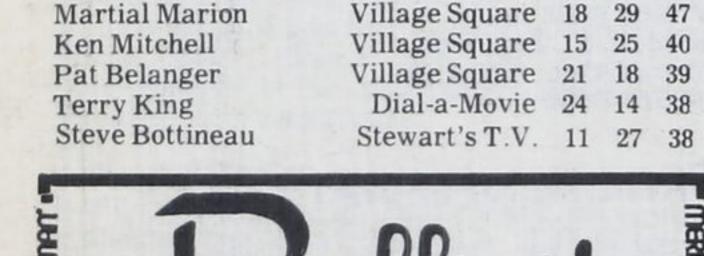
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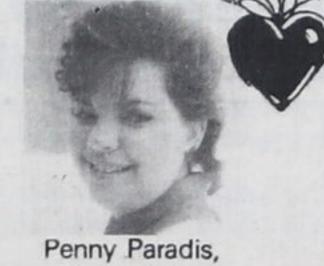


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