

Sports Scene



Ontario Finalists

Ecole Secondary Le Caron Senior Boys Volleyball team pose with the Georgian Bay Secondary School Association Championship plaque that they won for the first time this year. The team will be travelling to the

Ontario "A" finals. Hubert Robitaille and Alfredo Graziani are in front with the plaque. From left in the back row are David Brunelle, coach, Edouard Gignac, James Maurice, Keith Dupuis, Greg Dorian and Louis Levert.

Lady Redskins take third straight title...

Last Saturday the senior girls basketball team from ESPSS advanced to the all Ontario finals for the third year in a row. Having previously been to Base Borden and St. Thomas, the Lady Redskins will now be travelling to Windsor this weekend. They will play their Friday games at the University of Windsor and will return to the gym that night to watch a varsity men's game between the Lancers and the University of Detroit.

ESPSS earned the privilege to represent Georgian Bay at OFSSA by defeating Base Borden and St. Joseph's High of Barrie in the first game the Redskins defeated Base Borden by a score of 64-52. High scorers were Ruby Degenaar with 19 points, Monique Hamelin 15 and Linda Quesnelle 16.

Hamelin scored some key baskets at important times in the match and led her teammates with her aggressive play.

In the championship, Penetang beat St. Joseph's 50-37. High scorers were Olgevaar with 21 points, Hamelin with 12, Quesnelle with 8 and Cathy Pilon with 8. Degenaar got into foul trouble early in the game, but recovered to dominate the boards in rebounding.

Special mention should also go to May Tajina, who is the key to the team as her ball handling and playmaking constantly resulted in baskets by her teammates.

Other Redskins to be congratulated are Bridget Brickles, Kelly Bredin, Carrie Stitt and Monique St. Amant.

All five starters are graduating this year, but coach Holmes is looking forward to a strong team again next year as the junior team has now won two GBSSA championships in a row.

...then tune up for Georgian Bay

Last Monday, the senior girls basketball team from ESPSS emerged victorious at the Base Borden Tournament. This is the second year in a row the Redskins have won this invitational tournament.

In the first game, ESPSS defeated Base Borden Juniors by a score of 48-17. The next match saw the Penetang squad squeak by St. Joseph's High School of Barrie 42-39. After leading 24-7 at half time, the Lady Redskins fell apart in the third quarter as St. Joe's came back to tie the game 33-33, late in the fourth quarter.

Playing with a lot of character, Penetang scored five quick points to ensure themselves of a victory. The squad was led by Ruby Degenaar and Monique Hamelin who had 13 and 12 points respectively.

The final game was an easier contest as the local girls easily handled Langstaff 56-30. High scorers were Degenaar with 26, Kelly Bredin with eight and Linda Quesnelle with 12 points. Other team members to be congratulated are Carrie Stitt, Bridget Brickles, May Tajina and Cathy Pilon.

Junior and senior V-ball teams win

The staff and the students at E.S. Le Caron were very well represented in the boys volleyball GBSSA season. During the season, teams from all three categories, Midget, Junior and Senior, qualified for the regional where the Juniors came first and the Senior and Midget teams ranked second in the single "A" division. These positions allowed them to participate in the GBSSA championship held on November 10 at Le Caron for the Junior level and at ESPSS for the Midget and Senior levels.

A first place finish in the GBSSA "A" division, qualified the Senior team to go to the OFSAA Ontario finals, (The Ontario Federation of School Athletic Association). It is the first time in the existence of Le Caron that a Senior volleyball team has been eligible to go to OFSAA. All these years of practice finally paid off. During the GBSSA, Le Caron played against teams from three different schools. In the regular round-robin, Le Caron lost the first match but won against ESPSS and against Stayner.

These statistics qualified the Le Caron Senior team to play the final against Base Borden. With great enthusiasm, sportsmanship and performance, the players under the coaching of David Brunelle dominated the play, winning the match in two straight, with scores of 15-6 and 15-9. The Senior team is composed of coach David Brunelle and players Greg Dorion, Keith Dupuis, Alfredo Graziani, Edouard Gignac, Louis Levert, James Maurice, and captain Hubert Robitaille.

On the same day, the Junior team imitated

the Senior's. They also won the GBSSA, coming first in the GBSSA "A" division. In their round robin, Le Caron beat St.-Thomas and also won against ESPSS, although they lost against St.-Joseph's. With those statistics Le Caron qualified for the final where they became -1 by winning against St.-Thomas. There was plenty of excitement as the team lost the first game 11-15 but won the next two games 15-6 and 15-10. What a day that was for the Junior boys! The Junior team members are coach, Yvan Lacelle, and the players Solomon Amos, Shaun Desroches, Seamus Ferguson, Jean-Marc Lalonde, David Laverdiere, Joel Marchildon, Marc Price and Antoine Robitaille. "It was the players' qualities and playing as a team and not as individuals that made our day a success," coach Yvan Lacelle explained.

Le Caron is also very proud of their Midget team that improved continuously from the beginning of the season to the end. Under the coaching of Bernard Dionne and Hubert Robitaille, they learned how to play as a team and with sportsmanship. The team players are Francois Charlebois, Yanik Cousineau, James Dorion, Kevin Gavine, Patrick Lenehan, Steven Robillard and John Rumble.

Yvan Lacelle, head of Phys-ed at Le Caron remarked that this has been an encouraging season for the E.S. Le Caron Volleyball teams. At this time, the Senior team is practicing hard to be well prepared for the Ontario finals while representing the GBSSA "A" Senior division, their school, and the community.

GOOD LUCK



Junior Winners

Ecole Secondaire Le Caron made it a double win recently as both the Senior and Junior Volleyball teams won the GBSSA Championships. In this photo pictured from left to right front are David Laverdiere, Joel Marchildon,

Jean-Marc Lalonde and Shawn Desroches. Back row from left are Seamus Ferguson, Solomon Amos, Yvan Lacelle (coach), Marc Price and Antoine Robitaille.