

Sports Scene

White advances to regionals

The Cindy White skipped foursome earned the right to advance to the Southern Ontario Ladies Curling Association Regional Playdowns next weekend in Huntsville.

Sunday afternoon at the Midland Curling Club, White defeated the Paulette Gauntlett rink of Parry Sound 14-0 after five ends.

In Midland's first contest of the double knock-out playdown on Saturday, Gauntlett handed them a 10-2 loss.

In other first round action, Gravenhurst defeated Parry Sound (Marg Miner) 8-2, Parry Sound (Gauntlett) dumped Huntsville 11-3, Ann Ross of Penetang was doubled by Gravenhurst 12-6.

The losers of the first round were then relegated to the B side where the eventual winner would advance to the regionals along with the winner of the A side.

Midland got their game under control and sidelined Miner of Parry Sound 9-5. Meanwhile, Ann Ross dumped Huntsville 14-2. Saturday evening, Gravenhurst won the right to advance by nipping Parry Sound's Gauntlett by an 8-7 count.

Sunday morning, Midland and Penetang met to determine who would meet Gauntlett in the B side final. Midland persevered in this one winning 8-5 in a contest that was exceedingly more exciting than the one that was to follow.

Without the hammer in the first end White called for rock after rock counting, the Parry Sound skip released the last rock and agonizing as it hit off a yellow stone in front and list out of the house allowing White to steal five.

White again put the rocks in the house in the second end and counted four when Gauntlett failed on a draw shot with the hammer.

When things go wrong, they really go wrong. By the time Gauntlett positioned herself in the hack to deliver her final rock of the end, she was facing five Midland stones. The attempted draw shot went wide and was too heavy, but it grabbed a straw at the last minute and drew in near the button. As luck would have it, the ensuing measurement gave a single point to White.

Three more Midland counters in the fifth spelled the end of a nightmare for the Parry Sound foursome.

Full marks must be given to the White rink of vice skip Sandra Brett, second stone Don-

na O'Hara and lead Marg Moore. All four were on top of their game.

Midland will play two games in Huntsville on Saturday with the first beginning at 9:30

a.m. and the second starting at 1:30 in the afternoon. On Sunday, the foursome could be faced with three 10 end contests with scheduled starting times 9:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m.

and 5:30 p.m.

Two winners will represent the region in the S.O.L.C.A. Provincial Final for the Isobel Armstrong Trophy in Guelph January 8-11.



Hurry

Ann Ross, skip of the Penetang foursome yells encouragement to her teammates at the Midland Curling Club on the weekend. Penetang lost their opening game 12-6 to

Gravenhurst and then rebounded to dump Huntsville 14-2. On Sunday afternoon, Ross met Cindy White of Midland with the winner playing off with Parry Sound in the after-

noon. Unfortunately for Ross and her Penetang quartet, they lost a close match to White 8-5.

Penetang Kings win big

Newcomer Mike Seargent scored three times and added three helpers as Penetang S. Charlebois Kings mauled the Innisfil Bruins 12-2 Friday night in Penetang.

The bigger Bruins were no match for the swifter Kings. The line of Restrup, Seargent and Archer was involved in over half of the

goals scored.

The Kings struck at 11:59 when Derek Pifer teamed with Roy Hildebrandt on the first of six power play counters. Kelly Cousineau scored 19 seconds later on the same power play before Seargent counted a minute and a half later. Ted Hildebrandt, Gilles Charlebois and Stu Restrup also scored before the period ended to lift the Kings into a rare, but enjoyable 6-0 lead.

Seargent struck for a pair of markers in the middle stanza both with a man advantage to make it an 8-0 game.

Kent Nelson got on the scoreboard 41

seconds into the final 20 minutes. Roy Hildebrandt scored a minute and 20 seconds later to go along with his two assists. Ted Hildebrandt notched his second of the contest at 16:55 before Restrup finished the Penetang scoring two and a half minutes later.

Chris Clements and David Taylor accounted for the Innisfil scoring in the third period.

Penetang easily outshot the Bruins in the game 42-23. Bob Sidell in the Kings net nevertheless was called on to make some fine saves.

Cents lose close one to Stayner in overtime

After Friday night's disastrous showing in Huntsville, Midland Stoneleigh Centennials rebounded to take Stayner to the ropes Saturday night although losing 6-5 in overtime.

Scott Kirton connected at 9:30 of the first period from Mark Dubeau and Mike Larmand to give Midland a 1-0 lead. Brent Millsap knotted the count with just over two minutes remaining in the frame.

A pair of quick markers early in the middle stanza gave Midland a 3-1 lead. Kirton clicked from Mark Gieseler 41 seconds into the frame before Garagan for the mark 58 seconds later assisted by Larmand.

Ralph Moore got one back for Stayner at the 6:27 mark before Blair Inglis scored two minutes later to tie the count at 4-4. Brian Trott made good on a short handed effort at 2:46, but Midland knotted the score on the power play 12 seconds later when Joel

Cousins converted passes from Guy Jeanotte and Dave Davies.

Darryl Verbeek presented Stayner with a lead at the 3:44 mark of the third, but Midland's Chris Edwards scored on a pass from Gieseler at 1:29 with a man advantage to send the game into overtime.

Around the one minute mark of the overtime, Midland was assessed a hooking penalty. Stayner soon took advantage as Brent Millsap tallied at the 2:07 mark.

Stayner outshot Midland in the game 50-23. Penalties were fairly even at 31 minutes for Stayner and 29 for Midland.

The Centennials were without the services of Richardson, McCarthy, McDermott and Bressette, all of which are expected back for Friday's encounter with Innisfil at Centennial Arena.



He Scored

Innisfil Bruin goaltender stretches to nab the puck in Friday night's encounter at the Penetanguishene Arena. The Kings skated to an easy 12-2 win, doubling the shots on their

opposition. The two Innisfil defencemen in the picture look rather helpless as the shot from the point eluded the goaltenders outstretched arm.