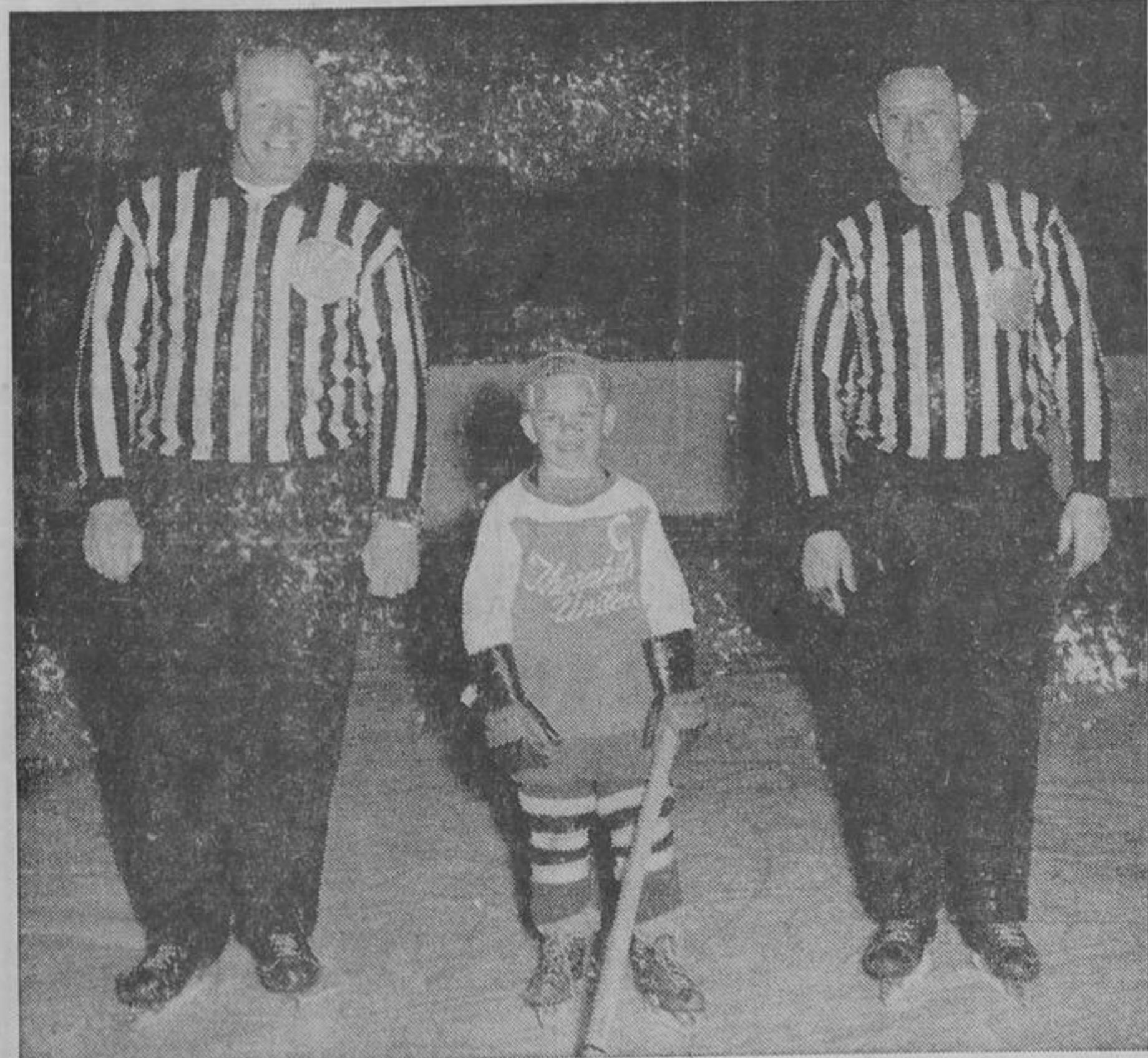


Hockey Captain Is Only 8 Years Old



Bobby MacIntosh was the smallest player in the Thornhill Church Hockey League during the past season. Young Bobby who is captain of the Thornhill United Church Atoms is just eight years old. He is seen above between Referees Ken Broughton (left) and Dave Smith. Bobby is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert MacIntosh of Oakbank Road in Thornhill. The Thornhill Church Hockey League played its games at Bradford Arena. (Photo by David Barbour)

Skating Club Winds Up Season

Outstanding Year Closed By Tests

Last Saturday morning, the Richmond Hill Figure Skating Club ended the season with C.F.S.A. tests. Twenty-nine tests were tried by local skaters with 20 of them being successful in passing the critical eye of the panel of judges.

The extensive program of the club ran 15 minutes overtime and the Richmond Hill Hockey Association graciously gave up 15 minutes of their time in order to complete the skating club program. Miss Susan Burton passed her second figure test while preliminary figures were passed by Beth Lamb, Susan Craine, Beverly Markle, Paul Craine and Cathy Smith. Nineteen dance tests were attempted with fourteen candidates being successful. Judy Dick, Lynn Hamilton, Paul Craine and Vicki Clarke passed the Fiesta Tango with Gordon Timperon and Kathy Mason passing the Ten-Fox. The Dutch Waltz was passed by Beth Lamb, Beverly Markle and Gail Wilson, the Swing Dance by Susan Ashworth and

Sing-alongs Win Two During Week

Earl Methe and his Sing-Along hockey team invaded Stouffville on Wednesday of last week. They were playing Scarborough Jets in the Clancy series and beat the east end team by a 5-0 count. Gerald Methe fired two for the Hill team with Larry Young, Philip Clarke and David Gross scoring single goals. Assists went to Paul Brown, Jim Hamilton, John Dunkley, Jim McKenzie and Richie Chapman. Last Saturday morning the Sing-Alongs played against Leaside at Varsity Arena. Leaside were defeated 4-3 by the local boys. Richie Chapman fired home two goals, Larry Young and Gerald Methe one goal each. John Dunkley picked up one assist and Gerald Methe two.

Craigies Lose Round 7-6

Orphans, Tree Service, Finalists In Hill's Senior Hockey League

Orphans and Tree Service won the right to meet head-on in the final series for the championship of the Richmond Hill Senior Hockey League. Tree Service disposed handsily of Wise Insulation, but Orphans fought and clawed their way into the final by hanging on for a win over the mighty Craigie's Rangers. Craigies won the final game by a 6-5 count but lost out on the round 7-6 to the Orphans. The Orphans shut out Craigie's 2-0 in the opening game of the series. Keith Lawes paced the Orphans with two goals while Lawrence Bozak, Jack Gilbert and Jim Neal scored singletons. Ken Sinclair and Chick Webster scored two each for Craigies, while Bob Wright and Brian Turner scored one goal each. Richmond Tree Service had a comparatively easy time of it by disposing of Wise Insulation 18-10 on the round and 8-3 in the final game. Jim Wells led the Treemen with three goals as Bill Bunker fired two. Moe Williamson, Matt Kinnari and Stan Foster counted one each. Tom Byberg, Glen Burnie and Ollie Yakely tallied the Wise goals.

Jamboree Ends Season Over 400 Are Present

The closing hockey jamboree of the year was held last Friday night at the Richmond Hill Arena. Hockey by the mites of the house league was a big feature of the night. The tikes slithered and skidded about the ice in glee and to the amusement of the crowd of over 400 people. Guests Dave Keon and Ed Litzberger of the Leafs were kept busy signing autographs as the youth of Richmond Hill turned out in force. The executive and members of the R.H. H.A. are to be congratulated for closing out the season in fine style.

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SPORT SPOTS

BY RON CRAINE

You can smell spring in the air if you stop and take a deep breath these days. At least, most people can. Another group of hardy young athletes can smell another hockey title in the offing and it's a very heady scent indeed.

Last season John Gropp piloted the peewee age Richmond Hill Hornets to the O.M.H.A. Championship. It was the first time that a Richmond Hill hockey team had won this provincial honour. But that was last year and the Hornets are not standing on last year's performance. They hope and intend to go all the way again this year.

Just recently the Hornets ousted Collingwood in a two-game total goals series. Now they have concluded a series against Whitby and, as of this writing we have no idea of the outcome. We do however have the knowledge that no matter what the outcome of the series the Hornets will have played the game for all it's worth.

Three years ago it was difficult for the Richmond Hill team to line up games with some of the better teams in the Metro area. They were forced to almost beg for good competition. Now the picture is completely reversed.

Offers of games come to John Gropp from all over the province of Ontario. Teams in the Metro area are eager to play the Hornets now that they are one of the most highly touted peewee teams in the provincial hockey whirl. These kids have made the name Richmond Hill known in many quarters and have proved to be capable ambassadors on every occasion.

If any one man deserves a big pat on the back for the emergence of the Hornets as a hockey powerhouse it is John Gropp. He has drilled the young players on fundamentals until hockey comes almost as naturally as eating. His system has developed a poise and confidence in these boys far beyond what you would expect for their somewhat tender years. Obedience to rules, respect for authority and gentlemanly conduct are all necessary prerequisites for a Hornet. They are taught to be sportsmen, true sportsmen, every inch of the way and a lapse from grace soon brings down the ire of the coach.

Mr. Gropp has had some devoted and dedicated help from two gentlemen in particular. Bill McVean and Jim Wilson have helped out with the team in any capacity that was required. Bill and Jim have acted as team managers, trainers, general factotums, chauffeurs and, at times, father confessors. Much credit (Continued on page 10)

Whitby Trounces Hornets 8 To 4

The Hornets dropped an 8-4 decision to Whitby peewees in Whitby last Friday night. Whitby opened the scoring on an unusual play, cashing in on a penalty shot awarded against the Hornets.

With the Hornets a man short, Jimmy Wilson saw an opening and went end-to-end to tie the score. Whitby scored three goals in

the second frame as the only Hornet goal was scored by Jimmy Wilson on a pass from Wayne Harrington.

The third period saw Whitby pour four goals into the Hornet cage with the Hornets counting only two. Gary Churcher scored from Gordon and Broderick and Broderick scored assisted by Churcher and Harrington.

MINOR HOCKEY RESULTS

BY BOB ROSS JR.

SQUIRT LEAGUE
All games reported this week are play-off games.
Royals (Gormley Sand & Gravel) 1
Flyers (Victoria Lodge) 1
Royals won with a two game total goal count. David Webster of the Royals scored their lone goal with an assist from Donald Debenham. Flyers' loner came from Richard Montgomery.
Teepees (Macdonnell Motors) 2
Jr. Canadiens (Sunnybrook Riding Club) 0
Teepees won two game total goal count. David Addley played well, scoring a goal with an assist going to Gary Oliver. Teepees' second goal went to Brian Gilpin.
Marlboros (Consumers' Gas) 2
Petes 0
Second game three out of five series. Petes won the first and Marlies the second. Bob Wilkinson scored one goal for Marlies and assisted John Fitzpatrick on the other.
PEEWEE LEAGUE
Bisons (Deciantis & Rice) 4
Reds (Quality Utilities) 1
First game, best three out of five series.
Chris Dunlop and Mike Tucker did Bisons' scoring getting two goals each. Assists went to John Shropshire and Terry Hall (2). Reds' lone tally came from Jeff Hudson with an assist to Dave Gill.
Aces (Mills Roses) 6
Indians (Pinewood Aggregates) 1
First game of a two game total count series.
Aces were in fine form scoring six goals. Indians' Danny Boyington ruined a shutout, with Jim Docherty assisting. Aces' goals were by Dave Hamilton, Jeff Craine, Tony Vandervalk, Doug Brooks, Mac Smith and Derry Andrews. Assists went to Carlo Cappy, Andrews, Vandervalk and Smith.
Aces (Mills Roses) 3
Indians (Pinewood Aggregates) 3
Second game of two game total goal count with Aces the winners.
Mac Smith scored two of Aces' winning goals with Carlo Cappy the other one. Assist to Dave Hamilton. Indians' goals were two from Steve Graham, and a single from Frank Petronski. Three assists to Jim Docherty.
Americans (Street Const.) 5
St. Mikes (Young's B-A) 1
First of two game total goal series.
Clarence Dukeshire was on his toes this game, scoring three goals. Barry Clattenburg and Don Harrower got a single each. Assists went to Roy McBrien (2), Bill Sward, Harrower and Dukeshire. St. Mikes' lone tally was by Barney Corless with an assist to John Peck.
BANTAM LEAGUE
Bruins (Butler & Baird) 4
Maple Leafs (Halliday Fuels) 1

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