

Rams Win Over Wexford & Dixie

By FRED SIMPSON

The Richmond Hill Junior "B" hockey Rams had nowhere to go but up and out Sunday night as they trailed Dixie Bees 3-0 at the end of the first 20 minutes.

They were behind 3-0. Up and out they went. They wound up winning 4-3 on a goal by Dick Weber at 5:42 of the final period from Alex Pirus and Bill Weber.

It was the second straight win for the Rams in three nights as they upended Wexford Raiders 8-5 in a rugged match Thursday night of last week in Stouffville.

Sunday's game saw Richmond Hill staggering in the first period as Dixie stormed to the offensive.

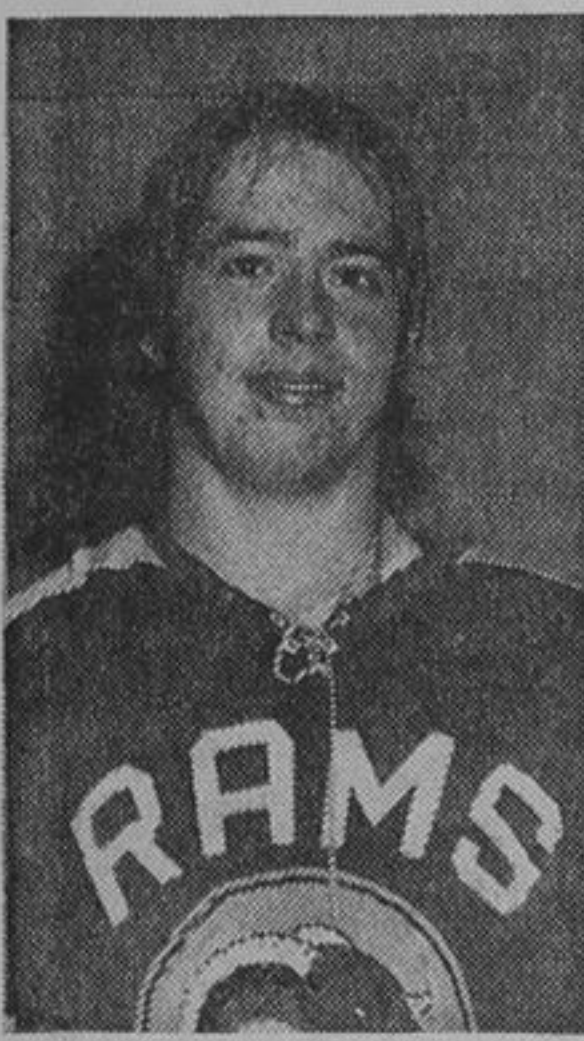
The Beechivers had pumped three goals behind Goalie Gary Carr in just over two minutes when Rams' Coach Karl Brimblecombe removed Carr in favor of Gordie Woolnough.

Woolnough played airtight hockey the rest of the way, shutting out Dixie.

Scoring for Richmond Hill were the aforementioned Dick Weber with two, Dave Lumley and Daryl Rice.

It was Rice's goal at the 57 second mark of the third period that tied the game at 3-3. Assists went to Bill Weber and Bill Stephenson.

Mike Ballager scored two goals for Dixie with Bob Paterson getting the other one. Woolnough, in replacing Carr, was particularly brilliant in the second period when the Rams



GORDIE WOOLNOUGH
Airtight Replacement

were outshot 21-11 but managed to narrow the gap to 3-2.

Richmond Hill played only one period of solid hockey and that was in the third. Goals by Rice and Dick Weber gave the locals the 4-3 lead at the 5:42 mark.

Then came some tenacious checking by the Hill forwards plus solid defensive work led by Fred Doyle to stave the Dixie Bees off the rest of the way. It was by far Doyle's best game of the season.

Richmond Hill held Dixie to just seven shots after they had amassed a total of 42 in the first two frames. Doyle, incidentally, seemed to be on the ice almost all the time. He played himself into exhaustion covering up in the corners, using his body effectively and clearing out of his own zone as the Rams played shorthanded on several occasions.

Dixie outshot Richmond Hill 49-33 on the game.

Thursday's game against Wexford saw Steve Colp rapping home three of four third period goals by Richmond Hill to give them a hard-fought 8-5 win over Wexford who led 5-4 up to that point. Colp also scored the opener in the first period and totalled four goals in all.

Other Rams goals went to Daryl Rice, Wayne Stokes, Bill Weber and Bill Stephenson.

Wexford's goals were by Al Avery with two, Angie Moretto, Tim Young and Brian McCready. Greg McGuire, Wexford defenseman recently acquired from Marlboro "A's", had a particularly rough outing.

He picked up nine minutes in penalties in the second period for a mix-up with John Barnett. After McGuire had speared and elbowed Barnett at the Wexford blueline, he charged after the latter apparently in

an attempt to take him off with him.

McGuire grabbed Barnett and tossed him to the ice. But Barnett refused to be drawn into a penalty and just covered up. This got an enraged McGuire an extra two minutes for roughing. He also got two for elbowing and five for spearing, making up the grand total of nine minutes.

In the third session he was nailed for a two minute tripping sentence early and later got five minutes for engaging in a fight with Rams' Stokes. He also received a 10-minute misconduct in addition.

During McGuire's nine minutes in the first period the Rams only managed a one goal edge, scoring two themselves but allowing the Raiders to tally one.

Wexford outshot the Rams 48-45.

Carr played very well in goal

for Richmond Hill and made the difference.

Richmond Hill hosts St. Mike's Tuesday night at 8 pm and February 4 travels to Markham for another important game against Markham in their continuing battle for first place.

Peewee action saw Oak Ridges defeating Bolton in their best-of-three series.

Oak Ridges won the first game 2-0, lost the second one 5-4 and then won the series by upending Bolton 3-1 in the final game.

Danny Catton and Glen Wright handled the scoring in the 2-0 win. Receiving credit for the shutout was Harold DeGeer.

The 5-4 loss saw goals for Oak Ridges by Tony Roffey, two, Danny Catton, and Karl Taylor. Assists went to Teddy Clague, Carl Taylor, two, Randy Spenseley, and Doug Jones.

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Exhibition games saw the Oak Ridges Midgets whip Sutton 3-2 in Richmond Hill January 23 with goals going to Terry Legge, unassisted; Dave Stuart from Bill Gunaire; and Gunaire from Stuart.

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Scoring for Oak Ridges was Allen Heintzman, two; John Grech, two; John Lenneville and Jim Gerber. Assists went to Dale Roffey, Heintzman and Lenneville.

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Oak Ridges Juveniles Ousted In Two; Bantams, Midgets Finish First

The Oak Ridges Juveniles were blanked in two straight games in the opening round of the North York OMHA play-downs as Bolton downed them 4-0, 5-0.

Receiving byes in the first rounds of their playoffs were Oak Ridges Midgets and Bantams. This was as a result of finishing in first place in the North York Hockey regular schedule respectively.

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Richmond Hill Peewees shut-out King Township Police 2-0.

Corcoran Foods went the shutout route by 1-0 to Richmond Hill in a novice game.

H. Brown Fencing defeated Richmond Hill 1-0 in a novice game. John Vangerploeg scored for Oak Ridges and an assist went to Allen Bestard.

Bob Smith picked up the shutout, his third in a row.

The Oak Ridges Midgets ran into a revolving door last week in the form of Alliston, which walloped them 9-4 in Alliston.

Davey Stuart scored twice for the Oak Ridges team as did Albert Shaw. One of Stuart's goals was unassisted and the other three goals were all assisted by Wayne Roffey.

It was a different story in a game against Maple Midgets January 15 at Doublinink as they downed the latter team 5-1.

Leading the offensive was Bill Gunaire with two goals followed by singles from the sticks of Terry Legge, Dave Stuart and Jim Roffey. Stuart picked up two assists. Jim Roffey had two with singles going to Albert Shaw and John Lenneville.

3 OAK RIDGES WINS
The Oak Ridges Bantams grabbed three wins in a row last week, defeating King 4-3, Maple 2-0, and Bolton 3-1.

John Lenneville helped sink King with a three goal performance followed by Peter McConnell with a goal. Assists went to John Grech, Tim Watt, and Bernie Engel.

The Maple game saw Lenneville leading the way again with two goals. One was unassisted and McConnell got the assist on the other one.

Sharing the shutout were goalies Dannie Pincombe and Frank Wood.

The Bolton game saw Al Heintzman score two goals with the other going to John Lenneville. Assists to Lenneville and Tim Watt.

PEEWEEES BOMB MAPLE
Peewee action saw Oak Ridges bombed 10-1 by Maple.

The lone goal scorer for Oak Ridges was Tony Roffey unassisted.

Oak Ridges Novices shut out Woodbridge January 11 by 3-0. Robert Nicol scored twice with Kenny Blythe scoring the other. Mark Smith and Al Laing assisted on Nicol's goal.

House League activity saw Richmond Hill BAIFs Midgets

whip Gormley Well Drillers 12-2.

Both Oak Ridges goals were scored by Brian Jones.

Richmond Hill Bantams defeated Oak Ridges Gallachers 5-1.

The one goal for Oak Ridges was scored by Robert Penley.

OAK RIDGES LOSES
Oak Ridges Peewees were up-ended 10-1 by Agincourt. Shawn Parker scored Oak Ridges' lone goal.

Richmond Hill Eric's Cycle and Sports whipped the same Oak Ridges team 5-2.

Randy Bullock and Shawn Parker scored the goals for Oak Ridges. Assists went to Danny Cassidy, Doug Comfort and Parker.

LOSE SOME, WIN SOME
Novice action saw Oak Ridges Corcoran Food drop a 4-0 game to Richmond Hill.

Oak Ridges Brown Fencing played a mixed Richmond Hill team which saw the Ridges boys win by 2-0.

John Cummings and Tim Parker scored for the victors. Assists went to Al Bestard, Brad Holmes.

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LETTERS TO THE Sports Editor

MESSAGE FROM RICHMOND HILL HOCKEY PRESIDENT

Dear Mr. Sports Editor:
This week, each year, is set aside to pay tribute to minor hockey workers — coaches, managers, referees and most of all to the players. Each year we are told about the fine work of an individual or team, or a whole organization. Really, most people do not have to be told who is doing a good job. It becomes pretty obvious to any observant person that we in Richmond Hill are very fortunate to attract the calibre of people who are able to make our local leagues work like clockwork. Our town representative teams are used as examples by other towns.

Our referee development system is so good that the North York Hockey Association used our midget local league for referee tryouts and have been very pleased with the results we have obtained.

To sum up, in a very few words, I would like to thank all of the people — from stick boys to time-keepers, from convenors to coaches, from directors to executive members — for the excellent job done in the past and which I know will continue to be done in the future.

To digress for a moment, I think that we forget at times who the whole operation is for — the boys themselves. Without the greatest collection of youngsters in the world it would all go for naught.

Lastly, but certainly not the least, we must take our hat off to the parents — the ones who get up at 6 am or even at 5 am to get the boys out to practice, who come out faithfully and pay their money to see every game whether their boy is on a first place team or a last place team, drive their car with a load of kids to out of town games, buy the draw tickets, attend the dances, buy Christmas Cakes and chocolate bars.

To these people who are the backbone of any organization, the people who pay the freight with the realization that they are part of a self-supporting organization that does not go panhandling to government agencies for money through subsidies, I wish to congratulate you and consider it an honor to be associated with you. Besides that, watching the kids play hockey is not just a duty, it's a lot of fun — try it, you'll like it.

TOM GRAHAM, President,
Richmond Hill Hockey Association

... Sport Spots ...

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make minor hockey go in Richmond Hill. There are warts in any situation but that's the way it is in everything.

So on "minor hockey week" I'm going to simply say that you have to consider the overall picture. And, overall, it's a good one. A lot of well-meaning people (misguided sometimes as we all are) are involved in something that is with us to stay. That's minor hockey.

That's about it. Carry on and smooth out the ripples. Stay cool, stay calm. Excuse me while I go renew the prescription for my nervous pills. I feel an awful lot of tension coming on.

DEREK SANDERSON

Now to some other subjects.

Firstly, do you recognize that picture looking at you? Yes, that's Gerry Methe (or, as they refer to him in Fort Wayne ... a "blonde" Derek Sanderson) sporting the brush and the hair-style and all that.

Gerry, as you probably know, was a standout a few years ago with Richmond Hill Legion Midgets. From there it was up to the Oshawa Junior "A" Generals.

This year Gerry, who has just turned 20, tried out with NHL Pittsburgh squad in Brantford. He was then shipped to Hersey and out to Fort Wayne in the International Hockey League.

Enter some bad luck. Gerry broke an ankle and was out of action until Christmas but is back and going strong again. Yes, they love him in Fort Wayne.

What follows is an excerpt in the Fort Wayne hockey "mag" on Gerry which as shown above, included his picture. And on the cover, too.

"HAIR" WHAT?
It leads off with the heading, "Hair Comes To Fort Wayne."

Then: "We are not referring to the controversial play but to our hirsute defenseman who hails from Richmond Hill, Ontario — Gerry played last season for Oshawa Juniors, and is a welcome addition to the club this season."

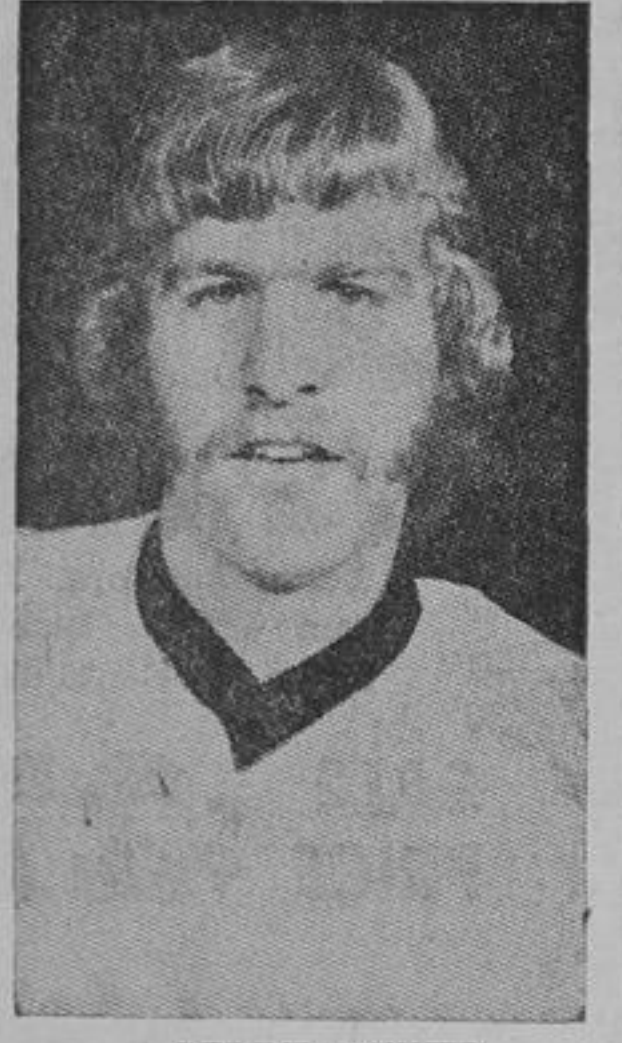
"He has seen limited action as he suffered a broken ankle in our league opener on October 16. He returned to action Christmas Night, and is a rushing type of defenseman who has captured the imagination of Komet fans."

"He and his young wife, Susan, live at Parnell Park Apartments. We know that all fans are glad that this young blonde, Derek Sanderson is playing his hockey in Fort Wayne."

That's just great. But I have a feeling it won't be too long before Gerry hits the NHL to stay. He's got a lot of things going for him.

DOUG THE LEADER
Some more hockey, yet. See that Richmond Hill's Doug Acomb, former Marlie Junior "A" stalwart, is leading the Ontario Hockey Association Senior "A" scoring once more.

Doug, who plays with Barrie, has 56 points on 26 goals and 30 assists. He's one point ahead of teammate Ron Robinson.



GERRY METHE

CAR-CARE TIPS
by **DON REID**
Don Little Ford's service manager

VEHICLE WARRANTIES

The introduction of the 3 year and/or 50,000 mile warranties a few years ago, by the major automobile manufacturers, was one of the most revolutionary changes ever to be introduced to the car buyer and I feel that had it not been abused by so many people it would have still been available today. It was not only beneficial to the owner but also gave the dealer the opportunity of servicing the vehicle in such a manner as to cover all the items which would keep the warranty in effect, and help eliminate breakdowns and poor performance, which naturally leads to better customer relations.

With the introduction of the 1971 models most car manufacturers cut back their new car warranties to 12 months or 12,000 miles (whichever occurs first) which was a drastic blow both to the consumer from an operating cost standpoint and the dealer from a customer relations viewpoint. We, therefore, with the co-operation of one of the major oil companies, developed our own 50,000 mile Warranty program, which goes into effect when the factory warranty expires. We have passed this warranty on to our purchasers of all 1971 and 1972 passenger cars and light trucks at no additional cost.

I think this program is an excellent opportunity for any new car buyer and as we have set a reserve aside to take care of any problems, which could come under the terms of the guarantee, I would suggest that if you have not been keeping your guarantee in effect you contact me personally to have it validated, at your earliest convenience.

Having covered the new vehicle end of the business with an extended warranty, we have recently introduced a Used Car Guarantee which covers the engine, transmission, and differential, for 12 months or 12,000 miles, whichever is sooner, from the date of the purchase of the vehicle.

If you haven't heard about it already I would suggest that before you buy your used car you contact our Used Car Manager, or one of his representatives, for a complete explanation of this excellent guarantee.

THIS WEEK'S CAR TIP:
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