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Goalkeeping Big Factor Playoffs: Brimblecombe

By FRED SIMPSON

Goaltending will win it all. That's the feeling of Richmond Hill Rams Coach Karl Brimblecombe as his squad collides headon with Wexford Red Raiders in the "B" series of

the Metro Junior "B" playoffs. The best-of-seven series opened Tuesday night in Richmond Hill and continues tonight (Wednesday) at 8 pm in Stouffville. The third game is slated for Stouffville Saturday night at 8:30 pm and Sunday night at 8 pm in Richmond Hill. If a fifth game is necessary it will be played in Richmond Hill Tuesday night.

Rams Coach Brimblecombe and ready series with the looks to goaltending to be the Raiders.

stay as individuals."

players, a well-balanced squad.

of excellent Junior "A"

players. Al Avery scored

65 points for Oshawa last

season and Greg Magurie

was up with the Marlies

this season. Other top ones

are Jim LeBarr, John Har-

ris, and Laurie Rawn. "If

we can put it all together we could win it," states

On the season record the

with 70 points off 33 wins, seven

METRO JUNIOR "B"

Final Standings

ABC MEN'S MAJOR

last week with an 854 triple.

ABC BOWLING

with 28 points.

Stew Smith led all shooters

more body contact."

Methe also has a couple

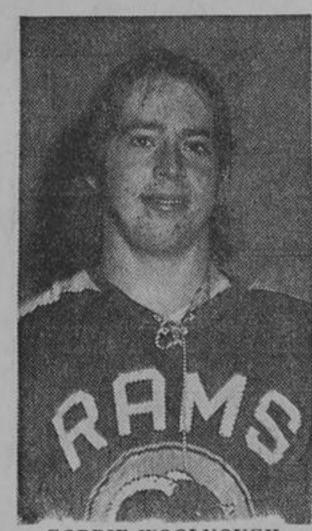
decisive factor in all of the "They have a number of big, playoff games.

"You stress defensive play when you hit the playoffs," he said. "You look for the big breaks and try to strike hard."

This is where your goaltender comes in.

"He's got to make the big saves for you when those moves come your way."

Needless to say, Brimblecombe thinks he has the ideal twosome to give his team the edge most of the way. That twosome being Gary Carr and Gordon Woolnough.



One Key?

GORDIE WOOLNOUGH

This combination was good 247 goals to 206 and allowed enough to be the second best 141 goals to Wexford's 210. trailing only the powerful ent story. It's a new season. Adrian Steenson one each Markham Sealers in this de- They start even partment

And Coach Brimblecombe hopes this will be one of his big advantages against the dang- Markham erous Wexford Red Raiders. Richmond Hill 44 33

"We're hoping we will have Weston the strength in this department. Dixie But you never can tell in a Toronto short series. You go out there Wexford and work for that first big Aurora North York

The Rams' figure to have one St. Michael's of the best lines in the league Downsview in the persons of Steve Colp, Whitby-Ajax Daryl Rice and Craig Terry They're the heavy guns offens-

But they're dangerous the rest of the way too - with fellows like Alex Pirus, John Barnett, Bill and Dick Weber who can put the puck in the net on any given occasion. Wayne Stokes is also an important cog in the rugged depart-

In Rice and Barnett they have two of the best penalty killers in the business. This is an especially vital asset in the playoffs.

hurting both injury-wise and Single games over 300 were tally. experience-wise. Brimblecombe has injured 333, Bruno Pezzin 329, Stew

defenseman Kevin Healey back Smith 320, Ralph Reid and Joe iveness won't be known until he 312. gets into combat. Also on the limp are Paul Terry and Neil

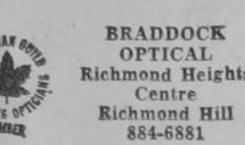
defense could be young Billy separating them. Stephenson who has matured to a great extent during the season. He, along with the steady Both have 255. Meanwhile, Gary on the only tally for BAIF. play of Bob Labelle, could Palmer hangs in the race at make the difference as the playoffs go along.

Brimblecombe expects a rough

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RICHMOND HILL, ONTARIO, THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 1972

KINSMEN MAJOR MITES

Rams 4, Aces 1 Brian Cates led the Rams to victory with a goal and an ascombe. "We just hope they up with a helper.

Raiders' General Manager puck into the net for Aces with- Jim Dunkley, and Doug Barton Stephenson Construction 2 Earl Methe (who served in that capacity for two years with the Nationals 2, Kings 2

against the Rams during the an assist each. Walton were the marksmen for Brown, Bryan one each. Kings with James Gwillam con-

tributing a helper.

Kinnear Pontiac 3 Fred's Towing 2 with two goals and Bryan Buchan with one for Kinnears' win. Gary Boyle contributed two assists and Mike Barnett one. assist for Fred's with Ricky Hall

also earning an assist. He also looks for a fairly Gormley Sand & Gravel 9 rugged series because "the play-Charlton Hardware 0 Russell Thornhill clicked for hockey. You play the man. An two goals and an assist for Goradded factor is the small ice nley, with Mike O'Donnell addsurface of the Stouffville arena. ing two goals, Kevin Kernohan and Doug McLean a goal each room so you naturally have Doug Eldridge a goal and two assists, Russell Thompson and Alastair Duncan a goal and an Rams and the Raiders don't two assists, John McCullough,

d second in the 12 team loop one assist each. Chris Hishon and Mark Radke Bob's Boys 7 Barrow's Insurance 3

losses, and four ties. Wexford finished a shaky sixth with 45 Bob's scoring honors were points on 20 wins, 19 losses and shared by Kevin Main and Mike five ties. They lost their final West with a pair each, Cyril The Rams outscored them Allen collected two. Cameron

For Barrow's it was Andrew unassisted goals and Steven Ir-G W L T Pt. win who was set up by Tyrone 4 3 77 Burkhard and David Nixon

7 4 70 NOVICES Braddock Optical 2 Consumers Gas 2 Denting the twine for Braddocks were Mark Kernohan unassisted and Jack Cross from

Consumers' goalgetters were Richard Vermeulen from John 44 6 36 2 14 Noble and Jack Vantol all on

Dan's Esso 2 Rumble Transport 2

Scott Bartlett and Joey Far- DEFENDS YOUNG REFEREES Who yells at the referees rell each came up with a coun- Dear Mr. Sports Editor: ter and a helper for Dan's with

Tony Lapointe an assist Allencourt Pharmacy 3

Earl Freeland followed close Walker Insurance 0 behind with 850 which included the high 350 singles of the Defensively they may be to complete the list of bowlers. John Mark for the other Walker penalty was called.

scored by Keith Saunders with ATOMS

Kent's Black Hawks 3

A possible key to the whole Cameron. Just seven pins are Bobby Brouwer and Neil Put- rest of the season and yet there

Hans Gulf 6 Rice's Flowers 0 Standings: York Simcoe Dean Capotosto was credited condemned. Regardless of age, Sports 5; Team Six, 4; Hall's with two goals and an assist for no referee is perfect. Fuel 4; YBC Seniors 3; F. Hans. Danny Petroff got Engel's Gulf 3: Powell Fencing goal and two helpers, Randy 3; ABC No. 3, 3; ABC No. 2, 2; Tinsley, Mike O'Hara and Gun-South Simcoe Sports 2; Allen-ther Bauer a goal each, Robert court Lanes 2; ABC No. 1, 0. Thomson, Phillip McLaughlin

an assist each. The third series ended Fri-Sheppard & Gill Lumber 3 day night of last week with The York Simcoe Sports 2 Go Aways finishing in first with Bulging the twine for S&G 37 points. Second place went to were Chris Bedford with two The Penguins with 31 points and Jim Wood with one. As-Hogan's Heroes finished third sists went to David Draper, Ken Woods and David O'Connell. Shirley Price led the ladies Counting for York were Steve with 641 (204, 208, 229). Pam Smalley from Richard Barker

Gordier had 629 (185, 219, 225); and Brian Casey and Mark Shirley Reisenweber 612 (219, Dailey from Paul Mashinter and Andy Beckwith. Reg Simmons was the tops for the men with 739 (236, 244, Shields Footwear 6 259). George Stepanous had 735

Street Construction 2 288, 207, 240); Bill White 673 Unassisted goals by Brett (210, 257, 206). The leaders in total pinfall Rogers, Ed Rayner and Ron Abfor the President's Trophy are ernethy contributed to Shields The Go Aways with 60702. In victory. Single scoring efforts second place are Roger's Re- were registered by Craig Burnjects with 60091. The Penguins field from Gerry Legere, Rob trail in third with 59568. Aitchison from Greg Hender-

The new series will begin to- son and Abernethy, and Legere Richmond Heights morrow (Friday) with the exe- from Dan McVeigh and Dale cutive requesting that all regu- Strang. lar bowlers come out. Support Firing the Street markers were Brett McMaster aided by

By BOB ROSS JR. |Gerd Buck and Mark Gossman|ing credited with the other and Buck from Gossman and counter and Paul Henderson getting two assist points.

Brian's Shell 2 Eric's Sports 6 Avenue Taxi 0 Tony's Esso 5 sist. Robbie McKenzie, Ken- Hitting the mark for Eric's Jim Barber and Bill Murphy neth Large and Michael Smith were Jim Mark with two goals counted for Brian's with assist accounted for the other coun- and an assist, Brad Shannon points going to Mike Turbach individual stars," said Brimble- ters and Paul Beckwith came and Rick Berezowski a goal and and Derrek Bowers. an assist, Brian Smith and BANTAMS Bobby Petroff tipped the Steve White with a goal each, Reliable Marine & Sport 4

Randy Hughes-Guest was the Tony's goals came from the sparkplug for Reliable in this Rams) looks for a tight series. Mark Lockerbie and Michael sticks of Doug Lewis with two, contest with two goals and an "I think it could go either Mansbridge split the scoring Kevin Bryan, Rick Girard and assist. Chris Patterson and way," he said. "We didn't win for Nationals with a goal and Paul Brown. Girard and Ray David Bourque accounted for Roberts were awarded two as- the other tallies and Wayne Zenon Byblow and Doug sist points each, Bob Hogg, Henderson (with two) and John

Stephen Ostep and Richard Kern were the marksmen for Dynes Jewellers 3 Hodgins' goals were potted Stephensons with assist points much room to skate. by Tim Cameron, Richard going to Ron Brownley, Jamie Doug McKenzie came through Wayne McCartney with Mark Paul Bulger

Randy Sutton and Peter Scoring for Dynes were Smith sank the puck for the Matt Knights and Troy Mit- Drego Minchello, Steve Bowers Surfers with Allan Basinger Scoring for CFGM were MINOR BANTAM

Steve Gooderham and Phillip Tearne with aid from Stephen Wilson, Bob Hoult and Douglas Simms' goals were shared by (February 23)

Gord Bedwell who got two, MIDGETS Zenio Ferrone, Bob Putnam Bowden Lumber 2 and Mike Woolnough, Bedwell,

Woolnough and Putnam also col- Counting for Bowdens were lected an assist point each. Jim Sinfield and Tod Price the TV men were David Earl sistance on the latter's goal. Danny Gooley, Blair Abbott, and Mike Briscoe with an as- Doug Condy was helped by Tom Taylor on CMR's lone en-Rotary Club 7

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goals and Frank Weber had one Kyle Chatfield also had a for the Village with Kerry Kethat trick and an assist for Mur-tridge and Berezowski earning phy's with Bob Sommerville be- assist points



more than I do? But nobody is I think the person who wrote perfect.

David Purvis getting an assist last week's letter entitled "Older Referees Needed" Gary Carvin garnered a goal should have had enough backand a helper for Rumble and bone to sign his name and not just sign as a "Concerned Parent"

(February 24)

Simms Construction 5

Due to the fact that my son Matthew Zurich scored twice was one of the referees, I felt it for Walkers with aid from Tony my duty to check into the situa-Bruno Pezzin and Roy Makohin and Gerry Lawlor, tion. On checking it out I found Thompson had 822 while John Norman Murphy sank a pass that the injury was accidental Drummond followed with 804 from Richard Clendinning and and not deliberate. Thus no

I hope this person who wrote the critical letter read the sports story in the same issue of "The Liberal". That story is in the line-up. But his effect- Mulzet 316 and Fred Hartwick A pair of counters by Peter about a player in the atom Tipold and a singleton by Neil league (TRT) getting hit with The race for the high average Rathwell won this one for an elbow in the jaw and being has developed into a real scrap Kents. Assists went to Tom knocked unconscious. Note too between Norm Roberts and Ian Jensen with two, David Abbot, that he is out of action for the

> was NO PENALTY called. Roberts still holds top spot Mario Forlani was aided by This game was refereed by by a slim margin over Cameron. Jim Burnett and Steve Shadoff the so-called older referees and OHMA at that.

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I think the "young referees" should be encouraged and not

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Play-off Time

Wexford Red Raider General Manager Earl Methe was inclined to shake his head in a "it's a small world, isn't it" fashion.

Well he might. Prior to this season Earl was concentrating all his energies on getting the Richmond Hill Rams into the playoffs as manager of that club. But it was no go in three or four seasons of

Now he's in the playoffs but with the Red Raiders who are in the midst of a ding-dong battle with the Rams in the Metro Junior "B" hockey playoffs. Yes, it's a small world. Slightly screwy, too.

The series opened Tuesday night in Richmond Hill, will continue tonight (Wednesday) in Wexford at 8 pm. The third game goes again in Wexford at 8:30 Saturday night and back to Richmond Hill Sunday night at 8 pm. If a fifth game (it's a bestof-seven) is necessary it will be played in Richmond Hill Tuesday night.

"I think we'll be giving the Rams a good battle," was the way Earl put it. "It should be a 50-50 proposition. We have a fairly balanced club and our games have all been close with the Rams although we've ended up losing so far."

The Raiders will have some pretty good horses going for them including former Junior "A" bodies in the persons of Al Avery and Greg Maguire. Avery scored 65 points for Oshawa in "A" last season so take it from there.

RUGGED SERIES

You can look for a rugged battle especially since the Raiders play their home games out of the bandbox expanses of Stouffville Arena. There just ain't

The word all season has been that the Raiders Thompson, Rob Frater and MacDonald, Mike Palmer and were a much better club on paper than they've shown on ice. They've been inclined to hurt themselves with unnecessary penalties at the wrong time. There have also been some doubts about whether their goaltending is all what it should be.

The Rams have been strong in the latter dechell each had a goal and an and Glen Doyle with Alan Bar- and Michael Head picking up partment with Gary Carr and Gordie Woolnough being the second-best minders in the league trailing only Markham.

Rams' Coach Karl Brimblecombe thinks goaltending will tell the tale in all of the playoff games with the best team being the one with the best goalies. He thinks he's got the best in the league. Richmond Hill has a well-balanced squad with

one really big line in the persons of Daryl Rice, Steve Colp and Craig Terry. They're the scorers. They've also got the ruggedness to match any team Getting one marker each for with Larry Lalonde lending as- in the likes of Bill and Dick Weber and Wayne

Rice will undoubtedly play a major role in the offensive and defensive strategy of the Rams. Rice, along with John Barnett, is a master penalty-killer and this is what will likely be the key to winning the (Continued on Page 12)



In Britain, there is exceptional interest in the nation's 1973 entry to the new European Economic Community, won't go into the long debates that resulted in this historic decision, but, for those interested in the automotive scene there are some points to note. With Britain counted in, Europe will be the world's largest producer of automobiles - about nine-million compared with the United States' eight million

Ford recently completed a European market study to determine how many households would have a car in 1980. The findings: Italy should lead in 1980 with about 85 per cent of all families having at least one car; Sweden came second in the forecast with 78 per cent. Other percentages - Belgium, 75; France, 74; Germany, 72; and Great Britain, 68.

Follow that car! (in a bus? In San Francisco, Donald Lyon, 52, a streetcar operator, was standing in front of the carbarn at Geneva and Delano Avenues when he saw a man pushing a VW along the street. The man, fiddling with the ignition, got into the car, got it started. Then suddenly it dawned on Lyon that it was his car the man was pushing! He jumped onto a bus and the Muni bus went in hot pursuit of the VW. Finally the distraught car thief jumped out of the VW and ran away. Lyon retrieved his car and finished his shift on the streetcar run



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