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Jewellers eliminate Milton in 6

The Oak Ridges Dynes Jewellers had just polished off Milton in the sixth game of their best-of-seven Central Ontario quarter finals and coach Pete Artemchuk was shaking his head about why it took so long.

He had the answer. "That Milton goalie," he said, "was out of this world. We should have had that series four straight."

The Jewellers finally got rid of Milton, or rather, goalie Ron Sachs Sunday night in Milton by an 8-3 score. That win plus a 4-1 verdict in Oak Ridges Saturday night offset a 6-5 loss the previous Friday and it was all over.

MEET OAKVILLE
 The Jewellers now meet the

formidable Oakville team with the first game Friday night in Oakville, the second back at Bond Lake Arena Monday night. The third game is in Oakville the next night and then it's back home March 8 for the fourth. All games start at 8 p.m.

But back to Artemchuk and his goalie problem.

"In the last four games we outshot them 40-20, 52-21, 52-17, and 39-36 and you take it from there. It's my feeling he was just too worn out for that last game."

EASY
 Worn out or not, it wasn't much of a struggle for the Jewellers who built up a 4-2 lead in the first period and then blew the game wide open in the second.

Two shorthanded goals by Len Hachborn and Cam Reston plus a power play by newcomer Brian Risk spelled doom for Milton right in the first period.

The Jewellers got two-goal efforts from the aforementioned Hachborn and Karl Taylor with singles to Brent Dobson, Craig Halliday, Risk, and Reston.

Coach Artemchuk figures Saturday night's 4-1 verdict at Oak Ridges "softened up Milton for Sunday's game. We laid the body on pretty good," he said, "and they didn't have much left after that."

BIG GAME
 Saturday's tilt saw Reston getting the only goal in the first

period from Blair Lewis and Dobson.

The second period saw Taylor striking on a power play and then Milton's Dave Harnden got his team's only goal of the game.

A goal by Dobson with one second remaining in the period settled the issue. Dyne's Darren Ross scored in the third.

SLEEPING
 Friday night's game in Milton saw the Jewellers sleeping at the switch in the first period as the home team built up a 5-1 lead.

The Jewellers finally got rolling with Glen Wright's goal in the first period, two in the second from Reston and Dobson, and two more in the third with Dobson

and Reston doing it again. Artemchuk pulled goalie Gerry Kofsky in the final minute and came within inches of tying the game on several occasions.

"Kofsky played the last two games for us," said Artemchuk, "and he was red hot. If we get that kind of goaltending against Oakville we'll win for sure."

Snowmobile hero

Larry Van Dyke, formerly of Richmond Hill and now of Stouffville, enjoys a fair bit of success with snowmobile racing.

For example: Larry became the first Canadian in the last 10 years last week to win the prestigious United States Snowmobile Association World Series championships featuring competitors from all over the U.S. and Canada.

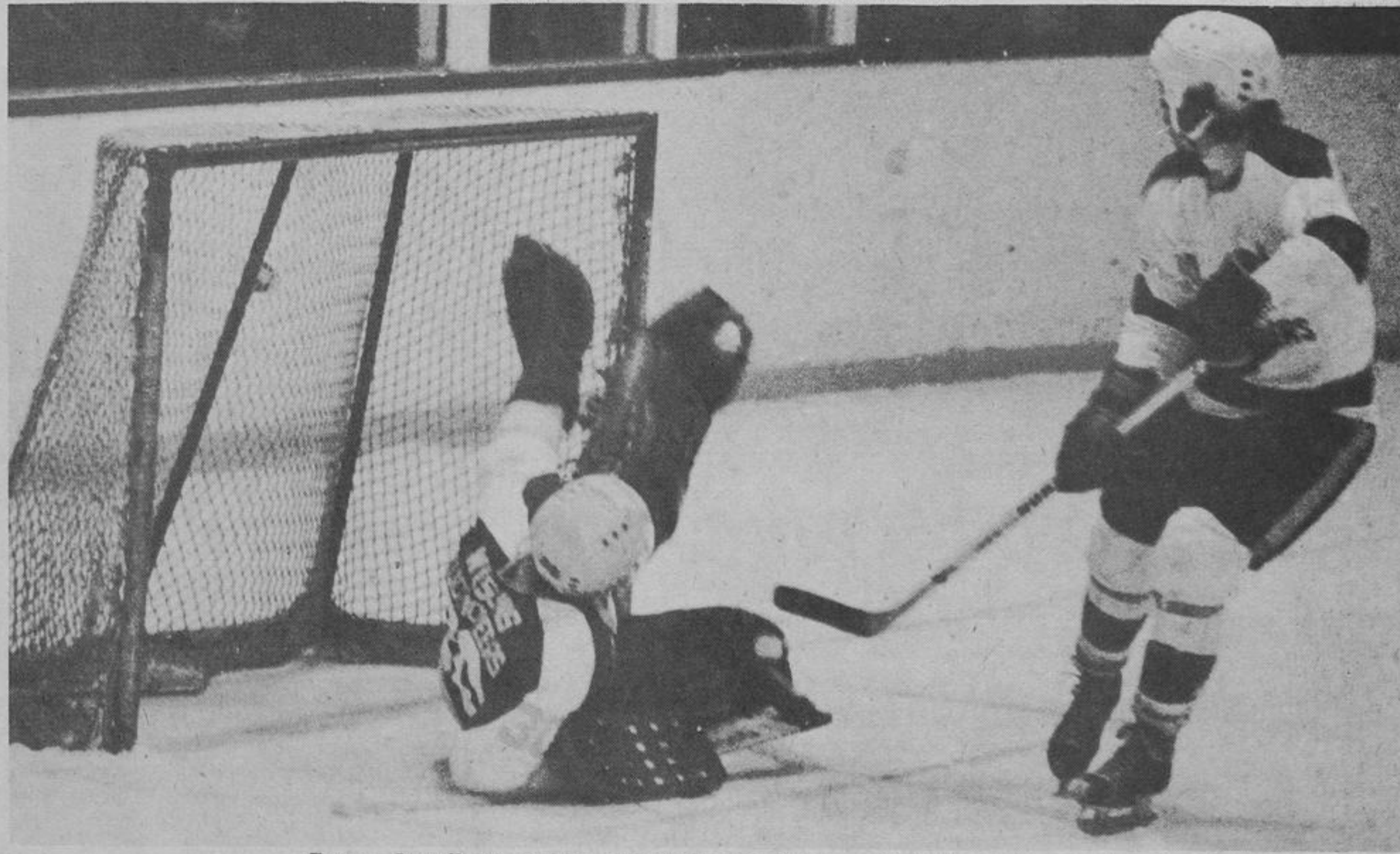
And he came close to winning two events.

His first shot came in the semi final 250 Modified class with which saw him finishing second with his 250 Arctic Cat Z machine.

Then came the big one with Larry finishing first in the 440 Modified Class with his 440 Arctic Cat Z.

"It was nice to win," said a quiet spoken 22-year-old Van Dyke. "I've been racing for a long time but this was the big one."

How did he win it? "Mainly a lot of hard work," he said. "I guess we worked on our machines for five hours a night in preparation for this match."



A goal?

Dynes Jewellers' Kevin Johnstone somehow misses a goal here in Saturday night's 4-1 win over Milton enroute to Sunday's 8-3 victory which eliminated Milton from the Central

Ontario Junior B playoffs. Goalie Ron Sachs was a thorn in the side of Dynes throughout the series. (Photo by Hogg).



fred simpson

Breathe easy

Optimism is a lovely word just so long as you don't breathe on it too heavily first thing in the morning. It's such a fragile creature it has been known to blow its petals by the sudden jarring movement of a head lifting from a pillow.

That's why I usually get out of bed very carefully, delicately, and then often trip over my discarded shoes and take a header into the clothes closet door. So much for optimism. I'm ready to begin my first comeback of the day.

But that's here nor there right now. When I speak of optimism I think of Coach Pete Artemchuk and his Oak Ridges Dynes Jeweller Junior B team who have just eliminated Milton from the playoffs.

IT BEGINS

Now the hard part begins. Pete's team now faces a tough Oakville crew with the prospect of meeting either Burlington or Streetsville in the finals if they prevail against the odds.

Here comes one man's definition of optimism: "It may seem unlikely to some people," said Pete, "but I think we'll take Oakville." A pause while that fragile creature fights for her life. "I'll even go one step further. In my opinion the key series is our one with Oakville."

"If we get by Oakville we'll take either Burlington or Streetsville. Don't forget we've beaten Streetsville twice and even at that we were going with 11 or 12 players due to injuries."

COURAGEOUS

It's easy to see that Pete is a courageous man when it comes to getting out of bed.

Having said that I should also say that I tend to listen when he talks. He's been right quite a few times in his lengthy coaching career and he's had his share of successes with championship teams over the years or near-misses.

He continues: "Right now," he said, "I feel I've finally got the team I want. We've filled a couple of weak spots with newcomers such as Kevin Johnstone and Brian Risk at right wing and left wing with Brent Dobson at centre."

"We also have a top first line in Karl Taylor between Al Reston and Glen Wright. And the best two penalty killers in the league in Earl Deamond and Len Hachborn."

The main question mark with the Jewellers, and Artemchuk concedes this, is his goaltending.

"We've been hot and cold," he said, "and that won't do in the playoffs. Our goaltending has got to be hot. We have the defencemen to do it if they come up consistent."

That puts the onus clearly on the likes of Jerry Kofsky, Steve Latimer and Company.

As for Artemchuk and any pressure with the upcoming series?

PRESSURE?

"There's always pressure," concedes Artemchuk, "but you learn to live with it. It only lasts until the opening whistle. You're too busy surviving after that, just keeping track of what's going on out there."

Artemchuk confesses the only time he gets upset (which can be quite often on a bad night) is when "my players out there come up with a lunkhead play. Honest mistakes I don't mind, if someone tries something and it doesn't work. But if he keeps missing simple things when he shouldn't I tend to get heavy with him."

NO FUN

The one thing Artemchuk regrets about hockey these days is his inability to enjoy it like the average fan.

"I go to any hockey game and I find myself analyzing every player's moves, the coaches, you name it. It would be nice just to sit back and enjoy it."

All that aside, it should be a series the fans will enjoy. It starts next Friday in Oakville with Dynes' first home game at Bond Lake Arena next Monday night at 8 p.m.

And, above all, don't breathe too heavily on that fragile creature called optimism. Take it eeeeasy getting out of bed.

A final note here also on hockey.

RAMS

Jack Major of the Richmond Hill Town Hockey League will be on Classicomm tonight along with Richmond Hill Rams' Publicity director Don Sears at 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30.

They'll be discussing the future of the local Rams and you might find it interesting. Tune in. To the uninitiated, the Rams' future seems somewhat shaky now simply because of a four-letter word called "money." Hmmm.

It was quite a weekend for Bayview Secondary School of Richmond Hill.

Bayview's midget and junior basketball teams won the York County Basketball championship in handy fashion while the school's wrestling team took the Georgian Bay title for the fifth year in succession. (See story elsewhere).

Quite a weekend. "It's the first time we've ever had two teams take the York county title in one year," chortled Bayview Secondary School physical education head Cliff Nuttall.

Nuttall, who coaches the junior team, will also play host this Saturday to the Georgian Bay finals at Bayview which "should be a dandy."

Great basketball

States Nuttall: "I just hope the parents of these youngsters turn out in droves. The boys have done a tremendous job and everyone should show their appreciation by showing up."

Besides it's great basketball. Saturday's big games saw the Bayview Bengal Midgets downing Woodbridge 40-32 behind the outstanding play of guard Rick Scragg and forward John Walker who was a high scorer.

UNDEFEATED

The Midgets achieved a fantastic record in league play this season winning 15 straight league games. They lost only two exhibitions all year.

The secret of their success Saturday was a "good, solid

defence," said Nuttall. Plus the fact they got off to a flying start against the opposition scoring on their first four shots to lead 8-0. Coach of the team is Gary Boguski.

The midgets will go against Barrie Eastview Saturday and have a good chance to win it all. They've beaten Barrie Eastview in previous exhibition play.

JRS WIN

Also ringing up an impressive championship effort were the Nuttall-coached Juniors who upended Markham 45-31 to climax a great season in their own right.

The juniors won 27 games and lost four this season.

"It was a close game until the second half," said Nuttall, "but we blew them away in the last part. Our defence was super. Markham had a much taller team but we still came up with the big rebounds."

Nuttall lauded the rebounding sensationalisms of John Brillert, Alex Bilotta and Ben Howe.

Howe was also dynamite on the offence dropping in 18 points. Another standout at guard was Rick Clendinning.

The juniors will go against Park Street Collegiate of Orillia in the 5:30 p.m. game with the midgets going at 4 p.m.

UPSET

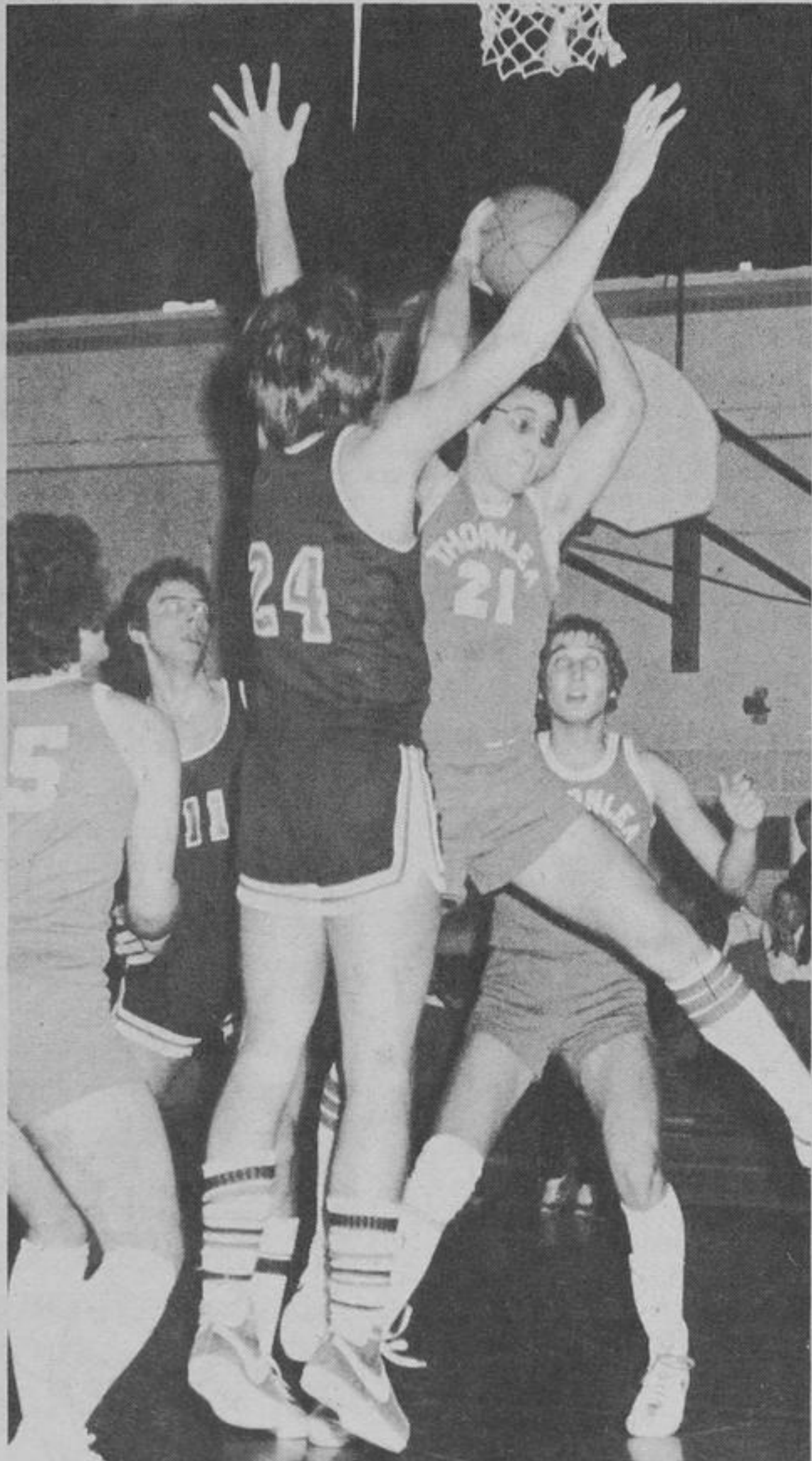
The senior game Saturday saw

Dr. G.W. Williams of Aurora upsetting favored Markham 90-84 to win the championship in a contest which went into six overtimes before being decided.

Last week's play saw the Bayview Secondary School Seniors eliminated by Thornlea Thors who were ousted in turn by G.W. Williams.

Next Saturday's Georgian Bay finals will see games starting at 11 a.m. with Midget A followed by Junior A, Senior A, Midget AA, Junior AA and Senior AA. The final game goes at 6:30 p.m.

Admission for all games is \$1. As Nuttall would say: "Basketball Fever is catching. Catch it."



Uuuuh!

This unidentified Bayview Bengal Junior basketball player outleaps taller Markham opponent in Saturday's York County championships at Thornlea. Bayview Juniors and Midgets both won top honors. (Photo by Hogg).

5 in row

Bayview takes title in wrestling bouts

When it comes to wrestling Bayview Secondary School usually ties the opposition up in knots.

It was no different last Saturday as the super-charged Bayview team handily bested all opposition to finish on top for the fifth straight season in Georgian Bay competition.

Bayview chalked up no fewer than seven firsts in out-stripping the opposition with 148 points to second place Banting of Alliston's 115.

"The opposition is getting a little tougher," commented

Bayview coach Larry Johnson with an ample tongue in cheek. "We had eight firsts last year."

Lot of firsts
 First place finishes went to Jim Peterkin, 87 kilos; Steve Penyige, 71 kilos, Dick Charge, 67½ kilos; Tony Cavaliere, 57 kilos; Mehernosh Pestonji, 47½ kilos, and Brad McKenzie, 41 kilos.

Posting second place in the 83 kilos was Dave Thomas. Bayview also had two fourths by Steve Schorfch and Cavaliere.

All seven of the Bayview first place winners will be competing in the Ontario Federation of

Schools Athletic Association championships in Ottawa next Saturday along with second place Dave Thomas.

The championships next Saturday could be Bayview's last major hurrah as they lose some of their top wrestlers to graduation next year.

"We lose Penyige," said Johnston, "who is a top man and we've already lost Dave Kinzel."

Johnson figures his squad "might have a chance next weekend if we can manage at least three firsts. But it'll be tough."

Little Kings capture Little NHL honors

The Oak Ridges Atom Little Kings had themselves a swinging week as they won the Little NHL Consolation championship title and also eliminated Sutton 2-0 in their zone division playoff round.

In the NHL tournament the Little Kings got off to a rough start losing 6-0 to King City.

They bounced back in the second and third games to wallop Sharon and Bolton 7-0 and 10-0 respectively to win the consolation honors.

Jason Cairns and Kelly Rheeder led the attack in the Sharon conquest scoring two

goals apiece with singles to Sean Sanderson, Grant O'Meara and Guy Brown. Sanderson also picked up four assists with singles to O'Meara, Brown, and Mark Shephard.

That third and final game saw the Montego Forestry Products-sponsored Little Kings fired up as they scored the first goal only 40 seconds into the game and the final one only 34 seconds before it ended.

Grant O'Meara led the parade with five goals and an assist while Kelly Rheeder had three goals and five assists. The other goals went to Gary Warner and

Sean Sanderson. Kris Walsh had four assists with singles to Guy Brown, Jason Cairns and Steve Robinson.

The Sutton series saw the Little Kings win the opener 3-2 with O'Meara firing in two goals and Cairns getting the other one. Single assists to Kelly Rheeder, Gary Warner, Guy Brown, Mark Mitchell and Paul Torlone.

They eliminated Sutton 3-1 in the final game with Brown scoring two goals and Kris Walsh one. Single assists to O'Meara, Gary Warner, Mark Mitchell, Paul Torlone, Kelly Rheeder and Sean Patrick.