



"B" division winners. The Russell Midgets won the consolation round at the Morrisburg tournament defeating North Gloucester, 4-1. Pictured left to right, front row: John Therkelsen, Ronnie Bouwhuis, Billy Flynn, Philip Cooper. Second row: Coach Mike Connelly, Brian Stewart, Derek

MacLaren, Steve Chaters, Steve Bols, Steve Cherry, manager Earl Harrison. Top row: Jim Cochrane, Dave Harrison, Tom Harrison, Alex Hayward, Bobby Latimer, Kirk Rothenberger. Absent from the photo are Tony Baas and Jacob Baas.

Garey "Toot" Ris

O.T.H.S. Sports Beat

A couple of miserable days last month forced postponement of the C.F.R.A. disco and a Ski trip to Vorlage and Camp Fortune. The ski trip was rescheduled for Monday, February 6 and at the time of the report everything was go. All I know about the disco is that it will be held sometime this month.

In interscholastic sports, the junior girls' volleyball team is 2 and 1 after three starts in the young season. The Gloucester Gaytors easily defeated the Panthers 3-0. The scores were 16-14, 15-7, 15-7. The juniors won their match over Cairine Wilson in four games. They won an exciting game this week over Garneau. Osgoode won the first game 15-11, while Garneau came back and won the second and third 15-13 and 16-14. O.T.H.S. managed to tie the contest up with a 15-3 shellacking over the girls from Garneau before winning the match with a 15-11 victory. They lost an exhibition game to South Carleton in three straight games by scores of 17-15, 15-3, 15-2. The seniors aren't doing as well as they have only won one of their three encounters and lost an exhibition match. The Gaytors won a shortened match 2-1 because the referees were late in coming to the game. The scores were 15-7, 11-15, and 15-4 in favour of Gloucester. Cairine Wilson were the victims as O.T.H.S. won an exciting 3-2 match before dropping a 3-0 game to Garneau by scores of

15-6, 15-7, 15-8. South Carleton won the exhibition match in five games. S. C. won the next game and then took the last game 13-6 in a game that was shortened because the late buses had arrived.

The junior boys' basketball team ended a four-year winless streak by beating J. S. Woodsworth in convincing fashion. The score was 66-33 and Bill Heystee was high scorer of the game with a 23-point effort. However, all good things come to an end and so did their winning streak as they dropped a 63-49 decision to Garneau. Bill Heystee once again was high scorer as he netted 15 points. The boys completed their most successful season with a 54-49 win over cellar-dweller J. S. Woodsworth. Tied for high scorer were Jerry Herweyer and Bill Heystee with 16 points each. Next in line was John Wyzsynski with 7.

Congratulations to the O.T.H.S. "Reach for the Top" team who have won both of their games so far by very convincing scores. Osgoode dumped D'Arcy McGee 315-190 and had an easier time in beating Percival (Val D'or) 370-140. The match featuring O.T.H.S. and D'Arcy McGee will not be televised, but the Percival-Osgoode game will be televised on CBOT (Channel 4, Cable 8) on Saturday at 12:00 or 6:30 p.m. Osgoode plays Lisgar on Feb. 4 and that match will be shown on April 15 at the same times.

SPORTS

Peter Van Dusen

Embrun Panthers — sights on second Hardy

Embrun Panthers are fast running out of teams to beat. Fact is the high-flying felines have sent most comers home with their tails between their legs after handing them a sound thrashing.

The Panthers will face their toughest test yet when they meet the Yugoslav National team at the Embrun arena, February 18, at 8 p.m. It will be close encounters for the second time between the two clubs with Embrun having won the first contest in 1975 posting a 5-3 victory. There is a certain flavour to an international game and I can taste this one's already; it is going to be delectable. Yugoslavia is not the best of the European hockey teams but they're by no means the worst. The game will be part of a Canadian tour the club is making. Tickets for the contest are \$4.00. For more information on the game contact Maurice Lemieux at 443-5258.

The Panthers' players and management are gearing up for the Hardy Cup playdowns scheduled for Fredericton, N. B. in mid-April. The winner of that tournament emerges as the undisputed champion of Intermediate "A" hockey in Canada. Mark my words, the Panthers will be there.

When it comes to talent Embrun has more than its fair share. With the exception of a few players, every Panther has had professional or semi-professional experience, several of them with N.H.L. or W.H.A. organizations. Centerman Jean Payette played with the Quebec Nordiques, newcomer Paul Sheard was a member of the Vancouver Canucks and played his Junior hockey with the Ottawa 67's. Dave Dixie, one of the top scorers for the Panthers, played his Junior with the M and W Rangers (now the Gloucester Rangers) of the Central Junior "A" League. It is clear the Panthers are blessed with a wealth of hockey know-how.

Along with Pembroke, Embrun is a surviving franchise of the now defunct Ottawa District Senior Hockey League. When the O.D.S.H.L. folded last year several private interests rallied to keep the Embrun organization alive. Most players on the team were with Embrun or the Gatineau Nordiques last year. Coach Yves Rollin was also with the Nordiques before assuming the job behind the bench for the Panthers.

To advance to the Hardy Cup, the Panthers must first eliminate the squad from Pembroke. In a previous outing this year the Panthers downed Pembroke, 6-5.

Along with that victory the Panthers defeated Carleton University 24-1. On January 22 they travelled to Sorel for a tournament. In the first game they emerged victorious over Boston Budmen and then hammered the Loyola Grads 5-1. They lost to Sorel in the final 4-1. They'll have a chance to make up for that defeat when they meet the same Sorel team in tournament play in Pointe-aux-Trembles on February 11.

The Embrun Panthers are an exciting team to watch. They are a superb hockey club and have brought international sports distinction and recognition to the Castor area. It is unfortunate that a team of such calibre should find itself without a league.

At the Arena

The Russell Recreation Assoc. public monthly meeting was held on January 16, 1978.

Representatives from the following standing committees that function in conjunction with the Recreation Association were present: Minor Hockey, Figure Skating, Swimming Pool, Parks (Playground).

The Minor Hockey Association requested that the R.A. determine the exact operating cost of ice time per hour.

As a result of a request from the Figure Skating Club to purchase a turntable, the R.A. is exploring the possibility of installing a sound system in the Community Centre.

The Russell Dance Group will now hold their Saturday morning dance classes in the Community Centre Hall.

During the winter months especially, our main concern would have to be the smooth operation and maintenance of the arena. Two executive meetings of the R.A. were held principally to concentrate on some of these areas of concern.

Several issues concerning recreation tax levies outstanding since 1976 have as yet to be resolved, and in this respect the Russell R.A. has approached Council to set up a joint meeting.

The next Russell Recreation Association public monthly meeting will be held on February 13, 1978.

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Sports Quiz

- In the 1976 Olympics held in Montreal, the Soviet Union finished first in gold medals with 47. What country finished second?
- What horse won the Triple Crown in 1973? Who was the Canadian jockey who rode in all three races?

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