

Sports

Morrisburg dominates minor hockey

By Jack McLaren

Throughout the 1981-82 hockey season Russell Minor Hockey teams have managed for the most part to stay about mid-way in the standings of the Carleton Dumas Minor Hockey League. Once again teams from Morrisburg, with few exceptions, have pretty well dominated each division.

In the "A" Division Russell tied with Metcalfe for third spot and a game was scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 20th to break the tie. The loser has the distinction of playing a strong Morrisburg team in the first round of the play-offs. The winner will play second place Winchester. It was a long season for the Pee Wee A team going winless in 22 games and being outscored 132 to 29. They managed one tie during the season. Morrisburg and Chesterville proved to be the class of the division. In the Bantam A division Russell managed to grab the final number four play-off spot and will play the strong Winchester team in the Playoffs. Darcy Provost was the top Russell marksman with 34 points, good enough for fifth spot in the overall league. In the midget division the Russell boys finished sixth in the eight team league. They did much better in the Juvenile division finishing a strong third behind Metcalfe and Morrisburg. Germotte and Laviolette finished fourth and fifth respectively in league scoring.

Jets suffer injuries

The Metcalfe Jets who have breezed along to a solid first place finish in the ODJBHL's South-East Division have lost two of their most effective forwards, Gary McGee and Kevin McManus, because of leg injuries.

While there is a chance McManus could return for some of the play-offs, it looks like McGee is finished for the season. The loss of these two exceptional Junior B players is a severe blow at this particular time of the year.

There is no question that the Jets have put together one of the finest Junior B teams to come out of this area in a number of years. This will certainly be a test of the depth the team has built up this year.

In an effort to bolster the team, Manager Bill Wammes has signed Mark Crispin and Scott Reed. Crispin will help since he has previous experience with the Gloucester Rangers of the Central Junior A League.

Reed could be an asset but is currently nursing a shoulder injury which has prevented him from seeing any recent action. Players of the calibre of McGee and McManus will be missed but the Jets still look like they have plenty of talent to win it all.

They start their first round of the play-offs against the Char-Lan Rebels, a team which could provide the upset of the year (but probably won't).

In B Division play the Russell Atom team finished second behind a strong Morrisburg team. Dale Drevniok finished a strong third in league scoring with 25 points. The Bantam team ended up in third spot behind Chesterville and Morrisburg. Shawn O'Reilley led Russell scorers with 20 goals and 18 assists for a total of 38 points.

President Dave Wade would like to remind everyone that Mr. P. Germotte, a Manotick artist has generously donated a 30x40" oil painting to the Minor Hockey Association for fund raising purposes. Tickets are now selling at

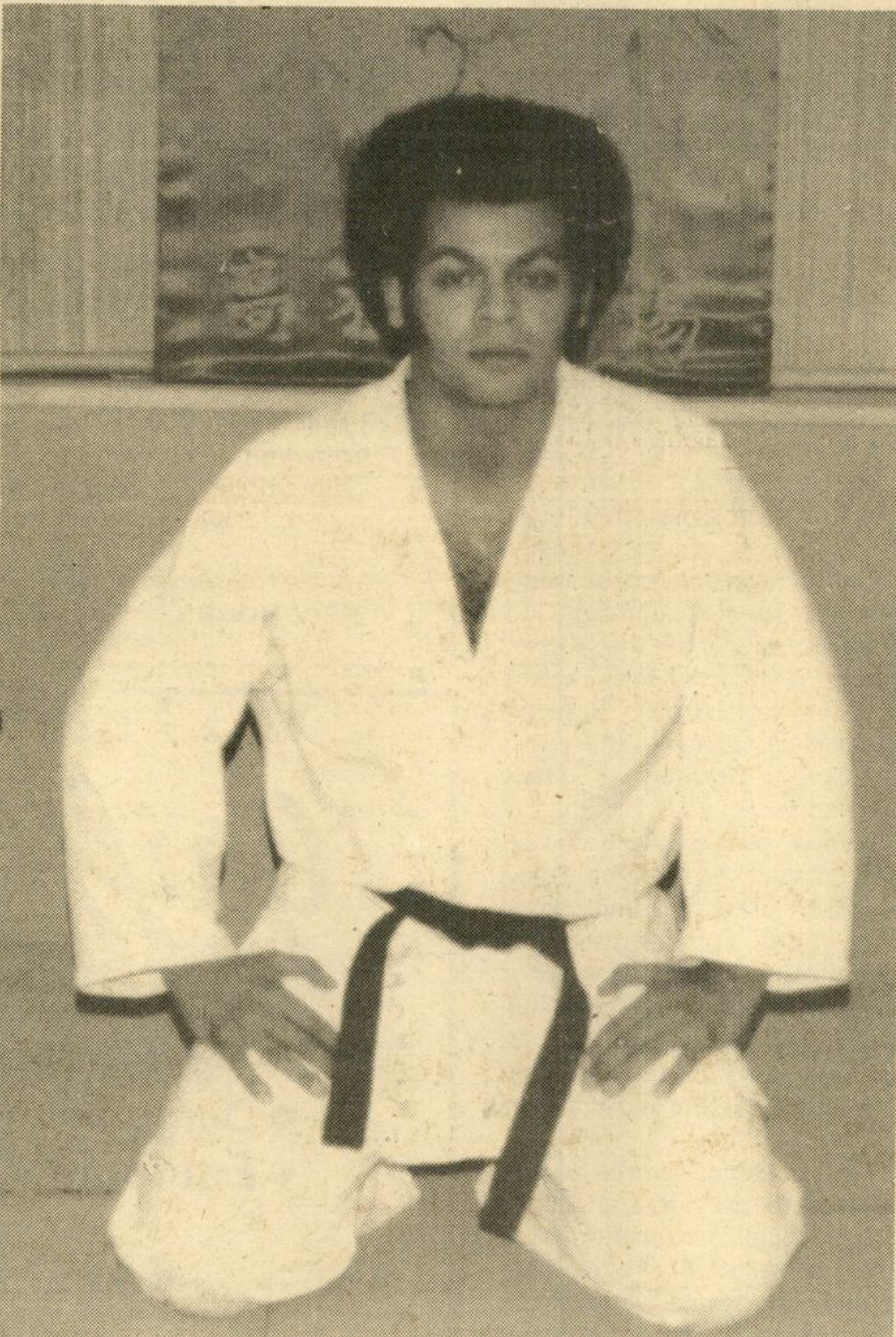
\$1 each and can be purchased from minor hockey officials, the Juvenile team or at the arena. The painting is a beautiful fall scene and is on display in the lobby of the Dr. F. Kinnaird Community Centre. The winning ticket will be drawn at the Minor Hockey Banquet on 20 April. Minor hockey needs your support. For only \$1 a beautiful painting could be yours.

Russell girls blank Ogdensburg

The Russell Girl's Hockey Team visited Ogdensburg, New York on Friday, February 5, for an exhibition game against the Ogdensburg Girl's Midget Team.

The game was hosted in Ogdensburg's "Golden Dome" which also houses indoor softball in the summertime.

Sportlight



Russell's black belt judoka, Jules Oliver, is taking registration for his judo course.

Jules teaches judo

Judo is an ancient combative art which is more popular and widespread today than ever before. Fitness, self-discipline, and confidence in one's own physical abilities are developed. Judo is fun, and anyone can learn.

Russell's Jules Oliver is a black belt judoka who is trying to interest enough people in the community to make it practical for him to conduct a course.

"I would like to have 20 people, but we could go ahead with as few as ten", said Mr. Oliver. So far six people — three males and three females — have registered, all between 13 and 18 years of age.

Last year more than 20 people took part, split about equally between males and females, and Mr. Oliver conducted two separate classes to handle the numbers. The program has been one for teens and older but, according to Mr. Oliver, there are some sub-teens who could fit right in.

A group of people in Metcalfe have asked Mr. Oliver to set up a program there, but he is waiting because he wants to set up his course in Russell if possible. If you are interested in discussing judo with Mr. Oliver, you can reach him at 445-2858.

After a closely contested game, the Russell Girls emerged victorious by a 3-0 score. Tracy Mead, Russell's "Mini-Mite" netted all three goals.

This win spurred the girls on to a very close contest against Kempville the next evening in league play as they lost by a score of 2-1. This was a complete reversal of form from the last meeting with Kempville when they drubbed Russell 13-1.

A re-match with Ogdensburg was held Saturday, February 13 at the Dr. Kinnaird Arena. Again our girls proved to be the better team defeating Ogdensburg 6-1, even though one of the team's stars, Annette Therkelsen, was on the injury list with a broken wrist sustained during the Kempville game. Tracy Mead again came through with a hat trick. Korrina Eggum, Heather Cooper and Jenny Freda rounded out the scoring for Russell.

In the dressing room after the game the Russell girls presented each of the Ogdensburg players with a small souvenir snowman from the Russell Carnival. This small token surprised and pleased the Ogdensburg Coaches and Players who are looking forward to meeting our team again next year.

Sounds like Coach Don Empey and his girls were excellent ambassadors.

Oldtimers tourney a success

The Russell Oldtimers Hockey Association held its Second Annual Oldtimers Hockey Tournament last weekend at the Dr. F. Kinnaird Community Centre. A total of 24 teams, most of them from the Ottawa area and as far away as Prescott and Maxville along with two from the Russell Association, competed for trophies and cash during the 4 day tournament.

In the A finals Sunday afternoon, Ottawa Business Interiors defeated the Maxville No Stars 6-3 to take the Labatts Trophy and \$500 first prize. In the B finals the Prescott Hawks defeated the Laurentian Old Puckers to capture the Labatts B Trophy as well as \$300 cash. Labatts Ltd., who sponsored the tournament, also donated three hand bags as individual prizes.

Winning the MVP and top scorer awards was Greg Fagan of Ottawa Business Interiors and the Best Goalie award went to Mike Comeau of the same team. All players in the tournament had to be 30 years of age or older.

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