



**He shoots! He scores!**

The North Shore Midget Hockey Championship was decided with a two game, total goals scored series, and the Terrace Bay-Schreiber Commodores emerged victorious over the Marathon club, despite a Marathon goal as shown in the photograph above. The Commodores won the first game on Feb. 20 with a 7-4 score, and then hung on to tie Marathon 4-4 in the second match in Terrace Bay on Feb. 25 to win the championship and the Wm. T. Quarrell Jr. Midget Trophy.

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## Council's request for access turned down by MTC official

The Ministry of Transportation and Communications has turned down Terrace Bay Council's request for consideration of a secondary access point to the expanding Terrace Heights subdivision, and that has Reeve Ollie Chapman and some Councillors fuming.

"I am very displeased with this," Councillor Jim Ziegler said after reading a letter from the Ministry's Northwestern Region Director, William Neilipovitz, which was sent to the township's

engineer, Doug Baker, on February 21.

In the letter, Neilipovitz said he cannot accede to the request because the suggested second exit and entrance at the opening of Ridgewood Drive would be too close to the current access point of the subdivision, Terrace Heights Drive.

According to a recent Terrace Bay Council motion, a safety hazard exists to motorists because Terrace Heights Drive is the only present exit and entrance to the entire area.

"This letter doesn't end

it," Ziegler said in an interview last week. "It's not over yet."

"We are certainly not going to let this die," Reeve Chapman said. She added that she still hopes to meet with MTC officials on the matter, though the decision to actually ask for such a meeting still lies with the entire Council.

"Our control of access on Provincial highways is intended to protect the operating integrity of our highways and ensure the safety of the travelling public," Neilipovitz explained in his letter.

"To accommodate (the mix of traffic (on Highway 17), it is important to limit the number of access points to the highway and provide a greater spacing of intersections than on local streets," he added.

"In this regard, the desirable spacing of public road intersections is in the range of 1,000 feet," he said. However, opening Ridgewood Drive, also known as Pumphouse Road, would mean a spacing of less than 400 feet with Terrace Heights Drive.

"We do not feel the opening of Ridgewood Drive is desirable from either the local or Provincial perspective of protecting the as-built capacity of the highway," he explained.

"I had an idea that this would be his excuse," Ziegler said. He intends to send a copy of the letter to Lake Nipigon MLA Gilles Pouliot, and he also hopes to bring up the matter at the next public Council meeting, scheduled for March 10.

Chapman was under the impression that an MTC representative would meet with Council before a final decision would be made on the request.

## Leave islands alone, concerned citizens say

by Conrad Felber

A delegation of four concerned citizens apparently representing hundreds of others appeared before Terrace Bay Township Council on February 24 and spoke out against any further changes at the Slate Islands Provincial Park, located in Lake Superior southeast of the township.

The four people in the delegation — Joan Clark, Ken Johnson, Joe Desaulniers, and John Pedersen — expressed their anxiety about the Ministry of Natural Resources and its Slate Islands Background Information

and Optional Plans, which was released earlier this year.

"The Slates have to stay exactly the way they are now," Clark told Council. She went on to explain that changes would be possible under all three of the Ministry's proposed land use plan options.

"They would still allow mining, even in Option One," she added. The Options increase in potential development, from a low status quo situation in Option One to a high intensity state of affairs with Option Three.

"We feel our input is going to fall on deaf ears

(with the Ministry)," Johnson said. "We are asking Council to write a letter to the Minister to ask him to look into this."

Councillor Jim Ziegler agreed, for the most part, with the objections raised by the members of the delegation. "I would like to see the islands stay the way they are now too," he told the assemblage, adding that it might not be right to trust the Ministry as "those guys are like snakes...they will just sneak in there on you."

Councillor George Ramsay pointed out that no one can say for sure what the MNR officials will or will

not do. "We could get them to come here and allay your fears," he said. "We could also let them know we did have a delegation here."

"I personally am against (changing) the provincial park, but I am speaking for myself here," Reeve Ollie Chapman explained. "But we all seem to want the Slates to stay the way they are, in their natural state."

"I look upon the Slate Islands as something unique," Ramsay responded.

"I'm not too sure they are going to change them. Those islands are priceless."

Reeve Chapman said that it might be best to react further after the results of the Ministry's public input become available. The deadline for input on the Background Information and Optional Plans package is March 7, 1986.

Johnson told Council that the delegation was speaking on behalf of 200 people. Reeve Chapman

thanked the group for discussing the matter with Council.

Terrace Bay resident Willikam Smilsky also appeared before the Reeve and Councillors to ask them why his severance application was turned down recently.

"The consensus of Council two or three meetings ago was that we didn't agree with your request," Councillor Peter Romanuk explained.

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## Schreiber may get C. of Commerce

Schreiber may soon have its Chamber of Commerce back...again.

A meeting of the township's Economic Development Groups was held on February 24 to discuss the possibility of resurrecting the Chamber, which hasn't existed in the community for decades.

Township clerk Aurel Gauthier explained that an agenda was prepared at the meeting, and the possibility of a new Chamber was just one of the points discussed. A town beautification program was also suggested.

He said a member of the Thunder Bay Chamber of Commerce will be attending a future meeting to give the group some assistance. Gauthier added that he knew of a Chamber in 1958, and there was also one organized approximately 50 years ago, but all of them folded due to lack of interest.



**Annual parade**

All ages and grades at the Terrace Bay Public School, including the youngest of all, shown above, took part in the school's annual Winter Carnival and Parade, held this year on February 14. There were a number of

floats again in the parade, and some of them received awards. Terrace Bay-Schreiber News editor Conrad Felber was one of the judges.