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Water problem levelling off

The problem of excess water entering the Schreiber sewage system is slowly decreasing, regardless of recent reports in the Times-News daily newspaper of Thunder Bay, according to Township Councillor Bob Krause.

"The flows have been slightly decreasing," he explained at the March 11 meeting of Schreiber Council. "There is still a pretty heavy flow in from some areas, especially the trailer park, but generally they are down since the start of the program, even though the paper said the flows are still the same," he added.

Last month, Schreiber's Water Pollution Control Plant Operator Peter Doig warned township residents that they might be in for a large increase in their tax bills in the future unless some of them stop putting so much extra water into the system.

Doig pointed out that a few people in the area are used to leaving their water taps open for extended

periods in order to prevent their pipes from freezing up during the winter. That bad habit has been creating a hydraulic overload at the township's plant, he added.

Krause noted that a test was scheduled for March 12 at the Travel Rest Trailer Park on Highway 11. Since the Council meeting, the test has been held. It was done to discover where the water infiltration at the site was coming from.

"We believe we have a broken water main there," Krause told the News following the test last week. "But we are not completely sure of that."

Even if it isn't a broken main, there is still a significant leak at the trailer park which is allowing extra water to enter the already overburdened system, he said.

"It is a contributing factor to the problem," Krause explained. "Now we have to find the leak and fix it." He felt this would be done by the township's crews within the next month or so.

Taxis prove taxing

Running a taxi business in Terrace Bay and Schreiber can be very taxing, as one such company received a warning from Schreiber Council regarding cab licences while another one in Terrace Bay went out of business recently after eight years of service to the community.

Jean Pinkerton, the owner of her own taxi cab company in Terrace Bay, has opened her cab doors to the public for the last

time, as on March 11 she closed up shop.

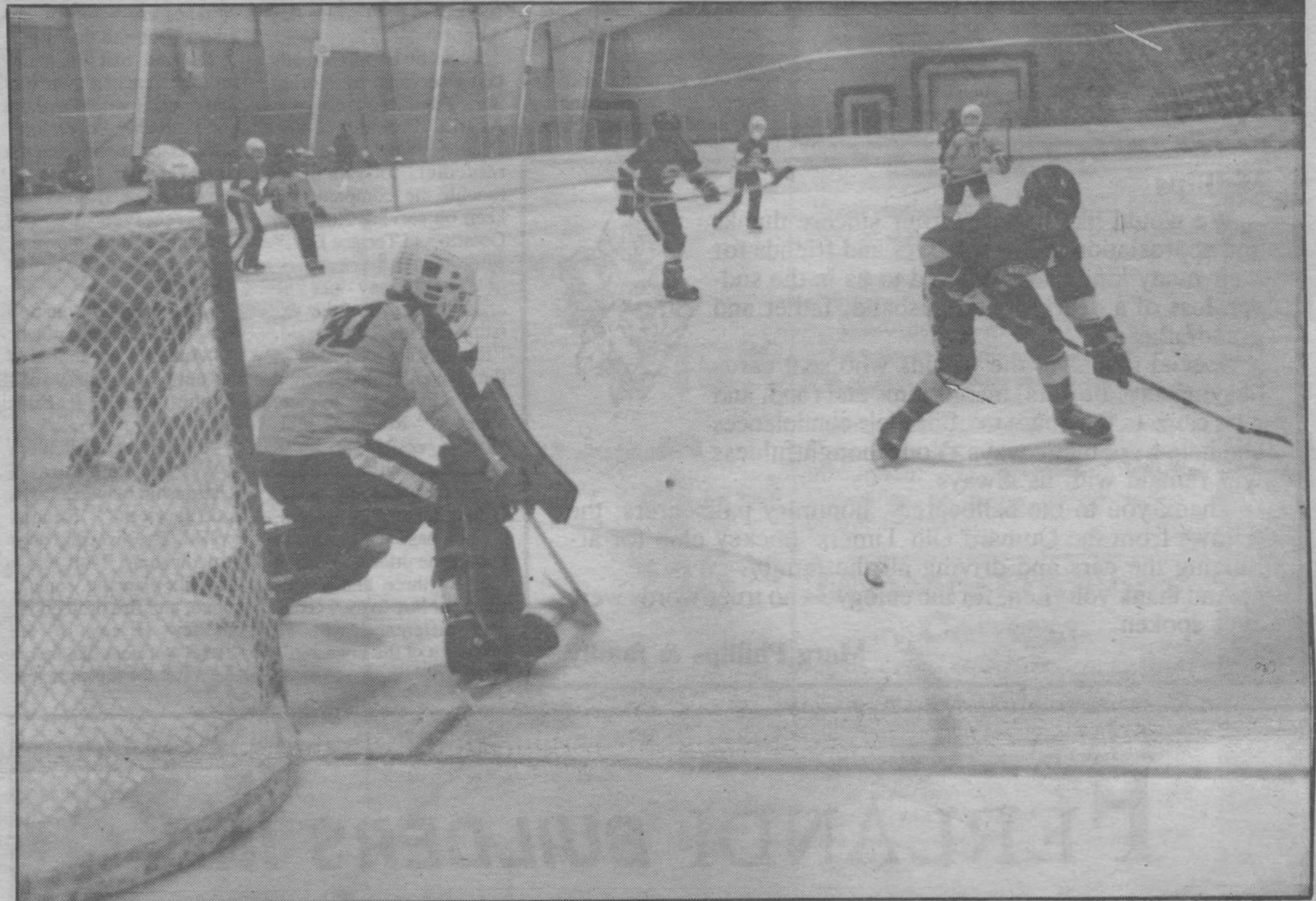
"I decided to do this quite a while ago," she told the News this week. She did not provide any further details.

At the same time, John Cebrario's cab company located in Schreiber was experiencing a bit of a disagreement with township council. In a letter to Cebrario dated February 26, council reminded him that if he is

operating two taxi cabs, he requires licences for both of them.

Cebrario said that it all had been a bit of a misunderstanding.

"I was running around my first cab a lot, and so I bought another car and put the cab in for repairs," he explained. "I switched the insurance on the cars and then switched it back later. The town just thought I was running both as cabs. It has all been cleared up now," he added.



Will he score?

Terrace Bay Legion's Jamie Speer, in the dark uniform, winds up to take a shot while Schreiber Travel Rest Eagles netminder Bryon Cosgrove rushes over to the side of his net to cut down on the angle. Speer didn't score on this opportunity, but his team didn't need the

goal, as they won 5-2 to take home the championship trophy from the 5th annual Schreiber Kinsmen Pee Wee Hockey Tournament, held March 8 and 9.

Terrace Bay motion passed by TB League

Terrace Bay Council's recent resolution, on the issue of the Lake Superior Board of Education's closing of the town high school's auditorium to licenced events, was read and passed at the March 8 Thunder Bay Municipal League meeting, although not without a few obstacles.

The motion, which was originally passed by council at its February 24 meeting, calls for holders of Special Occasion Permits to take more responsibility for the safety and sobriety of those attending events licenced by the Liquor Licence Board of Ontario.

It was that part of the motion which caused some difficulty when it was being considered by the League's Resolution Committee. According to Terrace Bay Reeve Ollie Chapman, the Committee had, at first, nonconcurred on the township's motion.

"I said I couldn't see why they were against it,"

she said at council's March 10 meeting. "Permit holders should be responsible ... what are we if we can't be responsible once in a while?"

She noted that Councillor Peter Romanuk, who also attended the League meeting, spoke in favor of the motion and pointed out that the school board was prepared to support it themselves. The resolution was then put to a vote and it passed by a majority, though Reeve Chapman did notice that some delegates did vote against it. The motion will now be presented at the Northern Ontario Municipal Association meeting, which is scheduled for May 1-3 in Dryden.

There was other good news for Reeve Chapman at the League session, however, as she was voted as the League's new Second Vice-President, with Geraldton Reeve Michael Power re-elected as President.

"I arrived at the meeting

on Saturday morning and I had a message to get in contact with the Nomination Committee," Reeve Chapman told the News. "They told me they would very much like me to run for Second Vice-President."

She replied that she would let her name stand for the position and was eventually voted in with no further nominations.

"I'm rather pleased," she admitted, adding that she is also on the Municipal League's Resolutions Committee. "It was one of the best meetings I've ever been to ... it was very well attended."

The June meeting of the Thunder Bay Municipal League is scheduled for Schreiber.



On the beach

There aren't too many sunbathers at this time of year, but the beach of Lake Superior at Terrace Bay is still a nice spot even in the dead of winter for walking the dog, especially on a nice, clear day. For photo buffs,

this picture was taken with a 35mm lens at f/16 and 1/500th of a second on ISO 400 black and white film. (Photograph by Conrad Felber)

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