

# Atom AE Tanners crush Arthur but lose in tourney

By Judith Kirkness

Acton's Atom AE Tanners beat Arthur 8-1 this week, but then lost both their games at a tournament in Elora.

The Tanners braved the snow to travel to Arthur on the 3rd, and beat the Vipers 8-1. With Ruddy Holmes behind the bench, the Tanners dominated from start to finish, Arthur's only goal came with less than a minute remaining, spoiling Jesse Harris' half of the shut-out, after Colton Wiens shut the Vipers out for his half.

Captain Josh McDonell led the Tanners with three goals and an assist. Other scorers were Brandon Masini (1G, 1A), Mitchell Webster (1G, 1A), Nathan Bennett (1G, 1A), John White (2A), Brandon Lockyer (1G), Jamie Campbell (1G), Jesse Spurrell (1A), Chris Chiasson (1A), Jake Lewis (1A), Roger Kirkness (1A) and Garret Kri (1A).

The next day the Tanners headed to Elora for a tournament, but were eliminated after losing two close games. The Tanners fell behind Grand Valley 2-

0 in the first, but scored two goals midway through the second to tie it. Josh McDonell set Brandon Masini up for the first goal with a nice pass (also assisted by Chris Chiasson), and scored the second from Jesse Spurrell and Nathan Bennett. Grand Valley then scored two more, but Nathan Bennett responded on the powerplay, assisted by Jesse Spurrell and Josh McDonell.

Acton could not score again, and Grand Valley scored with two minutes left in the third to put the game away by a score of 5-3.

On Sunday, the Tanners took on Waterford, and it was a close, exciting game that the Tanners lost in overtime. Waterford scored three goals in the first six minutes to lead 3-0, but Acton stormed back with four goals of their own to lead 4-3 after two periods. Jesse Spurrell had two goals, Brandon Masini had a goal and two assists, while Mitchell Webster had the other goal. Other assists went to James Begg, John White and Josh McDonell.

Waterford tied it early in the third, but the Tan-

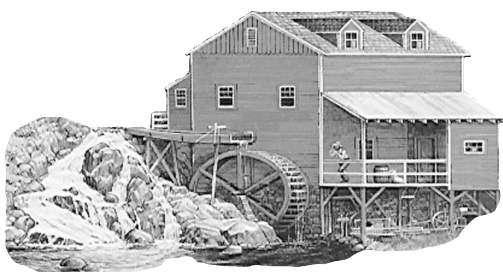
ners applied pressure to retake the lead, particularly over the last two minutes of the third during an Acton powerplay, but they could not score. Five minutes of overtime was scoreless, with Jesse Harris making some good saves. Acton continued to apply lots of pressure, but could not score the goal. The teams then began ten minutes of three skaters on three overtime, and Acton again applied pressure but could not score, with numerous hit posts and near misses.

Finally, after six minutes

of three on three, Acton got caught in too deep, and Waterford broke out on a breakaway. The Waterford shooter made no mistake and buried his hard shot to give Waterford the win and eliminate Acton from the tournament.

After the game, the tournament organizers presented Acton centre Brandon Lockyer with the "Charlie Hustle" trophy, awarded to the player on each team who worked the hardest during the tournament. Next home game is Saturday, January 11 at 4:30pm.

## The Rockwood MILLER



## New Rockwood well in operation by mid-summer

Rockwood may have its new well in operation by mid summer, Guelph/Eramosa council was told Monday.

Public Works superintendent Larry Van Wyck said testing of the new well on the Bernardi property shows that it's water is of an acceptable quality, but the quantity is less than expected. The test pump showed the well producing 150 gallons per minute instead of the expected 200.

The project is proceed-

### RIDE program nabs nine impaired

Wellington OPP checked 14,728 vehicles during the five week Festive RIDE program throughout the County.

Statistics show that nine people were charged with impaired driving related charges and also received an Administrative Drivers Licence Suspension.

Nineteen persons received a 12-hour suspension, which means that they were operating a motor vehicle with more than 50mgs of alcohol in their body but were under the legal limit. Thirty-two persons were charged with other offences under the Highway Traffic Act or Liquor Licence Act.

There were a total of 274 motor vehicle collisions: which included one fatal, 60 personal injury collisions and 213 property damage collisions. Eighty-eight persons were injured in collisions during the five week program.

ing, however, on the assumption that another new well will be found in the future when growth in the village demands a larger water supply, Van Wyck said.

An application to take water from the well has been sent to the Ministry

of Environment but no reply has been received. An application was also made for approval of the pump house and new well system. When those approvals are received, the project will go to tender with the hope it can be completed by July 1, he said.

## EWAG NEWS

Happy New Year from all the staff at EWAG Community Services!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the churches, service groups, Eramosa and Centennial Schools, the Royal Bank and all the numerous individuals who have donated to our office and food bank this Christmas season. There are at least 2,000 pounds of food that have come in during the past four weeks! We will certainly use this in the upcoming year. Thank you very much to all the folks who support us.

If you come into our thrift store during the month of January, you will find all of our items on for half price!! This fabulous sale includes all clothing items except for new hand-knit items. Cosy sweaters, almost new jeans and brand name items, all for 1/2 price!!

We're looking for a new cook!! Do you love to cook? Need a bit of spending money? Want to work approximately four hours a week? If the answer is "yes" then you may be interested in being our new cook for Diners Club. For more information, please call Lynn at the EWAG office at 856-2113.

EWAG will miss Leona Kingsbury, who is retiring as volunteer coordinator for our food bank. Leona has held this position for approximately seven years and has done a superb job in treating clients with care and concern. We will certainly miss Leona around the EWAG office and wish her all the best in all her other endeavours. With Leona's departure, we welcome to our staff Gillian Riseborough, who will be taking over the Rockwood and Erin Food Share. Welcome aboard, Gillian!

Please note that our food bank day will be changing from Wednesdays to Tuesdays as of February.

Tai Chi starts up Thursday, January 23 at 10:00 at Rockwood library. Call the EWAG office for more information. Sign-up deadline is January 21.

We are located at 126 Main St. S. Rockwood. Our phone number is 856-2113. Our office/store hours will be Monday to Thursday 10:00 to 4:00pm and Fridays the store will be open from 1:00 to 4:00pm.

## Devon homes vandalized

Police are looking for two males and a female seen running from the Devon Place subdivision at 2 a.m. on Friday after four houses were vandalized.

A Churchill Road resident called police after being awakened by the sound of breaking glass and seeing the suspects.

Police found the front windows of two houses under construction on Beardmore Court had been smashed, causing approximately \$2,500 damage.

The vandals also kicked holes in insulated drywall in two other houses in the vacant subdivision, causing \$3,000 damage.

### Roommate assault

A 39-year-old Queen Street man was charged with assault following a fight, possibly work-related, police

## POLICE/FIRE BEAT

said between two Acton roommates at 5:30 p.m. last Thursday.

The 28-year-old victim told police he suffered a scratched shoulder while being thrown out of the apartment.

### Flue fumes

Just before midnight on Sunday, Acton firefighters were called to a 22 Side Road home after residents smelled burning plastic.

The crew found a section of flue pipe from the furnace chimney had rusted off, allowing potentially deadly fumes to be exhausted into the basement.

Detection equipment re-

vealed trace amounts of carbon monoxide and the homeowners were told not to use the furnace before it was repaired.

### Foul fowl?

Carbon monoxide poisoning has been ruled out in the sudden deaths of five pet birds in a Glen Williams home at 6:36 p.m. on Sunday.

Firefighters checked the house and found no traces of any substance to explain the unusual deaths.

### Faulty detector

A Lasby Lane homeowner was advised to buy a new carbon monoxide detector after his activated without reason at 9:36 on Friday morning.

Acton firefighters checked the home but found no evidence of carbon monoxide and suspect the alarm was defective.

## Alpha course at Bethel

Bethel Christian Reformed Church in Acton is running the Alpha course again, an upbeat 12-week program, which presents Christianity's basic belief.

More than four million people all over the world have completed the course during the last ten years in churches, homes, schools, universities and prisons, according to Diane Leferink, the small group coordinator at the Acton church.

"This will be the fifth year we have offered the Alpha course," Diane says, "and over the years close to 100 men and women have come to the course at Bethel for a variety of reasons. Some come to investigate Christianity, others to try and discover the point of life. Still others who attend church take the course to get a renewed or better understanding of the faith."

Karl and Helen Weigt are among a growing number of people from Acton and area who became Christians through the Alpha program. They love to share and talk

about how coming to Alpha changed their lives, says Diane.

The course takes about 12 weeks from beginning to end and includes a special Saturday and a celebration dinner. Each Wednesday evening a light dinner is offered followed by a video on a variety of topics including: Christianity—boring, irrelevant, untrue?, Who is Jesus? After the video small groups meet to discuss ques-

tions and express their thoughts and opinions.

Those interested in finding out more about the Alpha course are invited to attend a dessert and information meeting on Wednesday, January 15 at the Christian Reformed Church (Hwy 7 Acton, across from Home Hardware) at 7:30pm. The course starts on Wednesday January 22 at 6:30pm.

## Police checked 34,344 vehicles in RIDE

Halton Police administered 246 roadside screening device tests during the Holiday RIDE program in the Region from Nov. 29 to Dec 31, 2002, from a total of 34,344 vehicles checked over the four weeks. They issued 263 12-hour licence suspensions during that time and five administrative drivers' licence suspensions.

Seven people were charged with drinking offences, six with being impaired. One hundred and sixty-six Highway Traffic Act charges, eight Liquor Licence Act charges as well as 23 other charges were laid. There were 686 warnings issued in the same period, up considerably over the same period in 2001 when only 247 were given.

Police stopped nearly 2,000 more vehicles this year than last and the percentage of charges was up considerably in most areas, including criminal drinking and driving related offences.