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Newmarket opened their arena this week.

Attendance at the initial exhibition hockey game in the local arena on Saturday was 700.

Unionville Arena has been held up for some days due to the cement shortage.

Norm Stunden in goal was the standout performer on Saturday night against St. Mike's, and caught the eye of ex-professional coach, Johnny O'Flaherty.

Waterdown and Delhi are clashing in the O.E.A. Intermediate 'C' finals, Waterdown having ousted Stouffville in the semi-final round. It's a three-out-of-five affair.

Apparently the old population rules don't hold any longer since both Oshawa and Lindsay are being allowed to play Junior 'C' hockey this winter.

Armstrong, one of the best new prospects for the Clippers' hockey team will be out of action for a couple of weeks due to an injury received in Saturday night's game.

Geo. Rhodes who turned in some superb goal-tending for Georgetown in their playoff series with Markham several seasons back, was a tryout with the Clippers last weekend.

Stouffville Clippers had no reason to be ashamed of their showing against the classy St. Michael's College squad in the game here on Saturday night. The Irish sported no less than nine professional hockey players in their ranks.

Bob Hassard and Nick Bangay of the Marlboro Sr. roster were both in attendance in the hockey game here on Saturday night. Both boys took part in the Marlboro exhibition game on Friday night in Simcoe against the Detroit Red Wings of the N.H.L.

It now appears that Georgetown will not be listed in the local Senior 'B' group, but Alliston will sponsor a Senior team. Varsity Senior Blues also have an entry in, and may be grouped with Markham, Stouffville and Weston.

The eastern Senior 'B' hockey group this winter will include Peterborough Legion, Belleville, Queen's University, Cornwall Nylons and possibly an Intermediate 'A' entry in the same group from Gananoque.

More than thirty players who hope to make a place for themselves on the Unionville Junior 'B' hockey team, took to the ice for the first time at Stouffville on Friday night. Coach Bob Lawrie found no dearth of talent with players coming from Whitby, Uxbridge, Aurora, Toronto, and the immediate Unionville area.

Aurora Juniors held their first workout on Stouffville ice on Monday evening with some three dozen prospects on hand. It's expected that Aurora will enter the Junior 'B' competition this season and will thus provide some of the opposition for Unionville.

Hal Gibson who has been working out with an American league hockey club at Buffalo, is back on this side of the line, and will be lured into the Stouffville camp if possible. Gibson was a standout performer with Georgetown, and has been playing Senior 'A' hockey on the east coast.

Stouffville Clippers might have added a couple of prominent hockey performers to their roster on Saturday night, now on the Marlboro 'A' lineup. Both Bob Hassard and Nick Bangay would have liked to don the gear for Stouffville, but captain Flash Howlett, thought the risk of injury was too great with the league opening date only a few days away.

Don't forget the bingo at Unionville Veterans' Hall: on Friday, Oct. 20. This bingo is sponsored by the Township Softball League to help the financial situation.

Maple Leaf Gardens and the Maple Leaf hockey moguls are slowly but surely worming a finger into every major branch team in and near the city. It's no secret that the Leafs are backing the St. Michael's entry, and will assume all financial losses, if any. They are also making way for the Irish to ice a good club, by helping to reinstate fifteen former pros on their list, and dividing the lot between the Marlboro and St. Mike clubs. Two of last year's Marlboro players have been released to the double blue, which provides one for the books. General consensus of opinion is that the Leafs also are playing the tune for Weston's Senior 'B' entry.

The Toronto Hockey League is now in action. They have already rented ice at Nobleton and Dixie and are expected to be contracting for the local Arena shortly. There has been talk of entering a couple of Minor Hockey teams from Stouffville in T.H.L. competition rather than the O.M.H.A. It is believed that they would get more hockey in the city league and have good travelling. O.M.H.A. groups in this area in late years have not proved too satisfactory. A number of clubs indicate their intentions of entering but peter out before the schedule has either started or is completed. Stouffville has been left high and dry on several occasions in the past. The Lions Club we believe are willing to provide the necessary financial backing through their boys' work committee. Last year saw two fine minor teams operating, and with such a good start it is to be hoped that someone will take up the load of organization and carry on.

Irish Overpower Clippers In Opening Exhibition Game

(By Jim Thomas)

Displaying strong offensive and defensive power St. Michael's College Majors, a new addition to Senior 'A' Major competitions, took advantage of scoring opportunities in the second and third periods to take the game 8-2. The Clipper squad showed off their new sweaters for the first time and looked powerful even against their professional opposition. Such names as Hannigan, Psntka, Sullivan and Fowler made the difference between the two clubs although in territorial play there wasn't much to choose between the two teams. The Scott brothers formed a powerful twosome on defense while such stars as Brennan, Lewis, Watson, Singleton, Couch and the rest fought hard all the way. Armstrong, a new addition on the forward line, looked good as did the other newcomers Wade and McCrone, considering it was the opening game of the season. The hard hitting Toronto lads played up to their Senior 'A' rating with stiff checks and numerous flare-ups adding to the enjoyment. The penalties were numerous as the referee and linesmen were kept busy all night.

In the first period Hannigan started the scoring as he broke free from a Clipper ganging attack to skate in alone and beat Stunden. Only a matter of seconds had elapsed when Singleton tied the score from Brennan inside the St. Mike's blueline. At 7:45 Fowler again put his team one up from Psutka on a close in play. Three minutes later the Armstrong, Lewis and Couch line teamed up to again put the locals on even terms. Armstrong actually fired the rubber into the cage after Couch had made the pass out to Lewis who in turn relayed it to his sharp shooting wingman. At 12:02 Blair put the College lads in front to stay, as he beat Stunden with Singleton serving a tripping penalty.

In the second frame Blair again blinked the light as he raced from the penalty box and found himself alone inside the blueline. The Clippers fought hard to get back in the game and did succeed in netting the puck only to be disallowed as it glanced off a high stick. The Toronto lads then made it 5-2 as Ubricco scored from Kennedy at 16:30. Lewis received a bad crack on the leg and also a penalty for hooking which raised a loud argument from the home team but to no avail. The retaliating player was not penalized for his stick swinging action, however. Mesich of St. Mike's was given a two minute rest in the cooler and a 10 minute misconduct penalty added on as he crashed the referee on his way to the box. The second period ended with two visitors still sitting it out in the detention seat.

In the third the Senior 'A' boys counted three more with Ubricco, Hannigan and Fowler scoring in that order. Stunden turned in a terrific game in the nets and received many compliments from the fast skating College boys. The game proved a good workout for both teams and Coach Bangay was

very pleased with his team's showing for the first game of the season. Some of the boys found their condition not quite up to par as player changes were very frequent while the play was still going on. A crowd of over 700 turned out for the exhibition and saw two good teams give their utmost in a hard hitting rugged contest.

Hope for Action This Week on Local Player Squabble

This week should see action by the O.H.A. to call in the Stouffville Club for a hearing regarding their request for releases of former Markham players. The players themselves have all filed complaints with the O.H.A. on being refused releases from Markham.

A check with president John Torrance of the Markham Club reveals that they are standing pat on refusing to release any players without remuneration, although they would consider a deal in the case of Jack Watson.

"The price we want for all the players Stouffville is after, is more than \$2,000," he stated to The Tribune.

Stouffville Club, Mr. Torrance contends, showed bad form in approaching players before coming to the Markham executive. The Markham chief believes that so much hard feeling has been stimulated over the affair now that the players will possibly refuse to play for Markham even if the O.H.A. says they can be held.

Manager O'Neill of the Stouffville Club is firm in the belief that the matter should be left to the players entirely, and if they desire a move and can show that they can better themselves, they should not be held by Markham against their will.

Mr. O'Neill points out that there have been six players, namely, Norm Stunden, Mac Clement, Keith Jewett, Vic Sluce, and the Rumney brothers nipped from Stouffville ranks in the past few years, four at one time, and no move was made by the local club to keep these players here.

Stouffville lost the services of one of their top notch players of last year because he found he could better himself financially elsewhere. It is the contention of the local club that Markham either make an attractive enough offer to get the players they want or forget about them.

MISSISSIPPI DOCTOR KILLS TWO BEARS WITH ONE SHOT

A Mississippi doctor really has something to talk about when he gets home—he killed two grizzly bears with one bullet.

Dr. L. H. Moore of Jackson, Miss., and a guide were bear hunting when they came upon a large grizzly feeding.

Moore fired one shot into the grizzly, but the bear ran into the timber.

Moving to where the bear entered the woods, the men were dumbfounded to find a smaller bear lying dead on the spot. The big grizzly was dead a short distance away.

The bodies showed a hole clean through the larger animal, and the bullet lodged in the smaller.

The season for summer camps is over—the place where little boys went for mother's vacation.

"Squawks" from Fans Must Be Signed

We are in receipt this week of a letter from an unknown hockey fan panning the local management for the handling of the Stouffville Clippers in Saturday night's hockey game, and because the management chose to select the best players on the local roster to be used against this fast company. Of course, anyone who is really wise up to the hockey game knows that such moves are only experimental, or was this particular individual just put out because some pet performer of last year's squad didn't get the nod of the coach. The letter does not appear in this column as it was unsigned, and such communications are never used if the sender doesn't wish to come out in the open. Personally your writer gives

HID IN DOGHOUSE IN OWN GARDEN FOR THREE DAYS

A police hunt for 44-year-old Elias Jossa of St. Trond, near Liege, spread all over Belgium. After three days they found him—hiding in a doghouse in his own garden. Jossa was alleged to have set his house on fire after quarrelling with his wife.

No doubt the biggest liar in the world is a Russian fisherman.

full credit to the local senior hockey management for bringing the best hockey talent they can secure to Stouffville, regardless whether or not they come from Toronto, Markham, or any other point in the metropolitan area. Stouffville is buying hockey talent on a strictly dollars and cents basis, and as to where the players come from fails to enter the picture.



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Return of Norm Stunden Recalls Thrilling Junior Performances



Remember this thrilling moment four seasons back as Norm Stunden playing Junior 'B' hockey for Stouffville, warded off a close call in a playoff game at Owen Sound. Another familiar figure who

also gave Markham a season after playing the bulk of his hockey here, is Mac Clement. Norm Stunden was perhaps the busiest man on the ice in Saturday night's opening exhibition fray here, and despite

the fact that eight pucks passed him, he was a star in his first clash with professional company. He has declared his determination to return to Stouffville this season, but Markham has so far refused to give him the "all clear."

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