

# SPORTS

NEWS  
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VIEWS

## Senior Hockey Standing

	P	W	L	T	Pts.
Stouffville	7	6	1	0	12
Owen Sound	7	6	1	0	12
Markham	7	5	1	1	11
Newmarket	6	4	1	1	9
Collingwood	7	1	6	0	2
Alliston	6	1	5	0	2
Midland	7	0	7	0	0

There'll be free skating for the children this Saturday morning from 9.30 until 11.30 a.m.

Be sure and buy a lucky number program at the arena on Saturday night—you may win a fine New Year's fowl.

The local Midget, Bantam and Juvenile O.M.H.A. groups are being lined up this week and we expect to have the list for you next week. League games are expected to begin next week.

That'll be an all-important game in Unionville one week from next Wednesday, Jan. 10th, when Markham and Owen Sound come to grips for the first time.

Up in Collingwood, we understand Ab Bowen is technically not eligible to be playing with the Shipbuilders. Bowen hooked up with them at the beginning of the season and has been a big help to them. It is already rumored the O.H.A. bosses are taking a dim view of the Collingwood team's signing of Bowen.

Buck Forslund has returned to Owen Sound to play for the Mercurys. The 23-year-old left winger stirred up a bristling hockey feud between Owen Sound and Sarnia this winter when he joined the camp of the Sarnia Sailors instead of reporting to the Mercurys. As the controversy grew more heated, the case was referred to the Ontario Hockey Association executive who ruled Forslund the property of the Owen Sound club. He was suspended from further hockey action in Sarnia. Following his suspension, Forslund vowed he would stay out of hockey rather than return to Owen Sound. However, after liberating a couple of weeks Forslund decided to return to Owen Sound and the Mercurys. Forslund went to Owen Sound to play hockey two years ago. Last season, while the Mercurys were struggling in the Senior A circuit with Toronto, Hamilton and Kitchener, Buck really hit his stride. He hooked up with Pat McReavy and Doug Gillespie and in the last fifteen scheduled games, they were the highest scoring line in the league.

Stouffville and Markham are expected to draw another bumper crowd at the local arena when they clash for the second scheduled meeting this Saturday night. The game is a very important one with first place at stake. The Clippers dunked the Millionaires in their first meeting and if they can do so again will increase their first place margin to three points. However, if Markham can turn the trick in this second meeting, they can gain the top rung by a one-point margin. Owen Sound is idle until next Tuesday when they meet Newmarket for the first time. Collingwood, Alliston and Midland continue to be mired in the league cellar with little hope of pulling out. Newmarket, despite their injury list have been doing well and are right on the heels of the league leaders.

## Fiery Wire Conversation Threatens Revenge On Owen Sounders

Defeat does not rest lightly on the shoulders of Lloyd Kewley, fiery manager of the Alliston Royals. That's the impression one gained listening in on the Owen Sound end of a telephone conversation between the Owen Sound Mercurys manager Charlie Blackwell and Claude Kewley who was unable to make the trip to Owen Sound last week.

The conversation took place following a 1-3 drubbing the Mercurys administered the Royals in a scheduled Big Seven senior hockey game there.

Kewley fairly melted the wires as he swore he'd send a team to Owen Sound who would smear the Mercurys all over the ice. Going farther, Kewley promised Blackwell he'd give him a personal going-over.

The original phone call to the Alliston manager was made by net-minder Vern Buffey, who told the Royals' boss the score of the game and also announced he was leaving the club. "The humiliation is just too great—I quit," the 20-year-old goalie stated bluntly.

This, another with the fact that there already was some dissension in the club, seemed to be too much for the Alliston chief who asked to speak to Blackwell and then proceeded to blow his top completely.

Bill Bradbury's injury is slowly on the mend, and recent x-rays show that satisfactory recovery is being made which should allow Bill to get back into action early in the new year.

Alliston only had eight men dressed for their game the other night with Owen Sound, and in addition, their coach Joe Cleary played in goal in place of Buffy who quit the club, at least temporarily, following a 1-3 shillacking in Owen Sound. However, despite the shortage in manpower, the best the Sounders could do was come out with a 6-3 win.

## Unionville Curling Club Reorganized for Another Season

On Friday, Dec. 22, the Unionville Curling Club held their first meeting of the season. The president for the coming year is Harvey Collard of Victoria Square while Bob Rae retains his old position as secretary of the club. As the club stands to date about eighty members are expected to comprise the organization although there is room for a few more if they care to join. About fifty enthusiastic followers of the broom and stone were present at the first meeting. Two days a week are being set aside for the club, they being Monday and Thursday. They may also use the nights of the mentioned days if they so wish. The fees for the season are \$20.00 for Seniors twenty-one and over while Juniors under twenty-one are charged \$10. A good year is expected by the officers who feel that curling interest is a growing thing in the community.

## Clippers Outshot Midland 3 to 1, To Dump Flyers 7-1

In the first game played at Midland on Thursday night the Clippers completely overpowered their lighter rivals and only for the great work of Gagnon in the Flyers' net the locals might have doubled the score. In the one-sided contest the hardworking net-minder had to handle 49 shots while Rhodes had a comparatively easy time with only 16 stops to his credit. With Bradbury and Minton out with injuries and Clarke failing to make the trip Coach Bangay had to fall back to two attacking forward lines which proved all the strength necessary for the easy win. Only for a last minute goal in the third period spoiled the shut out chances for Rhodes as the puck slid in during a wild scramble around the net. Sayliss was the only two goal man for the Clippers with the other tallies being divided between Couch, Lewis, Stark, Bangay and Hopper.

In the first period the Flyers started out fast and looked as if they might give the local boys a real battle but they could not keep up to the faster skating homesters and within a matter of minutes the play began to swing into the Flyers and with Gagnon putting on a great display before letting the first goal slip through. On the first tally Couch and Hopper set Lewis up for a perfect three way goal. The Flyers held on until midway through the period when Sayliss went in to score the first of his two goals on passes from Stark and Hochberg. At 15:07 Bangay picked up a loose puck in front of the Midland goal and promptly fired it home for goal number three. Couch and Lewis were credited with assists on the play.

Only a little more than a minute had passed in the second period when Hopper set Sayliss up for his second marker and the speedy winger fired goal number five unassisted to end the period. In the second twenty minutes Gagnon had twenty saves to make while Rhodes was called to the rescue on only five occasions.

In the final period the Clippers added three more goals to their total and the Flyers notched their lone counter. Stark who played a great game for the locals going both ways wheeled in on the net and scored with a low drive to the corner. Couch who continues to lead the scoring parade kept his goal scoring record intact after being given a perfect pass by Lewis. Hopper picked up his fourth point of the night by assisting on the play. At exactly 19:28 just thirty seconds before the close of the game Collings banged in a loose puck to spoil a perfect night for goalie Rhodes. Machin, husky rearguard for the Clippers who has shown surprising improvement since his first showing here turned in a good game as did Hochberg. Stark looked best up front with his lone rushes catching the eye of many of the Midland supporters.

## Peaches Move To Royal Rink for Third T.H.L. Game

On Saturday night Peaches A.C. take leave of their home rink here and journey to Toronto for their third T.H.L. game in the Royal rink. In their first game although having more chances than their opposition the local boys dropped the contest 4-2. The Toronto Millionaires, made up of a group of East Toronto lads, tallied twice in the first half and added two more in the final twenty minutes while Peaches scored one in each half. Murray Grove and Ed Mason teamed up for the first Peaches tally and Don Thomas bagged their second goal on a quick corner drive. The locals, had numerous chances around the net but their shooting was weak when a goal seemed certain.

Grant Welis, turned in a good game for the seventh concession crew and only for a couple of breakaways which he had no chance on he held the fort in great style. He and George Timbers are alternating in the nets.

## Spits, Builders Draw 61 Minutes in Penalties In Rugged Clash

Five goals and two assists by Ken Thoms sparked Newmarket Spitfires to a 10-3 victory over Collingwood Shipbuilders in a rough, rowdy O.H.A. Senior Big Seven game last week.

Sixty-one minutes in penalties were handed out during the fight-studded affair, which one veteran hockey man called "the wildest game I've ever seen."

The extra-curricular action got started midway through the second, after a good deal of high-sticking and holding had gone unchecked for the first 30 minutes. The fighting continued until the final bell. At one point the crowd got into the act by throwing paper on the rink. The customers were displeased by a penalty handed a local favorite. Games in Newmarket, usually last about two hours but this affair, suffering from a half-dozen delays, took three hours to complete.

Only other multiple scorer for Newmarket was Ken Bolton, who netted two while Al Shewchuk, Danny Labine and Gord Bone scored one apiece. Al Kirby had two and Jack Cochrane one for the locals.

Newmarket could gain only a 2-0 lead in the first period, but turned on a burst of speed to take an 8-1 lead by the end of the second.

Two players, Bill Mabbett and Danny Labine, were injured, neither seriously.

## Injured by Puck, Wife Gets \$17,000

Mrs. Mary Kathryn Sullivan was awarded \$17,000 by U.S. Court of Appeals because she didn't know a hockey puck could be hit into the air off the ice.

The court upheld an earlier verdict which gave Mrs. Sullivan the money for injuries suffered at a Washington Lions hockey game at Uline Arena, Washington, March 19, 1946. The decision hinged largely on the fact it was the first hockey game Mrs. Sullivan had ever seen.

Uline Ice, Inc., which formerly had the pro hockey team there, contended Mrs. Sullivan either was sufficiently informed of the danger, or, after seeing screens at the ends of the rink and watching the play for a short time, should have been aware there was some danger attached to watching a hockey game, thereby assuming the risk.

However, the court did not agree. "Here the appellee (Mrs. Sullivan)" it said, "testified she did not know that the puck could leave the playing area, that she did not know that the zone where she was sitting was dangerous, and that this was her first time at a hockey game."

The court noted that pro hockey no longer is played in Washington and that the attempt at its establishment was unsuccessful and short-lived.

"It was not shown to have achieved like baseball, either a local or a nation-wide acceptance," the court said. "Under such circumstances, we believe that it is a jury question whether the dangers inherent in sitting in an unscreened, ringside seat at a hockey match are common knowledge chargeable to the appellee."

During the game she was witnessing, a flying puck struck Mrs. Sullivan in the face. The lenses of her glasses were crushed with pieces of glass driven into her eyes. About 98 per cent of the vision in her right eye has been lost, the court was informed. Her husband also collected \$3,000 for medical expenses.

It takes from 50 to 100 years to produce a tree large enough for timber.

## Clippers Humble Midland in Two Straight Games, Opposition Weak

The local Clippers ran their undefeated streak to seven straight games as they skated through Midland Flyers to score a total of 19 goals in two games. The locals allowed only three tallies to be scored against them. The Clippers downed the Flyers 7-1 in the first contest and really let loose before the home fans on Saturday night to riddle the visitors by a 12-2 count. By their double win the Clippers continued to hang on to the top rung of the O.H.A. Big Seven Senior League.

The second encounter was a repeat performance of the first as the visitors proved no match for the local crew. Sayliss and McCrone climbed into contention in the scoring parade with three goals each. Clarke and Minton connected for two markers apiece while Lewis and Rose each added one. Hochberg was missing from the lineup and Bradbury is still on the injured list.

Only thirty-two seconds had gone by when Sayliss bagged the first of his three markers. A minute later Clarke romped through the entire Midland team for a perfect goal and his defence partner Herbie Rose made it 3-0 with Soyer of the Flyers serving time on a tripping penalty. Midway through the period McCrone, smooth working Clipper playmaker, came up with two goals, the first from Minton and the second unassisted. The period ended with the locals holding a 5-0 lead.

In the second twenty minutes the Clippers added five more while the Flyers could blink the light on only one occasion. Sayliss drove in his second tally of the night and Lewis made it goal number seven on a pass from Hopper. At 5:07 the Flyers broke the ice with St. Amant golfing the puck in the net on a close-in play. Nick Bangay, arriving late in the game, teamed up with Clarke and Minton, the latter stickhandling in to pick up his second scoring point of the game. Sayliss fired the hat trick at 10:25 and McCrone, not to be out done by his team mate, bagged his third goal a minute later and ended the scoring in the period.

The final frame was again an all Clipper affair but the locals were satisfied with two goals instead of the usual five scored in the previous periods. Clarke notched his second goal on a hard blueline drive that Gagnon never saw. Minton also tallied his second marker from Gibson and Rose and with that the locals called it a night as far as any more scoring was concerned. With only a minute remaining in the game the Flyers added one more with Spiker beating Rhodes from Collings and St. Amant. The final score read Clippers 12, Flyers 2.

## First Local Player Suspended for Bad Language

The Ontario Hockey Association's recently announced gag rule received its first test Thursday night and came through with flying colors. An OHA subcommittee handed Eddie Williams, of Aurora Junior 'B' Bears a three-game suspension for using abusive language. The penalty was automatic but a subcommittee's decision was necessary to put it into effect.

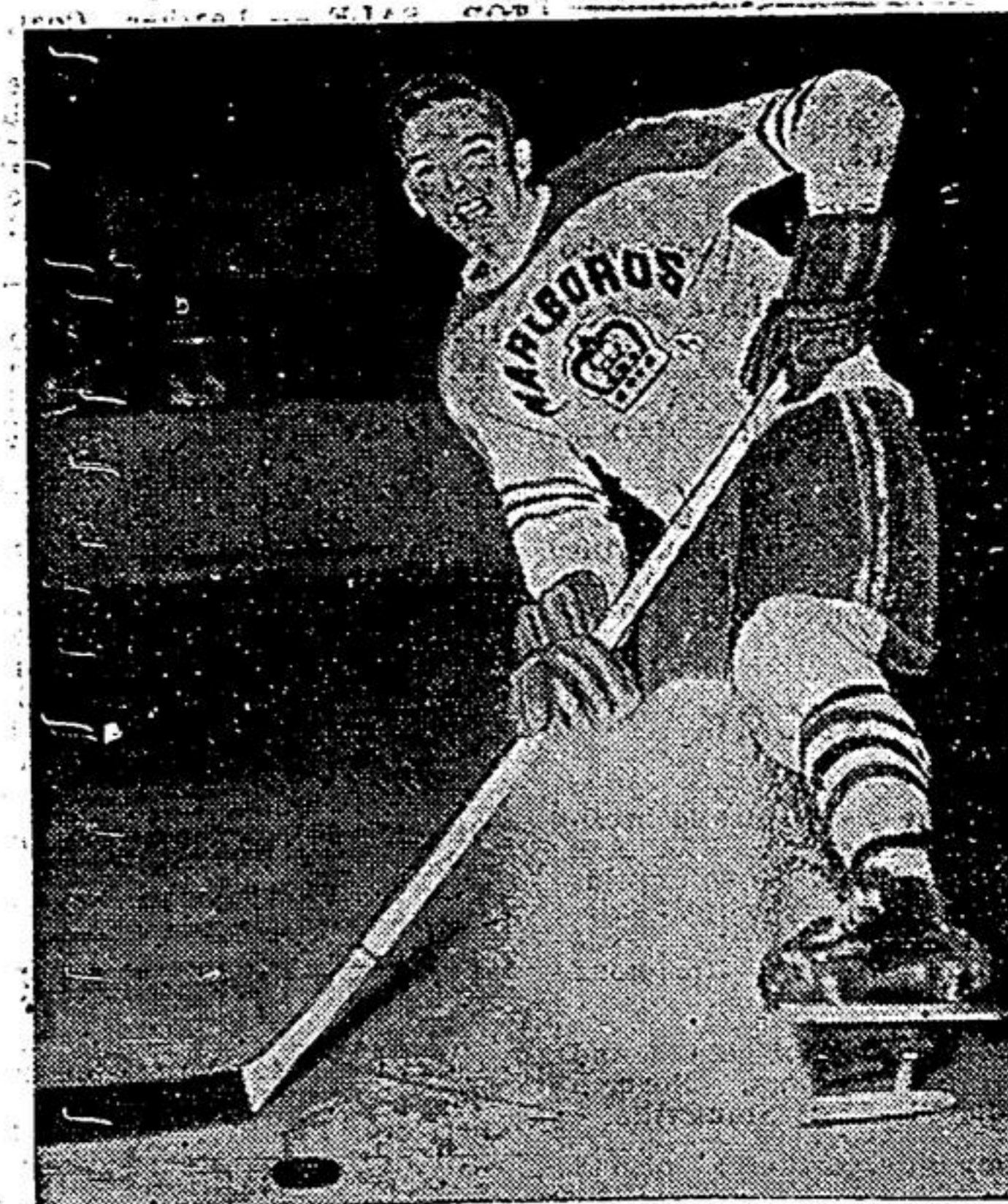
Williams allegedly swore at Referee Andy Bellmer in a game with Weston Dukes at Aurora after Bellmer had given the defenseman a penalty. Bellmer then banished Williams for the rest of the game and reported the incident to the OHA.

Weston won the game, 6-0.

## Peaches A.C. Come From Behind To Gain Tie in T.H.L. Game

After taking an early lead in the first half of their T.H.L. game the heavier opposition came back to tie the score and take the lead as Peaches seemed slow in clearing around their net. However, the locals never let down and stormed in around their towering opponents who seemed to tire under the pressure. Don Miller came up with the goal that put both teams on even terms and although the seventh concession lads had a decided edge in the play they failed to score again. Lloyd Grove put Peaches in the lead as he let go with a blue line shot that caromed in off a skate into the net. The Toronto boys then rallied with two goals but not to be denied Ed Mason backhanded a shot into the enemy cage on passes from Murray Grove and Don Thomas. Nearing the halfway mark in the final frame Miller skated fast in on the net and let go with the tying goal to even the score. Coach Gord Lewis threw

## Captain Bob Cuts A Caper



Captain Bob Hassard of the Marlboro Majors who is right up at the top of the scoring race in the top amateur series, along with Ubriaco of St. Michael's. Captain Bob is shown here cutting a caper for the photographer. He was

recalled to the Maple Leaf roster again last week for a weekend game. Bob is assisting Bob Snowball in handling the Stouffville Midget hockey entry. He was recently named manager of the 1951 Intermediate Ball Club here.

## TWO FINED \$25 AFTER WALKERTON HOCKEY FIGHT

Fines of \$25 and costs each were imposed on Carson Shantz of Kitchener and Joseph Sullivan of Walkerton as the result of a fight at the Bridgeport-Walkerton O.H.A. Intermediate 'B' hockey game of Dec. 9. They pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct counts.

## COULDN'T RESIST HOP

Memphis—Mrs. Estelle Shelly thought the elderly matron had suffered a fit until she passed her and saw the hop scotch squares chalked on the pavement.

## PEEP

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