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Stouffville Clippers Win Sr. 'B' Group Championship, Defeat Orillia Terriers 4 games to 1

Stouffville came through in sensational style on Thursday night to defeat Orillia Terriers 7-3 and win the Senior 'B' Group Championship four games to one. It was a great series between the two clubs, a series that saw the Terriers battle the favored Clippers with a dogged determination that will long be remembered by the hundreds of hockey fans who supported both teams during the entire series. Although the local squad took the first two games of the final round quite handily 10-4 and 6-0 the Terriers fought right back for a 4-2 victory here and then tied the following contest in Orillia 4-4. A 2-1 victory by the Clippers in the fifth game proved to be the big win and the homesters could not be stopped in Orillia on Thursday night outscoring their rivals by a 7-3 count. The most outstanding hockey display throughout the final round has been the work of the two goalenders, Eatough of the Clippers and Ross of Orillia. Both players turned in terrific performances in every game and won the hearty applause of the fans as they came up with one dazzling stop after another. The six games between these two clubs have been indeed a battle of goaltenders. Goalie Blake Eatough played the entire six game series and turned aside 129 pucks fired in the direction of the Clipper net. Grant "Gander" Ross in the Terrier cage handled 144 shots in five games.

Jack Watson opened the scoring for the Clippers after six minutes had ticked by in the first period. Bob Bangay set Watson up for the tally. Two minutes later George Stark flipped the puck to Bud Watson who made no mistake with his shot and at 11:25 the Clipper centre star notched his second goal to give his club a 3-0 lead. The Bud Watson, George Stark, Nick Bangay line were literally flying in the opening twenty minutes as they coasted through the Orillia defence time and time again.

Orillia counted their first marker of the game with Long blinking the light from Sanderson at 4:45 of the second period. With the Clippers pressing into the Terrier zone Stark caught the eye of Referee Butters and was banished with a two minute tripping penalty. Although playing with one man advantage the Terriers found it impossible to penetrate the Clipper defence. Morley Petch, who turned in one of his best games of the series blocked one attacking forward after another until the Terriers were forced to shoot the puck into the Stouffville zone from centre ice and race in after it. Hardly had Stark returned to the ice when Petch was thumbed to the box and once again the Terriers were held at bay this time by some outstanding checking on the part of Nick Bangay. With a matter of seconds left to play and with the locals playing a man short a wild scramble developed around the Clipper net. Although the Stouffville squad attempted to clear defenceman Jack Dye picked up the loose puck and drilled it over the cross bar of goal. Eatough to end the scoring for the period.

The Clippers shifted into overdrive in the third and final period as they pumped in three tallies to a lone goal scored by the Terriers. George Stark, by far the best player on the ice raced in on the Orillia net after receiving a perfect pass from Nick Bangay to pick the far corner with a bullet drive. At the eight minute mark Gibson Bell and Stephenson combined for the nicest three way passing play of the night. Stephenson completed the pattern play for the fifth Clipper goal. Midway through the period Stark picked up a loose puck at centre ice, shifted defenceman Davidson practically out of the rink as he cut into centre and beat Ross in the Orillia net with a well aimed shot. Hardly had the Clippers number one line left the ice when Gibson Bell and Stephenson swarmed into the Orillia zone and sizzled three direct shots dead on the Orillia net only to have goalie Ross rise to the occasion and block every drive from the dashing threesome.

In a wild scramble around the Clipper goal netminder Eatough fell on the loose puck only to have Ab Bowen bring his stick down with resounding force on the outstretched glove of the local star. The blow dislocated a finger requiring a doctor's attention and giving the goalie considerable pain. With but two minutes left in the game A. Bowen scored the final goal of the game and series. As the final whistle sounded the Orillia squad skated over to offer their congratulations to the Champion Clippers and wish them the best of luck in the games that lie ahead. The Clippers now await another group winner as they begin their march toward the O.H.A. Senior 'B' Championship.

CLIPPER PLAY-OFF SCORING PARADE

| | G | A | Pts. |
|------------------|---|---|------|
| Ronnie Bell | 7 | 2 | 9 |
| Geo. Stark | 5 | 3 | 8 |
| Hal Gibson | 3 | 5 | 8 |
| Nick Bangay | 2 | 5 | 7 |
| Bob Bangay | 3 | 2 | 5 |
| Jack Rumney | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Polly Minton | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Frank Stephenson | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| Jack Watson | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Bud Watson | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Kim Machin | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Herb Rose | 0 | 2 | 2 |

Stouffville Maple Leafs took on the Unionville Jets Junior 'B' squad on Tuesday night of last week in Unionville. The two teams battled to a 6-6 deadlock. The Leafs in the absence of a number of star players used Agincourt's ace centre star, Don Clarke in their lineup.

The final doubleheader in the Intermediate League regular schedule will be played on Friday night when Lansing meets Uxbridge and the two local squads, Stouffville Maple Leafs and Peaches A.C. square off in the second contest.

Herb Rose has come up with a stellar performance during the entire Orillia-Clipper playoff series going strong not only on the defensive but on the offensive as well. Herb received honorable mention by a number of the Hot Stove League members in their summary of the various games and series.

Georgetown 120-Club captured the O.M.H.A. Juvenile 'C' championship, with a 10-3 win over Havelock Scotties at Lindsay in the third and final game of the final series. Jim Austin, local O.M.H.A. representative presented the champs with the Jack Roxborough trophy.

Georgetown roared from behind to take a 4-2 lead in the first, outscored the Rotary-sponsored Scotties 6-1 in the second and wrapped it up with two goals in the third period. The Havelock Pipe Band was in attendance.

Blake Eatough, star goaltender with the Clippers, had his one finger badly injured in the final game with Orillia on Thursday night. The injury occurred during a wild scramble around the Stouffville net and as Eatough grabbed the elusive rubber one of the opposing forwards brought his stick down with resounding force on the hand of the outstretched netminder. Doctor's attention was needed in order that he might continue in the final minutes of the game.

Intermediate Schedule Ends Friday

The regular schedule of the Stouffville Arena Intermediate Hockey League winds up this week with two of the playoff positions yet to be decided. At the time of writing Uxbridge and Agincourt are deadlocked for the second rung and each have one game to play. Uxbridge are favored for the number two position since they take on the cellar dwelling Lansing squad in the final contest of the regular season while Agincourt must overcome the league-leading Stouffville Maple Leafs on Tuesday night of this week. Both teams are a strong aggregation and could provide plenty of opposition for the local Leafs. If Agincourt lose to Stouffville on Tuesday night it will be Uxbridge facing Peaches and Agincourt battling Stouffville in the semi-final playoff round.

On Wednesday night of last week Uxbridge downed Peaches 4-2 and Agincourt humbled Riverdale 10-7. Ron Lintner was the big gun for the Uxbridge squad with two goals and one assist. Smalley and Vipond notched the other goals for the winners. M. Grove and D. Smith were the Peaches marksmen. In the second contest forwards Winkle and D. Clarke each fired three goals to give Agincourt their 10-7 victory over Riverdale. Roy Green blinked the light on two occasions and McKenzie notched a lone marker for the winners. Blunt tallied three for the Toronto squad with other goals going to Philipps, Clelland, Fortnier, and Bazan.

On Friday night, Uxbridge pulled a big surprise by upsetting Stouffville 6-1. Agincourt outscored Lansing 10-6 in the second game. Uxbridge led by T. Lintner and Vipond with two goals held the upper hand over the locals for the greater part of the game outscoring the homesters in every period. Don Fowar notched the lone Maple Leaf tally. Bill Bradbury and Acton came through with singles for the winners.

In the second contest Agincourt led by Roy Green with five markers paced his team to a 10-6 victory over Lansing. Don Clarke lengthened his lead in the individual scoring totals with three goals. Bisson and Winkle tallied the others. Defenceman Ring, a newcomer to the Lansing squad, notched three of their six goals with Hampton, Collins and Davidson scoring singles.

Jim Austin Presents Trophy To Juvenile Champs

Little Britain came through last week to win the Juvenile 'D' Championship in two straight games from Atwood 9-2 and 10-5. The second contest was played on artificial ice at Milverton. The Jack L. Christie trophy was presented to the Champions by Jim Austin, on the executive of the O.M.H.A. The winners have chalked up quite an enviable record during the season having lost but two games, they being to Newmarket who are playing in class 'B' hockey.

Denny Labine, star forward with Newmarket Spitfires, is a member of the Parry Sound Club that meets Collingwood Shipbuilders in the next round of the Intermediate 'A' semi-finals.

It is reported that Al Shewchuk, who coached the Newmarket Spitfires, will not be with the club next season. If this rumor is well founded the Spits will have a big hole to fill in their defence position.

Congratulations are due Loring Doolittle, Doobie, who played some ball with the local Red Sox last season and is well known for his hockey ability has been attending an umpire school in sunny Florida and has graduated with flying colors. The colorful sports figure will umpire in the Mountain State League.

The Gray Coach Bus transporting local fans to Orillia on Thursday night was delayed for some time at Goodwood due to a couple of flat tires. Following repairs, the supporters continued the trip arriving at the arena for the final period.

George Stark was selected as the number one star in the final game played in Orillia on Thursday night. The flashy winger turned in a sensational performance netting three goals and picking up one assist. Bud Watson, who is fast returning to his old form after a bout with the flu received the nod for the number two star with goaltender Ross of Orillia placing in number three position.

Bill Mulholland, star goaltender with the Stouffville Maple Leafs, is also making a name for himself in the Newmarket and District League. In an all-star selection last week, Mulholland was selected on the first team. Bill plays for Mount Albert. Russ Forfar, also a standout with the Stouffville squad, was a first team selection for the left wing position. Russ stars with Vandorf. Two other Maple Leaf regulars, "Bum" Sellers and Bill Brett made spots on the third team. Some of these boys are getting more hockey this season than they have ever experienced before. At the present time Bill Mulholland is playing four nights of every week.

The editor of The Tribune had the pleasure on Saturday evening of being present at the Buffalo Civic Auditorium when the Carl Liscombe Trophy was presented to Ab DeMarco, member of the Buffalo Bisons Hockey Club, as top scorer in the American Hockey League this season. It was the occasion of the third playoff game between Buffalo and Cincinnati, and the Bisons went down to defeat in overtime to drop from the running. Bill "Squeak" Morrison refereed the game and The Tribune representative enjoyed a pleasant chat with the former O.H.A. official during intermission. Bill who hails from Oshawa and has visited Stouffville many times in his O.H.A. days has been up in the N.H.L. all winter, Saturday night's game being only the second American League game he has handled this season. Buffalo have a very fine arena in the Auditorium. It is owned and operated by the city and has a capacity of 14,000 people. However, despite the fact that Saturday's game was an American League playoff, less than seven thousand fans were on hand. Hockey is a poor drawing card there at present. Another interesting local angle to the visit was the name of Jack McLeod, nephew of local businessman Bert Bell, in the Cincinnati lineup. However, he was unable to perform due to injury.

Clippers Await Ontario Playdowns

At the time this sports page goes to press there is still no definite word on who will be the next opposition for the Clippers in the Senior 'B' semi-final playdowns. A number of teams are still in the running, Woodstock, Burlington, Dundas, Peterboro, Kingston, Port Colborne, Lyndhurst, Motors and Scarboro. At the present time in the Kingston-Peterboro series, Peterboro are leading 3 games to 0. Dundas also have a 3 to 1 game lead over Burlington. It is expected that the Clippers will meet a winner from one of these finalists by Saturday night. Hockey fans are asked to watch for posters for future play-off dates.

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE STANDINGS

| | P | W | L | T | Pts. |
|-------------|----|----|----|---|------|
| Stouffville | 24 | 20 | 2 | 2 | 42 |
| Uxbridge | 21 | 13 | 8 | 3 | 29 |
| Agincourt | 24 | 14 | 9 | 1 | 29 |
| Peaches | 21 | 9 | 13 | 2 | 20 |
| Riverdale | 24 | 6 | 17 | 1 | 13 |
| Lansing | 24 | 5 | 18 | 1 | 11 |

Wednesday, March 19
Uxbridge 4, Peaches 2
Agincourt 10, Riverdale 7

Friday, March 21
Uxbridge 6, Stouffville 1
Agincourt 10, Lansing 6

Schedule
Lansing vs. Uxbridge
Stouffville vs. Peaches

SENIOR 'B' GROUP FINALS

| | W | L | T | F | A | Pts. |
|-------------|---|---|---|----|----|------|
| Stouffville | 4 | 1 | 1 | 31 | 16 | 9 |
| Orillia | 1 | 4 | 1 | 16 | 31 | 3 |

Hassard Stars For Pittsburg

American Hockey League fans got their money's worth last week as the two league playoff games played went into protracted overtime—Hershey at Pittsburg went into three extra periods and Buffalo at Cincinnati into two. A goal by Bobby Hassard at 6:00 of the third overtime period gave the Pittsburg Hornets a 2-1 victory over Hershey Bears, in the opening game of series A. Mohawks' victory came at 13:47 of the second overtime period when Chick Webster drilled a shot home. Hassard accounted for both Pittsburg goals. Hershey's lone goal of the drawn-out game came at 1:30 of the first period when Andy Branigan shot the puck from 40 feet outside past goalie Gil Mayer.

Bruins and Leafs Win Opening Pee-wee Playoffs

Boston 7, Canadiens 1
Maple Leafs 5, Chicago 3
Boston and Maple Leafs turned the tables on their last week's opponents and registered wins. Canadiens missed their top scorers, Hammersley and Hallman, who were both absent through illness and Boston were without Wilson and their second line. Carl Arnold turned the hat-trick by scoring three. Boston goals, the first two goals just one minute apart, the first on a solo effort and the second by banging in the rebound from Madill's hard shot. Redshaw made it 3-0 on a scramble three minutes later. On the next change of lines, Sid Dunning broke away, fought off two Boston players and fooled Thomas on a shot that never left the ice. Boston then went on to make the score 7-1 on goals by Madill, Evans, from Bastin, Arnold (his third), assist Redshaw and Madill.

In this game, as in the second, the referee handed out just two penalties, one to each team. The second game was a thriller to watch from start to finish with the outcome in doubt until the final buzzer. It started at the 7 minute mark when Fairles broke away and skated in on Wilkes in the Chicago nets only to be outscored. Seconds later, however, Eckardt scored to put Maple Leafs one up, at the 15 minute mark, Barnes, who, incidentally, played a whale of a game for Chicago, tied the score on a blistering shot that the Maple Leaf goalie didn't have a chance on. Minutes later, Todd got a clean breakaway only to be beaten again by Wilkes. Once more, Eckardt got a quick goal from Fairles to put Leafs in front 2-1. Chicago's Steve Wideman broke into the clear twice with nobody but Todd between him and St. Andrew in the Leaf's net and both times Todd stopped him. Then Wilkes was called on to make a save on Neal's shot. Finally Chicago got the equalizer when Harmann picked up the rebound from Rennie's hard shot and poked it in past St. Andrew as he lay on the ice. Three minutes later, Fairles got another breakaway and failed to score. Chicago caught Leafs out of position and three of them broke in on St. Andrew alone but he held them off. Leaf's second line out-played Chicago on the next change and scored three times in three minutes. Neal getting the first, then Todd, and finally Neal on a pass from Todd. Haynes scored in the next minute to make it 5-3 but Chicago could not register a goal in the last ten minutes, even pulling Wilkes and replacing him with an extra forward for the last two minutes. Final score Leafs 5, Chicago 3.

Leading Scorers in Playoffs

| | G | A | Pts. |
|---------------------|---|---|------|
| Arnold (Boston) | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Madill (Boston) | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Neal (Leafs) | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Redshaw (Boston) | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Eckardt (Leafs) | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Evans (Boston) | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Dunning (Canadiens) | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Todd (Leafs) | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Barnes (Chicago) | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Harmon (Chicago) | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Haynes (Chicago) | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Fairles (Leafs) | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Rennie (Chicago) | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Bastin (Boston) | 0 | 1 | 1 |

Games for Sat., March 29th
First game starts at 9:15 a.m. Maple Leafs vs. Canadiens.
Second game starts at 10:30 a.m. Boston vs. Chicago.

Red Sox To Re-Organize Monday

On Monday night at 8 o'clock the reorganization meeting of the Stouffville Red Sox Baseball Club will be held in the Municipal Hall to appoint the executive and discuss general business for the forthcoming season. It is expected that many of last year's squad will be back in action once more as well as a number of new faces in the lineup. The club believe that Coach Bob Hassard will join the aggregation for another season to give the squad that extra power both at the bat and on the infield.

Campaign at Half-Way Mark



Driver Jack Doherty of The Ontario Society for Crippled Children Ambulance Service delivers two patients to the Toronto Junior League Cerebral Palsy Nursery School. Left is Joanne O'Hanley, aged 7, and right, Carol Graham, aged 6. The Stouffville Lions Club is sponsoring the local campaign for this fund.

Sutton Takes ORHA Series Lead Over Markham

Sutton Greenshirts after dropping the first game of their best of five series with Markham Eagles in the ORHA Senior semi-finals have fought right back to take a one game lead. On Saturday night in Unionville the Sutton squad led by two well-known sports figures, Johnny Learyou and George Holborne with two goals each, paced their squad to a 5-2 victory over the Eagles. George Rumney and Frank Hill were the Markham marksmen. A good crowd of cheering spectators, many down from the Sutton district, were on hand for the game.

The fourth game of the series is to be played at Newmarket on Tuesday night of this week. Three stars for the Greenshirts in "Skip" Taylor, Geo. Holborne and Johnny Learyou are no strangers around Stouffville having played ball for and against the Red Sox during the summer and also starring with the Stouffville Maple Leafs in the first few games of the schedule. These three athletes have proven the difference in the last two games played with Markham.

PEE-WEE, N.H.L. Playoff Standing

| | P | W | L | T | F | A | Pts. |
|-------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|------|
| Boston | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 1 | 2 |
| Maple Leafs | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 3 | 2 |
| Chicago | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 0 |
| Canadiens | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 0 |

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Sunderland Bringing Junior Finals Here Next Week

The Sunderland Red Devils knocked off Tamworth 8-5 to sweep their two games, total goals series 21-12 and claim the Eastern Ontario championship in O.H.A. Junior 'D'. They have already eliminated Burks Falls to win the Northern Ontario title after taking honors in their own group. Next they meet the Western Ontario winners for the Ontario championship, and this series will be played at Stouffville next week. Half a dozen players came from Sunderland, complying with O.H.A. regulations. They are Bruce Fairman, Bruce Miller, Harold Woods, Les Brethour, Tommy Cotton and Jim Shier.

away, he picked up goalie Gerry Josephson and his high-scoring forward, Speaker Nicholson, who scored seven of Sunderland's eight goals in the last game. He got eight in their second to last game which they won 13-7. Clare McGugan, Lorne Beech and Brian Lee come from Uxbridge, 12 miles away. Red Johnston comes from Brooklyn, 22 miles distant; Ron Wallace hails from Port Perry, Glen Pill from Greenbank and Hugh Cameron from Woodville. Five of the boys, Cameron, Pill, Josephson, McGugan and Fairman have been playing together for three seasons, and they have won their group every time, in midjet, juvenile and junior.

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