



COMMUNITY SPIRIT

What makes a small town or community such a fine place in which to live? A big part of this question was answered on Thursday night of last week and Tuesday night of this week when Stouffville and Sutton Bantams met in a two-game playoff round. Following the contest at the Simcoe Centre all the Stouffville players and members of the Management were treated to a hot lunch in the school building. When Sutton came here for the return game, the same good-natured fellowship was shown the visitors by the Stouffville Management. Such a welcome would never be considered in a city or larger town. It is certain that these young lads will remember this hospitality.

CLARY PAYNE, ORILLIA'S "ATHLETE OF THE YEAR"

Clary Payne, Orillia's veteran hockey star has been named the town's "Athlete of the Year." The actual presentation will be made early this month. Payne was chosen not only for his hockey ability, but also for his keen participation in lacrosse and softball. He is also an ardent swimmer. Other men who received honorable mention were Bob Shropshire, Orillia Pontiac netminder and Gander Rose, a former hockey goalie and a fine ball player. Although Payne has not seen much hockey action this winter due to a fractured ankle, he gained considerable prominence last season when he topped the team in the goal-scoring department. The first winner of the trophy was an ex-Stouffville hockey star, Earl McCrone, back in 1952.

THREE TEAMS MOVE OUT

On Friday night the Stouffville arena was literally humming with action and yet there wasn't a single player on the ice. At seven o'clock the Clippers embarked for a Senior game at Orillia, the Midgets left for a contest at Uxbridge and the Juniors journeyed over to Nobleton for a game with the Combines. Out of the three clubs that left Stouffville not one suffered a loss. The Seniors dumped Orillia 4-1, the Midgets drubbed Uxbridge 11-4 and the Juniors and Nobleton battled to a 3-3 tie. Not a bad record for any town.

IT'S PLAYOFF TIME IN STOUFFVILLE

It's playoff time in Stouffville. Yes, those do-or-die games are here again and this year more than any other in the past sees local clubs pitting their strength against rival towns and cities. On the top of the heap are the Clippers who commence their playoff activity against Orillia on Feb. 8th. The Junior Red Wings opened their round-robin group semi-finals on Wednesday night at Unionville. The Midget Flyers are presently engaged in a group playoff with Uxbridge and the Bantams have won their first playoff round with Sutton and await a winner from the Unionville-Port Perry series. Could it be that Stouffville might take one of the four Championships or maybe more?

GOING TO EXTREMES

Mr. Ab. Hulse, O.H.A. Executive Member and Newmarket's "Mr. Hockey" believes pro hockey scouts should be barred from attending minor games. Mr. Hulse states that big league scouts were continually attending minor hockey games in Aurora and Newmarket and in Ab's own words "I'm sick and tired of it." He believes players in bantam, midget and juvenile ranks are pretty young to have their heads turned toward a career of pro hockey. Mr. Hulse claims that scouts from Chicago, Boston and Toronto are following the moves of Aurora's dashing Danny Patrick. On Saturday of last week he performed with the Marlboro Juveniles and a few days previous he was a guest of the Chicago Black Hawks at the Gardens. Patrick, a lightweight player is still eligible for midget hockey. Personally speaking I will tag along with Ab, and his views on these "pro hockey gobs." One needs only to recall the days when Danny Lewicki turned pro and it may be remembered that Danny's life was anything but good despite his amazing ability. It now appears likely that Lewicki will find it smooth sailing, since joining a club which plays a similar style of hockey. These young lads do not play up to par when they realize that they are being "watched" by some eagle-eyed scouts. They try to excel themselves and divert entirely from team play to a one man show. They then not only hurt themselves, but hurt their club's chances. Let the scouts watch the Junior 'B' boys, Intermediates and Seniors, but leave the kids alone.

HERE AND THERE

On Saturday evening the management and players of the Stouffville Clippers were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Stark at their home in Willowdale. Mr. Tim O'Neill treated the Clippers to a dinner following the senior game at Orillia on Friday night. Ted Topping was called by the O.H.A. to officiate at six games last week. Stouffville Red Wings journey to Unionville for the first game of the round-robin playoffs on Wednesday night. A large crowd skated in ten degree below zero weather at Cedarena on Saturday night. The Stouffville Bantam hockey team was royally treated following the game at Sutton on Thursday night. Frank Stephenson is suffering from a cut foot, but hopes to be back in action on Thursday night. Both Ronnie Bell and Don Macintosh are residents of Iondale Heights, south of Agincourt. Ben Chapman, a former defenceman with Lyndhurst Motors, has been signed by the Clippers. Stouffville District High School's senior and junior basketball teams scored victories over Markham on Tuesday afternoon here. Walt Fines has rejoined Aurora Bears in Jr. 'C' company. Clary Payne has been voted Orillia's "Athlete of the Year." Earl McCrone, former Stouffville Clipper and now with Orillia, is one of the new Provincial Police Constables taking part in organized hockey. Grant Forsyth, play-by-play hockey announcer over Orillia's station, CFOR, hails from Weston and is quite familiar with many of our Clippers who reside in that district. Stouffville Bantams will meet either Unionville or Port Perry in the next playoff round. Polly Minton of Stouffville and John Learoyd of Sutton officiated at the Stouffville-Sutton Bantam game here on Tuesday night. Mr. Tim O'Neill is now the owner of a new 1955 Oldsmobile and will leave next week for the Sunny South. Stouffville and Port Perry Bantams battled to a 4-4 tie on Saturday night in an exhibition game prior to the Senior contest. Hal Gibson, speedy Clipper forward star was forced to miss two games last week due to a severe bout with the flu. Stouffville District High School boys will meet Markham High School boys in a basketball contest on Friday night.

Clippers Climb Near Top With Double Weekend Victory

The Stouffville Clippers staging their most persistent winning spurge of the season have overhauled the second place Orillia Pontiacs and have climbed to within two points of the front-running Newmarket Redmen. A 4-1 victory over Orillia in the Simcoe Centre on Friday night and a 4-2 win against Herbie Cain's Canatown crew on Saturday moved Bob Bangay's squad into a contending position with the two rival clubs.

The Clippers displayed top form in both important contests. Outstanding performers were Ken MacNeil and Elwood Small. MacNeil's dogged checking drew favorable comments from even partisan fans at Orillia and Small's two-way effort drew a hearty round of applause.

Stouffville 4 Newmarket 2

For only the second time this season Stouffville defeated Newmarket on the Clippers' home ice. The victory came on two quick third period goals from the sticks of defenceman Joe Scatalon and centreman Ken MacNeil. Scatalon's tally, a low slap shot from the blueline broke up a 2-2 deadlock. Ken Crawford picked up an assist on the play. MacNeil's goal sewed up the game for Stouffville. The hard-working forward knocked the puck down in front of the net with his glove then slapped it by goalie Jim Cruikshank before he could smother the shot.

MacNeil's sensational game-winning effort was climaxed by a brilliant exhibition of puck-juggling while right-winger Frank Stephenson was serving an interference penalty. He skated through a half-dozen confused Newmarket players and still remained in possession of the puck.

In the first period Gordie Haddleton opened the scoring at 6:47 with assists going to Elwood Small and Joe Scatalon. Newmarket retaliated with two goals, one by Gord Hern and another by Frank Ptashnik. Don Claydon put both clubs on even terms on passes from Elwood Small and Gordie Haddleton.

The Clippers were hitting their opposition harder than in any previous game with the Canimn. Nick Bangay handed out two of the most jolting checks that the home town fans have seen this season. Ron Scareello and Bill Chard felt the force of Bangay's bodychecks.

There was only one major scuffle in the game. Gordie Haddleton, Stouffville's 5'4" of human dynamite and Porkey McDougall squared off near the Newmarket net and were banished each with double minors. A ten minute misconduct penalty was tacked on to Haddleton for continuing the skirmish in the box.

Stouffville 4, Orillia 1

On Friday night Stouffville stepped into the lair of the Orillia Pontiacs and handed the rugged Valley squad a 4-1 setback. It was a bitter pill for Shewchuck and company to swallow and it sent some 800 fans out into the sub zero temperature shaking their heads.

The Clippers appeared to have Orillia's number from the drop of the puck. Some thirty-five seconds had ticked by when Don Claydon picked up a perfect relay pass from Elwood Small and blazed the puck past Shropshire in the Pontiac cage. At 15:32 Gordie Haddleton recovered Ed Calhoun's rebound of the back boards and backhanded the puck over Shropshire before the Orillia netminder could recover his balance.

Orillia's lone tally came off the stick of ex-Clipper Earl McCrone with Clary Payne picking up an assist.

Early in the second period the two teams traded punches on numerous occasions and referee Loring Doolittle handed out four major penalties to Calhoun and MacIntosh of the Clippers and Payne and Pearsall of Orillia.

Late in the period Stouffville struck with goals in quick succession. Ken MacNeil made it 3-1 and Nick Dubik completed the scoring after line-mate Don Claydon had taken three whacks at the puck. Nick Bangay had a wide-open chance to break into the Senior scoring department but his bullet shot was blocked by Shropshire.

The third session saw many wide-open chances for both clubs to cash in with goals but Rhodes in the Clipper cage and Shropshire guarding the Orillia net came up with flawless performances. Danny McDonald of Orillia and Don MacIntosh of Stouffville sat out fifteen minutes of the period in the penalty box. Both players were banished with majors and ten minute misconduct penalties.

Red Wings Tie Nobleton 3-3

Stouffville Red Wings have gone four games without a loss. In the past two weeks the local Juniors scored victories over Midland, Unionville and Georgetown. On Friday night they kept their "no loss streak" intact by battling Nobleton to a 3-3 tie.

There was no scoring in the first period. In the second frame the Red Wings fired three goals while Nobleton could count only one. Nobleton opened the scoring at 1:11 of the second period but Bruce Fockler tied it up unassisted at the five minute mark. Doug Forfar made it 2-1 for the Red Wings at 12:06 on a pass from Harold Hodgson and John Tran shot Stouffville's third and final tally with assists going to Don Tran and Harvey Roberts.

Nobleton fought back in the third period to split the points. Burton cut the Red Wings' lead to one goal at 1:34 and with but ten seconds remaining in the game Patton put both clubs on even terms with Nobleton's third tally.

The round-robin Senior 'B' playoffs will commence Tuesday, Feb. 8th. Stouffville will journey to Orillia for the semi-final opener. On Saturday, Feb. 12th, Newmarket Redmen will be the visitors here. When the series is completed the club with the least number of points will automatically drop out. The two top clubs will then engage in a three out of five game series for the Group Championship.

The Clippers have two games remaining in the regular schedule. On Thursday night they go to Newmarket for a contest with Herbie Cain's crew and on Saturday night Orillia moves into Stouffville for a pre-playoff battle with Bob Bangay's boys.

In an effort to further strengthen their defence, the Clippers have signed former Lyndhurst rearguard Benny Chapman. The big 265 pound blueline bouncer was a member of the East York team that represented Canada in the World Hockey Tournament but was unable to play due to a fractured jaw. He was present at practice on Sunday afternoon.

Stouffville Skating Club News

On Monday night, Jan. 24th, tests were held at The Stouffville Skating Club. The judges from The Granite Club were Mr. David Lowery, Miss Barbara Bourne and Mr. Petrie. The three successful candidates were Ann Armstrong 1st test, and Gloria Tatton and Edith Winch, 2nd test.

The preliminary test scheduled for last Saturday were unfortunately postponed, due to the sudden illness of one of the judges.

On Monday afternoon the Juniors entertained several of their friends at one of the Club's newly instituted "visitors' days". The Seniors will hold their visitor's night this coming Monday night. Anyone over 13 years with skates will be welcome.

Peewee Standings

Leads	W	L	T	Pts.
Hawks	8	1	1	17
Rangers	6	2	2	14
Boston	5	4	1	11
Canadiens	3	6	1	7
Red Wings	3	7	0	6
Schedule	2	7	1	5

Bruins vs Leafs	
Detroit vs Canadiens	
Rangers vs Hawks	

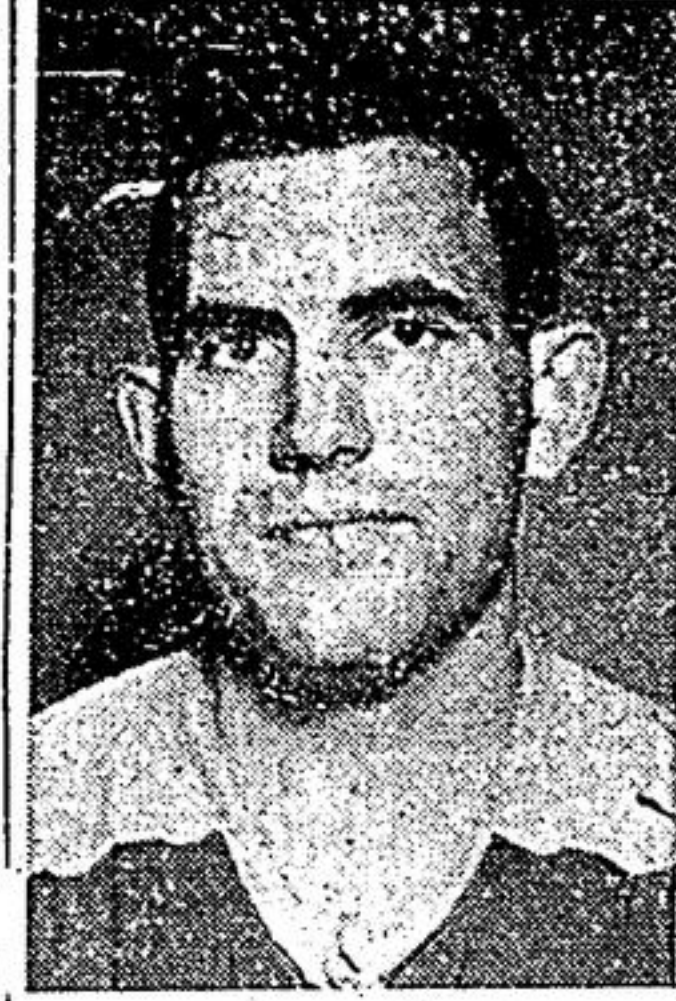
Clipper Scoring

MacIntosh	G	A	Pts.
Gibson	13	15	28
MacNeil	12	16	27
Stephenson	17	10	27
Small	12	14	26
Haddleton	13	12	25
Bell	13	8	21
Crawford	8	13	21
Claydon	7	8	15
Scatalon	7	5	12
Crus	5	6	11
Stark	3	7	10
Mugford	3	6	9
Calhoun	2	6	8
Dubik	3	4	7
Baker	1	5	6
Webster	1	3	4

TOP PERFORMERS



Ken MacNeil



Elwood Small

Two Stouffville forwards who have played a big role in the Clippers' surge up the Senior hockey ladder are pictured above. Ken MacNeil, 21-year-old former Unionville Junior star, has been Bob Bangay's most potent penalty-killer. In the last seven games Ken has notched 7 goals. Elwood Small, 27-year-old resident of Weston, is having one of his best years with the Clippers this season.

A great two-way player, he possesses one of the hardest shots on the club. Both Small and MacNeil led the Clippers to their double victory over Orillia and Newmarket last week.

Peewee Leaders Battle to 2-2 Draw

Two of the hottest clubs in the Lions Peewee League, Casey Hilliard's Chicago Black Hawks and Barry Wilkes' Toronto Maple Leafs battled to a 2-2 draw in a tight struggle on Saturday afternoon. The Hawks were trailing the first place Leafs by three points and they were trying desperately to narrow the margin with a victory. The split in points left both teams in the same position.

Up until the final few minutes of the game it appeared likely that the Hawks would be the winners. Chicago goals by defenceman Bryce Spencer and forward Ron Stewart had given the Hawks a 2-1 advantage. Ray Ward had been the only Leaf forward to blink the light behind netminder Glenn Jackson in the Chicago cage. With time running out, left winger, Don Eddington, one of the top marksmen with the Leafs this season, caught the corner to give the jubilant Toronto squad a share in the points.

In the second game of the afternoon Montreal Canadiens scored their third victory of the season by edging the fourth place Bruins 2-1 in another close game. Ross Pattenden, centering the Canadiens' first line notched both Montreal tallies. His first goal was a picture effort giving netminder Marvin Betz no chance to make the save. With about fifteen minutes left in the game Bob Hall of Boston picked up a loose puck in front of the Montreal net and slapped a high shot into the top corner over goalie Lynn McMullen who was sprawled in front of the cage after making three great stops in a row.

With little time remaining in the game, Montreal's star defenceman Glenn Pennanen raced into the Boston corner and centred the puck out to Ross Pattenden in front of the Bruin cage. In one motion he slapped the puck into the cage for the winning tally. Joe Haylow, Marvin Betz and Mike Epworth looked best for Boston. Lynn McMullen, Ross Pattenden and Jack Paddley were the top Montreal stars.

Orillia Visitors Here Saturday

Orillia Pontiacs will make their final appearance of the regular schedule here on Saturday night. A win or loss for Stouffville might mean the difference of the Clippers ending the regular season's play in first or second place. In their last meeting here Stouffville blanked the Simcoe crew 4-0.

On Thursday night Nobleton Juniors will be the visitors here for a group semi-final contest with the Red Wings.

Peewee Team Beats Unionville All-Stars

On Wednesday evening of last week "Casey" Hilliard took his Peewee Black Hawks over to Unionville for a game with a picked All-Star team. The local boys came out on the top end of a 1-0 score. Bryce Spencer notched the game-winning goal. Glenn Jackson, the regular Hawk goalie, performed well between the pipes for the winners and gained a well-earned shutout. The teams played three 15-minute periods. Mr. Spencer, Mr. Bill Gardiner, Mr. Jack Byers and Coach Hilliard used their cars to transport the boys to and from the game.

Stouffville Bantams Edge Sutton in First Playoff Round

The Stouffville Bantams, coached by Les Clarke, eked out a tight 5-1 win over Sutton on Tuesday night here, to take the round ten goals to nine. The first game at Sutton last Thursday ended in a 5-5 tie.

A goal by Wilf Glidden on passes from Gary Baston and Ernie Abraham proved to be the winner. It gave Stouffville a 5-3 edge and although Sutton added another tally late in the game, they could not notch the equalizer.

Glenn Pennanen fired his 5th and 6th goals of the two-game series on Tuesday night. He counted four up at Sutton in the previous game. Other marksmen were Wilf Glidden with two and Ricky Wedseloft with a single tally. Paul Tomlinson, John Cook and Michael Matt were the Sutton marksmen. John Learoyd of Sutton and Polly Minton of Stouffville officiated.

Both clubs were deadlocked 1-1 at the end of the first period. Glidden put Stouffville one up in the second and each team added three in the final session. Both netminders looked good with Stouffville goalie Max Vague especially brilliant in the last period when his defence was slow in clearing the rebounds. Aside from the Stouffville goal scorers, Norm Hendricks played fine game. He was very effective when defenceman Fred Abraham was penalized for tripping early in the third period. Gary Baston, Ernie Abraham and Sandy Smith were also top Stouffville stars.

Following the game the two teams were treated to a hot lunch up at the Stouffville Public School.

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