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Refs' Corner

Hockey, like most sports, has its own rules; the violation of which receives a penalty. In this article we shall list eight types of penalty that a player or official might receive.

- 1. MINOR PENALTY:** The offending player shall be ruled off the ice for two minutes (not a goal keeper). If a goal is scored during the penalty, the penalized player shall return to the ice.
- 2. BENCH MINOR PENALTY:** When assessed the captain shall designate a player already on the ice to take the two minute penalty. Where the player is identified he shall serve the penalty.
- 3. MAJOR PENALTIES:** The offending player shall be ruled off the ice for five minutes. If the same player receives a second 'major' in the game he will receive an automatic game misconduct and leave the ice.
- 4. MISCONDUCT PENALTIES:** The offending player will be ruled off the ice for twelve minutes of actual playing time. (10 and 2 mins). A player who receives a misconduct in the last ten minutes of the game shall automatically be suspended for the next game.
- 5. GAME MISCONDUCT PENALTIES:** The player shall be banished to the dressing room for the remainder of the game. The offender's team shall place a substitute in the penalty box to serve the 'automatic' two minutes.
- 6. GROSS MISCONDUCT PENALTIES:** Any player or team official incurring a 'gross misconduct' shall be ejected from the game. The offending team shall place a substitute in the penalty box to serve the automatic two minute minor. This penalty is issued where a person conducts himself in such a manner as to make a travesty of the game.
- 7. MATCH PENALTIES:** Any player incurring a such a penalty shall be ejected from the game and be banned from further play until such time as the matter is dealt with by higher authority. The penalized team must place a player in the box for five minutes.
- 8. PENALTY SHOT:** When awarded a penalty shot, the team must designate a player for the penalty, who is allowed a free shot on the offenders net.



It took a long time in coming. However, when the snow did eventually arrive, one of the first to take to the slopes was 12 year old John Terry of Scarborough. John is just one of nearly 20,000 school children who attend the Dagmar Ski School every year. As you may have guessed, it was his first time out.

Dagmar adds another triple ski lift

With everyone singing the blues about nearly everything under the sun, it is nice to be able to report that contrary to forecasts of gloom and doom there is one local ski resort that is expanding and looking on the bright side of things.

Last Thursday was the official opening of Dagmar Ski Resort's new triple chairlift; the second one in three years. The ribbon-cutting ceremony was attended by Uxbridge Mayor Bill Ballinger, who bravely took the first ride to the top through a man-made blizzard; they were making snow that day.

The new lift, named Rendezvous, was made by a Canadian firm, Blue Mountain Lifts, Collingwood, Ltd. and installed at a cost of \$250,000. It has a capacity of 2,100 skiers an hour, which increases the resort's total lift capacity to 8,200 persons.

Due to the efforts of owner Gabor Marton, Dagmar can now boast of being the equivalent of any of the more northerly resorts as far as equipment is concerned. Thanks to a one million dollar expansion program over the last five years.


Never at a loss to introduce new programs, owner Marton has recently launched a downhill skiing program for disabled adults that is recognized by the Ontario March of Dimes.

The resort welcomes close to 20,000 school students from Toronto and surrounding area during the season, and has recently hired a new ski director, Richard McInnes. Since starting this fall he has introduced some new and innovative methods, including a slide show for new students, prior to them taking to the slopes. You can even have your ski performance videotaped for analysis by the instructors.

Night skiing is very popular at Dagmar, while cross-country skiers are also well catered for; with several challenging trails to test one's stamina. On February 5 and 6 the cross-country courses are a hive of activity when the Carlsberg Canadian Masters championships are held, attracting some of the top skiers in North America.

In my opinion

By Jim Holt
 Sports Editor



True to his word, our esteemed Mayor has the parks and recreation committee in place, though I have no doubt there will be rumblings of discontent from Vandorf. They seem to have no 'champion' to represent their very active and lively little community.

Having cut the number of recommended members from twelve to nine the workload should prove formidable. I have no doubt that there will be a large number of representations made by various bodies throughout the coming year; everyone seems to have an axe to grind.

Personally, I always felt that the old recreation committee was weighted in favor of hockey and ball. Looking at the new list I think the format remains the same.

The minor groundswell caused by disagreement between two leading lights in Oldtimer hockey circles has died down and I have heard no more of the so-called 'threat' to take over prime ice-time. A storm in a teacup? I hope so.

I cannot help but comment on our minor house league hockey coaches. During the last few months I have had the pleasure of talking to quite a number of them for The Tribune's 'Coach of the week' series, and without fail have been impressed by their unflinching sense of humor and dedication to their small charges. It seems not so long ago that we were becoming dismayed at the quality of our 'minor' coaches. Not any longer though.

Who is the person responsible for setting prices at the Arena snack bar? I feel incensed by having to pay 50 cents for a miserably small cup of coffee, or tea, when most restaurants and snack bars are still selling for 40 to 45 cents. Perhaps a Jiffy snack-truck parked outside would be the answer.

Some indication of public priorities, as set down by previous councils, is reflected in the expenditure of \$20,000 on library books during the last fiscal year; this works out at about one new book per year for every ten persons. Pretty disgraceful when you consider we spend around \$40,000 subsidizing ice-time. Obviously, it is more important to shoot a puck than read a book.

A pertinent question regarding conflict of interest in public affairs springs to mind when I read a letter from the Markham-Stouffville Hospital Building Fund. The letter, signed by deputy chairman Keith Sutherland, informs various service clubs in the area that the hospital committee is going ahead with a campaign to raise \$5 million in pledges from various communities in the area, including Whitchurch-Stouffville.

Harking back to April of '81, I remember that Keith was chairman of the Master Plan Steering Committee. I presume, naturally, that he is no longer associated with any long-term plans regarding sports facilities. No one can have a foot in both camps, especially when allegiance to such large projects demands 100% loyalty in fund-raising.

Peewees

The Credit Union Peewees spill both their games last week, picking up a win against Unionville on Wednesday and a loss against Port Perry on home-ice on Friday night.

Kevin Blacktopp led the way against Unionville, firing two goals in the second period, assists going to Craig Mucci and Brad Tiley. Tiley fired the winner in the final frame on a passing play by Danny Larmer and Kevin Francis, rounding out the final score to 3-2.

Against Port Perry on Friday evening the home team were blown away 5-1. The game combined questionable refereeing and poor hockey by Stouffville.

Darron Baston's solitary marker saved the home team from a shutout, the assist coming from Smythe and Tiley.

Time runs out as Midgets triple Uxbridge 6-2

The Beckers Midget squad had no trouble in disposing of Uxbridge 6-2 in their Friday night game at the Arena.

As far as Stouffville was concerned there was never any danger of going down, although they made it close for themselves in the first and second periods; penalties were not infrequent.

Chris Brown opened the scoring two minutes into the game (assists going to Lee Brown and Bill Hutchison), while a pass in front of the net saw Darryl Brown get his first of two goals at the ten minute mark. Redshaw eventually replied for Uxbridge with four minutes left on the clock.

Mike Feasby (from Jamieson) put the home team further ahead just three minutes into the middle frame before Uxbridge struck back to close the gap with a powerplay goal. With 16 seconds left Chris Brown fired his second when he hooked the puck over the Uxbridge netminder after a scuffle in front of the goal.

Stouffville stayed away from the penalty box in the third period and dominated the first ten minutes of the game, which took place almost exclusively in the Uxbridge end. Darryl Brown scored on Hutchison's assist at the thirteen minute mark, with Hutchison getting his own marker at 9:55 on assists from Chris and Brent Brown.

With the score set at 6-2 the spectators and teams were surprised to learn the game was under curfew. The ice was cleared with ten minutes left to play; not that it made much difference. At that stage Stouffville controlled the game completely.

Beckers' Midget team are top of the league standings and are likely to remain there for the few remaining games left in the league schedule. Next game is this Friday when they host Unionville.

Atom Clippers double win

Two important league wins highlighted the atom Clippers hockey week.

Hosting Uxbridge on Monday night the Clippers sent them away empty handed; doubling them 4-2.

Jamie Campbell opened the scoring with a slot-shot into the net corner, the assist going to Dan McNeil. Uxbridge replied, but Lee Scaife's unassisted marker put the Clippers back in the lead with Uxbridge tying it in the second period. The winning goal came from Keith Piette (from Jason Underwood), while Campbell teamed with Underwood for the insurance marker.

At Oak Ridges on Tuesday evening the Clippers skated to a decisive 7-1 victory; dominating the game with some fine passing plays. Point getters were: Keith Piette 2, Danny McNeil 2, Billy Payne 1 (1 assist), Drae Glover 1, Jamie Campbell 3 assists, Brad Blacktopp 2 assists and Robbie Mountjoy 2 assists.

There are just two more league games to go to round out the schedule; Sutton and Port Perry. Playoff dates are not yet available.

Unionville prove unbeatable

The Neil Patrick Novice All-star Clippers were busy over the weekend, starting with a trip to Port Perry on Friday where they edged their hosts 3-2. Scoring for the Clippers were: Jason Whitebread 2, Brandon Pridham 1 (1 assist), Marty Cordell 2 assists and Jason Scott 1 assist.

In tournament play at Sharon on Saturday, the team blanked their opponents in two games.

A 7-0 win over Stroud saw Jason Whitebread put in a fine performance with four goals, while assists came from Tim Lavell 2 and Darren Zeller.

Brandon Pridham fired a pair while Paul Trentadue added a single.

Brampton proved a tougher proposition for the Stouffville team, but they still managed a 3-0 win. Both shutouts were earned by Jeff Willis. Jason Whitebread tallied all three goals (giving him seven in two consecutive games). Assists went to Tim Lavell and Darren Zeller.

Unionville proved unbeatable in Sunday's game, despite a fine overall team effort by Stouffville they manage to fire three unanswered goals.

Editor's mail

Dear Mr. Holt:

I would like to thank you for the coverage given to our Region volleyball tournaments. Of the five newspapers contacted, you and the Markham Economist and Sun gave us the best coverage. We are a new organization and if we are to expand and gain recognition, media coverage is important to us. We want to show the people of York Region that organized sports are happening, not only in the high schools, but in the elementary schools as well. With media coverage, we also hope to get more schools involved in our programs.

Sincerely,
 York Region Elementary School Athletic Association,
 Philip J. Horsman,



With exams almost over, the SDSS senior Spartan basketball team will recommence play next week. Prior to the Christmas holidays they held second place in the inter-high school standings. Back row (l to r) Paul Goldring, Steve Mitchinson, Brent Wilson, Ross Dube, Shane Rutherford and Dave Connell (coach). Front row (l to r) Scott Lippett, Steve Rendall, Mike Rehill, Frank Chiefello, Luz Meier (manager).

Uxbridge edge Murphy Bantams

The Edwards-Murphy Bantams won two of their three games last week.

On Wednesday they stayed ahead of Unionville to end the game 3-2 with the sounding of curfew, and the following night took an easy 4-1 win when they visited Pickering.

At Pickering Dave Fockler tallied a pair, while singles came from Tim Evans and Dave Collins.

A 4-3 win by Uxbridge on Sunday saw some top-notch hockey; the winning goal coming late in the third period. Stouffville goals came from Evans, Christensen and Fockler with assists to Evans and Christensen.

Having shown considerable improvement over their earlier form, the Bantams are now closing out their league schedule. Come and see them in their final league game of the season, tonight (Wed.) at the Arena at 8:00pm.