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Magnificent 5 goal effort by Glover Atoms drop Napanee

Napanee sent shock waves through Stouffville hockey fans on Sunday afternoon. Launching a three-goal blitz in the first minute of play they had the Atom Clippers hanging on the boards like a punch-drunk prize fighter. The visitors, playing the second game of their five-game series against Stouffville in

the OMHA BB zone finals, caught the Clippers completely off-guard and looked set to tie the series 1-1.

However, they did not take into account the phenomenal performance by Clipper Captain and centre Drae Glover. Glover put on a one man show that was nothing short of incredible; collecting all five goals in the Clippers' eventual 5-3 win.

Following Napanee's flying start, the home side settled down and tied it up by the end of the first period, after which it was a battle of attrition with both sides taking a number of penalties.

Glover received strong

offensive support in the first period from Jason Whitebread, Brad Blacktopp, Jason Underwood, Brandon Pridham, Dayle Lewis and Scott Ferris, all of whom collected assists.

The second and third periods were almost stalemated. However, Glover again found the range on assists from Whitebread and Bill Payne and the Clippers took control of the play.

Napanee blew two or three chances to score in the final frame before Glover got the insurance goal, this time from Underwood and Whitebread; but the combination of a strong defence-

Bill Payne, Brad Blacktopp,

Scott Ferris and David Caramanico and, of course, Jeff Willis' goaltending - kept them out of the net. Willis' uncanny instinct for being in the right place at the right time, along with some great acrobatic saves, brought the crowd to its feet on several occasions.

In game one of the series, held at Napanee on March 23, the Clippers doubled their hosts 4-2 for a crucial win on away ice.

The Clippers led 1-0 at the end of the first on a goal by Glover. Underwood and Lewis collecting the assists, and scored again in the second; this time Underwood from Lewis and

Whitebread, before Napanee could get on the board.

Napanee tied it up early in the third period and it was left to Dayle Lewis to fire both winning and insurance goals for the Clippers. Assists went to Underwood (2), Jeff Cowley and Glover. Clipper netminder Danny Wilson was in net for this one. He did a great job, stopping a number of hard shots and keeping cool under considerable pressure.

The Clippers travel to Napanee tomorrow night (Thursday) for game 3 in the series. A fourth game (if necessary) will be held 5:30 pm on Saturday.

Amateur tourney

Stouffville's Amateur Hockey League will close off the season with a 16 team tournament at the Arena on April 6, 7 and 8.

Opening ceremonies will be held on Saturday at 11 pm with Mayor Eldred King dropping the puck. Members of the Complex fund-raising committee will also be in attendance.

Each team will be guaranteed three games, with the championship rounds, four in total, being held on Sunday. An added feature will be a show-down championship shootout with the final on Saturday.

The tournament is being sponsored by Molson's Breweries and Latham Hall will be open for refreshments. Admission is free, but a donation box will be prominent at the entrance and all receipts will be given to the Complex fund.



RECOGNIZE SOME OF THESE FACES? Our hockey heroes of yesteryear posed for the camera during a break in their Sunday morning workout. (Back row) L to R: Trainer John Lunau, Danny Lewicki, Bill Carnegie, Murray Henderson, John McCormick, Howie Menard, Guest player,

Aggie Kukulowicz, Ivan (The Terrible) Irwin, Clipper Bob McNeil, Bruce Logan. (front row) Bob Robertson, Brian McFarland, Gus Bodnar, Jeff Baun, Peter Conacher, Ike Hildebrand, Bobby Baun.

Jim Thomas

AHL jinx unbroken

In amateur hockey league playoff action on Sunday, Village Landscaping Capitals went into overtime to down the league champions, Monte Cristo Kings, 2-1. Henry Stevens and Wayne Emmerson scored for the Caps; Emmerson getting the winner.

Bob Leger counted for the Kings.

Flyers blanked Village Pool Jets had everything their own way with an 8-0 runaway win over the Travel Flyers. Rich Hughes was flying high, leading the Jets tally with a hat-trick singles going to Rick Martyn, Glenn Whitebread, Art Nicholson, Ted Mahar and Doug Wilson.

Whalers beached Farquharson Penguins beached the Whalers 3-2, singles going to Butch Blacktopp, Lionel Villeneuve and Angelo Papanis.

Dave Boyd and Steve Skinner counted for the Whalers.

Bruins bumped

Betz Pools Nordiques edged Smurthwaite Bruins 4-3 in a hard-fought battle. Scoring for the Nordiques were Phil Pirie, Wayne Jackson, Mike Jones and Dave Tucker. Tucker potted the winning goal.

Gary Yoshida, Doug Wilson and Ron Evans counted for the Bruins.

Stars shine The Len Powell North Stars had little trouble in disposing of Canadian Tire Black Hawks 6-2. Ken May and Ed Rose were two-goal shooters, singles going to Ken Chupa and Dan Catelli.

Bill Ormson and Joe Martinelli were goal-getters for the Black Hawks.

The jinx on the league winners winning the playoffs is still with the AHL. It has never been done, and this year is no different from any other. Monte Cristo's loss against the Caps ensured that they have no chance of winning the double crown - not this year anyway.

NHL Oldtimers on Saturday night

Hockey fans are in for a treat this Saturday when the NHL Oldtimers face off against Stouffville's Betz Pools Oldtimer Clippers. The big event is being held to raise funds for the Recreation Complex.

It is the second time the NHL Oldtimers have visited Stouffville.

Famous names such as Bobby Baun, who will ever forget his 'broken leg' winning goal for the Leafs against Detroit in the 1964 Stanley Cup final. He broke it with just ten minutes left to play in the third period and just kept on going.

Gus Bodnar - 61 next month, still holds the record for the fastest goal by a Rookie.

Ike Hildebrand will be there. Ike, who skates like an eighteen-year-old, was also one of Canada's top Lacrosse players. His achievements are recorded in the Lacrosse Hall of Fame.

Coach Harry Watson, a five-time Stanley Cup player. He won't be on the ice, but he'll be on the bench with the rest of the top talent.

Putting it all together is Pete Conacher, son of the

famous Charlie 'Big Train' Conacher. Pete is the organizer for the NHL Oldtimer games. The last time he visited Stouffville he recorded a hat trick.

Keeping an eye on 'his boys' will be John Lunau, curator of Markham Museum. John has been with the Oldtimers since 1962 and, as trainer, knows their histories inside out.

The full roster of yesterday's hockey heroes is as follows: Mike Trenton Sr, Mike Trenton Jr, Ron Hurst, Ivan (The Terrible) Irwin, Bob Robertson, Murray Henderson, Bill Carnegie, Pete Conacher, Gus Bodnar, Ike Hildebrand, Bobby LaLonde, Bob Menard, Brian McFarlane, Jeff Baun, Howie Menard, Danny Lewicki Jr, Cal Gardner, John McCormick, Aggie Kukulowicz, Bob Baun, Danny Lewicki, Bruce Logan. Team manager is Wally Stanowski.

The names will bring back pleasant memories of those halcyon days when Canada led the world in

hockey expertise.

Lining up for the Betz Pools Oldtimer Clippers will be: Keith Betz, Wayne Trotter, Ken Smurthwaite, Lionel Villeneuve, Al Hachey, Bill (Howdy) Corner, Nelson Ham, Bill Ormson, Ron Graham, Joe Infurnari, Eric Scaife, Bob McNeil, George Cowley, Bob McKinnon, Gord (Elliott) Ness, Grant Larmer, Brian Sheridan, Phil Lavell, and Steve Ellis. Team coach is Bill Wood, Manager John Bell and Assistant Manager Steve Upton.

The Stouffville Skating Club's 'Clipperettes' precision skating team, under the direction of Jane Hachey and Sheila McNeil, will give a demonstration after the first and second periods.

Game time is 7 pm and admission is \$1. All proceeds go to the Recreation Centre Fund.

The NHL Oldtimers will be hosted by the Clippers to a private get-together at Latham Hall after the game.

Farmers' gals in quarter finals

Farmer Jacks' Bantam gals pulled off a big win last week. They dropped Mississauga with two straight wins in the Provincial play-downs, giving them a berth in the quarter finals at Scarborough on April 14.

A combined team effort, spearheaded by a strong defensive effort led by Lynn Wilkinson, gave them a 2-1 win in their first game. Stouffville goals were scored by Heather Ross, both assists going to Vicki Smith. The winning goal came with only 21 seconds remaining in the third frame, after the game was tied by Mississauga's Mar-nie Young.

Game two on Saturday evening saw Mississauga take the lead three times, with Stouffville replying every time they went ahead. Finally, the Stouffville gals pulled ahead with three un-

answered goals in the third period for a well deserved 6-3 win.

Mississauga pressed hard from the opening whistle, only to be stopped time and again by great netminding from Shawn Morrison. Linda Whiteside opened the scoring for Stouffville, the assist going to Suzanne Ned-gal, followed by a string of five goals from Vicki Smith. Smith played a superb game and was strongly supported with assists from Linda Whiteside (2), Darlene Ogden (2), Heather Ross (2), and Lynn Wilkinson (2).

The series win was doubly satisfying for Farmer Jack's gals as they had failed to defeat Mississauga in three previous outings. Also, it marked the fourth game in a row (all wins) in which they went unpenalized.

Charity game for hospital fund

The Kinsmen Club of Markham will present a charity hockey game between the KIN-NO STARS and the CFGM BULLSHOOTERS this Saturday at the Centennial arena. Game start is at 8 pm.

The CFGM Bullshooters are well known for their antics on the ice and will certainly provide the audience with a most enjoyable evening. The KIN-NO STARS will be a team made up of Kinsmen from all over Ontario who have been selected as the most valuable players in a recent Kinsmen hockey tournament.

The general public are invited to attend this fun evening and help support the Whitechurch-Stouffville Hospital Building Fund which will benefit from all the ticket money collected at the game. Tickets will be on sale at the door.

IN MY
OPINION
BY
JIM HOLT



A 'Complex' question of costs

Attitudes are hardening as far as the new Recreational Complex is concerned. The initial euphoria of having a nice new building is rapidly disappearing as 'imaginary' costs escalate in everyone's mind. Mind you, no one really has the faintest idea as to what the eventual cost of this proposed white elephant will be because tenders for its construction have yet to be received. In fact, Council has not sent out any specifications as yet. The reason being that Wintario has not made its final pronouncement.

The whole thing is dragging on in a most unsatisfactory manner. It will be months before tenders are finalized. The 'Dream' is becoming an 'Impossible' undertaking for a municipality as hard strapped for cash as we.

Talking to Aurora Mayor Dick Illingworth last week, I listened attentively as he told me a woeful story of how they lost \$98,000 in operating their community centre last year.

Few realize that the cost of putting up a shiny new Complex doesn't end there. The crunch comes when you have to fill it and make it pay. Sure, it can be built, but at what cost?

With the \$300,000 COED Grant a mere pipe dream (it will never be utilized because time has run out) and a mere \$476,000 possible from Wintario, the taxpayer could still be left holding the bag for a figure in excess of \$2 million.

The realities of such an undertaking are lost on most. A mere thirty or forty dollars on your tax bill may not be a financial breaking point. However, remember that other costs are also escalating.

For example, Town service costs continue to rise, although heaven knows we get little enough for our money. Education taxes are another heavy drain on the taxpayer. They will continue to escalate as teacher's unions make unrealistic proposals at the bargaining table. This year's education budget will increase to around nine percent, which means even more dollars out of our pocket.

These demands on the public purse are only some of the reasons why a new Complex is unrealistic. Other stumbling blocks are: the impractical choice of site, and the fact that since the idea was first broached the guestimates have crept closer to three million rather than the \$1.7 million originally envisaged.

Back in October, Eldred the Unready was given a 72 point head in The Tribune that quoted him as saying: "Must have new arena in 1984." Since then the situation has changed considerably. We still need another ice pad, that goes without saying, but like many others, I doubt we can afford the heavy financial burden of building and operating a new Complex.

The original idea was great. However, the whole thing has been handled in such an inept manner I can no longer subscribe to it. Also, in my perilous financial state I simply can't afford it.

The politicians, of course, will continue to play both ends against the middle and try to keep everybody happy. At this late stage of the game, having already spent over \$110,000 and not a brick in site (pardon the pun), there are mutterings of holding a plebiscite to find out if us peasants really want a new Recreation Centre. I feel sick.

BAD TIMING
A recent public meeting of the Parks and Recreation Committee was a bust. Notwithstanding public reluctance to associate their leisure activities with politicians, the timing couldn't have been worse.

On March 7, less than a dozen attended at Latham Hall. The reason, of course, was that half the sporting fraternity was working itself into a lather across the road, supporting the gallant Peeewe squad in their bid for provincial honors. The other half were at Gananoque giving moral support to the Midget club. Whoever chose the meeting date was hopelessly out of touch with the realities of hockey playoffs.

Peeewe's head into finals

Last week's 4-2 win against Huntsville now puts the Stouffville Credit Union Clippers in the finals against Belle River (Windsor) for a crack at the Peeewe Provincial title; Belle River beat out Flamboro (Hamilton) for a berth in the finals.

The five-game series will be split, with Stouffville hosting Belle River this weekend for a 3:30 pm game on Saturday and a 4 pm game on Sunday. The following weekend, Belle River will host Stouffville to three straight games as follows: Friday at 7 pm; Saturday and Sunday at 1 pm.

For Coach Grant Nesbitt and his boys it is going to be one very tough road to Provincial honours. Three straight games on away ice can be daunting for even the best of teams. However, he has a full injury-free squad and is confident that with the advantage of two successive home games the series might not go the limit. In the event of a tie a sixth game will be held in Stouffville.

Providing there is room on the bus, seats will be available on a first-come first-served basis. For more information call Grant Nesbitt 640-5104 or Nelson Ham 887-5462.

Bowling twosomes

The Stouffville Bowling Lanes attracted 46 pairs in the All Ontario Family Two-some house round on Sunday afternoon. Youth Bowling Club members and partners who qualified for the zone finals are as follows:

Andrew and Abe Goertzen 174, 103, 184, 140
Bantam Stewart and John Layland 254, 204, 160, 183.
Junior
Leah and Lynda Collett 182, 204, 166, 165.
Senior
Kent and Enos Davidge 141, 187, 188, 256.

Peeewe