

# Philp leads Markham girls to tie

Tanya Philp's two-goal performance allowed the Don Cousens MPP Belles to grab a 4-4 tie with Woolrich in Markham Region representative ringette action.

Actually, by the time Philp fired her second, the locals had a comfortable 4-1 edge. But Woolrich came back with three consecutive tallies in the final seven minutes of play to gain the tie.

Cindy Hall and Laurie Griffin had the other markers. Griffin led the assist-getters with two, while Philp, Kathy Jorgenson, Lisa Antonik and Cheryl Colvin collected singles.

### Tween tourney

The Hemlo Gold Tweens tied for second spot in a recent Waldon tournament, but a goal differential

with the host club allowed it into the championship final instead of Markham.

Markham opened the competition with a 6-6 come-from-behind tie against Waldon. Game two was a 6-1 loss to Kitchener, the eventual tourney winner.

The squad rebounded to knock off London 5-4 and St. Catharines 6-2.

Overall scoring came from Vetina Schiralli (5), Wendy Candolini and Tara McGeorge (4 apiece), Wendy Mitchell and J.J. Johnson (2 each) and Jodi Zack.

Strong defensive work came from Erin Hallinan, Michelle Charbonneau, Shelley Fors, Shannon Higgins and Karen Hosford.

### Debs gain tie

Sue Griffin's hat trick helped the Don Hammond Upholstry Debs gain a 6-6 exhibition tie with Pickering recently.

Heather McTavish contributed two goals, with Joanne Chomyszyn rounding out the offence. Assists came from McTavish (3), Griffin (2), Christine Hammond, Lisa Ash, Carol Humphries and Anne Aprile.

## Weekender

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## Bizarre set up for basketball

This will be a quirky, if not downright controversial season for Midget basketball teams at the three Markham and Unionville high schools.

The potential problem stems from the season games. Technically there is no regular season. Instead, each of the 16 teams will play exhibition matches, and be seeded by the convenor for the playoffs in February.

But Unionville High School coach Bob McRoberts pointed out that seeding will be "tough to do properly" because some teams have 15 games scheduled and others only eight.

"Unless the convenors schedule more games," he added, "And some teams are interested in more."

Despite his worry, McRoberts is happy to see the region grouped into one big league, instead of the former practice of splitting it into North and South divisions.

### No difference

"I do like the aspect of playing teams all over the region. We'll get to see everybody."

As for the outings being worthless, he explained that "to me they're labeled exhibition games, but if we're going to be seeded on them I don't see the difference (with a normal season schedule)."

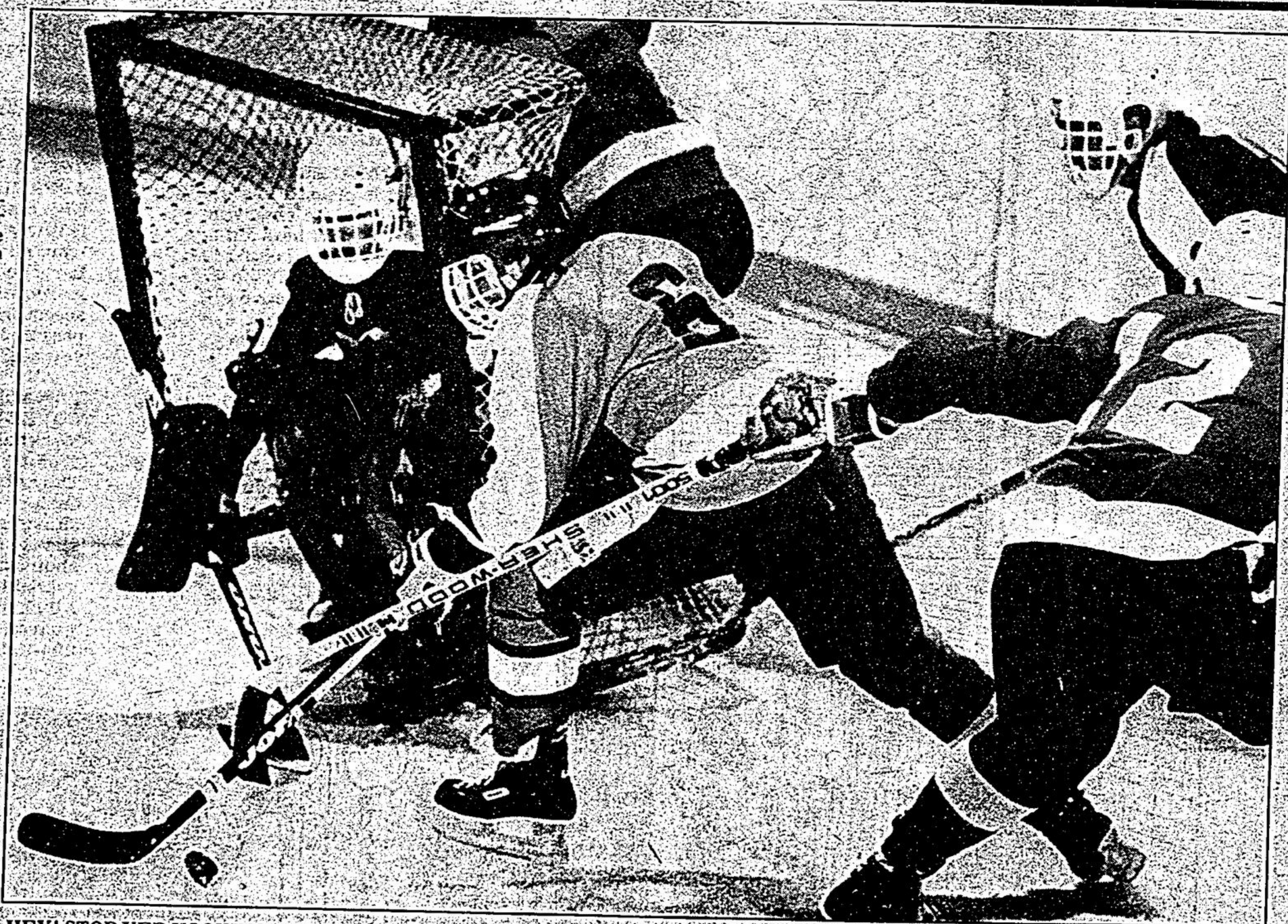
In the meantime the squad is concentrating on winning, and has done well to date. Unionville knocked off Sutton 36-27 and Langstaff 46-40 in overtime. The lone loss was by six points to Father Bressani.

Sean Murray has rapidly emerged as Unionville's hot shooter. He pumped home 10 points against Sutton, 24 on Bressani and 15 against Langstaff. Andrew Collins has been next on the list so far.

### Listening skills

Unionville's big problem against Bressani was a multitude of mistakes — mostly giving the ball away — that the opposition took advantage of.

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HEY! STOP YER HOOKING, FELLA!... St. Robert's forward Frank Iafano (6), has a little trouble getting a shot away on the St. Martin netminder, during Tuesday's Senior high school hockey game. Mean-

while, the goalie has a few problems of his own keeping the net upright. St. Robert's took a 5-2 decision.

— Sjoerd Witteveen

# Locals help St. Robert's

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A first-year team is not supposed to be a success, but thanks to a big contingent of local players the St. Robert Catholic High School Senior hockey team is off to a surprisingly strong start.

The squad, formed this year, has managed to go unbeaten in its first four Toronto & District Catholic

Athletic Association (TDCAA) league games. And that includes three victories.

The latest came Tuesday afternoon, when St. Robert's cruised to an easy 5-2 win over Mississauga's St. Martin Catholic High School.

The gap might have been wider, but for a controversial play late in the third period. By then the locals were nursing a 5-0 lead, but the offi-

cial's ruled that a St. Martin blueline shot went in.

St. Robert's protested vociferously, but the only result was a pair of unsportsmanlike conduct calls. During that time the opposition fired goal two.

"It was really a 5-0 game," contended coach and Markham resident Mike Fitzpatrick. "But this was our best outing yet. The kids

were working very hard."

Among those "kids" are Unionville's Steve Vine, Andrew Lawlor, Chris Cadorin, Tim Henderson and Chris McKenna. The Markham contingent is Terry Whelan, Kirk Bowen and Tim Fielding.

Most of the Unionville players are either on, or have been with, the OMHA-winning Juvenile Jets roster. And Whelan has been practising with Markham's Jr. A Waxers. Fielding put the locals ahead with the only goal of the second period. Tim McLinden fired three straight in the third frame and Frank Iafano rounded out the attack with a single.

"Our hustling and forechecking made the difference," said the coach. "Also our backchecking; St. Martin didn't get more than 10 shots (because of it)."

Fitzpatrick admitted being a little surprised with his club's strong debut.

"We went into this not knowing what to expect," he explained. "We were just hoping to make the playoffs, but now we're fighting for one of the top four spots."

## C'mon guys, start scoring goals!

The Markham Minor Bantams are finding out that two goals in two soccer games aren't enough to gain any wins.

Steve Wallace did all the scoring in the squad's first two exhibition outings at the new Richmond Green Indoor facility.

Markham dropped the first outing 5-0 to Richmond Hill. It

looked better against Stouffville, but still came out on the losing end of a 2-1 score.

Both Markham teams in the Junior division battled it out with the AS taking a 5-1 victory. The contest, though, was closer than the score indicates.

Mark Crawford's second goal of the game proved to be the winner as the Markham

Pewees knocked off Newmarket 3-2. Crawford shot the locals into an early lead, then Graeme Wilson netted goal two.

Newmarket rebounded with a goal early in the second half, then the defence held on until Crawford put the win on ice.

The Family Trust Atoms had similar success, taking their

first game 3-1 and battling Woodbridge to a 1-1 draw.

Jason Chai-Onn, Jermaine Davis and Reg Adubofour stored in the win, while Randy Alexander connected in the tie game. Strong performances came from Miles O'Brian, Jay Guiang, Dale Nichiporik, Gary Charles, Todd Boys and Rocky Morra.