

## Injuries hurt team

# Waxers facing 'donnybrook?'

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Has the good ship Waxer hit some rough water and developed a leak? Markham still holds down second place in the Ontario Junior Hockey League, but yet another loss last week — the seventh against 12 wins — doesn't help its cause any.

With injuries creating a patchwork lineup, the Waxers fell behind quickly to Owen Sound and never caught up, losing 8-6.

"We went in with a makeshift lineup, but we still should have won," said skipper John McDonald. "We had a talk before the game and everything seemed great, but after the first three minutes it was 3-0 for Owen Sound.

"It was pandemonium," he fumed. "Those goals were just complete defensive breakdowns."

Owen Sound finished the period up 4-1 (Paul Swift scoring for Mar-

kham). After the second the gap was closed to 6-5, with Captain Dave Forgrave, Jim Taylor, Stouffville's Mike Feasby and Unionville's Brad Adams (on a nifty backhand pass) connecting.

"It was probably one of our best periods of the year," McDonald recalled. "I thought we had 'em on the ropes."

But such was not the case. Owen Sound fired the eventual winner in the first minute of the first period. Forgrave notched his second to keep the game close.

There's no love lost between these two teams, and McDonald revealed that future meetings with Owen Sound — including back-to-back games next week — could be violent.

"I can see a real donnybrook coming... it's going to be a bloody war, that's what I'm afraid of."

However, one thing the coach is pleased with is the play of Adams, who's usually known more for occupying the penalty box than scoring goals.

"Other than a couple of defensive mistakes in our end, he played well," McDonald praised. "In fact, he'll be playing with Forgrave and Randy Smith (Markham's top line). Brad could be that defensive player they need."

McDonald admits his boys "are in a bit of a slump, and we're still hurting." But our suspensions "are back and I saw some positive signs."

Markham's next home game is the first of two against Owen Sound. It takes place 8 p.m. next Friday at the Markham Centennial Centre on McCowan Road.



## Soccer club donates money

World-Cup bound Canadian soccer team member Bruce Wilson (far right) helps out Markham Soccer Club members Lynn McGarrigle, Carolyn Jones, Joan Green and Maureen O'Grady on the club's

float in last weekend's Santa Claus Parade. After the parade, Wilson accepted a \$500 donation from the club, plus another \$500 from the women's auxiliary.

— Sjoerd Witteveen

### Markham Men's Hockey

Team	W	L	T	P
Calathumpians	6	1	0	12
A.G. Simpson	4	3	0	8
Rumrunners	3	5	0	6
Ultra Look	2	5	0	4
Panthers	2	5	0	4
Falcons	0	7	0	0

#### SCORING LEADERS

Player	G	A	PT
Rob Antonik	8	9	16
Rob McFarlane	8	7	15
Sean Murphy	4	11	15
Steve Eassey	6	5	11
Steve Becker	2	9	11



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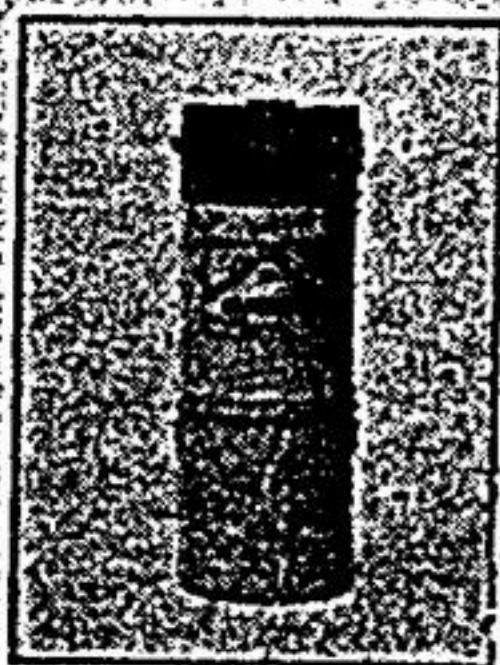
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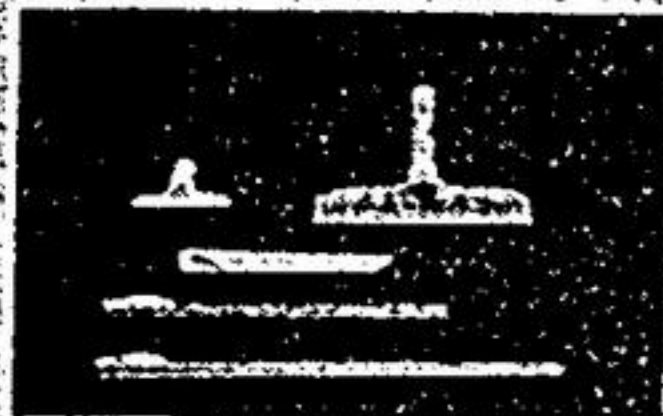
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