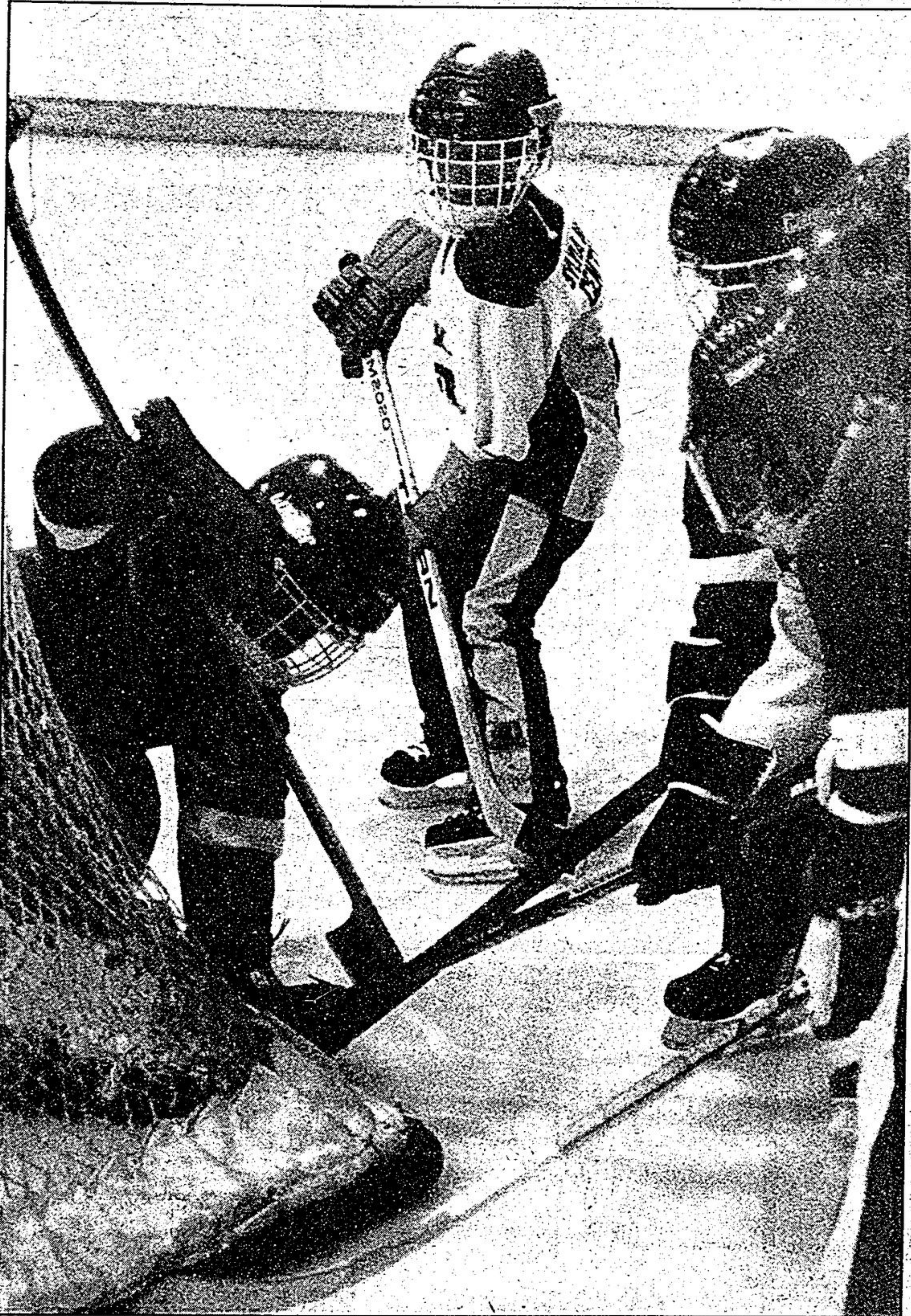


Weekender

Sports

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Five's a crowd!

Unionville netminder Greg Holohan found a whole pack of friends and enemies (including Markham's Chris Isaac, centre) waiting to see if he'd hang on to the puck. Action took place Wednesday night at the

Centennial Centre arena. Markham took the close-fought Minor Novice rep exhibition game 2-1 on goals by Brian Cavanagh and Greg Gilpin. John Edwards tallied for the Jets. — Frank King

Raiders keep winning

St. Robert's Senior boys hockey team, bolstered by a contingent of Markham and Unionville players, continues to be the surprise of its league.

The Catholic high school squad, playing in the Toronto and District Catholic Athletic Association (TDCAA), upped its record to 6-0 with a 10-3 win over Cardinal Newman.

Unionville's Mark Mateer continued his strong scoring exploits, pumping home a hat trick to lead the Raider attack.

Maurice Poirier and Andy Minuti supplied two goals apiece, with Steve Treppo, Armando Bal-

dassarra and Unionville's Chris McKenna netting singles.

McKenna also had four assists, while Mateer & Treppo collected two each and Minuti had one.

George Steiner, who coaches the team with Markham resident Mike Fitzpatrick, admitted the game wasn't much of a challenge.

"We weren't tested very much, and it was difficult for the boys to maintain their intensity," he explained.

Meanwhile the school's Senior boys basketball team hasn't had the same kind of luck. Indeed, it's at the opposite end of the scale with no wins in three league starts

and two tournament games.

Those tourney tangles were last weekend at the Kings of the Court competition. Paul Fagen's charges dropped a 94-22 decision to Earl Haig Collegiate, with Piero Palmerio getting 14 points.

Game two wasn't much closer, as Palmerio's 19 points and Oakland Knight's 13 couldn't prevent the Raiders from taking a 68-39 beating at the hand of Arthur Voaden High School.

League play saw Palmerio hit for 26 points in a 67-50 loss to St. Andrew's College. Knight and John Baxter had 10 each in a 43-38 loss to Father Bressani.

Markham girls claim top spot

Four Markham ringette teams went to a London tournament last weekend, and three came back with medals.

Leading the way were the R.L. Components/Carmen DiPaola Juniors, who compiled four wins, one loss and a tie en route to a gold.

Game one saw Kara Mitchell, Tracy Stewart, Megan Griffin and Lori Digula net two goals each in an 8-8 draw with London.

Assists went to Mitchell, Stewart & Higgins (2 each), Griffin and Christine Leo.

Mitchell, Digula and Melody Watson (2) did the damage in the second outing, a 4-3 triumph over Kitchener. Mitchell, Griffin (2) and Sarah Anderson assisted.

The third battle was an easy 8-1 destruction of Ajax, with Griffin getting four goals, Stewart two, and Watson & Shelley Wolfrain singles.

Collecting the set-ups were Mitchell, Digula & Andrea Flint (2 each), Wolfrain, Watson and Stewart.

Markham's only loss was a 7-5 decision to St. Catharines. Griffin (2), Flint, Digula and Mitchell supplied the offence.

Griffin & Mitchell (2 apiece), Digula, Watson, Wolfrain and Leo earned the assists.

The locals needed overtime to do it, but still managed to gain revenge for the loss by knocking off St. Catharines 7-6 when it counted: in the championship final.

Griffin (2) and Stewart tallied to give Markham a 2-1 first-period edge. Griffin, Stewart and Digula connected in the second, but the opposition scored four times.

Watson, who had three assists, finally netted the winner late in the second overtime period. Mitchell had two assists and singles went to Griffin, Anderson and Higgins.

Meanwhile, aggressive play was the name of the game for the Camera Sales/Markham Lions Petites, who won three of their five battles to grab the silver medal.

Eighteen minutes in penalties were handed out as Markham knocked off London 10-5 in game one. The locals were often shorthanded in the second match, but still destroyed Kitchener 10-2.

Game three against Scarborough was a sign of things to come, with Markham on the losing end of a 6-1 score. That put it in a must-win situation with St. Catharines, and the girls responded with a 12-7 win.

The battle was a rough one, with 22 minutes in penalties handed out. But it also guaranteed Markham a bronze medal, and a shot at gold.

But Scarborough was standing in the way and proved to be too tough, gaining a 7-2 win and giving Markham the silver.

Kim Harding led the goalscorers with 11. Kira Andrews (9), Jaime McDowell & Amanda Stacey (4 each), Debbie Stewart (3), Carrie Stewart (2) and Amanda Duncan rounded out the offence.

Assists came from Stacey (6), Harding (5), Carrie Stewart, McDowell & Andrews (4 each), Marina Schiralli, Mandy Booth & Ashley Hallinan (3 apiece), Duncan & Debbie Stewart (2 each),

Kristie Miller and Shelley Zack.

The Don Hammond Uphostery Debs won the bronze medal with two wins in their four outings.

Sue and Kathleen Griffin split the scoring in a 4-1 win over Richmond Hill. Sue Pirie, Jannine Battaglia (2), Leslie Smith and Laurie Griffin had the assists.

Game two was a different story, as Sue netted a pair of goals and Kathleen one in a 9-3 loss to Guelph. Smith (2), Joanne Chomyszyn and Danielle Jackson collected the set-ups.

Markham came closer in the third tangle, but still landed on the losing end of a 9-8 score against London. Laurie Griffin (3), Sue & Smith (2 apiece), and Chomyszyn did the scoring.

Assists went to Sue & Pirie (3 each), Smith (2), Kathleen, Chomyszyn and Debbie Botherson.

Game four went a lot easier, with Markham grabbing a 4-1 lead and cruising to a 13-4 burial of Richmond Hill.

Sue (4), Kathleen & Christine Hammond (2 apiece), Smith, Laurie, Chomyszyn, Battaglia and Carol Humphries supplied the offence.

The Speedy Muffler/Fuji Video Tweens didn't win a medal or a game in the tournament, but coach Vince Schiralli was happy with their performance.

Tara McGeorge supplied six goals, Wendy Candolini four, and two each came from Simone Van Gelder and Wendy Mitchell.

In league action, a six-goal third period powered the Don Cousens Belles past Warkworth 8-5. Karyn Duxbury and Cindy Hall (2 each), Kathy Jorgenson (2) did the damage.



MEGAN GRIFFIN
17 points for Juniors



WENDY MITCHELL
3 points for Tweens