

Sr. Girls Win three in a row

Stouffville Sr. Ladies downed Varsity 4-2 in an exciting see-saw hockey battle at the Rec. Centre, Saturday.

The victory stretched Stouffville's win streak to three straight games.

Shauna Blake notched the game-winner for Stouffville midway through the second period. Sheila Fockler picked up the assist. At that point the score was tied 2-2.

Karen Bach put the icing on the cake with less than five minutes to

go in the game. Cathy Carr and Heather Tynes set up the play.

Other Stouffville tallies were counted by Tracy Cumming from Allison Lowery and Allison Lowery from Shauna Blake and Wendy Brnjas.

Sandra Brown turned in an outstanding performance between the pipes for the home team. Wendy Brnjas was excellent on defence.

The Sr. Ladies are home for two games this weekend, one on Saturday and another Sunday.

Colleen Stewart still on rampage

Colleen Stewart is continuing her scoring spree. In Jr. Girls Hockey House League action, Jan. 3, she added to her season's total with a three-goal hat-trick.

Jenny Teeter counted one as McNeil blanked the Kinsmen 4-0. Assists went to Jenny Teeter and Tawn Elliott.

Terri Piette chalked up the shut-out.

Strong Goaltending
Solid goaltending by Sheri Beardon of George Ross Photo and Sabrina Denomme of Bunny's Flowers kept the score to a 1-1 draw in Mite Girls House League competition.

Shyla Brennan put the Photo firm out front with an unassisted tally. Michelle Norton drew Bunny's back on even terms assisted by Cheryl Norton and Julie Comedo.

Canadian Tire Atoms

A near upset by underdogs

For a team that hadn't won a game all season, the Canadian Tire club enjoyed excellent success in an Atom House League Tournament at the Rec. Centre, Dec. 28.

Pulling out all the stops, the Canadian Tire squad went right to the finals before dropping a 5-3 decision to Fashion Label.

Up until this loss, they'd gone unbeaten in the tourney. Other teams were — Farmer Jack's and Giles Chev-Olds.

Matthew Foley was a two-goal marksman for Fashion Label. He also picked up an assist. Jonathan

Desautels, Tom Hammond and Kevin Morreau counted singles. Other assists went to David Hutchinson and Jeremy Brown.

For the Tiremen it was Joe Ireton with a pair and Don Patten with one. Cameron Jacobs and Joe King drew assists.

The Canadian Tire lads were just as pleased as if they'd won the title, a tourney official said. They went into the tournament as underdogs but came close to pulling the upset of the season.

Tie 1-1

Hot goaltenders are the order of the day when Stouffville plays Port Perry. The Becker's Midget discovered this Dec. 18. So did the Atom Clippers.

Although the Clippers had much of the territorial play in the first period, the Port Perry cage-guardian held the fort.

In the second, Ryan Jefferson found the mark, rifling home a pass-out from Geoff Smith. Coulter Carcone, a new addition to the Stouffville lineup also assisted on the play.

In the game's final minutes, the Clippers took a penalty and Port Perry took advantage. A long, high screened shot evened the count. And that's the way it ended; a 1-1 draw.

The next match-up between the same two teams is Jan. 8 at the Rec. Centre.

Harry Milroy recalls hockey heroics of the 40s



This is how Markham hockey fans of the 40s remember centre star Harry Milroy of the 'Millionaires'. Now retired and living in Uxbridge, Harry enjoys leafing through the pages of his age-old scrapbook and recalling the good old days when hockey was king of all sports in the community.

By BRUCE STAPLEY

Harry Milroy sits in the easy chair of his Uxbridge home, his hands draped over the arms.

Ever the humble gentleman, he looks up and laughs. "I thought you were kidding when you said you wanted to do an interview with me," says the 72-year-old father of three who used to shine as a centre with the Markham 'Millionaires' of O.H.A. Intermediate 'A' ranks back in the 40's.

The big man picks up a battered old scrapbook containing newspaper clippings and photos of his distinguished amateur hockey career, a career that could well have taken him to the pros had it not been for the intervention of World War II.

"Look at this," Harry chuckles, pointing to an account of a seven-point game he contributed. "They could never get my first name right. It was always 'Barry' or 'Larry'."

But one thing is certain when Harry hung up his skates in 1950, he'd left his name indelibly enshrined in the memory bank of many a victimized goaltender.

"I guess I did have a pretty fair shot," he admits. "I used to always get in close, then put the puck up high. I don't recall ever missing on a breakaway."

Harry soon finds himself reminiscing about the Millionaires, the 'Nine Old Men' as he remembers the nucleus of the club. Guys like Bob and Nick Bangay, Charlie Nesbitt, Jack Watson, Bob Lawrie, Fred and George Scott and Carl Sellers. The odd new guy would come along but they could never keep up with us," he chuckles.

It was a different game back then, says the high spirited one time playmaker and goal scorer who used to drive his '39 Monarch from his home in Highland Creek to the Arena in Markham for his team's home games.

"Away contests would see the team travel to places like Peterborough by bus, then turn around and make the return trip home. The bus would roll in around two and Harry would be up driving his gravel truck bright and early the same morning."

"There was none of that goon stuff you see when you watch hockey today," Harry insists. "In those days, sticks were used for passing and shooting. Sure, the rivalries were serious, but they were settled on the scoreboard, not by fighting."

Harry started his O.H.A. career with Markham as a Junior. He played with Sutton and led them to the Eastern Canada Intermediate Finals. He was second in scoring one year in Toronto's old Westend Mercantile League. He spent three years overseas during the war, playing hockey and starring as a pitcher on Canadian Army softball teams.

With the Millionaires, he led the team to the Ontario Championship three years in a row, but never won the title.

"Whammy" as Harry was nicknamed, had a penchant for multiple goal games. One yellowed press clipping from a 1949 edition of the Markham Economist and Sun jokes that after a game in which Harry scored three goals against Newmarket, the rival coach may well have written "Milroy was here" on the dressing room blackboard after the game.

Harry's wife Helen smiles as she thinks back on her husband's hey day on skates. While unable to attend most games because of restrictions imposed by the raising of their three young children, Helen vividly recalls huddling around the pot bellied stove with the other players' wives in the arena waiting for their husbands' after games. "He was always worth watching," she said of the games she did manage to attend.

Harry claims to have been a slippery sort of a character in the prime of his career, able to elude those who would try to administer a crunching bodycheck.

"I was only hit once," he recalls with pride. "And that was by Bucko MacDonald, who went on to play in the NHL. It put a kink in me for awhile."

"The worst injury I ever suffered was a gash just above my ankle," he recalls. "The old doc stitched it up even though he was drunk. He still did a good job because it never bothered me afterwards."

Son Ron, a pretty fair hockey player too, still plays for the Uxbridge Black Hawks Oldtimers. Harry and Helen have four grandchildren.

The big guy closes up the scrapbook, happy to have been able to recall the past, if only for a little while. The man they called "Whammy" because of his magic moves with the puck beams a broad smile and sees me to the door.

Somehow, the Leafs, the Canadiens and the Edmonton Oilers no longer seem quite so important as I drive away with visions of Harry Milroy in his prime.

Uxbridge swimmers do well

Recently, the Uxbridge Swim Club participated in meets at various levels including a three-day competition in Pickering and a Novice event in Oshawa.

A total of 446 swimmers representing 18 clubs took part in the Level 1 'Christmas Classic' at

Pickering. Several Uxbridge swimmers achieved their personal best times.

Matthew Slater placed second in the 100-meter individual medley; a fifth in the 50-meter back and a sixth in the 100-meter freestyle.

Erin Hannah had two 7ths in the 100-meter back and 200-meter back.

At the Oshawa meet, the Level 'A' swimmers also distinguished themselves including — Donnie James, three 1sts and two 2nds; Trevor Ainger, two 1sts and one

3rd; Jeff Postma, one 2nd and one 3rd; Steve Postma, one 2nd and one 3rd; Carrie Frisk, one 2nd and one 3rd; Teresa Johnston, two 3rds and Doug Middleton, one 3rd.

In just over a year, the Uxbridge Club boasts 73 competitive swimmers.

Unionville Milliken Men's

TEAM STANDINGS

Team	W	L	T	P
Peter L. Mason	9	1	1	19
John Galloway's	9	2	0	18
Markham Trophy	7	3	1	15
Brodie's	7	4	0	14
Karkl/Perma-Wood	6	4	1	13
Crothers Big V	5	6	0	10
Rydev Magnetics	4	6	1	9
Brimwood Heating	2	8	1	5
Parkway Honda	2	9	0	4
Time Text	1	9	1	3

GAME RESULTS
Brodie's 8 — Parkway Honda 4
Brimwood Heating 10 — Karkl/Perma-Wood 3
John Galloway's 11 — Crothers Big V 5
Peter L. Mason 9 — Time Text 6
Markham Trophy 5 — Rydev Magnetics 2

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