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# Classics vs. Clippers

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The 'Classics' edged the 'Clippers'.  
 But the real winners in the Benefit Game at the Town Rec. Centre Saturday were the fans. For they saw the smiles of appreciation on the faces of Ernie Kennedy, wife Diane and daughters Heather and Karen as they presided over the official face-off and later took seats in the stands.

Mr. Kennedy, now equipped with artificial limbs following the loss of both arms in a gravel pit accident last December, has become a symbol of perseverance and determination throughout the community. His wife and girls are adored by everyone.

Following the mid-ice ceremony, team captains Bob McKinnon and Randy Lee handed the pucks to the little ladies to keep as souvenirs. The family was enthusiastically cheered.

The event, the brainchild of Stouffville's Jim Mason, was



Stouffville Clippers player Bob McNeil puts the finishing touches on his blade before heading out onto the ice to help raise money for Stouffville accident victim Ernie Kennedy, who lost both arms in an industrial accident in December. Local groups jumped into action following the accident to help the family.

club and the band Country Gold.

Facilities and talents were all donated.

While the crowd, estimated at 250, was less than anticipated, donations are expected to total \$2,000.

The Chefero Classics and the Betz Clippers served up an excellent brand of hockey. And while the Classics emerged as winners, the 2-1 final score was secondary.

Bill Hermanson and Art Nicholson were the Chefero goal-getters with assists going to Wally Crowder, Randy Lee and Dave Farlow.

Bill Ormson lit the light for Betz on a pass from Don Lloyd.

The Classics' younger legs began to show in the third period. Only outstanding netminding by Don Parrott and Gary Williams kept the contest close.

Dave Miller, goal-guardian for the Classics, also made several excellent saves but he wasn't as hard-pressed as his rivals.

Glove stops by both Parrott and Williams resulted in encores of appreciative applause.

The Classics were coached by Ray Steel and managed by Jim Wagg. Al Hachey, John Boyd and Steve Upton directed traffic at the Betz bench.



These three marksmen fired the goals in the benefit game held at the Stouffville Rec Centre. In the end, the Classics edged the Clippers in a close-fought 2-1 battle. From left are Art Nicholson, Bill Ormson and Bill Hermanson.

## Kennedy family wins in benefit hockey match



With Diane, Ernie and daughters Karen and Heather at centre ice, the Kennedys officially started the game between the two teams. Facing off for the Classics (left) is Randy Lee, while Bob McKinnon lines up for the Clippers.



Karen and Heather Kennedy were given game pucks as mementoes of the benefit game after they conducted the ceremonial first face-off. Both girls were all smiles as they displayed the pucks they were given.



Netminder Gary Williams was one two Clippers players who dressed for the cage at the match. His and Dave Parrott's abilities kept the score down. However, the Classics managed to slip an extra goal by the Clippers to win 2-1. About 250 turned out to watch the game, and an estimated \$2,000 was raised for the Kennedy family.