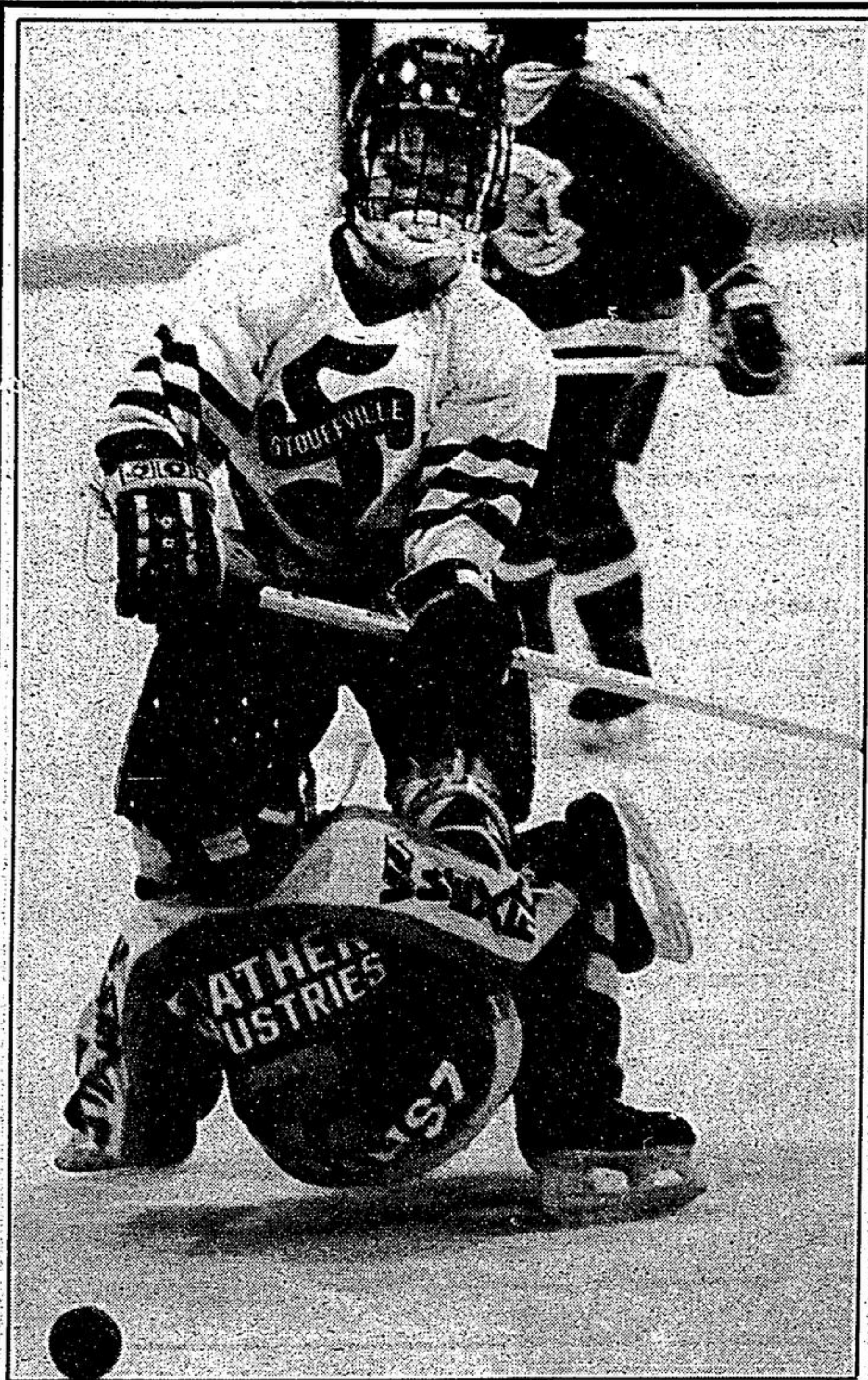


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Coming through

Stouffville's Jason McDonald (white uniform) levels Wexford's Ben Kalisz in an attempt to reach this stray puck during action in the Stouffville Novice 1 Hockey Tournament at the Rec Centre on Saturday. Stouffville lost this game 2-1.

Underwood is a big star on ice

Former Whitchurch-Stouffville Minor Hockey Association rep players Jason Underwood and Chris Winn each had a goal and an assist for the Central Ontario Hockey League All-Stars in the league's annual All-Star Game in Bowmanville on Saturday. Underwood and Winn, along with former association

skater Jamie Showers, were members of the Uxbridge Bruins who were chosen to the All-Star team. The All-Stars dropped a 9-4 decision to the Bowmanville Eagles.

Underwood was named the first star for the All Star squad.

Bantam Clippers settle for second

The Edwards Murphy bantam Clippers advanced as far as the finals, but were stopped 2-0 by Caledon in the championship game of the Aurora tournament on the weekend.

The Stouffville squad placed second in its division in the preliminary round, then blanked Cambridge 5-0 in the semi finals to earn the right to contest the title.

The Clippers recorded a win, a loss, and a tie in the opening round robin play.

They started off with a 3-2 win over Sudbury in a game that saw both teams go penalty free.

The Stouffville crew then dropped a 3-0 decision to Caledon, before playing the host team to a 2-2 tie.

Graham Crowder and John McKinnon each had a pair of goals in the preliminary round, with Mike Underwood scoring once.

Ian Ellis had two assists, with Tim Smart and Steve Wilcox each setting up a goal.

Brad Hackert and Evan Boyd combined for the shutout against Cambridge in the semis. Roger McMann fired a trio of markers, while Smart and Craig Wood added solos.

McKinnon collected two assists while singles were credited to: David Hutchison, Peter Smith, Adam Crowder and Graham Crowder.

In between tournament games, the Clippers skated to a 7-0 whitewash victory over Peterborough in a league contest. McKinnon and Peter Smith orchestrated the win with two goals apiece. Scott Assinck had three assists.

The bantams wrap up the regular season this week and then take on Peterborough in the first round of their playoffs.

Cain's goal gives pee wees title at Beaverton Tournament final

Evan Cain's goal with 26 seconds left in the game gave the Markham-Stouffville Credit Union pee wee Clippers a 2-1 win over Woodville in the championship game of the Beaverton Tournament over the weekend.

The Clippers' Jeff Hassard opened the scoring in the first period, but Woodville came back to tie it in the middle stanza.

Rob Spytz drew assists on both Stouffville goals and earned the game's Most Valuable Player honors.

The pee wees received single goals from Cain,

Hassard, Spytz, and Kyle Harrison in a 4-3 win over Cedar Hill. Hassard was given the Most Valuable Player nod.

In game two, Spytz scored twice, and Hassard had a solo, as the Clippers downed Pickering 3-1. Brad Johnston was named Clippers MVP.

Assists for the two games were credited to Kevin Hackert, Spytz, Cain, and Dan Tardella.

The pee wees resume play at the Rec Centre this Sunday at 5:15 p.m.

Pee wee selects come up short

The Schell Lumber pee wee selects finally ran out of magic as they ended up finalists at the

Uxbridge tournament over the weekend.

The Stouffville crew prevailed in overtime to win the first two games of the competition.

They started off by edging the host team 3-2 on goals by Brett Boyd, Mark Meyer, and Thomas Hawkins.

Colin Thompson was credited with one assist.

In game two, it was Nigel Griffin, Brandon Crossen, Boyd, Hawkins,

Thompson, and Chris McDonald scoring for Stouffville as they snuck past Pickering 6-5.

Hawkins and Reuben Canard each drew two assists.

But Stouffville fell just short in the championship match, falling 5-4 to Port Perry.

Hawkins notched a pair in the title game, with Griffin and Matie Eagen netting singles.

Eagen, Thompson, Crossen, and Chris Howland each had one assist.

Equestrian club's downfall no surprise

The demise of the high profile Eglinton Equestrian Club couldn't be considered a surprise to those who follow the Canadian horse scene, a major Canadian horse magazine revealed.

An editorial in the January, 1993 issue of The Corinthian Horse Sport, with its head offices in Aurora, said the writing was on the wall for the Davis Dr., Cedar Valley club.

Struggling under a debt load that finally became too unwieldy for the club's volunteer board of directors to handle, the board had no choice but to close the doors after the federal government continued to apply pressure for payment of almost \$200,000 of withholding taxes, the editorial said.

The writer of the editorial, Publisher/Editor, Susan Jane

Anstey, goes on to express her amazement that a club which started with \$5 million in 1987 from the sale of its Thornhill property could now be bankrupt to the tune of \$4.5 million.

She points out how the closing of the club will mean the end of the line for the annual Tournament of Champions and World Cup qualifier held there each year. Both events regularly attracted the likes of two-time world jumping champion Ian Millar of Perth, Ont.

With the club having been the chosen site of all the equestrian events had Toronto been awarded the 1996 Olympics, the close of the club would have caused quite a stir indeed if Toronto had been successful.

Apparently, the Governor General's Horse Guards and the

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horses belonging to the renowned Pracht family have remained at the facility with the approval of Coscan Developments, which holds the first mortgage and other guarantees amounting to close to \$4 million.

Anstey speculates that while a number of parties have expressed interest in purchasing the facility, "the economics of the situation may preclude any acquisition of the property from Coscan."

Anstey promised a more in-

depth look into the fall of the Eglinton club in a future issue.

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With Ged Stonehouse and family recently moving down east to run a golf course in Nova Scotia, son Ted will be hired on by the course as its pro.

Ted is currently in his third year on the United States college golf tour.

Ged, whose tireless efforts helped make the Rec Centre and the Stouffville Track Complex a reality, will be missed by the town's sporting community.

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Speaking of golf, Stouffville's Jason Whitebread is listed as 10th in the recently released Ontario Golf Association Junior standings for 1992.

Whitebread is a member of the Cherry Downs Golf and Country

Club.

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Three members of the Uxbridge Bruins' Stouffville connection have made the Central Ontario Hockey League's all-star team. Chris Winn, Jason Underwood, and Jamie Showers, all of whom once played on Whitchurch-Stouffville Minor Hockey Association rep teams, were named to the glitter squad.

Underwood is enjoying his best campaign as a Bruin, with his 25 goals and 32 assists putting him fifth in the league scoring race.

Showers, who scored four goals and added three assists in the Bruins' 9-2 victory over the Bobcaygeon Bullets on Jan. 2, is eighth in the points race with 12 goals and 30 set ups.

Winn, with 21 goals and 21 helpers, is ninth.