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Markham Millionaires might well have granted goalie Norm Stunden, a bonus after that senior game at Unionville the other night. Norm was probably the busiest and best man on the ice despite the fact that his team lost the game, and it was strictly his efforts that kept the score as low as it was.

The fact that Polly Minton scored the winning goal for the Clippers against Markham last Wednesday night proved a pleasant incident indeed since Polly hails from Unionville, and a great crowd of friends was on hand watching the diminutive speed merchant do his stuff with the Clippers.

Bunny Morgason, well-known Toronto Telegram sports chief, covered the Senior hockey game here on Saturday night. Several members of St. Michael's Majors, including the league's leading scorer, Ubricco, and Dusty Blair were also out for the local game. They enjoyed the big crowd and rousing enthusiasm which is definitely lacking in the Major League games at the Gardens.

Stouffville's big moment will be this Saturday night in Owen Sound since the Clippers will down the Mercurys at all costs in their efforts to climb into first place. If Stouffville can win Saturday night, it will be Owen Sound who is on the spot when the two meet again on Feb. 16th in Stouffville. The Clippers should make every effort to end on top which will give them Alliston in the first playoff round and almost assures them of going on in the Ontario Sr. 'B' or Allan Cup playoffs.

Frank Boucher thinks that a larger National Hockey League might be the answer for the decline in U.S. interest. He suggests New York, Boston, Toronto, Montreal, Quebec and Ottawa as one division of play with Detroit, Chicago, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Buffalo and St. Louis in a western wheel. Frankie argues that the fans would see twice as many teams by the adoption of an interlocking schedule and that the Stanley Cup could be contested by the winners of the two divisions. It's such a sensible idea that the entrenched hockey interests are likely to see that it dies before it can be born. Boucher would make players available for the extra teams by cutting major league rosters to 15 from the present 18.

Despite their win over Markham on Saturday night, several of the local Clippers were badly bound up in their performance, and played far below par. Don Couch who led the team in scoring last winter has turned in a very disappointing effort of late and was having little more than a pleasure skate Saturday night in addition to creating an absolutely foolish fist-swinging episode with Ronnie Bell. Bill Bradbury who hasn't been going now for some six weeks is still a little lost, but should improve with continuous playing. Herb Rose was off color as was the team's "big train" Nick Bangay. Nick was the first to admit when the game was over, "that was the poorest game I've played all winter, my legs just wouldn't go to-night."

Harry Boardway of Unionville has kindly consented to offer a trophy to the top point getter on the Unionville Club and will be presented at the end of the regular schedule. George Howell is currently leading the scoring race followed closely by Marr who is three points back. Bud Watson and Bob Petch are tied in the third spot. This trophy has created keen competition in the club as each player tries his utmost to overtake the leader.

Markham Moves into Local Arena for Collingwood Game

Markham Millionaires will move into the Stouffville Arena this Friday night for a game with Collingwood Shipbuilders. This is a postponed game from away back the first week of the schedule. The Shipbuilders started Markham on the skids for several losses a couple of weeks ago, and the Greenshirts are out to prove it was only an accident. It has always been a mystery to local fans who didn't see the game, how Collingwood was able to dump Markham 7-2. However, Eddie Bush's crew held Owen Sound 7-5 the other night and should provide quite a game, even though Markham are heavy favorites.

Markham's scheduled games are all played at Unionville, but this one not being listed they have made arrangements where they could to clean it up.

O.H.A. BIG SEVEN STANDING

(Standing as of Tuesday, Jan. 30)

	P	W	L	T	Pts.
Owen Sound	17	16	1	0	34
Stouffville	17	16	1	1	33
Markham	16	8	7	1	17
Newmarket	15	5	8	2	12
Collingwood	17	6	11	0	12
Alliston	17	5	12	0	10
Midland	19	2	17	0	4

	Goals for	Goals against
Owen Sound	178	55
Stouffville	115	36
Markham	85	82
Newmarket	65	83
Collingwood	75	103
Alliston	63	122
Midland	62	160

O.M.H.A. MIDGET

	GP	W	L	T	Pts.
C Stouffville	6	3	0	3	9
B Aurora	6	3	1	2	8
B Newmarket	6	3	2	1	7
C Port Perry	6	0	6	0	0

O.M.H.A. JUVENILE

	GP	W	L	T	Pts.
C Sunderland	6	5	1	0	10
A Unionville	7	5	2	0	10
B Newmarket	3	2	1	0	4
C Richmond Hill	5	2	3	0	4
C Port Perry	8	2	6	0	4
C Stouffville	5	1	4	0	2

O.M.H.A. BANTAM

	GP	W	L	T	Pts.
B Newmarket	5	5	0	0	10
B Aurora	4	3	0	1	7
C Stouffville	7	2	4	1	5
C Ajax	3	1	2	0	2
D Keswick	5	0	5	0	0

Wrestler Pays Assault Fine

A professional wrestler paid \$17 for throwing a punch during an argument over a hockey game in Lindsay.

Clarence (Toar) Morgan, 260-pound grappler and manager of the municipality-owned Lindsay Arena was given two years' suspended sentence and paid \$17 court costs following an argument that started when Morgan told one of the sponsors of Lindsay's Ontario Hockey Association Junior B club that the club had played "a heck of a game."

Morgan testified that Lloyd Reeves, Lindsay druggist, had retorted to Morgan's further complaint of rough play that Morgan was being over-critical of a game that was his bread and butter. "I hit him on the nose," Morgan told Magistrate E. A. Gee.

Peaches A.C. Tie Toronto Whirlwinds 4-4

Peaches A.C. rang up their fourth tie game of the season as they gained a draw with Toronto Whirlwinds in a T.H.L. game in the local arena on Thursday night. The home team ran up a two goal lead in the first half but seemed to grow over confident as their victory looked to be in the bag. The Toronto squad skated fast all the way and never let down at any time until with only a minute to go in the game they poked their fourth and tying tally by goalie Grant Wells to earn the draw.

Murray Lewis came up with his usual goal a game display as his low shot caromed off a skate into the net. Neil Brown added another a few minutes later with a high shot to the top corner of the net. The visitors fought back and tied the score on two neat goals but Don Miller skated in fast and let a shot go that never left the ice but slipped into the net by the goalie's skates. Again the opposition came back strong and again put themselves on even terms. The score remained deadlocked until with only five minutes to go Ed Mason tucked the rubber behind the goaltender for what looked like the winning goal. Not giving up for a minute the visitors came back to notch their fourth goal with a matter of seconds remaining.

O.H.A. Senior Hockey in the

UNIONVILLE ARENA

Saturday, February 3

Midland vs. Markham
Game Called 9 p.m.

Wednesday, February 7
Owen Sound vs. Markham

Game Called 8.30 p.m.

ADMISSION - 50c

JACKIE McLEOD BACK WITH RANGERS



At least one young fanette took advantage of the New York Rangers' workout at Riverdale Terrace, Toronto, on Friday night. She brought a hockey stick with her for autographing purposes, and here is shown Jackie McLeod, nephew of Bert Bell of Stouffville, affixing his John Henry for the admiring young doll. McLeod is just back from a shoulder injury.

Clippers Make Clean Sweep Of Home and Home Series By Downing Millionaires

(By Jim Thomas)

Two games that brought together the local clubs Markham Millionaires and Stouffville Clippers for the last time during the regular schedule are in the books now but will be talked about by enthusiastic hockey fans for many days to come. Both games were terrific struggles between a team that has proven itself powerful during the entire schedule in the case of the Clippers and a much improved Millionaire squad who went all out to down their high flying rivals. The Stouffville pucksters who are currently leading the Big Seven Senior League in actual points met up with a Markham entry that looked entirely different from their former appearances. However it's the old story of winning hockey games by shooting the puck into the net and that is what the locals did as they matched the Millionaires goal for goal and then in the dying minutes of the game netted the winner. In the first game played at Unionville Polly Minton sank the all important tie breaker near the midway mark in the final period and Gibson sewed it up with a centre ice shot into the open cage while Stunden was sitting on the bench in favour of an extra forward. The second encounter was broken up with a matter of three minutes left in the

third period when Gord Lewis fired a high corner drive into the top of the net from an almost impossible angle. It was a great game for the homesters to win and a heart breaker for the losers who had put up a good battle all the way. In the four meetings this season between these two clubs the Clippers have been successful in gaining the full eight points and extend their non-defeated streak to sixteen straight games.

In the first game in Unionville the final score read 5-3 in the Clippers favour. During the entire contest one man stood on the ice that meant the difference between just another loss and a one sided defeat in the person of Norm Stunden who rose again and again to handle shots from all sides and angles. Time and time again speedy Clipper forwards stormed around the Markham cage only to have a pad or a glove flick out with lightning speed to gather in or kick away the elusive rubber. The Clippers outshot the Millionaires more than two to one.

Hochberg opened the scoring in the first period with Gibson picking up an assist on the goal. Allen of Markham was serving a penalty at the time. Five minutes later the Millionaires tied the score as Watson banged in a pass from Armstrong who centred the puck out

from the corner. Markham took the lead at the half way mark in the period as Gray zoomed in alone for a neat tally. Hochberg was sitting out a tripping penalty when the goal was scored. Hochberg notched his second marker of the night from Couch and put the teams once again on even terms. With about twenty seconds remaining in the first twenty minutes Lewis standing in front tipped Machin's hard blueline drive into the net to end the period with the Clippers holding a 3-2 lead.

The middle frame saw only one goal scored that by Markham but almost everything else was included in the period from wild sparring sprees to neat stickhandling and passing plays. The period was only three minutes old when Singleton backhanded Robertson's pass into the cage as Rhodes had his view blocked on the shot. There were a total of ten penalties in the period, five to each team. Stark and Sluce drew the only majors of the game as they became mixed up in a battle along the boards.

The third and final frame proved to be the big period for the Clippers as they scored two goals to sew the game up. The winner came at 6:21 as Gibson started to roll and fell near centre ice. In doing so he cleared the puck to Minton skating at full speed over the blueline. Polly made no mistake and picked the bottom corner with a perfect drive. Play saw saved back and forth until in the final minutes Gibson and Sayliss were thumbed to the cooler. At once Coach Robinson pulled Stunden from the net and threw an extra forward into the fray. The crowd was tense, one bad move could turn defeat into a tie at least or could mean a worse defeat. The latter happened as Gibson who by this time had returned to the ice worked his way to centre and found the empty target with a well aimed shot. That ended the scoring for the game as only a matter of seconds remained in the contest.

In the second game played at Stouffville the tension was even greater than in the first contest. Markham opened the scoring after only two minutes of play as Scott put Singleton in the clear. The Millionaire centreman coasted in to slide the puck under Rhodes who dropped to the ice on the shot. A matter of seconds later Gibson tied the score from Minton and put the team back on even terms. At the six minute mark Bell let go with a hard drive to the top corner to once again put the visitors in the lead but with Allen of Markham in the penalty box Sayliss drove the puck into the net to end the scoring for the

MIDGETS, BANTAMS OPEN PLAYOFFS HERE SATURDAY

This Saturday evening in the Stouffville Arena will mark the opening playoff round for the two successful local O.M.H.A. clubs, the Bantams and the Midgets. The Bantam entry under Telf Rennie, is slated to square off against Ajax at 6:45 p.m. in the first of a best two-out-of-three game series.

Stouffville's Midget entry under the guiding hand of Bob Snowball have already chalked up a record, in the fact that they completed the schedule without a loss. This success came too, without the services of Harold Hodgins, standout defenceman on the team who has been out of action with a leg injury of nearly three weeks. Beverley and Simpson have also been on the sidelines but all are expected back for the playoffs beginning Saturday night.

Stouffville has two of the snappiest minor league hockey entries to be brought together in some years, and from their ranks should come future material for the Senior Clippers. They'll be expecting your support now that playoff time has rolled around, so let's see a good turnout of fans to cheer the kids on. The admission will be 25c and 15c.

period deadlocked 2-2. At 2:20 of the second period Bell of Markham carried to centre passed to Galand who relayed to Bell again. The speedy winger put the visitors in the lead for the third time with a hard shot. The Millionaire lead held out until near the end of the period when Sayliss and McCrone combined to even the count. Scott and Stark were serving minor roughing penalties at the time and Robertson was also in the detention seat on a minor charge. The middle frame ended with the score reading 3-3.

The final period was a cleanly played twenty minutes as a penalty might be disastrous to either team. As time wore on it was easily seen that one goal would mean the game. Both teams had some great chances with Stark having the best opportunity of the period as he sailed in alone only to be outguessed sensationally by Stunden. At 17:26 Gord Lewis aimed and fired a rising corner drive into the top of the net to stun the Markham team and spectators alike. Once again Stunden was drawn for an extra forward as in the previous game but to no avail. The final score read Stouffville-4, Markham-3.

For the visitors the entire team looked much improved over other appearances here with Galand, Bell and Singleton showing up above the others. For the home team Stark turned in a good game with his swerving style catching the eye of all the fans. As Stunden rose to the heights in the previous game so Rhodes held the fort in spectacular fashion for the Clippers. These two teams will not meet again until the fog clears before play off time and the boys find out who is to oppose who in the finals.

Know The Rules

Kicking a Player

Rule 66
A Match penalty shall be imposed on any player who kicks or attempts to kick an opponent; a substitute shall be permitted at the end of the fifth minute of actual playing time, substitute must take a place on the penalty bench.

Got Your Ticket?

The bus tickets for Owen Sound for this Saturday's Senior hockey game are going—if you haven't yet procured yours, do it now by contacting L. E. O'Neill or Walter Holden.

ARENA Program this Week

- Thursday —
3:30-5 p.m. — Free Skating Children under 8 yrs.
7-11 p.m. — Toronto Hockey League.
- Friday —
8:30 p.m. — O.H.A. SENIOR HOCKEY
COLLINGWOOD vs. MARKHAM
- Saturday —
2-4 p.m. — Skating Club.
O.M.H.A. PLAYOFFS
6:45 p.m. — Bantam Hockey, Ajax vs. Stouffville.
8:45 p.m. — Midget Hockey, Pt. Perry vs. Stouffville.
- Monday —
7-11 p.m. — Toronto Hockey League.
- Tuesday —
4-6 p.m. — Skating Club.
- Wednesday —
3:30-5:30 p.m. — Free Skating Children under 12 yrs.
8:15-10:30 p.m. — Public Skating.