

Sports

By George Kaz



The Toronto Marlboroughs sat in their dressing room following their game against the Soviet Central Army hockey team shaking their heads.

The Marlies had just finished playing in one of the most entertaining games played in the old Maple Leaf Mint in years. The reason for their amazement was a few Russian chaps by the name of Kharlamov, Petrov, Mikhailov and Tretiak.

The final outcome of the game was 7-6 in favor of the touring Russian side but one would hardly know that the Marlies had lost by the actions of the crowd.

Treated to some fine hockey, the usually docile Garden's collection were seen clapping, heard shouting and uttering other unintelligible utterances throughout the game.



One of the stars for the Marlborough team that night was Mississauga's Mike Kaszycki.

Kaszycki, last year's leading scorer in the Provincial Junior League with 99 points and also rookie-of-the-year winner was quickly picked up by the Major A Marlies this season. After a slow start which saw him on the bench Kaszycki has begun to score points for the Marlies in lumps.

To date the 18 year-old centre has scored 21 goals and collected 29 assists for a total of 50 points for the powerhouse Marlies.

Against Tretiak, Kaszycki had one of his greatest thrills in hockey yet.

At the start of the second period the Marlies held a close 3-2 lead after the first period having outshot the visitors 13-10.

The Russians evened the count early in the second period only to have Kaszycki give the Marlies the lead once again when he rifled a shot right along the ice from 20 feet in front of the net.

Following the game, Kaszycki held the puck in his hand smiling when describing the goal.

"I got the pass from Jorgenson and waited for a split second," explained Kaszycki. "Coach Armstrong told us to shoot high on Tretiak and we'd have a better chance of scoring on him. But one of their defensemen was going down in front of him. I figured he'd be screened so kept it right along the ice."

This season did not begin too successfully for the 185 pound 5'11" Kaszycki.

He couldn't seem to find the groove playing for the Marlies and Armstrong kept the youthful centre on the bench for the first 10 games of the season.

"I just don't know what was wrong," offered Kaszycki when looking back to the start of the season.

"But coach Armstrong is one of the finest hockey men in the business and he had the patience and waited."

Finally Kaszycki got his opportunity to play on a line with Craig Crawford and Lynn Jorgenson. They've played together from that point and were effective against the Russians.

"They're really something those guys," stated Kaszycki bewilderedly. "That Kharlamov has the finest moves in hockey and Tretiak robbed some of us blind."

Kaszycki started off last season for Dixie also rather slowly but for completely different reasons than those of this year in Toronto.

Not many people knew but Kaszycki was playing with torn ligaments in his shoulder and he had trouble holding on to his stick and shooting.

"With the ligaments torn there wasn't much I could do but wait and ride it out," he explained. "It took about 14 games for the shoulder to heal and when it finally did I just got my game together."

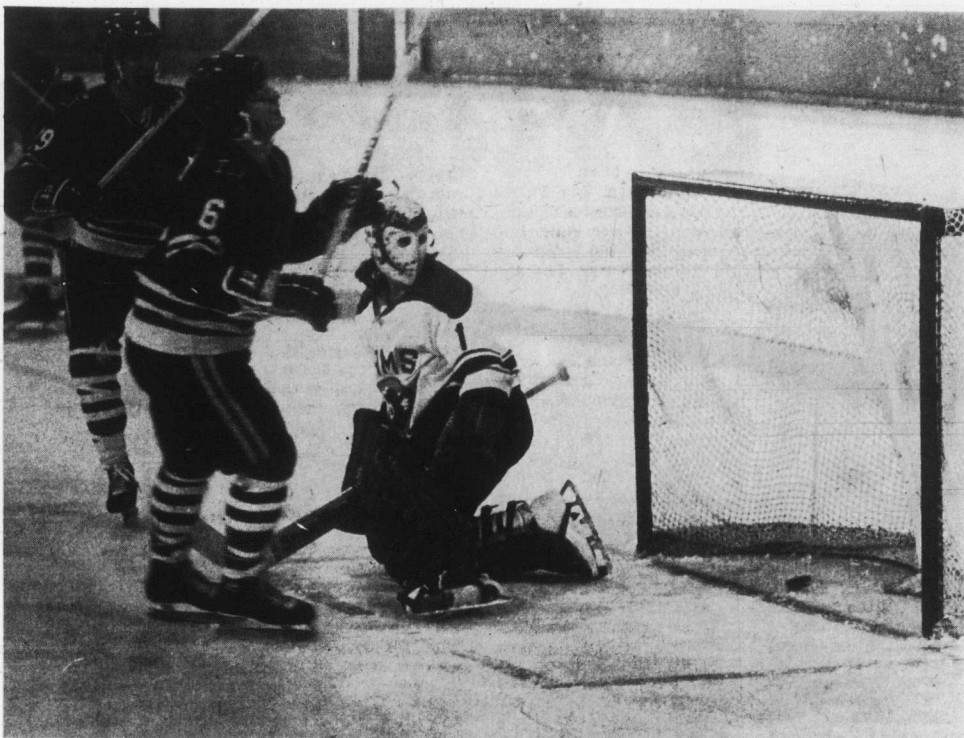
Kaszycki has still another year of junior eligibility left but already he has given thought to playing pro hockey.

"Who ever gives me more money," was his reply as Kaszycki spoke humbly.

"I'd like to play in the National Hockey League like most guys but it all depends on money. If I were to get a much better offer from one of the other clubs in the WHA I'd have to consider seriously the offer."

For now Kaszycki and his Marlborough mates have only one thing that they're looking forward to and that is the Memorial Cup.

"We'll be there," Kaszycki spoke as if it were almost a fore gone conclusion. "The competition will be from the western teams but as far as the guys are concerned we'll win it all."



It seems that Dixie's Dan Mortimer No. 6 can't believe his eyes after scoring one of his two goals Sunday night enabling the Beehives to defeat the Richmond Hill Rams 5-3. (Times photo by Ron Pozzer).

Beehive coach looks ahead after victory

By GEORGE KAZ

Dixie Beehive coach Gerry Inglis stood outside the Beehive offices following Sunday's 5-3 win over the Richmond Hill Rams wondering about the upcoming games the Beehives will be playing in the upcoming weeks.

"They're a crucial three games we have coming up," stated the happy Beehive coach. "If we lose those three games we'll be in deep trouble."

That about sums up the way the Provincial Junior A League standings are to date.

With the Beehives currently tied for the eighth and final playoff spot with North Bay they find themselves only three points out of third spot in the standings.

The Beehives travel to North Bay for a rare Sunday away game next week and follow that with a game in Richmond Hill next Tuesday and are back home on the 19th of this month against the Toronto Nats.

"These are the teams that we have to beat to ensure ourselves a spot in the playoffs," elaborated Inglis. "If we were to lose those three games it would be mighty tough for us the rest of the way."

On Sunday the Beehives got a strong performance from the line of Dan Mortimer, Warren Young and Dan Cormier and strong goaltending from Dean Dorsey to register the win.

Mortimer opened the scoring early in the game for the Beehives when he converted passes from Young and Cormier into a goal at the 2:14 mark.

Mortimer notched his second goal of the game at the 5:47 mark when he scored on a pretty three way passing play with linemates Young and Cormier again.

Richmond Hill pulled to within one goal when Ben Pedersen fired a shot past Dorsey at the seven minute mark.

The Beehives refused to fold and at the 13:24 mark Kevin Walker gave the Beehives a two goal advantage once again.

It took 19 minutes of play in the second period before a team scored as Richmond Hill's Dave Dunkley scored on the only key mistake Dorsey made in the game.

The Rams were playing short handed when they lifted the puck down the ice. Dorsey first moved out to get the puck but decided against the move. Dunkley moved in, cut in front of the Beehive net and slid the puck home.

Myles Forget gave Dixie a two goal lead once again when he scored from Doug Hespil and Walker after only three minutes played in the third period.

Mike Rowley put the Rams within one goal again when he shot quickly from a faceoff and beat Dorsey to his glove side.

With less than two minutes left in the game and the Rams pressing in the Beehive zone Warren Young added a goal to his two assists when he converted shots by Cormier and Hespil into a goal.

"The team is now playing as a group," answered Inglis when questioned about the Beehives morale. "We think we can go all the way. The players are playing together as a team now helping each other rather than criticizing. If we can take these next three games we'll be in fine shape."

On Friday the Beehives tied the Marham Waxers in Markham 3-3.

Scoring for the Beehives were Kevin Walker, Alex Kallinikos and Gord Lormer.

Beehives next home game will be Sunday the 19th when they will be hosting the Toronto Nationals at Dixie Arena.

Christie's run string to six two rep teams take titles

Christie Cookies ran their winning streak to six games as the Peeewe AA team capped a perfect week by defeating Agincourt 4-3 in Mississauga Rep Association play.

Four different players shared in the scoring as D. Newsom, D. Moitoso, G. Gilbert and A. Parsons found the target for Christies.

Earlier in the week Christies handed North York Rangers a 7-3 loss as Sawyer and Marchiori paced the attack with a pair of goals.

Contributing singles to the total were Moitoso, Nunn and Taylor.

Henderson proved to be the one major stumbling block for Don Mills as Christie edged out a 1-0 verdict on the strength of Henderson's goaltending heroics.

Cennell scored the lone goal of the game to give Christie's the win.

ATOMA
G.H. Wood found the going a bit rough this week as they managed to split their three games evenly.

Wood and Northwest played to a 1-1 draw with Mike Humby the lone goal scorer for the Mississauga team.

Jim Baxter fired home a pair of goals pacing G.H. Wood to its lone win of the week a 5-1 score against Olympics.

Jon Lawson, Tim Harnett and Shawn Argall added single counters.

Humberview opened the scoring against the Rep team only to have Tim Henry comeback and tie the score.

That, however, was all the scoring the Wood's team was able to muster as they were defeated by Humberview 4-1.

MINOR PEEWE AA
PCO's put on quite a scoring splurge as they outscored their opposition 14-2 in action this past week.

In the only close game of the three, goals by Steve Dacosta and Mike Hough gave the PCO's a 2-1 win over Don Valley.

The Reps exploded for a 6-0 win over Don Mills in their next outing.

Dacosta fired three goals with singles coming off the sticks of Steve Rowsell, Doug McGillivray and Mark Turner.

It was Ken Strong's turn to fire the hat trick as the Reps skated by Royal York 6-1.

Mike Houg, Rowsell and Steve Rowsell scored single goals to round out the PCO scoring.

MINOR MIDGET
The Reps fired home two quick goals but then needed to come from behind a 4-2 score to tie North Toronto 4-4.

Scoring for the Reps were Ross Brindley with a pair and Les Laciak and Chris Costello with singles.

Brindley continued his torrid scoring pace by firing home three more goals in the Reps 7-3 win over Warren Park.

Costello followed Brindley in the scoring department with a pair of goals.

Keith MacKenzie, Russ Plumb, added single markers.

MINOR ATOM AA
Consolidated Fastfrate returned to minor atom action with a solid win over the Flames following the Christmas break.

Scoring was evenly distributed between five players as Stepehn Macdougall, Ken McNulty, John Donoval, Tom Hogg and Greg Miukovich found the range for the Reps.

Goals by Gord Cruickshank and McNulty once again enabled the Reps to squeeze out a 2-1 win over Agincourt Canadians.

In another close game, the Reps edged Toronto Kings 3-2 as MacDougall fired home two goals for the Reps and Steve Franchetto contributed a single.

MINOR PEEWE E
The Reps competed in the Whitty Tournament over the Christmas break with resounding success as they won the grand cham-

ionship.

Paced by the netminding duo of Craig Williams and Len Bullied the Reps were not scored on until the championship game.

In the first game Williams registered the shutout and Anthony Tanti fired home three goals enabling the Reps to defeat Aurora 4-0.

Jeff Kostick added the fourth Reps goal.

In game two it was Bullied's turn as he kicked away all shots as the Reps trounced Markham 8-0.

Kostick lead the scoring brigade with three goals followed by John Flynn who notched a pair. Singles went to Andy Clements, Tanti and Gordon Smyth.

In the championship game Bullied and Williams shared the goaltending as the Reps defeated Whitty 7-4.

Flynn fired three goals to pace the attack with Robbie Dye notching a pair and singles going to John Lennon and Mark Henderson.

Bullied and Williams continued their goaltending brilliance as the Reps returned to league play with both goaltenders earning shutouts.

Bullied registered the shutout as the Reps defeated the North Stars 3-0.

Rep goals were scored by Karl Wren, Mark Henderson and Ken Valentine.

Williams registered the shutout and Flynn, Bruce Behrend and Kostick provided the goal scoring as the Reps blanked the Royals 3-0.

MINOR BANTAM A
The minor bantam Reps played fine hockey as they won the Iroquois Whitty Hockey Tournament.

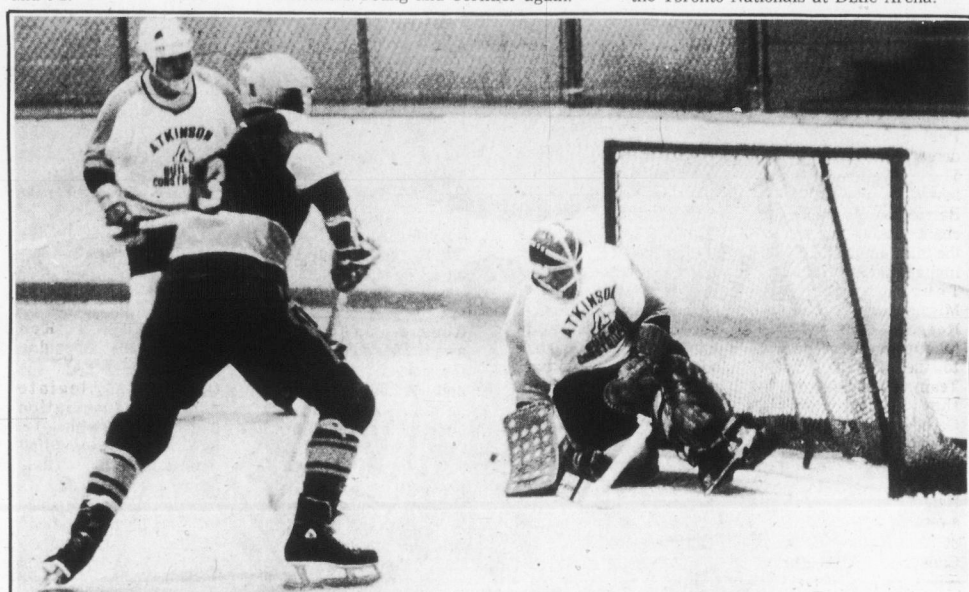
Two goals by Bill Harvey and Wayne Glendinning paced the Reps to their first win, a 7-2 trouncing of Oshawa.

Other Rep goal scorers were Rick Kennedy, Derrick Dacosta and Steve Brown.

Dave McDougall proved to be the stronger goaltender as the Reps won game two, 1-0 over Cedar Hill in overtime. Harvey was the goal scorer.

In the final game, goals by Wayne Beaumont, Tom Jordan and Glendinning gave Mississauga the win over Whitty 3-2.

In league action the Reps defeated the Royals twice 3-2 and 6-2.



Lorne Park's Greg McLeod raps one home past Cawthra goaltender Brian Cleland as in action of Mississauga's Intermediate Hockey League. Two games are played every Tuesday evening at Port Credit Arena in the area's first-ever league for players over 22. (Times photo by Ron Pozzer).

Hunt's brainchild growing, intermediate league attracts players and professional scouts

By NANCY ENRIGHT

Six years ago Keith Hunt thought it would be a good idea to start an intermediate hockey league in Mississauga.

This winter, almost 100 players, aged 22 and over, are lacing up their skates every Tuesday evening at Port Credit arena to play in Mississauga's first intermediate league. Competition is between five local teams, with the fast pace of the games dictating the young age of most of the players.

"We've even had scouts out looking at some of the players," Hunt says, indicating the high calibre of hockey the league offers.

Interest heightened this fall after Hunt, a director of the Mississauga Hockey League, Danny Carway, an MHL scheduler and Ian Scott, of the Recreation and Parks Department, got together in October to organize the league.

"I really didn't expect it to go over so well," Hunt says, "but it really took off."

Hunt's philosophy behind the league was that good hockey players in Mississauga didn't have enough opportunity to play.

"There are a lot of talented players out there who can't take the time to go into Toronto to play on junior and juvenile teams. Even then, they would have 70 to 80 games a year with numerous practices, but with this league, they have 30 games a year with one weekly practice."

As a result, the Mississauga League boasts quite a few experienced players, young men who'd rather play on senior teams near home rather than in the city, or cuts from Junior B teams.

Response was so great for the league that two new teams were created to accommodate those who registered.

"Cawthra, Lorne Park and Malton came in as entities, with guys who had already played together for awhile. They made up the new teams of Applewood and Erindale with other players," Hunt says.

Currently, Lorne Park, sponsored by Able Photo, is in first place, with a record of no losses and two ties. Cawthra Atkinson Construction is second with one loss

and one tie, with Malton Johnson Carney Realtors in third position. D.W. Ferguson sponsors fourth-place Applewood, while the Erindale squad are as yet without a sponsor, trails.

Four of the five teams play Tuesday evenings starting at 9:30 p.m. "Two weeks ago we had about 100 people out to watch the early game which is encouraging but we'd like to see more fans," Hunt says.

Penalties for slashing and high-sticking have been increased to five minutes, while spearing and butt-ending are automatic three-game suspensions, as in regular MHL games. Any third man instigator or player leaving the bench in a fight receives automatic five-game suspensions for the first offense, a year for the second offense.

In addition, each team has elected a player representative to deal with disciplinary problems. "We don't want this to turn into bush-league hockey," Hunt explains. "The games get rough sometimes but violence just won't be tolerated."

Referees are from the MHL and although they have had to adjust to the penalty changes and different calibre of hockey, Hunt says they're doing an excellent job.

Next year, Hunt hopes to expand the league to 10 teams with two series, A and B, for various ages and corresponding talents.

A committee has already been set up, headed by chairman Bill Peeling, to direct the future of intermediate hockey in Mississauga. Peeling is vice-president of the MHL, while president Dave Black has also lent his support to the fledgling league.

"Now that we know it's financially feasible, I think it's going to work out well," Hunt says. "I can see it developing into our own little pro hockey league in Mississauga."

The quality of hockey being played is good enough to be enjoyed by young and old, according to Hunt. Fan participation isn't bad for the Cawthra, Malton and Lorne Park players, but the other two teams could use some support.

Admission is only 60 cents for both games, played at Port Credit Memorial Arena on Stavebank Road.

Henderson played despite broken nose

By NANCY ENRIGHT

Despite a badly broken nose, Paul Henderson laced up his skates at Maple Leaf Gardens last night as the Toros took on the Phoenix Roadrunners.

"Jim and I were both going in after one guy, Jim came off the boards and that's when I caught his stick but he didn't even realize it right away," Henderson explained Monday.

Henderson however did. He also recalled the three or four previous times he's broken his nose.

"The doctors froze it and tried to put it back into position. I'll be wearing the cast for about 10 days."

Toros coach Billy Harris described the break by saying if they measured the

protective mask in yesterday's action following the incident Saturday night when Henderson's nose tied with teammate Jim Dorey's stick during the match against the Quebec Nordiques.

"I think we have to change our attitude," he said. When we were home for most of December we got a bit lazy.

"The Toros are still in first place," Henderson pointed out, "so we're not all that bad. We've got a really good hockey team and we've just got to start playing better at the Gardens."

It's obvious if you're Paul Henderson, a broken nose doesn't leave room for any excuses.



Toro Paul Henderson Mississauga's Team Canada '72 hockey hero sported a cast and special