

# Sports

By George Kaz



Question: What is the name of the Mississauga team competing in the Central Ontario Girls Hockey League?  
 What? You say you did not know Mississauga had a team in the league.  
 Well the answer to the question is the Mississauga Indians. Along with teams from Downsview, Burlington, Ingersol, Saltfleet, Hamilton and Niagara-on-the-Lake these teams make up the Central Ontario Girls Hockey League.  
 The reason not many people have heard of the league is probably because it has not been around for long. As a matter of fact,

three months.  
 The owners of the Indians team were also the main cogs in the machinery that made the new league.

Joe Primeau and Lorne Robert are a couple of Mississauga sports entrepreneurs. Primeau's name is synonymous with hockey as father Joe Senior was a member of the great Leaf teams back in the late forties.

Robert is a transplanted Montrealer. They met at an ice rink and have become acquaintances and partners since then.

## Daughters play

Primeau's daughter Sue and Robert's daughter Debbie both played on the same girls midget hockey team in Mississauga. Difficulties with the Mississauga Hockey League sent Robert and Primeau out on their own.  
 Taking the nucleus of last year's midget team, which consisted of seven girls, Primeau then went about recruiting a hockey team.

From a Toronto All Star team, he managed to get Laura Smith, Mary Ann Coolich and Joey Bush, regarded by some observers as the best girl hockey players in this country.

A few phone calls later, the Indians managed to land Sue Brown, Norma Landry, Cindy Byrne and Penny Mietz. Add the likes of last year's midget team and Robert and Primeau assembled quite a club.

"Joe is the up front man, the public relations guy," interjects Robert. "He got the girls when it was finally decided that we were not going to be part of the Mississauga Hockey League."

## Can-Am first competition

The Indians first taste of competition was the Can-Am Tournament at the University of Guelph. They proved to be as good on the ice as on the paper as they won the tournament championship.

"The reason the Indians had to go on their own was because not all the members of the Indian team were Mississaugans.

"Rather than playing in the house league the only alternative was to go out on our own," adds Robert.

Robert was an acquaintance of Maurice Landry, the Burlington team owner, and a meeting was finally arranged with representatives of Mississauga, Burlington, Ingersol and Niagara-on-the-Lake.

All teams were playing in a loosely-scheduled fashion and all people involved decided a new league was the only solution. "The other three teams followed once the league was set says Robert.

The Indians because of lack of ice time in the Mississauga area are playing their home games at Double Rinks Arena.

"We would like to play in Mississauga but there just does not seem to be anytime for ice around," says Robert.

Currently in first place in the league, the Indians play an 18-game schedule and playoffs.

The top four teams comprise the championship level with the teams finishing in fifth, sixth and seventh place respectively playing in a consolation final.

"We hope something can be worked out so we can get back in Mississauga and play," says Robert, "but we'll just have to wait and see."

Mississaugans should hope that the Indians wishes come true. The Indians play top-calibre hockey.

## Times looking for competition

Following the Times' difficult tie with the Dixie Staffords last week many players were disappointed to find that that might have been their last game together.

Therefore the Times is issuing a bulletin. If there are any teams or groups that would like to play an exhibition game or charity game, be they men, women, teenagers young or old, contact the Times sports desk.



Markham player turns net as Dixie goalie Clayton Evans keeps his eyes on the puck. No. 20 Doug Heslip of Dixie moves to defense. Dixie won game 4-2 over Markham. (Times photo Ron Pozzer)

# Beehives make move for playoffs

By DAVE O'BRIEN

Goaltender Jim Baxter was the Markham Waxer's grinch who tried to steal a Merry Christmas from the Dixie Beehives Sunday night, but just like the famed fairy tale, the people of Dixieville won out in the end when their heroes prevailed with a 4-2 Provincial Junior A Hockey League triumph. The Bees buzzed around Baxter all night as if he were covered in honey and it was his theatrics which kept the game respectable.

While cage opponent Clayton Evans was less active, he brought the 600 Dixie Garden's fans alive with numerous difficult

saves in the middle period with the score tied 2-2 and Markham threatening to start a landslide.

That was the last time Waxers were to cause alarm however, as Dixie reversed the tables and peppered Baxter for two third period unanswered goals.

Beehives undoubtedly perked up after yielding only one goal in the opening frame during a 12-minute penalty sentence to Kevin Walker for his efforts to fight an unwilling opponent.

Walker was caught holding his enemy and when he tried to take him along for the rest, the official added an

additional 10 minutes for being the aggressor in a fight.

Dixie skated to the dressing room after 20 minutes down by only one goal, the hometown honor going to Warren Young when he completed a nice passing play involving Dan Mortimer and Dan Cormier.

In the second segment, Evans held the Waxers at bay and Cormier notched the tying tally on an individual effort.

Markham's downfall came in the third tilt when Larry Wagner received a five-minute major for highsticking Dixie captain

Dave Large.

With Wagner in the sin bin, Young netted his 27th goal of the campaign when he deflected a shot from defenseman Alex Kallinikos and the Bees never looked back.

Five minutes later, Large barreled down the left side and unleashed a blistering slap shot from a sharp angle that beat Baxter low on his glove side.

Dixie coach Gerry Inglis was obviously pleased with his Christmas present and sees bright hope for the new year.

"The boys are starting to play the way I like them to with good puck control and

everybody taking a man out," beams Inglis.

Since the players have finally grown accustomed to their new mentor and his different techniques, Inglis points out that the spirit has been riding high the past few weeks.

Former Toronto Maple Leaf great and current Toronto Marlboro coach George Armstrong viewed the event with particular interest in his baby Ducks.

Armstrong also had a good look at the Dixie roster. Last year Dixie Beehive and Provincial Junior A scoring champion Mike Kaszycki was elevated to the Major A ranks and The Chief

wouldn't mind landing a few more like him.

Thursday night, Beehives flew into lowly Royal York Royals territory and emerged victors by a 7-2 count.

With the score tied 2-2 after 40 minutes, foolish penalties enabled Dixie to powerplay goals to ice the two points.

Young collected his third hat trick of the season while Myles Forget contributed two and Dave Taylor and Walker added singles.

In a rare Wednesday night encounter, Bees were stung 11-7 by Wexford Raiders. Young again was Dixie's

top gun with two and singles came off the sticks of Vince Fritsya, Walker, Gord Lorimer, Forget and Cormier.

"Our guys didn't want to play hockey for six points in four games. Thursday evening, Beehives travel to Whitby, continue on to Wexford Saturday, host Weston Dodgers Sunday at Dixie Gardens at 7:15 p.m. and journey to Seneca Monday night.

# St. Kitts paces Woodlands win

By DAVE O'BRIEN

'Tis the season to be jolly, which, more or less, summarizes the feelings of the Woodlands Rams when their jolly gold giant Egbert St. Kitts takes to the basketball court for one of his seek and destroy missions.

The first year senior stands exactly two inches above six feet, by no means the CN tower of the Peel Secondary School Athletic Association Senior Basketball Division, but he comes gift wrapped in natural talent and possesses an uncanny jump shot which nobody has been able to figure out how to stop.

Streetsville Tigers couldn't pounce on the elusive centre and while they expected St. Kitts to claim squator's rights in the key,

he ventured into the area only to haul in rebound after rebound and amassed most of his 21 points from well out.

If St. Kitts wasn't swishing points, teammate Dave Evans was and the pair collaborated for 39 points to lead the Rams to a 63-43 victory.

Tigers paid no attention to the fact that their court counterparts had a 32-19 cushion at the half and stormed back to a one point lead in the middle of the fourth quarter.

Rams smartened up and scored nine points in a row to turn the tide in their favour and coast to victory.

"I thought the turning point was when we didn't lose our composure after having a disastrous third quarter," offers Ram's coach Pete Kahro.

His counterpart, Bob

James, claimed the loss came when his charges quit playing good defense in the dying minutes.

Offensively, Tigers were paced by Jim Pipher with a dozen and Pete Medeima with seven.

The ever present St. Kitts was at his damaging best once again in an interlocking clash with Brampton Centennial Bucks but this time, he received little help from his friends and the Rams bowed 53-38.

St. Kitts hit for eight of nine foul shots enroute to a 22-point outburst while Evans contributed 10.

The victors were led by Casey Urbanus with 18 while Paul Kane hit for 10 and Bruce Parkinson netted six.

Look for St. Kitts to start roaming under the hoop. Coach Kahro has noticed

that a driving Egbert draws fouls.

The loss of Andrew Hill and Dave Maddersbacher with injuries continued to lame the Tigers as they were mauled by Central Peel Centurians 67-27.

The Peel favourites were led by Marino Vereecke with an even 20 while Helmut Rautenburg potted 14 and Ted Post added 13.

Medeima was top gun for Streetsville with a dozen and Gary Bratti was good for eight points.

The crushing Centurians easily disposed of a green Mayfield Mavericks side 66-22 at Mayfield.

Vereecke again led the assault for the winners while Scott Armstrong retaliated with eight points for the Mavericks.

"We're very weak this year and lack experience. Half the boys never played the game before," moans Mayfield coach Dave Turner.

Bucks made it a big four-point week as they stopped a stubborn Bramalea Broncos 42-39.

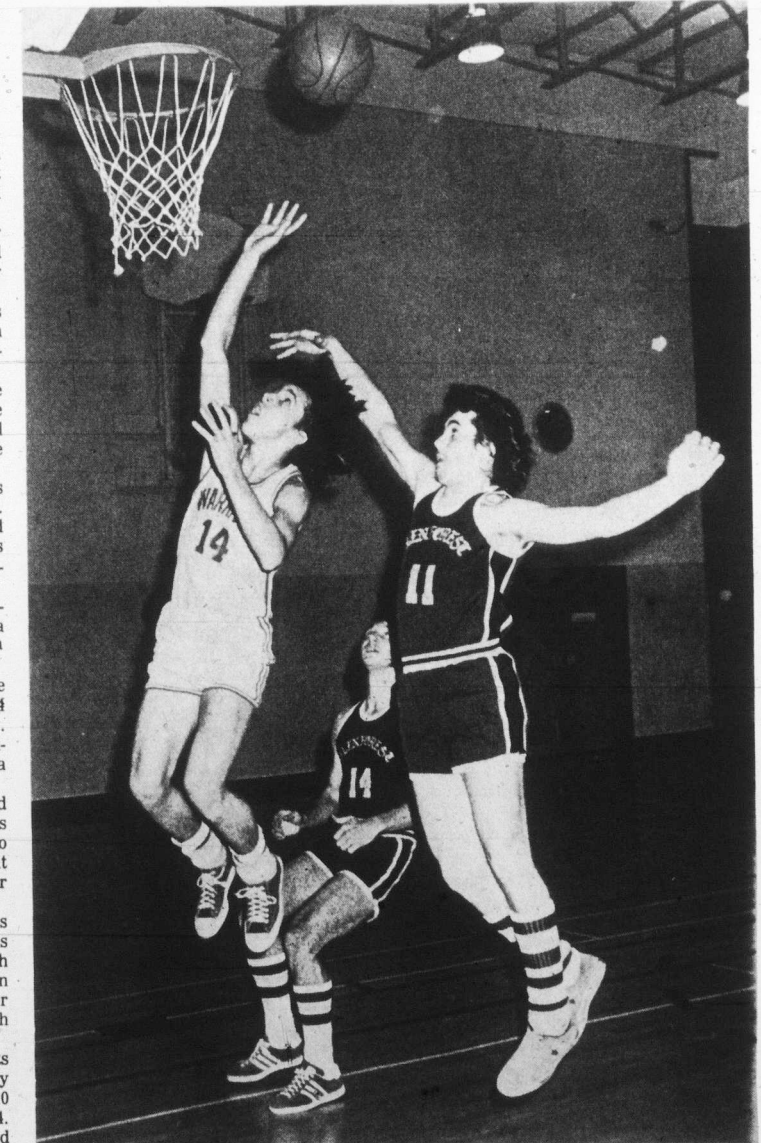
Tom Boal and Paul Kane powered Brampton with 14 and nine points respectively. Peter Rolt and Arvid Yorkman both shot more than a dozen.

Glenforest Gryphons used an effective full court press in the dying minutes to overcome a four-point deficit for a wild 51-45 triumph over Port Credit Warriors.

According to Gryphon's mentor Jon Austin, Warriors caused havoc all game with their tight man to man defense but became butter fingers when pressured with the press.

Mark Spik potted 17 points for the Gryphons and Jay Simpson, who was 10 for 10 from the foul line, added 14.

Mike McLaughlin and Rick McAdam both paced Port Credit with 10 points. Basketball resumes January 7 after the holiday season.



Port Credit Warrior's forward Colin Burge leaps high into the air to get off a shot as Glenforest Gryphon's Cuznea is late in arriving. Gryphons used a full court press in the closing minutes to edge the Warriors 51-45 in a thrilling Peel Secondary School Senior basketball clash.

# Overtime gives Junior Rams win

The Christmas present the junior Woodlands Rams gave to their coach Paul Brace can't be placed under the traditional scotch pine.

Instead, it was presented to him in Woodlands gymnasium when his Rams squeaked out a 53-46 Peel Secondary School Athletic Association basketball conquest over Streetsville Tigers in a game that required three minutes of overtime.

The game ended 44-44, necessitating a three-minute overtime frame and that's where the experience paid off for Woodlands.

Central Peel Centurians put on a good display of power and came away with 74-37 and 65-49 victories over Streetsville and Mayfield respectively.

"They just didn't have the stamina to stay with us in the

end," analysed Brace.

Rams, now boasting five wins in the same number of regular season court confrontations, got a gib 18-point performance from Winston Lawrence and Hubert Smith followed close behind with 17.

Defensively, Woodlands controlled both boards with Brian Paul particularly stingy in the rebounding department.

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Versus the Tigers, Mike

Baker paced the assault with 24 points and Mark Evans was next with 13.

Tigers were paced by young Jim Davey, a 14-year old midget branded too good for the first year dribblers. Davey struck for 16 points and Ross Eisele potted 12.

Mike Baker was again the power behind Centurians triumph over the Mavericks with his solid two-way play.

Mark Fisher exploded for the circuit's best personal output of the week as his 33 points gave Bramalea Broncos their third straight win via a 75-51 verdict over Brampton Centennial Bucks.

Don Miles and Bob Hamilton both added 10 points to the Bronco cause. In the only other junior clash, Port Credit Warriors

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