

# Sports

By George Kaz



It was not too long ago that people thought putting babies in the water and teaching them how to swim was one of the most ludicrous things anyone could possibly do.

The time since has been 15 years but now more and more commercial groups and public aquatic clubs have developed programs in child swimming instruction. The Mississauga Parks and Recreation Department, Aquatics Programs has such a course available and it is disproving the old theory of lunacy.

At the head of a program is a native of Trinidad and Montreal, and a mother. Most important, as far as Anne Pantin is concerned, is that she is a mother.

Her course in the aquatic life is normal in the swimming circles.

She could swim before she could walk, played water polo in her native home and so on.

From Trinidad, Anne Pantin moved to Montreal and it was while living in Quebec that she began her swimming teaching.

At a summer cottage at Lake Memphremagog outside Montreal Anne began teaching swimming to children of neighbouring cottagers and to adults as well.

She moved to the city pool at Pointe Claire Quebec and began in earnest her teachings to the younger children.

The program is not geared to the children explains Pantin as so much as it is also geared to the parents. The parents are an integral part of the teaching process.

"Children are less likely to respond to strangers than they are to their parents," explains Pantin.

Therefore, Pantin's philosophy of teaching deals greatly around the parent.

The mother or father is introduced to the program before they bring their children to the pool. They are encouraged to ask questions regarding the program and what they may expect during the 12 week period.

Pantin then explains to the parents the way they should react and how they should take part in the program.

According to Pantin fear is a learned emotional feeling stemming from the child's environment.

What she hopes to accomplish through her classes is to eliminate that fear by positive responses, much like rewarding an animal for a good deed.

Therefore both the parent and the child must be taught together.

"Many times when a mother gently brushes the child's face across the water and the slightest sound from the child is made, she will quickly snatch the baby to her body as if something terrible has just happened," explains Pantin. "This is wrong and this is why the baby will acquire, over a period of time, a fear of water."

What happens instead is that everything is done in a very quiet atmosphere.

The baby, after completing the same routine, will be gently clutched to the body of the mother who will be smiling and be told that that was fine and that nothing is the matter. Hence the baby begins to acquire trust in the mother and also in the teacher.

There are other things that are done to try and insure that both baby and parent will be responsible while taking the class.

The water is kept at a very warm level, parents are asked to bring toys to the pool that the children can easily associate with and above all the atmosphere is kept very quiet and tranquil.

Through the years that Anne has been involved in her own programs in Quebec and now in Mississauga, there has been an interesting pattern that has become evident.

Fathers generally tend to be better teachers than mothers.

"Fathers tend not to be as protective as the mothers," states Anne. "They are more relaxed it seems and therefore the child will also be relaxed. And the parent, as I mentioned before, is one of the most important people in the classes."

Rob Smith, the Supervisor of the Aquatics Program for the City of Mississauga Parks and Recreation has given Anne a lot of room to further the program and to him she is very grateful.

"Rob was very understanding and offered me a great deal of encouragement throughout," Pantin comments. "The program is now past the experimental stages and is ready to start."

Classes for the January program are holding registration now and any interested parents are asked to contact the City of Mississauga Parks and Recreation Aquatics Program for further information.



Most of last night's action in the first period was in front of Weston goaltender Bruce Nikkel. The Beehives pumped four goals home in the first frame but were only able to

add another marker the rest of the game in defeating Weston 5-3. (Times photo by Stan Carmichael).

## Derbys round out old year with win against Ventures

By STAN CARMICHAEL

It is quite obvious that Santa was kind to the Streetsville Derbys last week.

After downing Milton 5-1 on Friday and defeating the Dixie Ventures 7-4 Sunday the Central Ontario Junior B Derbys have their winning ways with them once more.

Kevin Crossman led the Derby attack against the Ventures Sunday with a hat trick in the first period. Other first period goals were scored by Larry Stevens and Mike Dwyer.

The Ventures scored only once on an effort by Jim Baker in the chippy first frame which is almost customary when neighbouring rivals meet.

The second segment continued in that rough and often hackey hockey but tempers were well under control.

Derby Dennis Chadala opened the scoring in the second period giving Streetsville a 6-1 edge but Dixie's persistence gave Baker his second point of the night.

Derby netminder Bill Drewery again played an excellent game but the true stars were the boys on the

penalty killing unit which at one point in the third period held the Ventures to two shots on net while playing for about two minutes at a two man disadvantage. "We had good penalty killing tonight" remarked Derby coach Tom Barret with a grin on his face.

Dixie, however, led the scoring in the final frame but not until Reg Henry planted the seventh marker for the Derbys well into the period. The Dixie scorers were Steve Dixon and Steve Leggett.

At 12:52 of the first period Friday Reg Henry scored the first Junior B goal in a brand new Milton Arena to start the Derbys to their first win in two weeks.

That game, unfortunately, was a disappointment to both teams. One fan commented that it was just a poor example of sloppy hockey, the kids couldn't do anything right in the eyes of the ref who handed Streetsville 17 minor penalties and one, 10 minute misconduct. Milton received 16 minors, two, five minute majors and one 10 minute misconduct.

Surprisingly most of the penalties came in the first two periods of play. "I explained to them (the Derbys)

that anything rough will be called against us," commented coach Barret when asked how he contained his team in the third period. "The referee was bloody awful, totally incompetent, it's a shame it happened, Milton had their new arena packed with fans for the game" added Barret regarding the incident.

Second period goals were scored by Larry Stevens, Steve Prest and George Chandler for the Derbys while Mike Atkinson scored Milton's lone marker.

Milton amazingly pulled their goalie with a minute

left in the game, this left Reg Henry a large enough target for his second goal of the night.

Paul Howes will remain in hospital until the tenth of January with his eye injury, according to coach Barret who also added that Paul would definitely be on the Derby protected list of players and is looking forward to having Howes back in uniform.

The Derbys are now tied in third place with Brampton and will meet the Ventures again in Dixie Thursday before hosting Brampton the following Tuesday.

## G.H. Wood captures Ajax event

Tournaments were the order of the week for teams in the Mississauga Rep Association as Scott's Colonels and Consolidated Fastrate competed in the Royal York Hockey Tournament.

G.H. Wood represented the Reps in the Ajax Atom Tournament and proved to be the most successful team emerging as champions.

Mississauga defeated Cedar Hill 4-0 in the first game of the Ajax tournament with Brian Power counting twice for the winners.

Other goal scorers were Mike Humby and Greg Fournier with Robbie Connor playing a strong game in the Mississauga goal to register the shutout.

Despite playing a league game just two hours before the scheduled championship tilt, the Reps arrived in their equipment ready to play to face off against Ajax.

Ajax came storming to the lead right from the drop of the puck. Only the spectacular goaltending of Connor kept the Reps in the game and gave them a chance to turn things around.

Jon Lawson finally gave G.H. Wood the lead that they never relinquished.

Shawn Argall, Rick Bolly and Fournier rounded out

the scoring giving G.H. Wood the championship.

In the league game played just before the championship game Mississauga defeated Faustina 6-1 with Greg Fournier pacing the attack with two goals.

Single markers came of the stick of Andy Cole, Mike Humby, Shawn Argall and Rick Bolly.

Consolidated Fastrate had a record of one win, one loss and two ties in Minor Atom AA play in the Royal York event.

Mississauga won its first game rather convincingly defeating Amhurst N.Y. 6-0.

Greg Milovich paced Mississauga with a pair of goals followed by singles by Gord Cruickshank, Robby Baycroft, Mark Stanley and Tom Hogg. James McIntyre and Gord Terry shared the shutout.

Two goals by Ken McNulty gave Mississauga a 2-2 tie with Welland in game two.

In game three, goals by Blair Holder and Stephen MacDougall gave Mississauga a 2-2 draw with Wexford.

The Reps lost their final game of the series to Dorset Park 3-4.

Scott's Colonels, competing in Minor Atom A play in the Royal York tournament strung three undefeated games together before losing

out to Clairlea in the fourth game.

After being down 4-5 to Cedar Hill the Reps came back to tie the game on a three goal performance by Steve Berry, Richard Orehoszky notched the fourth goal.

Dan Kelly and Steve Berry fired two goals apiece as Mississauga won its second, 7-1 over Aurora.

Orehoszky, Greg Hunter

and Darryl Wilcox scored the other markers.

Darryl Wilcox fired his second and third goals of the tournament to pace Scott's Colonels to a 3-2 win over the Mississauga North Stars.

Steve Berry scored the third goal.

Things came to an end for Scott's Colonels at the hands of Clairlea.

Orehoszky and Tommy Keane scored the goals.

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## Beehives defeat Weston, continue march to playoffs

By GEORGE KAZ

The Dixie Beehives continued their march towards the playoffs with a pair of victories and a tie this past week in Provincial Jr. A play.

At Dixie Arena on Sunday the Beehives stung early and hung on to defeat the Weston Dodgers 5-3 to give them only one loss in their past eight games.

A total of seven goals were scored in the first period by the two teams with the Beehives opening the scoring in the first minute of play when Gary Aull converted a Doug Heslip pass.

Weston nullified that marker with a goal of their own less than a minute later but that was as close as they were going to get for the remainder of the game.

Gord Lorimer gave the Beehives the lead back when he scored on a pretty two on one pass from Dave Large.

Dave Taylor gave the Beehives a 3-1 lead on what proved to be the prettiest passing play of the game.

Taylor converted two quick passes from Large and Dan Mortimer for the marker.

Frank Smith brought Weston back to within one when he scored a fluke play behind the Beehive net.

The puck was shot behind the Dixie

goal but rather than go around the boards the puck hit the boards and bounced back right in front of the net where Smith tapped it past a startled Clayton Evans.

Dixie regained its two goal lead when Alex Kallinikos fired a shot from the point that handcuffed Dodger netminder Bruce Nikkel.

Paul Mancini rounded out the scoring in the first period when he fired a spot past Evans to narrow the score to 4-3.

Nikkel's outstanding play kept the Dodgers in the game and the team seemed to find the necessary momentum at the start of the second period as they kept the pressure in the Beehive zone for a solid ten minutes.

Clutch goaltending by Evans enabled Dixie to hold on to its lead and a goal from the stick of Warren Young wrapped the game up for Dixie.

On Saturday the Beehives tied Wexford 2-2 and last Thursday they defeated Whitby 5-2.

In Wexford, Kevin Walker, and Dave Large were the Dixie marksmen.

The Beehive schedule continues this week as they play in Markham on Friday and are home next Sunday to play Richmond Hill. Game time is 7:15 p.m.

## Ventures face 1975 with a resolve to win

Losses continued to plague the Ventures as they rounded out their 1974 schedule.

Saturday, the Ventures travelled to Burlington to play the Mohawks and left on the short end of a 7-3 score.

The Mohawks were paced John Goodish who scored three goals and linemate Lance Nethery who fired a pair of markers.

The Ventures team, which was down to 13 players, were no match for the Mohawks who scored after only four minutes of play on Goodish's first goal of the game.

Less than 20 seconds later Jim Boyington scored for Dixie to tie the game. That was all until the ten minute mark of the second period for the Ventures when Phil Gaidy notched the second Venture goal.

The only problem was that Burlington had scored five of their own goals and Gaidy's goal made it 6-2 for the Mohawks.

Burlington added their seventh goal of the game to round out the scoring in the second period.

Jim Baker scored the final Venture goal in the third period.

"We just ran out of gas", were the words spoken by Venture GM Bob Williams in describing their 9-6 loss to Brampton.

Brampton jumped into a quick 3-0 first period lead.

In the second period the Ventures turned things around scoring four con-

secutive goals to take the lead after only five minutes had been played.

As Ventures faded Brampton came on with three goals to round out the second period scoring and three goals in the third

frame.

The Ventures scored two of their own goals in the final frame but it was not enough.

Scoring for Dixie were Jim Baker with three goals, Pat Kinery with a pair and Jim Boyington.

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Coyle's rink, composed of 17-year-old lead Susan Morrison, second Mark Allen, also 17, and vice Chris Hushagen, 19, triumphed over 35 other foursomes from Southern Ontario and the Buffalo area Saturday.

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Coyle and his fellow curlers amassed points on Friday, winning both games to progress to the finals, where the top 12 rinks competed in the main, second and third events.

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## Peeweeds pace teams

Clarkson 1 (Steven Weber)

Minor Atom

Appledwood 5 (Alan Carr 3, Cam King, John Vincelli)

Dixie No. 10 2 (Tony Arfo 2)

Cooksville 2 (Dave Hickey, Kevin Knight, s.o. Bill Cowlin)

Lorne Park 3 (Jim MacCean, Dan Snyder, Rick Evans, s.o. Keith Jenner)

Erindale 0

Malton 3 (Chris McCormach 2, Mike Schroder)

Cawthra 2 (Mike Kuasni, Jeff McPhail)

Dixie No. 11, 1 (Paul Douglas)

Clarkson 1 (Doug Hughes)

(Marc Lapperriere, Rob Zuzzi)

Cooksville Premier 1 (Chris Marples)

Dixie 1 (Tom Letavore)

Minor Peewee

BLUE

Malton 1 (Mike Allan)

Dixie 1 (Mark Miller)

Cawthra A, 4 (Brian Barrett, Chris Quinn, Andy White, Rob Pelliquine)

Clarkson Herdige 2 (Pete Herridge, Tom Porten)

Cooksville's Marshall Esso 1 (Wayne Deserres)

Erindale Westdale Mall 1 (Rich Dempsey)

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## Stirr gets the bird

Ruby and Bill Stirr picked up the choice bird in the Park Royal Couples Bowling League turkey roll this week.

The Stirrs fashioned a three-game pinfall total of 1,534, followed by Cathy and Vince Dolron (1,287); Sue and Alex Wylie (1,296); Alison and Walter Dicks (1,202); Greta and Ian Bickerstaff (1,151); Phyllis and Harry Lincar

(1201); Nancy and Bill Banks (1196); Fay and Al Kruff (1278); Shirley and Bob Park (1078); Marie and David Dormer (978); Donna and Ken Ward (1149); Eleanor and Jim Christie (982).

In regular competition, Bill Stirr showed his festive spirit as he took both triple

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