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What better way to celebrate 100 days of school than to craft 100 Valentine's Day cards? That is precisely what a group of Grade 2 and 3 students at Winchester Public School did recently. Pupils in Shannon Daigeler's class put their artistic talents to work in honour of the milestone, and the cards will be put to good use. All 100 greetings were delivered to Dundas Manor residents during the love-themed day Fri., Feb. 14. Pictured are Boden Sharpley (left), Taylor Mathers, Aaron Casselman, and Mackenzie Boyd. *Press Photo – Uhrig*

Parishioners reach out as financial pressures mount

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WINCHESTER – The future of Winchester United Church is, at this point in time, an unknown.

While significant work has taken place at the 130-year-old religious facility, much more is needed to ensure long-term viability; yet construction costs are taking a toll on the church's congregation.

Structural woes began in May 2013 when the exterior façade of the east gable wall collapsed, leaving an opening in the side of the structure and damaging the roof below.

A subsequent engineer's report noted a high degree of damage had been caused, while also indicating the structural integrity of much of the church was reaching a point where safety standards would need to be addressed.

Throughout the fall, the east and west chimneys, both considered hazardous, were removed. The east gable wall was re-supported and winterized, and the damaged hall roof was repaired, once again allowing full use of the area after it had been cordoned off for some time. The cost associated to the work was estimated at about $88,000.

According to churchgoers, the wall collapse was a "wake up call," and gave way to a period of transition.

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UCDSB dealing with shortage of students

by Matthew Uhrig
Press staff

WINCHESTER – While celebrating a bump in student transfers, the Upper Canada District School Board (UCDSB) is also facing an economic slump when it comes to decreased enrolment.

During a recent board meeting, members voted in favour of hiring an outside investigator to review the T.R. Leger School of Adult, Alternative, and Continuing Education, as a region-wide drop in student numbers has implications for the alternative education program.

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Press among top three

WINCHESTER – Make it three years in a row for the *Winchester Press*, and the official announcement came on Valentine's Day, no less.

On Fri., Feb. 14, the Ontario Community Newspapers Association (OCNA) award nominees were announced, with the *Press* being unveiled as one of three shortlisted in the General Excellence category (with circulations between 2,000 and 3,499).

Newspaper staff will not know whether the publication has placed first, second, or third until details are announced at a Fri., April 4 dinner at the Hilton Garden Inn in Vaughan, Ont.

The *Press* faces off against the *Haliburton County Echo* and the *New Hamburg Independent* in the general excellence competition, which seeks to identify Ontario's "best all-round" newspapers.

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Laponsee on long road to recovery

by Sandy Casselman
Press staff

MOREWOOD – Friends and family say he is lucky to be alive, and Morewood's Dean Laponsee has proven time and again that he is ready to face whatever challenges life might throw his way.

On Sat., Feb. 15, the Chesterville Lions Club, along with the North Dundas Leos, organized a benefit breakfast in Laponsee's honour at the Morewood Recreation Centre.

Laponsee is the local man who had both legs below the knees, as well as all the fingers and thumb on his left hand, amputated, and lost sight in his left eye after becoming seriously ill during a fishing trip in Quebec last summer.

The real challenges began, however, when he woke in hospital from a coma more than a month later to learn the extent of his injuries, and the long road to recovery that was ahead.

It has not yet been a year, but Laponsee has made progress by surrendering to the process, and accepting the kindness and generosity of his family, friends, and neighbours.

Unable to work, and spending much of his time at the Ottawa Rehabilitation Centre, Laponsee's support network has organized several fundraisers since the fall of 2013 to help him deal with the mounting debt. The Feb. 15 event brought in more than $2,000.

Now, Laponsee said he is trying to be patient, accepting the timeframe of the healing process. It is important to not rush things, as it could result in missing a step, he said.

With prosthetic legs, Laponsee is able to move about, but his challenges have not disappeared. With a view on staying positive, he said his only "complaint" would be the inability to moderate his body temperature.

"It'll get easier," Laponsee said. "The hard part is over."



Dean Laponsee (front, left) attended a benefit breakfast, hosted by the Chesterville Lions Club, in his honour at the Morewood Recreation Centre on Sat., Feb. 15. He is pictured with his girlfriend, Denise Poirier, as well as his mother, Lyn, and his friend, Bill Ritchie.

Press Photo – Casselman

Church

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Further repair measures remain, but money has run dry. In the initial engineer's report, it was noted that a complete overhaul would cost upwards of $1 million.

That, parishioners agree, is prohibitive because members are aging, new membership is declining, and resources are diminishing.

Instead, congregation members are now looking for outside input, and are set to host a public meeting Tues., Feb. 25 at the church. The session begins at 7 pm, and is meant to allow members of the community to share thoughts and ideas about the current and future needs of the aging facility.

Enrolment

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Enrolment numbers, specifically within the UCDSB's secondary schools, continue to drop due to an aging population in the region. The board, which encompasses a 12,000-square-kilometre region throughout eight different counties, has 16,802 fewer school-aged children than in 1999 (from 84,672 in 1999 to 67,870 in 2013).

In that time, T.R. Leger's 17 locations throughout the board, including its Williamsburg site, have experienced a steep decline, which led board members to ask for a review of the program.

It is not all bad news for the school board, however, as student transfers from other areas show the UCDSB has been experiencing a net gain.

"We celebrate how great our schools are, and it is to be expected that students will want to transfer into our system," David Thomas, board director, said.

Although, Thomas cautioned that the UCDSB must work with other boards to ensure that transfers – wherever students are going – are made as seamless as possible to ensure student success.

Overall, there was an increase of 402 students through transfers between July 2012 and April 2013. High school transfers accounted for an additional 331 students, while intermediate schools show a net gain of 139 pupils. At the elementary level, a decrease of 68 students was noted.

All but one of the board's 22 high schools had an increase of students transferring from coterminous boards. Brockville Collegiate, Cornwall Collegiate, Smiths Falls Collegiate, Thousand Islands Secondary School, and Vankleek Hill Collegiate all had a net increase of more than 20 students transferring in from other school boards. T.R. Leger, meanwhile, showed an increase of 60 students.

Awards

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Each year, competition organizers select two months, at random, and ask newspapers to send a copy of one publication from each of those months. (This year's contest requested copies from October 2012 and February 2013.)

Judges then sift through hundreds of newspapers, grading the publications before choosing the winners. Evaluators use a scorecard out of 1,000 to make the decision.

The scores for participating newspapers will be released, along with a results booklet, at the April 4 dinner.

Other awards

Sister papers to the *Press* are also up for a variety of OCNA awards.

In the Premier Awards category, the *Manotick Messenger* has been nominated in the best spot news photo, columnist of the year (Jeff Morris), humour columnist of the year (Jeff Morris), best news story (circulation under 9,999), and feature writing (circulation under 9,999) categories.

The *Prescott Journal* is also nominated in the best news story (circulation under 9,999) category.

Police Blotter

Domestic disturbance

CRYSLER – On Tues., Feb. 11, at approximately 4:30 pm, Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry (SD&G) OPP officers responded to a report of a domestic situation at a residence on Charles Street. A subsequent investigation indicated that a male had breached a condition from a previous incident by contacting his ex-spouse.

The 40-year-old male was arrested and is charged with failing to comply with condition.

He was held in custody to appear in Cornwall court.

Drugs seized

MORRISBURG – On Feb. 11, at approximately 10:30 am, an SD&G OPP officer had the occasion to stop a vehicle on Highway 401. The stop resulted in the seizure of approximately one pound of suspected marijuana with an estimated street value of $830.

The male driver, Khalil Boukhalfie, 48, of Scarborough, was arrested and faces a possession of a controlled substance charge. He was released to appear in Morrisburg court on Tues., April 1.

The day prior, Mon., Feb. 10, SD&G OPP stopped a vehicle on Bridge Street in South Mountain. The stop resulted in the seizure of a small quantity of suspected marijuana.

Stefan Kohut, 31, of Edwardsburgh-Cardinal Township was arrested and charged with possession of less than 30 grams of a controlled substance. Kohut is scheduled to appear Tues., March 4 in Morrisburg court.

Theft

IROQUOIS – Between Fri., Feb. 7 and Feb. 11, a utility trailer was removed from a business on Flagg Road. The equipment is a black 2007 Snowbear open utility trailer.

The investigation continues.

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Details published in the police blotter are provided by the OPP. All suspects are considered innocent in the eyes of the law unless proven otherwise in court.

Greely resident jumps into Osgoode Ward race

GREELY – With Doug Thompson having officially excused himself from the race in Osgoode Ward, the number of candidates continues to increase.

The latest to throw his hat into the ring is Greely resident George Darouze.

Darouze is a longtime community volunteer, having helped in the organization of numerous community events, including the Greely Winter Carnival and Santa Claus parades in Osgoode and Metcalfe. He is also past-president of the Osgoode-Carleton Snowmobile Trail Club, one of the most successful clubs in Canada.

Darouze also served on the steering committee that helped construct the multi-use pathway between Osgoode and the Leitrim Road area. Darouze was a recipient of the Osgoode Ward Community Volunteer Award in 2011, and received a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2012.

"Municipally, our ward needs careful attention and governance to ensure health and viability is maintained, and that our growth brings betterment that balances the interests of all residents," he said. "That is a challenge that requires dedication, a strong will to succeed, business sense, a forthright nature, an ear to the ground, and a downright passion for the rural way of life."

Other candidates

The four other candidates vying for the ward seat include Kim Sheldrick, Jean Johnston-McKitterick, Justin Campbell, and Bruce Faulkner.

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Hearts are trump for legion, Winchester hosts branches



Phil Wiseman, zone leader, welcomed all 36 teams to the tournament table, outlining the game rules.

WINCHESTER – Valentine's Day weekend left its mark on members of the Royal Canadian Legion Winchester Branch 108, as it welcomed the opportunity to play host to its Zone G3 counterparts.

On Sat., Feb. 15, legion members from other area branches made their way to the Joel Steele Community Centre in Winchester for the zone's euchre tournament, which is hosted annually by the previous year's winning team.

In February 2013, it was Winchester members Blake Fawcett, Jeff Cross, Liz Smirle, and Steve Smirle who led the home branch to victory, securing Winchester's right to host the 2014 event.

"It is a very big deal for the Winchester legion," Janine Stevenson, the village legion's sports officer, said. "This is the first time that we have won any event in recent memory."

Stevenson said the local club was "thrilled" to host this year's tournament, which included 144 players, forming 36 teams.

In the end, a team from Kemptville won the top prize, making Branch 212 the destination for next year's tournament.



The Royal Canadian Legion Winchester Branch 108 hosted this year's zone euchre tournament at the Joel Steele Community Centre in Winchester on Sat., Feb. 15. Pictured are last year's winners Steve Smirle (left), Blake Fawcett, Liz Smirle, and Jeff Cross moments before the start of the 2014 event.

Press Photos – Casselman



Sparks fly

North Dundas District High School Grade 11 and 12 students in Aaron Banford's manufacturing technology class have been preparing in recent weeks for a regional competition coming up at month's end in Cornwall. Pupils are taught the basics of welding, while also learning the science behind the process. According to Banford, the students learn by doing, but must also grasp the theory behind their efforts. Enrolment at NDDHS continues to dwindle, and Banford is aware, having seen student numbers decline in his own classroom. But the teacher continues to have student interest, and works to show the public what his students are capable of when they get the chance. Pictured is Grade 11 student Thomas Puenter.

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Hospital needs more volunteers, Auxiliary pledges to raise $250K

by Lorna Anderson-Smith

WINCHESTER – The Winchester District Memorial Hospital (WDMH) Auxiliary welcomed guests from the Trillium Gift of Life Network at its Thurs., Feb. 13 meeting.

One organ donor can save up to eight lives and enhance the lives of 75 others through tissue donation. Members learned driver's licenses are no longer used for organ donations, and they were encouraged to register at www.beadonor.ca or at any Service Ontario location.

The group committed to buying a portable X-ray machine for the hospital. A dessert and card party is being organized in support of the endeavour and is scheduled for Mon., April 28. Also, Tag Day is set for Sat., May 31, as the auxiliary is looking to raise $250,000 throughout a three-year period.

Volunteers contributed roughly 12,000 hours in 2013, but there is need of more help going forward. Volunteers are needed to greet patients at the front desk, to sell Hospital Equipment Lottery Project for People (HELPP) tickets, or to work in the Gift Shoppe. Volunteer Week is slated for the week of Sun., April 6 to Sat., April 12.

School spirit kicks into high gear at NDDHS



NDDHS Notes

by Amber Cotton

MAPLE RIDGE – As the second semester progresses, there are many activities currently being prepared for the North Dundas District High School (NDDHS) student body.

First of all, we would like to thank all students and staff for their support and involvement throughout the school. The annual Dundas Cup is currently in progress as the girls and boys senior hockey teams battle against the Seaway District High School teams.

The home game, at the Chesterville Arena, is currently set for Mon., Feb. 24. Everyone is invited to come on out and show your support and Devil pride.

Also, a big good luck goes out to the senior boys basketball team in their battle for a well-deserved spot at EOSSA.

We highly encourage all students at NDDHS to keep up the great work, and as a reward for outstanding involvement we will be once again hosting the NDDHS Winter Olympics so all students should be sure to create their teams and pick out a country to represent! More information is to come, and if anyone has questions, they can contact Julia Wouters (organizer) or any other student council member.

We hope that everyone had a great Valentine's Day, and continues to have a great week.

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Partnership with SBEC to assist small business

MORRISBURG – New and existing small business owners in the Municipality of South Dundas will now have access to services at the township's headquarters in Morrisburg.

Economic development officer Nicole Sullivan recently announced a new partnership with Cornwall's Small Business Enterprise Centre (SBEC) that will assist entrepreneurs in the community.

"We are pleased to have joined forces with the centre," she said.

According to Sullivan, business consultant Candy Pollard will be coming to the South Dundas Municipal Centre the last Tuesday of each month, where she will offer information on such topics as business registration, developing a business plan, marketing, financing, and HST regulations.

SBEC is operated by Cornwall Economic Development in partnership with the Ontario Ministry of Economic Development, Trade, and Employment. It helps small business owners and entrepreneurs by offering information, tools, and support during the start-up and growth stages of business operation, as well as providing opportunities for seminars, workshops, and networking.

"We are very pleased to have established this partnership with South Dundas," Pollard said.

Former municipal councillor vying for Liberal nomination

MORRISBURG – With Ontario residents expected to head to the polls this spring, candidate nominations are heating up in Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry (SD&SG).

First into the ring for the region's Liberal nomination is former Municipality of South Dundas councillor Del Jones.

Jones served four years on the township's council, before shifting his focus to the deputy-mayor seat in 2010. Ultimately, Jones changed his intentions and vied for the mayorship, but finished fourth in a field of five candidates.

"This is a critical time in the history of our province, and I believe that I can make a difference," he said. "I have the experience, skills, and ability to get things done that will ensure my success as a representative of SD&SG."



Del Jones

Jones is a professional accountant with more than 20 years experience, as well as being a secondary school teacher within the Upper Canada District School Board. He was also treasurer at one-time for the Winchester District Memorial Hospital board of directors.

Cornwall resident John Earle, who is co-owner of a video production company, is also vying for the Liberal nomination.

South Dundas chamber on board to rescue long-running Tubie Festival

MORRISBURG – The South Dundas Chamber of Commerce has picked up the paddles to the Tubie Festival and is ready to row.

About two weeks ago the Morrisburg and District Lions Club announced its decision to step down as host of the event. Recently, the chamber's board of directors voted in favour of tossing the historic festival a life preserver.

"This event is a major economic generator for our community and [we] felt strongly that is was much too important to let it disappear," chamber president Chuck Barkley said.

More than 40 years old, the Tubie Festival has had a host of organizers throughout its lifetime with the Lions Club playing host for the past eight years.

At the time of the Lions' announcement, member Mike Domanko said the group believed someone would step forward, and when they did, the Lions Club would be there to provide assistance.

In preparation for the 2014 Tubie Festival, the chamber intends to accept the local service group's offer.

"We certainly appreciate [the club's] countless volunteer hours and all the challenges they have faced during the past years," Carl McIntyre, the chamber's vice-president, said. "We are glad to hear that the [members] are willing to guide us through organizing this event."

In addition, chamber representatives said they are looking to the community for additional volunteers and support as the group organizes this year's festivities.



Out for a spin

The sounds of spinning wheels filled Chesterville's Nelson LaPrade Centre for the 15th annual Spin-In event on Wed., Feb. 12. Spinners from throughout Eastern Ontario descended on the village facility, with some 50 participants taking part. Pictured are Elaine Horemans (above) and Candy Featherstone (right), both of Kingston.

Press Photos – Uhrig

South Dundas launches new township guide

MORRISBURG – South Dundas 360, the Municipality of South Dundas' newest publication, is set to land in residents' mailboxes soon.

The new guide is to combine recreation programming, local events, and municipal services information.

"There are many exciting programs and valuable services available to the residents of South Dundas," Mayor Steven Byvelds said. "South Dundas 360 highlights this information in a convenient and accessible guide."

The bi-annual booklet is a complement to the information currently offered on the township's website, and throughout the creation of the guide, respective departments were consulted to ensure comprehensive coverage of relevant information. In addition to a list of 2014 recreation programming, the guide is to include a calendar of events, information on the 2014 election, and a garbage and recycling calendar.

"The municipality is always working on ways to improve access to information. It is our hope that South Dundas 360 will become a resource in each household," Byvelds said.

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Lead the Liberals out the door

Can you smell that? The aroma of a spring provincial election is percolating.

Last Thursday, the Ontario Liberals felt a parting shot, as the ruling party was defeated in two Southern Ontario byelections. The Progressive Conservatives retained a seat in Thornhill, while the New Democrats snatched up a long-held Liberal seat in Niagara Falls

The status quo remained in Thornhill with the PC candidate edging the Liberal contender with 48 per cent of the vote. The biggest upset of all was in Niagara Falls where NDP union leader Wayne Gates won the seat by just three percentage points ahead of the PC's Bart Maves. A Liberal MPP had held the seat since 2003, and the leading party pulled out many stops in an attempt to retain the riding, including two financial allotments - $75 million to support wineries in the region, and a further $26.2 million to help build a new hospital and two urgent care centres.

Ontarians are clearly fed up with the Liberals, and at the very least the results of the two byelections are proof.

For a party, founded in 1857, and which came together with the goal of forming responsible government and rallying against the conservative patrician rule, it seems today's version has lost touch with its roots.

Instead, the modern Liberals have an extended record of knowing nothing about repeated spending abuses. Through 10 years and two premiers, the province's ruling party has shown a shocking ability for not noticing anything is amiss while misspent tax money flows from the Ontario treasury like a tidal wave.

The Liberals were apparently unaware of $1 billion being spent on an electronic health system that didn't work, or that consultants in the health ministry were being paid large salaries, with one CEO gaining a $317,000 severance package and a $114,000 bonus after less than a year on the job. They also had no idea that Chris Mazza, then chief executive of the Ornge Air Ambulance Service, was padding his bank account for some time, collecting more than $9 million throughout six years.

Meanwhile, the ranks at Ontario Power Generation have grown swollen under the Liberals' watch with roughly 60 per cent of staff making the sunshine list of public employees earning more than $100,000 per year. The story is the same at Hydro One, as pages and pages of employees earning increased salaries can be found each year when the disclosure documents are released.

Add to this the $1 billion wasted to move two gas plants prior to the last provincial election.

Now, Ontario Ombudsman Andre Marin has his sights set on the publicly owned electrical utility. At a recent news conference, Marin said his office has received countless complaints about poor service, unintelligible bills, and unexplained withdrawals of huge sums from customer accounts.

Marin even said his office has been experiencing issues similar to the ones customers are bemoaning – unreturned calls and slow response times.

Everyone has heard the stories: an $18,000 bill for a cottage with no electricity running or the Windsor-area woman who had to pay a $900 utility bill to ensure her power would not be shutoff, even though her house was razed by fire.

It is clearly time for change at Queen's Park, but who takes over? The inexperienced and unprepared NDP? The expected slash and burn actions of the PCs? Or the continued fumbling of the Liberals?

Voters will most assuredly get their chance at the polls this spring, but who to choose? The devil they know or the devil they don't?

Remember when…

1924

"The Fancy Work Bazaar held in the Methodist School room last week by the Mission Band, was a most pronounced success," reported this week's *Winchester Press*. The event in question, complete with Valentine's Day-themed decorations and refreshments, raised more than $200.

1934

This week's *Winchester Press* revealed that Billy Dixon of Chesterville had "been worrying himself bald-headed in an effort to think of some way to get to Winchester by car from Chesterville, and thus have the road open for the hockey playoffs [when] he was suddenly stricken with a real brain wave." Dixon drove his truck out onto the Nation River and west to Cass Bridge, where he was able to pull onto Highway 31 toward Winchester. He suggested others begin using the new "roadway" as well.



This week in 1964 history was made at North Dundas District High School as the educational facility held its first indoor track meet, welcoming more than 130 competitors. Top-placing competitors included Myrna Holmes (front, left) – top junior girl; Betty Brown – top intermediate girl; and Barbara Paul – top senior girl. Back: Bill Gloss (left) – top intermediate boy; George Butcher – top senior boy; and Pierre Marion – top junior boy.

1944

It was Boy Scout Week, and the *Press* honoured the occasion with a full page of local Scout news, as well as a front-page article, and an editorial: "Once again, Canada's 90,000 Boy Scouts and Wolf Cubs are observing their annual Boy Scout Week from Feb. 20 to 26. The purpose of this yearly observance is to bring to public attention the work the Boy Scout Association is endeavouring to do in raising up amongst us a group of citizens who are morally, spiritually, and physically virile."

1954

This week, a blizzard that lasted for more than 30 hours was deemed to be the "worst snow storm in 17 years" with 15-foot drifts, roads blocked, plows breaking down, and schools closed.

1964

"The Beatles have made it. They are in America now and they have hit the proverbial pot of gold at the end of the rainbow," the *Press'* editor said. "The Beatles have made it so big with the teenagers, pre-teens, and the non-square adult population that there is a complete wave of bugs being hatched to infest the money making field of popular music."

1974

The Winchester and District Chamber of Commerce unveiled its "progressive" four-point program: an all-out membership drive to increase present membership; the formation of a welcoming committee to greet new residents and businesses to the area; the erection of new signs at the entrances to the village inviting visitors to stop and enjoy shopping, entertainment, and recreational facilities; and the formation of a junior chamber of commerce to encourage young people to participate and make valuable proposals.

1984

"When the members of the Winchester Fire Department stop you at a road block this Sunday, don't be alarmed. They just want your money," advised this week's *Press*. The group had scheduled a fundraiser for the Heart Association in honour of a former member. Firefighter Bruce Kerr said, "We are going to collect donations in a boot."

1994

Ottawa dermatologist Dr. Robert Jackson, author of *M.W. Locke – the Famous Foot Doctor of Williamsburg, Ontario*, was interviewed this week: "What Jackson tried to do is cut through the glitter and the controversy to give insight into a man he feels was a fascinating miracle worker. From pictures, films, and hotel records, the author estimates Locke saw up to 2,000 patients daily at his peak, [many from the U.S.]" Jackson's interest in Locke was sparked by conflicting descriptions of the famous doctor – while some revered Locke, others saw him as a "quack," he said. In the end, Jackson said he believed "[Locke] wasn't really practicing medicine. He was really a faith healer."

2004

More than 250 people attended Mountain's Winter Fun Day event, which was held on Valentine's Day. Activities included dog sled races with 10 sleds and more than 100 dogs, skating, grapefruit bowling, a slap shot contest, egg toss competition, horse-drawn sleigh rides, and a piñata party.

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A silver lining on a journey to gold



From the Other Side
by Jeff Morris

I'm by no means a figure skating aficionado. In fact, I'm barely a fan.

Yet, like most other Canadians, I find myself glued to the Winter Olympics. I'm glued to sports that, for 1,430 days out of a four-year cycle of 1,431 days, I could care less about. One of those sports was the men's singles figure skating competition.

Watching Patrick Chan skate and win a disappointing silver medal, I had a flashback to one of the most dramatic and historic sporting events I had ever attended or worked at. In 1988, I was a 24-year-old cub reporter barely out of Carleton University for a year. There I was in Calgary, seeing the Olympics up close and personal through a 300-millimetre Canon lens.

I was wearing a yellow photographer's bib, watching the now infamous "Battle of the Brians." Brian Orser had seen gold slip through his fingers in Sarajevo in 1984. He had won both the short and long programs, but he had not done well in compulsory figures. That discipline, which no longer exists in international competition, counted for 30 per cent of the overall mark. Orser lost the gold medal to American Scott Hamilton.

It would be the first in a long line of silver medals for Canadian men's figure skaters. Some say it's a curse. If you watched Chan last week or saw Brian Orser in 1988, you would be convinced it was.

To me, the uneducated skating observer, Boitano and Orser looked like Captain Crunch and Sgt. Pepper out there. They jumped and spun and jumped and then jumped more. When the dust settled and the flowers and teddy bears were picked off the ice, Brian Boitano had defeated Orser by one tenth of one tiebreaker point.

Orser tried to maintain his composure with television cameras on him and the world watching his every blink, smile, and frown. He said the right things to reporters, who hung onto the pain of his every word. After it was over, Orser walked into the locker room and congratulated Boitano, and then just laid on the floor. Boitano would say later that Orser looked dazed, "like he was drugged out."

The weight of the nation was on Orser's shoulders. He, the flag bearer, was supposed to be the man to bring Canada gold. Twelve years earlier, Canada became the only country in Olympic history to fail to win gold when the 1976 Summer Games were held in Montreal. He knew that Canada would suffer that fate again all because he bailed on a triple flip during his long performance.

That night, Orser took his silver medal back to the athlete's village and slept on a cot in a medical room. He was alone, emotionally crippled by his pain, and wallowing in a sea of his own pity. For more than a decade, he would be haunted by that silver medal, and unable to watch his performance.

A week later, a silver medal would turn Elizabeth Manley into the darling of the Calgary Games. Irony would remember Manley for winning a silver medal, while Orser's silver medal was a reminder of how he lost gold.

Others followed Orser's painful path. Elvis Stojko would have three world championship titles bookended by a pair of Olympic silver medals. Jeffrey Buttle would become a world champion, but he was a bronze medalist in 2006.

Chan, meanwhile, won the world championship in 2011, 2012, and 2013.

The Olympic gold medal was his to lose.

He did.

Orser eventually pulled himself together mentally and became a coach. He joined the Toronto Cricket, Curling and Skating Club as a coach, and he has had a number of national and international skaters working with him. Watching him coach is almost like watching him live vicariously through their performances, as he twitches and hops and lifts his leg up with their jumps and spins.

Last week, Patrick Chan lived through Brian Orser's pain. He came into the Sochi Olympics as the three-time world champion. The stage in Sochi was to be the one where Chan would end the silver curse that began at the "Battle of the Brians."

But the curse was not ready to be broken.

Yuzuru Hanyu, a 19-year-old from Japan, put in what is considered to be the best short program in history and went into the free program with the lead. He fell in his free program, opening the door for Chan to come in and take Canada's long-overdue men's singles figure skating gold medal. Orser didn't watch Chan skate, as he was prepping one of his athletes, Javier Fernandez of Spain.

Like Orser and Stojko and Jeffrey Buttle before him, Chan failed to take advantage of the opportunity. A stumble on the landing of a jump negated four hard years of training.

Chan knows he will be haunted for years to come by "just" missing gold. Publicly, he has been trying to sell himself on his success as a career, and justify his silver medal as a sign of accomplishment, not failure.

When it was over, it was the coach of gold medalist Hanyu who hugged him and offered him comfort. Chan told him that he wanted to look at his whole journey, not just one bad program.

And then, irony kicked in.

As the torch of curse bearer was passed on to Patrick Chan, two Canadian skaters got redemption. The choreographer of Hanyu's world record short program was Jeffrey Buttle.

And Hanyu's coach who consoled Chan before celebrating with his young star was none other than Brian Orser.

Federal budget will benefit region, while keeping taxes low



From Parliament Hill
by MP Guy Lauzon

OTTAWA – On Tues., Feb. 11, Finance Minister Jim Flaherty stood up in the House of Commons to deliver his 10th budget known as Economic Action Plan 2014.

While Canada has the strongest job creation record among all G7 countries, with more than one million net new jobs created since the depth of the global recession, too many Canadians, some here in Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry (SD&SG), are still looking for work. That is why we're moving forward with a positive plan that will help create jobs and grow our economy, all while keeping taxes low and remaining on track for balanced budgets in 2015.

Since 2006, our government has kept Canada on the right path for economic growth. This includes lowering taxes more than 160 times, which will save the average family nearly $3,400 on their tax bill in 2014. We've also cut taxes for job-creating businesses, allowing them to hire more workers. We have opened up new markets for Canadian goods and services, most recently through the historic Canada-European Union Trade Agreement.

Economic Action Plan 2014 builds on this, and directly impacts SD&SG constituents. In fact, our plan has many positive benefits for taxpayers, including measures that will improve local ports. Our plan will provide $33 million throughout two years to continue the divestiture of regional ports to local interests. I believe our communities and port users, like the ones in Cornwall, are the best placed to determine local needs and service level requirements. This funding will provide our municipal leaders with the ability to deliver results for our ports.

I understand the serious threat to public safety contraband tobacco poses to local communities. That is why I am happy our Economic Action Plan 2014 allocates $91.7 million throughout a five-year period to enhance the RCMP's ability to combat contraband tobacco. The new funding will be used to create a Geospatial Intelligence and Automated Dispatch Centre, and the deployment of a range of sensor devices to detect movement on the border in high-risk areas, including Cornwall and SD&SG along the St. Lawrence River.

Border communities, like Cornwall, and our local economy know all too well that Canadians pay more than Americans for many identical goods. In order to address unjustified cross-border price discrimination, our government intends to introduce legislation in the coming months. I do not believe hardworking Canadians should be gouged with higher prices simply because of where they live.

To help Canadians get the skills and training they need to succeed, our plan also moves forward with the Canada Job Grant to connect people looking for work directly with in-demand jobs. We're also introducing the Canada Apprentice Loan to give access to student loans to apprentices for the first time ever.

Equally important, our plan keeps Canada on track to balance the budget in 2015. From Greece to Detroit, we've seen the consequences of governments that don't focus on putting their fiscal house in order. Balanced budgets do more than signal stability and make Canada a more attractive place to invest, they also keep taxes low and ensure our children and grandchildren aren't saddled with our debt.

However, unlike the previous Liberal government, we are not balancing the budget by cutting transfers to the provinces for healthcare or education. In fact, under our government those transfers are at all-time highs. Instead, we're making government programs more efficient – cutting waste and ensuring every taxpayer dollar spent is spent as useful and wisely as possible.

While the opposition does not agree with getting back to balanced budgets, instead pushing spending schemes, and new taxes that will take more out of our pockets, we will stick to our proven low-tax plan for job creation and economic growth.

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Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry MP Guy Lauzon submits regular weekly columns to the Winchester Press. *His provincial counterpart for the riding, Jim McDonell, submits monthly columns.*

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

MPP makes call for returned OMPF funding

Editor's note: This letter was originally forwarded to Liberal MPP Linda Jeffrey, minister of municipal affairs and housing. –M.U.

The Editor:

Recently, I forwarded a letter to Liberal MPP Charles Sousa, minister of finance, asking the government to restore the Ontario Municipal Partnership Funding (OMPF) to at least pre-2013 funding levels. Throughout the past 10 years, the Liberal government has been starving municipalities through cuts in funding and greater regulation that has resulted in higher costs, and the corresponding higher property taxes.

The latest initiative to cut a further $100 million throughout four years from OMPF transfers, at a time when the government can find more than $1.1 billion to fund the seat saving gas plant cancellation is unbelievable. The Liberal government has also downloaded additional costs, such as the provincially negotiated policing cost increases and the unprecedented escalation in electricity rates, caused by the government's failed energy plans.

For example, in my riding of Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry, despite uploaded services, the riding will experience a net $600,000 cut in OMPF funding this year alone.

Minister, this is all about the need to be competitive in this global market so that we can hang onto our good-paying skilled jobs. Not so long ago, our work ethic and low power rates made us the economic power that was the envy of North America, and the number one vehicle producer on the continent.

Now after 10 years of bad government policy and unrealistic tax increases, the Liberal government has caused an exodus of our top manufacturers to our neighbouring provinces and states.

Ontario now has the highest power rates, WSIB costs, soon to be highest corporate tax rates, and second highest property taxes in North America. It is little wonder that we have lost more than 300,000 manufacturing jobs and slipped to third in the automotive sector.

Minister, I ask you to reconsider the funding cuts. After 10 years of increasing the amount of taxes and fees the government collects, from $58.3 billion to more than $94.3 billion (revenue from all sources excluding federal transfer payments), surely money can be found to allow municipal partners to replace aging infrastructure and to contain property taxes.

Jim McDonell
Stormont, Dundas, and South Glengarry MPP
Cornwall

Paying honour to those vets who served

Editor's note: *The military service pin is available to those veterans who live, or did live, in Saskatchewan. The following submission includes paraphrased portions from the official announcement made earlier this year. –M.U.*

The Editor:

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11:00-11:50 am	Invaluable Earthworm	Rotational Grazing	Phosphorus Clean-up Story	Cereal Madness	Ontario Agriculture Base Maps
12:00-12:50 pm LUNCH	Soybeans Strategies	Corn Silage Fungicides and Mycotoxins	Glyphosate Resistant Weeds	Bee Aware	Crop Budgeting
1:00-1:50 pm	Market Outlook	Manure Basics	Building Corn Ready Soil	Next Generation Social Media	Growing Forward II
2:00-2:50 pm	Precision Ag	Forage Fundamentals	Invaluable Earthworm	Human Resources (HR) Farm Input	Phosphorus Clean-up Story
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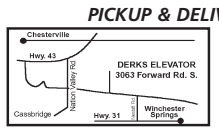

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13:00				*Island Green* - NFB film screening
13:30	Peter Kevan: Pollinators in organic production	Susan Beal: Organic herd health management - Session I	Jodi Koberinsky: Successfully promote organics for health	*Island Green* follow up discussion
14:30	VISIT THE TRADE SHOW			
15:00	*Bauta Family Initiative on Canadian Seed Security:* Heritage Grain Production	Susan Beal: Organic herd health management - Session II	EFAO: Market grower panel on profitability	
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SNC launches new feature on website

FINCH – South Nation Conservation is working to put the region on the map – literally.

On Thurs., Feb. 13, the conservation authority launched its Geoportal, a geographic information system web mapping application.

"We're finally getting our website where we want it," Rhonda Boutz, team lead for communications and outreach, said. "It has been under reconstruction for months, and now we can offer some of the latest techniques in presenting our watershed and making our services available to the public."

The authority oversees 4,200 square-kilometres of mostly farm and forested land drained by the South Nation River, and its tributaries. According to Boutz, there is a significant amount of data that the Geoportal works to centralize. While SNC staff members use a similar web network, the new public version offers an identical experience with simplified features.

Technician Jackie Edwards demonstrated the new portal at a recent SNC communications meeting, and Boutz said staff members were impressed by its features.

Edwards, meanwhile, said nothing within the portal is permanent, and input from the public is welcome.

"We're inviting residents to use this tool to explore what the watershed has to offer," she said. "We're interested in feedback about ease of navigability, loading times, and other suggestions."

To access the new Geoportal, visit www.nation.on.ca.

Certified forest owners give to woodlot service

AVONMORE – Certified forest owners in the region are contributing $5,000 toward the expansion of South Nation Conservation's woodlot advisory service throughout the 4,200 square-kilometre watershed.

Representatives announced that financial influx on the property of George Velema in Avonmore. A former executive at Domtar's Cornwall operation, Velema is a longtime supporter of reforestation in the area.

The group's president Elaine Kennedy and Bill Smirle, SNC chairman, joined Velema, a board member of the Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry Certified Forest Owners (SDGCFO), during the announcement.

"The contribution from the certified forest owners is a strong show of support for the [program], a clear indication this important group backs our efforts," Josee Brizard, the conservation authority's team lead for forest resources, said.

The forest owners collective is a non-profit organization promoting sustainable, long-term forest management practices through third party certification. Governed by the Forest Stewardship Council, certification is a voluntary market-based system guaranteeing that wood and paper products come from responsibly maintained woodlots.

The stewardship council's objective, meanwhile, is to ensure that forests are managed in an environmentally appropriate, socially beneficial, and economically viable way.

In April 2013, both SNC and SDGCFO signed a memorandum of understanding to partner in forestry programs, with the intent of providing assistance to property owners with a minimum of five acres of forest.

The conservation authority manages 20,000 acres of forest throughout a large part of Eastern Ontario, while SNC and its many partners plant thousands of trees every year to replace ones lost to expand the region's forest cover.

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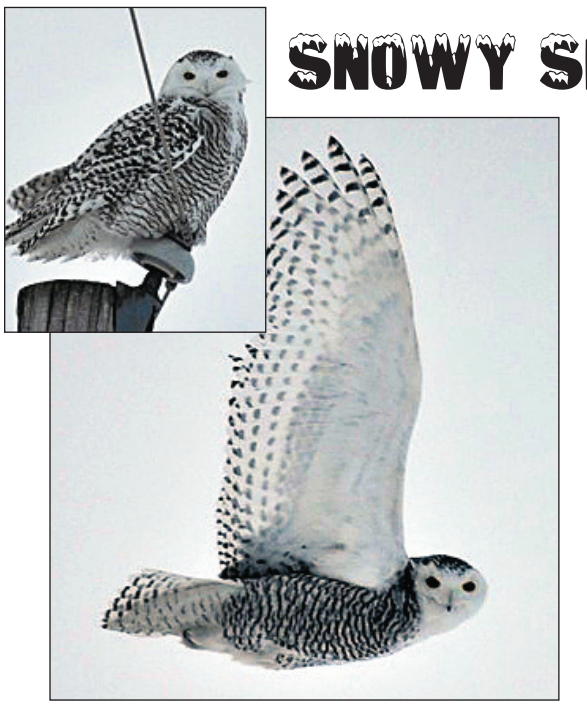



Residents throughout the region have no doubt spotted one of the many snowy owls calling the area home this season. Winchester resident Shaun Steele snapped some photographs of the yellow-eyed, black-beaked bird that has been living on his property in the west end of the village. According to experts, the influx of large numbers of the bird of prey, referred to by birders as an irruption, has coincided with the bitterly cold winter weather conditions experienced throughout much of Eastern Ontario, and other parts of North America.

4-H Update

Lego Club building on 4-H ideals

by Logan Verspeek

CHESTERVILLE – The first meeting of the 4-H Lego Club was held late last month at The Gathering House in Chesterville.

The meeting began with the 4-H pledge, followed by the election of the executive. The results were: Meagan Scheepers, president; Gavin Veinotte, vice-president; Kyra Streng, secretary; and Logan Verspeek, press reporter. The leaders are Charmaine Verspeek and Pam DeVries.

Members discussed what the club will be about and what is expected of each person.

Tables were labeled with themes, and members moved through each, building accordingly.

Scheepers ended the meeting and then members shared juice and cupcakes.

The next meeting is scheduled for 7 pm on Tues., Feb. 25 at The Gathering House.

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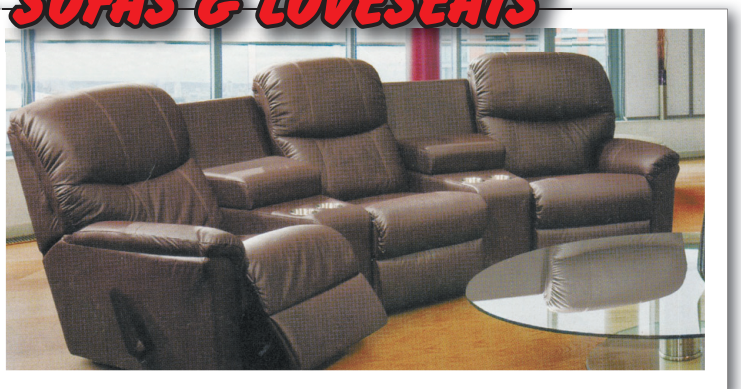

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Snow-themed fun in Crysler

There was snow in abundance for this year's Crysler Winter Carnival, which began on Wed., Feb. 12 and ended Sun., Feb. 16. Carnival goers, regardless of age, had numerous opportunities to create sun-filled, snowy memories throughout the event's five-day run. A sampling of the available indoor activities included Bingo, various card games, pool, a magic show, and a dance, while the outdoors provided the setting for ice fishing, hockey, sledding, and more.

Pictured, clockwise, from far right: *After entertaining the crowd with his sleight of hand, Micpo the Magician enjoyed a Baloo Paw; Jean-Guy Labelle and his wife, Donna, were in charge of the ice fishing hut, having built the structure, and drilled the 18-inch holes; The John Crysler Skating Rink was officially inaugurated on Sun., Feb. 16; Andréanne Lachance (right) dipped the Baloo Paw in cinnamon and sugar, as Elyse Morin (left) and Guylaine Gervais watched; Landin Racine bodysurfed down the snow hill.*

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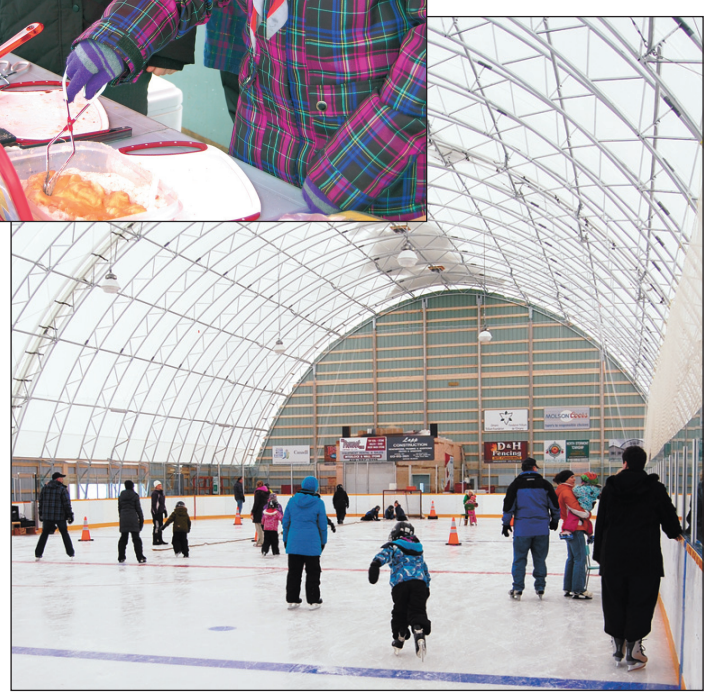



SNC offers sweet taste of education

FINCH – It is maple syrup time.

South Nation Conservation (SNC), in partnership with Sand Road Maple Farm in Moose Creek, is entering its 14th season of providing hands-on history of maple syrup production through its bilingual Maple Education Program.

Beginning on Tues., March 4 and ending Fri., April 4, pre-booked Kindergarten to Grade 12 school groups, guided by SNC interpreters, will hike through the sugar bush while learning how maple syrup makes it from the tree to the breakfast table.

Hands-on history lesson for school kids

The two-hour tours, which follow the province's science curriculum, begin at 9:30 am or 12:30 pm. Program participants will learn about the evolution of the sugaring process, from boiling sap in a hollowed-out log as the Aboriginals did, to the huge cast iron kettles of the early settlers, to today's modern evaporators that transform sap into maple syrup. And, if the weather co-operates, participants will see maple syrup being made.

Program co-ordinator Karen Paquette said while there is plenty of fun to be had during the outing, the true emphasis is on education. Students will learn about woodlot management, the role forests play within watersheds, and how to identify various tree species.

"It's all about connecting students to our natural environment with the understanding that people are part of the environment and not separate from it," she said. "Lessons learned at Sand Road can last a lifetime."

Schools interested in participating must book and pay online in advance at www.nation.on.ca. The minimum number per group is 15, and the cost per participant is $6, which includes the tour and a maple treat. (Pancake meals are also available starting at $4.50 per person.) SNC is offering a busing subsidy of up to $150 per eligible school.

For those schools or groups unable to visit the programming site, the conservation authority is offering to loan Maple Education Lesson Kits.

The Sand Road log cabin remains open to all visitors even while tours are being conducted.

Seniors host euchre party

WINCHESTER – The red-card winners at the Winchester Seniors' euchre event held Thurs., Feb. 13 were Freida Armstrong, Ralph Rodger, and Orma Earl.

The white-card winners were Betty Barkley, and June and Percy Armstrong.

Betty Holmes and Kathy Crump were the door prize winners, while Don McIntosh, Cecile Ashton, and Earl took home the "share the wealth" winnings.

The group's next euchre event has been scheduled for Thurs., Feb. 27.





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Rothe scores last-second goal

Hawks gain 2-0 series lead on Rebels

WINCHESTER – It was a wild finish in game two of the St. Lawrence Division semi-final between the Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks and Char-Lan Rebels.

There was 4:56 left in regulation time in Monday's (Feb. 17) tilt at the Joel Steele Community Centre when Char-Lan sliced their deficit to 3-2 on a Jesse Fontaine shot from the point. Two minutes later Nick Sanseverino buried a loose puck created by pressure applied by Tyler Filion and Quinlin MacDonald, which tied the score 3-3.

Things got tense for the Hawks who had defenceman Eric Starcevic waved off for interference with 2:16 on the clock. It looked bleak for the home team until Rebel Isaac Lavallee was assessed an interference penalty with 1:50 to play. Things then took another positive turn for the Hawks with 56 seconds left in the game. That's when Matthew Gregoire was sent to the sin bin for slashing, leaving Char-Lan down two men and time running out.

There were just seconds showing on the clock when Winchester's Austin Rothe jammed the GWG (Luke Scott, Josh Stubbings) in behind Rebel 'tender Ryan Cooper, sending his team into a wild celebration. The Char-Lan squad vigorously questioned referee Jason Cholette and his crew about how much time, if any, was left on the clock when the GWG crossed the line, but after a short deliberation it was confirmed the goal was legitimate and the Hawks had posted a 4-3 victory.

That dramatic finish clinched a 2-0 lead in the best-of-seven semi-final series for Winchester who doubled the Rebels 4-2 in Williamstown on Saturday (Feb. 15).

Game three is being played in Williamstown tonight (Wed., Feb. 19). Game four is set for Winchester Friday (Feb. 21) at 8:15 pm. See the *Winchester Press* scoreboard for all of the playoff dates.

Patrick Morin cashed a Kyle Mcdougall relay for a 1-0 lead at 7:16 of the first period of game two. Brandon Pantaleo (PPG) upped the difference to 2-0 finishing a play started by Chris Rossi and Luke Scott 34 seconds later.

Char-Lan cut into the Hawks lead on a PPG by MacDonnell at 13:16.

Pantaleo cracked another PPG netting a pass sent to him by Jordan Brunet and Rossi 4:17 into period two. The Hawks held on to a 3-1 lead until the final minutes of the third period.

Jeremy Wright made 34 saves on 37 shots for the win. Cooper was good on 36 of 40 shots he faced.

Game one

Winchester's all-star rookie Bryden van Kessel paced the Hawks offence firing home three goals in his team's 4-2 win in game one.

Char-Lan grabbed a 1-0 lead in the first 20 minutes on Sanseverino's PPG.

A pair of van Kessel markers gave the Hawks a 2-1 lead after 40 minutes. Shawn Simms and Kyle Richardson set up the first play at 9:47 while a feed from Scott was the ammunition for the second tally.

Richardson engineered van Kessel's hat trick goal at 11:40 of period three. The Rebels replied when Jayden Lemire (14:21) got his team close to within a goal (3-2).

Stubbings locked up the 4-2 decision dumping a Richardson pass into the empty Rebel cage 14 seconds before the final buzzer sounded.

Wright made 31 saves on 33 shots for the win. Cooper took the loss facing 28 shots.



The Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks pulled off a dramatic last second 4-3 victory over the Char-Lan Rebels Monday (Feb. 17) night at the Joel Steele Community Centre. Austin Rothe (left) used an opportunity created by captain Josh Stubbings and defender Luke Scott to cash the GWG. Hawks forward Patrick Morin, being tied up by Rebel defender Jesse Fontaine on this play, counted Winchester's first goal. Game three of the St. Lawrence Division semi-final is slated for Williamstown tonight (Wed., Feb. 19) at 8 pm. *Press Photo – Van Bridger*

South Grenville Rangers hold on for 3-2 win over Bantam 'B' Demons

WINCHESTER – Late goals by Travis McInnis and Jack Messervey sliced the North Dundas Bantam "B" Demons deficit to 3-2, but in the long run the rally fell short and the South Grenville Rangers held on for the one-goal victory.

Monday's (Feb. 17) game at the Joel Steele Community Centre was the first in the Upper Canada Minor Hockey League West Division semi-final (four point) series. Games two and three are scheduled for Cardinal on Thursday (Feb. 20) and Saturday (Feb. 22).

North Dundas (17-6-1) finished third in the division with 35 points, one less than South Grenville (16-4-4). The Demons eliminated the Kemptville Panthers (4-16-4) in two games registering 3-0 and 4-1 wins. The Rangers drew a first round bye, along with the first-place Smiths Falls Bears (19-3-2). The Bears and the fourth-place Brockville Jr. Braves (15-7-2) are engaged in the other semi-final set.

Game one

A PPG by Ranger Hayden Sayeau gave South Grenville a 1-0 lead at 6:11 of the first period on Monday's opener. McIntyre Render used another feed from Shawn Sloan to open up a 2-0 gap with 6:07 left in the second session. The visitors extended their lead to 3-0 when Austin Minkhorst put the puck (GWG) in behind Demons' Bayden Carr with 2:24 left in the same stanza.

North Dundas finally broke the goose egg with 8:18 left on the clock. McInnis put his team back in the game cashing a rebound created by Caleb Jaquemet and Jacob Robinson.

There was 2:41 left on the clock when Messervey cut his team's deficit to 3-2 completing a play generated by Jaquemet and Avery Holmes.

Unfortunately that was as close as the Demons could come to salvaging a point.



Too late

Referee Brandon Buma signaled Travis McInnis' goal with 8:18 left in Monday's (Feb. 17) Upper Canada Minor Hockey League West Division game between the host North Dundas Bantam "B" Demons and the South Grenville Rangers. The Rangers owned a 3-0 advantage after two periods and held on for a 3-2 victory. Jack Messervey closed the gap to a goal netting the Demons second marker 2:41 before the final buzzer. *Press Photo – Van Bridger*

North Dundas Rockets draw Embrun Panthers in first round of playoffs

CHESTERVILLE – A seventh-place finish has pitted the North Dundas Rockets against the number-two ranked Embrun Panthers in the opening round of the National Capital Junior Hockey League playoffs.

North Dundas (13-17-2) needed a victory in their final regular season to move up one spot to sixth place and avoid the powerful Panthers (24-6-2), but were blanked 3-0 by the Cumberland Bandits (14-15-3) in Chesterville on Saturday (Feb. 15). They had to settle for the number seven spot with 28 points, one less than the Rockland Nationals (13-16-3).

Game days

Game one of the series will be played in Embrun Friday (Feb. 21). The scene will shift to Chesterville on Saturday (Feb. 22) for a 7:50 pm start. Game three in Embrun will take place next Wednesday (Feb. 26).

Cumberland 'tender Joey Gour held the Rockets scoreless while Patrick Fitzgerald, Nigel Roy, and Dylan Smith put pucks into Matt Jenkins' net. The Bandits took a 2-0 lead in period two and added one more in the final frame.

Big win

Dustin Tinkler put together a four-goal, six point effort last week (Wed., Feb. 12) in La Peche where the Rockets waltzed to an 11-2 win over the last-place Predateurs.

North Dundas roared into a 6-0 lead in the first period and was up 7-2 after 40 minutes.

Tinkler (4-2-6), Kyle Adams (1-3-4), Pete Klein-Swormink (0-4-4), Kyle MacDonald (1-2-3), Brandon Mullin (1-2-3), Adrian Lee (GWG, PPG 1-1-2), Dayton Kelly (SHG 1-0-1), Nolan Gillis (1-0-1), Dylan Marshall (0-1-1), Brent Simms (0-1-1) and John Vanzyl (0-1-1) all contributed to the win.

All stars

Four Rockets were named to the league's Dark Team that faced the Light Team in the 2014 All-Star Game in Vankleek Hill on Sunday (Feb. 16). North Dundas' top three scorers - Kyle Adams (22-29-51), Dustin Tinkler (15-20-35), Adam Polgar (16-7-23) and defenceman Will Fawcett (3-15-18) - joined members of the Papineauville Vikings, St. Isidore Eagles and Vankleek Hill Cougars for the all-star tilt.

Spartans sweep NDDHS Devils in Dundas Cup opener

MORRISBURG – With the seats in the Morrisburg Arena filled with students sporting the orange and black colours of Seaway District High School along with a contingent of Grade 6 students from Morrisburg Public School, the visiting teams from North Dundas District High School weren't expecting, and didn't receive much fan support in the opening games of the 2014 Dundas Cup High School Hockey Challenge.

The on-ice battle between Dundas County's two secondary schools opened last week (Tues., Feb. 11) in Morrisburg with the Seaway Spartans edging the North Dundas Blue Devils 3-2 in the girl's game. The Spartans swept the twin bill dealing the Devils a 5-2 loss. Those results gave Seaway an 8-4 advantage in the home-and-home, total goal competition.

The Devils will have the opportunity to get revenge in the total-goal series when they host the second leg of the annual school-spirit generating event on Mon., Feb. 24 in Chesterville.

But as Kevin Bell, coach of the North Dundas girl's squad, noted recovering from the 8-4 deficit will be a daunting task for the navy and white teams.

As for the loss by the Devils to the girls from Seaway, Bell said "We knew we would be in tough this year because we have a young team – eight Grade 9 girls."



Seaway Spartans goaltender Taylor Van Allen is joined by Shannon Van Moorsel (No. 6) and her teammates seconds after the final buzzer sounded the conclusion of the game that finished in a 3-2 victory for her school over the North Dundas District High School Devils.



North Dundas District High School's Blue Devils dropped a 5-2 decision to the Seaway Spartans last week (Tues., Feb. 11) in Morrisburg. Devils' forward Dakota Boulanger (No. 19) celebrated his third-period goal, with Spartan defender Cole Fowler (No. 6) looking on. Boulanger's marker sliced his school's deficit to 3-2. Unfortunately for North Dundas the Spartans were able to use a pair of Griffin Patterson tallies to secure their win in the home-and-home, total-goal series.

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Spartans 3 – Devils 2

North Dundas struck first in the girl's game when Mackenzie Johnston converted a play created by the Young sisters, Cassandra and Kalleigh, into a 1-0 lead with 4:24 left in the opening stanza.

Seaway evened the count at the 3:04 mark when Christyn Veinotte put a shot into Cashelle Baldwin's net after taking a feed from Shannon Van Moorsel.

Mackenzie Barkley put Seaway up 2-1 scoring on a play set up by Brynn Gilmour at 10:58 of period two. With 58 seconds left in the same session Shannon Van Moorsel used a relay sent to her by Veinotte to give her school a 3-1 lead.

North Dundas battled back and sliced their deficit to 3-2 when Anna Stubbings directed Tori Corkery's rebound into Taylor Van Allen's net 3:32 before the final buzzer. The Devils pressed for the tie, but Van Allen and her mates were able to hang on for the win.

Spartans 5 – Devils 2

Travis Marshall converted an opportunity created by Evan Durant into a 1-0 lead for the Devils at 9:03 of the first period of the boy's game. But, the Spartans evened the count with 1:02 left in the stanza when Evan Mullin fooled Devils' netminder Bayden Carr on an unassisted play.

Griffin Patterson handed the Spartans a 2-1 lead when he bagged the first of his three goals early (13:19) in period two.

The action and heavy hitting intensified in the third period as the Spartans cracked a pair of goals by Tanner Hummel (unassisted at 16:02) and Patterson (Cole Fowler, Andrew Hanna at 8:05) and opened up a 4-2 lead shortly after Devils' forward Dakota Boulanger forced a Patrick Gibson rebound in under Seaway 'tender Zack Frawley to get his team close at 3-2.

Patterson used another feed from Fowler to drive the final difference to 5-2.

Frawley and starter Josh Martineau shared the Spartans goaltending chores.

ATV club sets 'Ride for Dad' for March 1

SOUTH MOUNTAIN – The Nation Valley All-Terrain Vehicle Club (NVATVC) is prepping to host the organization's second annual Ride for Dad event.

Set for Sat., March 1, riders are to depart the Mountain Township Agricultural Hall in South Mountain at 10 am. Registration is open from 8:30 to 9:30 am.

The first-ever event, according to organizers, was a success, with $50,000 generated in support of prostate cancer research and awareness in the region. Last year, more than 250 riders participated, travelling from as far away as Niagara Falls, Hamilton, and Barrie to take part.

This year's rally is sponsored by the Ottawa Senators Alumni, and former Senators players Brad Marsh and John Barrett have signed on as celebrity ride captains.

The cost to participate is $30 per rider, and includes lunch, dinner, and an opportunity to win prizes. (Participants must pre-register to attend.)

Ride for Dad began as a motorcycle event in Ottawa in 2000, and since then has grown to 36 motorcycle, ATV, watercraft and snowmobile events throughout Canada.

To date, close to $13 million has been raised. The NVATVC is the first club of its kind to host the event with all-terrain vehicles.

Due to current Ontario Ministry of Transportation regulations, meanwhile, passenger and side-by-side vehicles are not permitted to take part in the ride.

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Winchester Press
SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Eastern Ontario Junior Hockey League

Rideau - St. Lawrence Conference

RECENT PLAYOFF RESULTS
St. Lawrence Division
Feb. 13: Casselman 5 - Akwesasne 1
Feb. 14: Westport 6 - Gananoque 4
Casselman 6 - Akwesasne 1
Feb. 15: Winchester 4 - Char-Lan 2
Athens 5 - Prescott 2
Gananoque 4 - Westport 1
Feb. 16: Athens 4 - Prescott 3
Casselman 3 - Akwesasne 2
Feb. 17: Winchester 4 - Char-Lan 3

FINAL STANDINGS

Rideau	W	L	LOT	GF	GA	PTS
Gananoque	28	14	3	168	137	59
Prescott	26	19	0	159	172	52
Athens	21	18	6	169	170	48
Westport	17	20	8	143	160	42
Brockville	14	26	5	140	171	33
St. Lawrence	**W**	**L**	**LOT**	**GF**	**GA**	**PTS**
Casselman	35	2	4	231	96	74
Char-Lan	22	14	5	176	162	49
Winchester	*23*	*16*	*2*	*160*	*177*	*48*
Akwesasne	22	18	1	145	139	45
Alexandria	19	16	6	169	189	44
Morrisburg	7	32	2	124	220	16

**Teams losing in OT receive one point*

TOP SCORERS

Winchester Hawks	G	A	PTS
Austin Rothe	23	25	48
Bryden van Kessel	14	25	39
Josh Stubbings "C"	13	24	37
Wyatt Coghill "A"	11	20	31
Kyle Richardson "A"	10	21	31
Patrick Morin	18	12	30
Chris Rossi	13	17	30
Brandon Pantaleo "A"	10	14	24
Shawn Simms	11	11	22
Mitchell Kirkwood	5	11	16
Alex St. Marseille	8	6	14
Eric Starcevic	5	6	11
Eric Guevremont	3	4	7
Sam Hodgson	1	3	4
Jordan Brunet	0	4	4
Jason Rose	2	1	3
Kyle McDougall	2	0	2
Brandon Streeter	0	2	2
Luke Scott	0	2	2
Jerem Wright	0	2	2
Brodie Braun	1	0	1
Perry Goulet-Blight	0	0	0
Goaltenders			
Nathan Bowness	W 10 L 5	SOL 1	GAA 4.32
Brandon Lowery	W 8 L 7	SOL 1	GAA 4.34
Jeremy Wright	W 5 L 4	SOL 0	GAA 3.71

Metro - Valley Conference

RECENT RESULTS
Metro - Valley Division
Feb. 11: Stittsville 6 - Renfrew 4
Feb. 12: Stittsville 4 - Arnprior 2
Shawville 5 - Ottawa West 2
Feb. 13: Clarence 5 - Ottawa West 3
Feb. 14: Metcalfe 2 - Clarence 1 SO
Shawville 5 - Arnprior 4 SO
Stittsville 4 - Renfrew 3 SO
Perth 4 - Almonte 3 SO
Feb. 15: Almonte 3 - Stittsville 2
Shawville 4 - Perth 3 SO
Feb. 16: Gatineau 9 - Metcalfe 5
Perth 4 - Stittsville 2
Renfrew 5 - Shawville 4
Ottawa 8 - Almonte 5
Feb. 17: Ottawa West 4 - Gatineau 3 (Game 1)

FINAL STANDINGS

Metro	W	L	LOT	GF	GA	PTS
Ottawa West	28	12	1	167	135	57
Ottawa	25	12	4	162	131	54
Clarence	25	14	2	144	140	52
Gatineau	21	15	5	180	166	47
Metcalfe	*15*	*26*	*0*	*119*	*159*	*30*
Valley	**W**	**L**	**LOT**	**GF**	**GA**	**PTS**
Renfrew	24	13	4	181	151	52
Almonte	18	16	7	149	171	43
Arnprior	19	19	3	133	156	41
Shawville	18	18	5	179	168	41
Stittsville	18	18	5	137	156	40
Perth	16	17	8	156	165	40

**Teams losing in OT receive one point*

National Capital Junior Hockey League

RECENT RESULTS
Feb. 11: Gatineau 5 - Cumberland 2
Feb. 12: North Dundas 11 - La Peche 2
Feb. 14: Embrun 2 - Cumberland 1
Papineauville 6 - La Peche 3
Feb. 15: Cumberland 3 - North Dundas 0
Vankleek Hill 5 - Gatineau 2
Embrun 7 - La Peche 4

FINAL STANDINGS

	W	L	OTL	GF	GA	PTS
Papineauville	25	5	1	173	106	53
Embrun	24	6	2	172	107	50
St. Isidore	16	11	5	157	154	37
Vankleek Hill	16	16	0	146	147	32
Cumberland	14	15	3	105	122	31
Rockland	13	16	3	116	147	29
North Dundas	*13*	*17*	*2*	*108*	*120*	*28*
Gatineau	11	20	0	143	166	24
La Peche	10	20	2	159	210	22

North Dundas Rockets	G	A	PTS
Kyle Adams	22	29	51
Dustin Tinkler "A"	15	20	35
Adam Polgar	16	7	23
Will Fawcett	3	15	18
Dayton Kelly	8	8	16
Brent Simms "A"	4	8	12
Pete Klein-Swormink "C"	3	10	13
John Vanzyl "A"	4	7	11
Adrian Lee	4	6	10
Brandon Mullin	4	4	8
Ryan Byers	3	5	8
Stephane Wyss	2	6	8
Bryden Harris	0	8	8
Kyke MacDonald	4	3	7
Harry Wyss	4	1	5
Scott Low	3	2	5
Dylan Marshall	1	4	5
Logan Giesbrecht	3	1	4
Mitchell Haid	2	2	4
Nolen Gillis	1	3	4
Jacob Luimes	0	4	4
Cole Rowden	1	1	2
Goaltenders			
Jason Buma	3-7-1	GAA 4.23	GA 45
Thomas Lastewka	2-3-1	GAA 3.92	GA 28

Winchester Jr. "B" Hawks Hockey Club

PLAYOFF GAMES

Game No. 4 - Fri., Feb. 21
Char-Lan Rebels at Hawks, 8:15 pm

Game No. 5 - Sat., Feb. 22
Hawks at Rebels, 8 pm

Game No. 6 - Mon., Feb. 24
Rebels at Hawks, 8:30 pm

Game No. 7 - Tues., Feb. 25
Hawks at Rebels, 8 pm

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Winchester & District Ladies Hockey League

RECENT RESULTS

Round Robin No. two Feb. 16:
Andy's Foodland 3 - Annable's Jewellery 0
WS Trucking 0 - KC's Maintenance 0
Cooper Physio 3 - Country Girls 0

ROUND ROBIN

STANDINGS	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Andy's Reds	2	0	0	7	1	4
KC's	1	0	1	3	1	3
WS Trucking	0	0	2	1	1	2
Cooper Pinks	1	1	0	3	4	2
Country Girls	0	1	1	1	3	1
Annables	0	2	0	1	6	0

TOP SCORERS	G	A	PTS
Tabitha Derue, AR	3	2	5
T. Klein-Swormink, AR	1	2	3
Laurena Matthies, KC's	1	1	2
Chantal Thurler, KC's	1	1	2
Pyper Weiss, CP	1	1	2
Jennifer Wilson, AR	1	1	2
Trisha Leduc, AR	1	1	2
Kaitlyn Hay, KC's	0	2	2
Amy Murphy, AR	0	2	2
Annette Downey, AR	0	2	2
A. Rylaarsdam, KC's	1	0	1
Heather Toll, CP	1	0	1
Kelly Zeran, AB	1	0	1
Andrea Francis, WST	1	0	1
Jessica Hendrikx	1	0	1
Mariyln Wade, AR	1	0	1

North Dundas Jr. Rockets

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2013-2014 NATIONAL CAPITAL JUNIOR HOCKEY PLAYOFFS
Sat., Feb. 22
vs. Embrun Panthers
7:50 pm
Chesterville Arena

Winchester Town Hockey League

RECENT RESULTS
Feb. 11:
Heuff's Doggers 7 - Red Roosters 5
Chesterville Maulers 10 - Bush Leaguers 4

FINAL STANDINGS

	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Roosters	15	4	0	130	79	30
Doggers	9	10	0	102	109	18
Leaguers	8	11	0	95	118	16
Maulers	6	13	0	83	118	12

TOP SCORERS	G	A	PTS
Nik Paas, RR	33	38	71
Mark Mitchell, RR	33	30	63
Dean Byvelds, BL	25	24	49
Clayton Kohn, RR	22	22	44
Brandon Buma, CM	28	14	42
Scott Baldwin, BL	16	18	34
Rob Thurler, CM	13	20	33
Shawn Smail, CM	12	19	31
Kyle Sobering, HD	15	15	30
Dana Schofield, RR	16	12	28
Derek Vingerhoeds, RR	1	27	28



Just for fun

The North Dundas Minor Hockey Association hosted its annual Family Fun Day Initiation Program Tournament on Monday (Feb. 17). Second year (IP2) players skated in nine games at the Joel Steele Community Centre in Winchester. The first-year (IP1) held a tournament in Chesterville. North Dundas Demons' Wyatt Leblanc (left) watched goaltender Brody Cranham make a save on a Kemptville Panthers forward on this play. Kemptville, Kanata Hawks, Metcalfe Jets, Kanata Blazers and two North Dundas teams took part in the IP2 event. No wins, losses or scores were recorded.

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Eastern Ontario Junior Hockey League

Vikings one win away from advancing

CASSELMAN – A 3-2 victory over the Akwesasne Wolves has moved the St. Lawrence Division pennant winning Casselman Vikings within a game of advancing to the division championship series.

Casselman (35-2-2-2) edged the fourth-place Akwesasne Wolves (22-18-1-0) 3-2 in game three (best of seven) of the semi-final series on Sunday (Feb. 16) and carried a 3-0 lead into tonight's (Wed., Feb. 19) fourth game on Cornwall Island. The Vikings who cruised to a first place finish with 74 points opened with a 5-1 win in game one (Thurs., Feb. 13) and made it 2-0 with a 6-1 win the next day (Fri., Feb. 14).

A series sweep by Casselman will leave them waiting for a winner to emerge from the other St. Lawrence semi-final between the second-place Char-Lan Rebels (22-14-1-4) and number-three ranked Winchester Hawks (23-16-0-2). The Hawks gained a 2-0 lead in that series nipping the Rebels 4-3 Monday (Feb. 17) in Winchester. The Hawks launched their series doubling the Rebels 4-2 in Williamstown on Saturday (Feb. 15).

Rideau Division

The Rideau Division "A" semi-final set between the first-place Gananoque Islanders (28-14-1-2) and the fourth-place Westport Rideaus (17-20-6-2) resumes tonight (Wed., Feb. 19) in Gananoque with the Islanders holding a 2-0 lead on 6-4 and 4-1 wins.

The third game in the "B" series was played last night (Tues., Feb. 18) at Centre 76 in Athens. The Aeros (21-18-3-3), who finished third, held a 2-0 lead having shot down the second-place Prescott Flyers (26-19-0-0) 5-2 and 4-3.

Metcalfe Jets out

The Metro Division semi finals got underway Monday (Feb. 17) with the first-place Ottawa West Golden Knights (28-12-0-1) squaring off against the fourth-place Gatineau Mustangs (21-15-3-2) in the "A" series.

Jeff Gottzmann cracked the GWG for the Knights 44 seconds before the final buzzer sounded as Ottawa West posted a 4-3 win in Monday's opener.

The "B" set has the number-two ranked Ottawa Canadians (25-12-1-3) going up against the third-place Clarence Beavers (25-14-1-1). The Canadians earned 54- points while the Beavers finished with 52.

The Metcalfe Jets (15-26-0-0) wound up fifth with 30 points and out of the playoff picture.

Panthers eliminate Atom House 'C' Demons

KEMPTVILLE – Blake Madigan converted a pass sent to him by Sara Sloane into the only goal the North Dundas Atom House "C" Demons managed in a 4-1 loss to the host Kemptville Atom "C2" Panthers.

Last week's (Tues., Feb. 11) loss eliminated the Demons from the Upper Canada Minor Hockey League playoffs. Kemptville (8-15-1) finished fourth in the East Division standings while North Dundas (1-20-3) wound up in fifth place.

Madigan (James Forrester 9:43) scored in the first period of game one (Tues., Feb. 4) in Kemptville. Riley Jampen (Cole Young at 3:19) connected in period two and cracked a second goal on an unassisted play in the third period in a game that ended in a 3-3 tie.

The Panthers took a 3-1 lead in the four-point series blanking North Dundas 2-0 in game two (Mon., Feb. 10).

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Doggers bite Red Roosters for 7-5 victory, Winchester town league playoffs underway

WINCHESTER – Tyler Jones and Brandon Buma each potted a pair of goals as Heuff's Carpentry Doggers finished the Winchester Town Hockey League season shooting down the pennant-winning Red Roosters 7-5.

The late half of last week's (Tues., Feb. 11) twin bill also featured an upset as the fourth-place Chesterville Maulers (6-13-0) burnt the third-place Bush Leaguers (8-11-0) 10-4.

First place belongs to the Roosters (15-4-0) who faced the Maulers in last night's (Tues., Feb. 18) opening round robin game. The second place Doggers (9-10-0) took on the Leaguers in the other opening series match.

Tyler Jones jolted the Roosters for a pair of goals helping the Doggers establish a 5-0 lead by half time. Brandon Buma, Mike Cross and Kyle Sobering pumped in the other markers finishing plays started by Tyler Brown (2), Cross, Sobering, Jones and Chris Embury.

Buma (GWG Ryan Hay, Adam Schofield) gave the Doggers a 6-1 lead at 19:06 of the second have, but it was a goal by Hay (Buma) who ensured the 7-5 win 2:38 before the final buzzer.

The Roosters five-goal rally saw Mark Mitchell crack three goals. Nik Paas and Mitch Shay supplied one each. Paas set up three scoring plays while Derek Vingerhoeds and Clayton Kohn each earned two helpers. Mitchell picked one assist.

Maulers 10 –Leaguers 4

Paced by Shawn Smail's three goal, four-point performance the Maulers put an exclamation mark on their regular season finale pumping home 10 goals against the Leaguers.

The Leaguers held a 3-2 advantage at the half, but managed only to put one puck into Terry Barkley's net in the final session when a shot fired by Dean Byvelds (Travis Froats) struck string.

Scott Baldwin cashed the first three Leaguer goals receiving assistance from Byvelds (2), Bill McRoberts and Froats.

Robyn Sadler (1-4-5) paced the Maulers attack with five points. Smail (3-1-4), Travis Leach (GWG 1-3-4), Travis Rowe (1-2-3), Rob Thurler (1-1-2), Justin Morozuk (1-1-2), Matt Baker (0-2-2) and Chris Currie (1-0-1) all contributed to the squad's sixth win.

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WINCHESTER – Jenna James turned in a flawless performance as Andy's Foodland Reds remained undefeated in Winchester District Ladies Hockey League round robin playoff action.

James and her teammates white washed the Annable's Jewellery Blues 3-0 in round two of the post season Sunday (Feb. 16) morning at 8 am. With one qualification game remaining the Reds sport a 2-0-0 record while the Blues fell to 0-2-0.

Tabbitha Derue used a pass from Jennifer Wilson to chalk up the GWG at 19:21 of the first half. Trisha Leduc made it 2-0 finishing a play started by player of the game Tanya Klein-Swormink and Annette Downey 2:22 before the intermission. A goal by Wilson at 14:55 of the second half made it a 3-0 final. Klein-Swormink and Derue earned assists on the play.

The 9 am contest between the WS Trucking Company (0-0-2) and KC's Lawn Maintenance (1-0-1) finished in a scoreless tie. Trucker's Cashelle Baldwin and KC's Kristie Wade posted the shutouts. KC's Roxanne Backes was named player of the game.

Shelby Aubut was named player of the game as she and the Cooper Physio Pinks (1-1-0) blanked the Country Girls (0-1-1) 2-0 in the 10 am match.

Pyper Weiss netted the GWG on an unassisted play at 15:11 of the first half. Dawn Montgomery then used a relay sent to her by Julie Drouin to make it a 2-0 final early (18:16) in the second half.

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Keith Russell

Jan. 3, 1929 – Feb. 11, 2014

Keith Russell died peacefully at Winchester District Memorial Hospital on Tues., Feb. 11, 2014 following a brief illness.



He was born in Carp, on Jan. 3, 1929, and the family later moved to Russell, where he spent his early years. There he met and married Lois Smith, together raising two children, Doug and Donna. After Lois' passing, Keith moved to Morrisburg with Norma, where he enjoyed the benefits of a broad circle of friends and family. While his professional career was spent with the Hudson Bay Company and Becker's stores, Keith's passions were sports and music.

As a young man he was a well-known fastball pitcher, a curler, and a sports coach. As a member of the Russ Hay Orchestra, and later the Don Morrell Orchestra, Keith loved playing piano, and the company of his bandmates. Sports remained an interest for Keith his whole life, and he could often be found at the baseball diamond or the arena, cheering on the kids, and he enjoyed a good conversation about last night's game whether it was hockey, football, baseball, or curling.

Keith will be sadly missed by his wife, Norma, children and stepchildren: Doug, Donna (Wayne), Wayne (Vicki), Dale (Nancy), Faye (Garth); grandchildren and great-grandchildren: Brent, Lee Ann, Noah, and Jenner, as well as Jennifer (Mark) and Ben.

A celebration of Keith's life is in the planning and will be announced at a later date.

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