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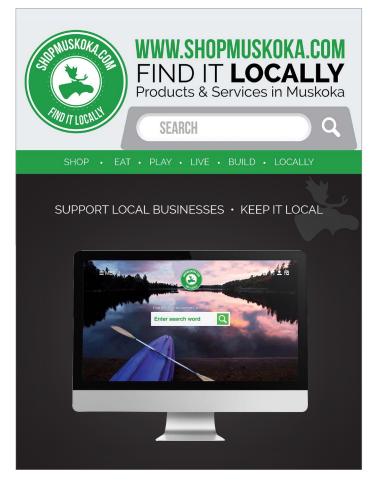


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Submitted by Gravenhurst Lions Club - Sports Hall Of Fame

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LOOKING FOR PLAYERS

The Bracebridge Men's Slo-Pitch has a couple teams looking for players. The league is 35+, but 2 players are allowed between the ages of 30 and 34 per team. Each team plays once a week - either Monday or Wednesday, 7pm or 8:30pm - and games are scheduled to start the week of May 7. If you're interested in playing some ball, visit the leagues website bbslowpitch.wixsite.com/ball (make sure you have /ball in there). The year-end wrap up playoffs take place Sept 7-8 weekend, week after Labour Day.

PIONEERS STAKED THEIR SPOT



Although their season will be finished – one way or another, league finals scheduled to end March 18 – when this edition comes out, hats off to the Bracebridge Pioneers of the CPJHL. In their inaugural season, the Pioneers

staked claim to 3rd place in their division, and 5th overall. And, despite powerhouses Essa and Smith's Falls, they did well. A rivalry developed with Coldwater that had definitive tense moments. Many of the players, including a group of locals, had decent seasons. It was a good, solid first year of operations - congratulations Pioneers.

18/19 REP COACHES

Staying with hockey, SMMHA recently announced their rep coaches for the 2018/19 season.

Grabbing the horns with the Midgets is Dan Blum, Bantam will see Ryan Venturelli, Mike Tripp will be the Peewee coach and Bryce Davidson heads up the Atoms. At our deadline, there was no announcement yet for the Novice squad. Good luck gentlemen.

THANKS BRYCE

South Muskoka Minor Hockey president Bryce Davidson opted not to run again for 're-election'.

That's a shame. Bryce had his supporters, and his detractors. Every president, coach and even player has that. And whether one agreed with him or disagreed with him, there are a couple things we know about Bryce. He's a hockey guy. His passion for the sport, for minor hockey, his beliefs, his willingness 'to do his part', to be involved are rarely seen today. We appreciated his support of the magazine - definitively one of our 'backers'. For that, and your commitment to hockey, we say 'Thanks Bryce' - continued well wishes. For the record, we've also known him for 20+ years - and though we may not hang around each other, we know the type of person he is - quality!

SHIELD OUT

The South Muskoka Shield ended their disappointing season losing 2-straight to Almaguin in their best of three series a few weeks back. Despite the few highlights, overall it was a disappointing year. Coach/GM Demasi is probably already taking another look at 'the drawing board' for next season.

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HIGH JINKS THE RAGE IN '37

It would seem high jinks would be unacceptable in the middle of a serious competition, not the case during the 1937 Muskoka Lakes Bonspiel.

In this popular event, it was widely promoted that a special ladies curling team from Toronto was going to put on a display of their exceptional talent following the bonspiel's banquet.

To give the promotion even more prominence, J. Frank Kelly, MPP, served as the chairman of the special event describing the team as, "four lovely bits of feminine beauty".



However, when they appeared, it was four prominent men of the community, Mayor McBride, Dr. Bastedo, Sid Bates and Cecil Dickie, all dressed as women, who paraded around the rink, pretending to do a little curling. The hilarious event was widely reported and it didn't end at the banquet - the four men

later toured the business section of Bracebridge. Curling of that era obviously was a bigger part of the broader community.

Such is the history of the creation, growth and development of curling in Bracebridge. The activities of the club since its affiliation and relocation to the new Bracebridge Curling and Golf Club in 1973 are current and well known. Curling wasn't the first sport that caught the attention of the people; it wasn't the largest, and didn't attract huge public support like lacrosse, hockey and baseball. Nevertheless, local players did claim their share of province-wide recognition in the sport.

Ontario Tankard Shields were presented to the Russell Salmon and Dr. L. N. Ryan rinks in 1940 and the Bracebridge rink of Ron Perrier (skip), Howard Nelson, Earl Fagan and Gerry Parise won the esteemed Verve Grandmasters Provincial Championship in 2016.



And it all started with a discussion in the waiting room of the Northern Railway Station in 1896.

Kenneth Carman Veitch Bracebridge Historical Resources bracebridgemuskokahistory.com







MEDALS IN THE BAY

Submitted by Bracebridge Knight Hawks Badminton

A few Bracebridge Knight Hawk badminton players traveled to compete in the North Bay junior tournament last month.

Special congratulations go to Brigitte and Isabelle Vandenberg (pictured) who both came away with medals from the event. Four Vandenberg's along with four other senior competitive girls attended.

Many medals were won and North Bay hosted another well run tournament.

TRIVIA

QUESTIONS:

- **1.** What town do the Blue Jays call home for spring training?
- 2. Which NBA team has won the most league championships, with 17?
- **3.** Spring training in Florida is often referred to as the 'grapefruit league'. What's it called in Arizona?
- **4.** In what season did the Maple Leafs last make it to the Stanley Cup semi-finals?
- **5.** In that same year, who won the Stanley Cup to end a 54 year championship drought?
- **6.** The Blue Jays will honour the late Roy "Doc" Halladay by retiring his jersey what number was he?
- **7.** With 7, who has won the most 'Cy Young Awards' in baseball?



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YOUNG SWIMMERS MAKING THEIR MARKS

Submitted by Muskoka Aquatic Club (MUSAC)

Aidan Spiers recently made his mark in the swimming community by qualifying for Ontario Short Course Festival Championships, hosted in Nepean.

This swim meet is designated for the fastest 13 and under swimmers in the province. Aidan qualified in 100 butterfly and in addition, raced 200 butterfly, 200 individual medley and 100 back stroke earning 4/4 best times in his events and narrowly missing 13-year-old standard qualification times as a 12-year-old.



The coaching staff could not be more proud of Aidan and his progress thus far this season.

Aidan trains out of Huntsville and Bracebridge pools and attends school at Huntsville Public in 8th grade. His best events are the 100 Fly, 200 Fly, 200 IM and the 400IM. His future swimming goals include making it to provincials by age 14.

We look forward to tracking Aidan's success throughout the season!

Teaghan Croxall is a first year swimmer with Muskoka Aquatic Club who has moved up three full groups since joining in September. Teaghan is now part of the Junior group and swims four times a week, two of those practices include early morning 6 am swims on Mondays and Saturdays!

Over the past three competitions she has dropped over one minute in total times off of her events and has raced over 90% best times.



Breaststroke and freestyle are Teaghan's naturally talented strokes but she also shows great strength and progress in butterfly. Her coaches described her as hard working, easy going and always up for a challenge. Her best events are 50 & 100 Breaststroke and 50 Freestyle. Her objectives are simply to get the best of her ability.

We cannot wait to see what Teaghan has to offer the second half of this season!

SOUTH MUSKOKA CROWNS LADIES WINNERS

Submitted by South Muskoka Curling & Golf Club

It's coming down to crunch time as the curling season draws to an exciting conclusion and there's plenty of action at South Muskoka Curling and Golf Club.



Recent winners at the club include Nancy White, Annalise Smart, Kathryne Sander, Sue Larose-Lorenzini and Gail Kuehn (sponsored by Bracebridge Rad and Muffler Ctr.) who recently took home top honours as the Tuesday evening first draw winners.



The Thursday Businesswomen first draw winners were the team of Barbara Brown, Louise Kirbyson, Sue Larose-Lorenzini and Jean Polak (sponsor E Jean Polak Law) and Kathy Oesch.

In the second draw of the Tuesday evening ladies league, Brenda Zanetti, Penny Burns, Catherine Dickson, Sheryl Goldthorp and Nancy Raynor (sponsored by Raynor Tree Service) won top spot.





The winners of the Tuesday afternoon ladies second draw were Margaret Kenwright, Susan Langevin, Andrea Ross, Vicki Veitch representing sponsor Les Bell Insurance and Lorraine Maika (absent from picture).

2nd draw Thursday
B u s i n e s s w o m e n
winners were Judy
Walker, Karen Medley,
Margie Michalski
and Nancy Raynor,
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MEET KIERA MAKALE

Submitted by Muskoka Limberettes

Kiera is 10 years old and in our 16 hour provincial group. She is being recognized because of her hard work and determination.

Recently, Kiera was struggling with her back tumbling on floor but managed to come up with strategies and pushed herself to get over her fears. No small feat!

She is always a positive influence in her group, with a sunny disposition and a stellar work ethic. Congratulations on your bronze medal on floor at the Muskoka Classic Kiera!







SYNCHRO ENDS WITH GREAT SHOWING

Submitted by Port Carling Figure Skating Club



The Port Carling Skating Club's synchro teams have been in competitions throughout Ontario.

Our Beginner and Juvenile teams competed recently at 'Synchro Capers' in Oakville.

Then the Juvenile and Pre-Novice teams went to the Regional Competition in Ilderton. The Pre-Novice team placed 8th out of 17 teams and the Juvenile team placed 11th. Both teams competed well.

All of the synchro teams competed at 'March Mania', the final competition of the season. The Beginner and Juvenile teams had their best skates of the season. The Pre-Novice team ended up 6th overall.

All teams represented Port Carling extremely well and we are proud of each teams' accomplishments. A great end to our season!

Upcoming events for the Port Carling Skating Club include our 'Year End Carnival' on April 7 at 6:30pm at the Port Carling Arena and our annual 'Beat the Heat' summer skating show is slated for August 25th.



LACROSSE TRYOUTS READY TO ROLL

Submitted by Huntsville Hawks Lacrosse



Box registration is ongoing and tryouts are fast approaching. Get registered if you haven't already done so.

It's easy. Go to hawkslacrosse.ca, the registration/member login is at the top right hand corner.

Sign up as a new member if you do not have an account. Have proof of age handy - required for both field and box registrations. If you have an account, just log in and register your player for the group they are eligible for.

All box players must be registered online and have paid the tryout fee (\$40) before their first tryout, scheduled for week of March 26. Players not registered before this will not be eligible to tryout. The website has updated tryout times and dates.

For Tyke and Novice (Major/Minors) groups, they will need to be registered for the first major/minor tryout. After tryouts it will then be decided to go to a 1/2 team if needed.

For more info on birth eligibility years and registration, visit www.hawkslacrosse.ca

Getting Ready

Submitted by Muskoka Hornets Baseball



The Muskoka Hornets keep preparing for the '18 season with indoor workouts as they get ready to 'up their game'.

This year, the Hornets will field an Elite Midget squad, 2 Mosquito teams - select and rep 'A' level, while the Peewee and Bantam Selects will challenge themselves by playing up in the rep 'A' level.

Keep buzzing Hornets - big season ahead.



MUSAC RACES TO 3RD AT SHORT COURSE

Submitted by Muskoka Aquatic Club (MUSAC)

uskoka Aquatic Club hosted over 400 swimmers for the Huronia Regional Short Course Championships. MUSAC was represented by an outstanding group of 37 swimmers who raced their hearts out to place 3rd out of 11 clubs, just behind Orangeville and Barrie.

Highlights included Aidan Spiers and Daniel Parry qualifying for the first time for Ontario Festival Championships where they joined teammates Owen Jibb, Branwyn Shaw, Hayley Oke and Tyler Skinner (see article 'Multiple Bests Topped With Medals').

Gold Medalists: Mark Cox (2), Mitch Cox (2), Ally Goldring (5), Owen Jibb (5), Harrison Jones, Andrew Markham, Daniel Ortiz, Daniel Parry (4), Aidan Spiers (3) and Jasper Varieur.

Silver Medalists: Mark Cox, Mitch Cox, Neil Duncan, Ben Guerriero (3), Georgina Henderson (2), Owen Jibb, James Mitchell (2), Hayley Oke (3), Daniel Ortiz (2), Daniel Parry, Sam Rix, Evan Scholten, Kellan Shaw, Tyler Skinner (3) and Aidan Spiers (4).

Bronze Medalists: Mark Cox, Mitch Cox (2), Neil Duncan, Dale Graham (2), Ben Guerriero (2), Georgina Henderson (2), Megan James, Owen Jibb, Harrison Jones (3), James Mitchell, Hayley Oke (2), Daniel Ortiz, Daniel Parry, Sam Rix (3), Evan Scholten, Kellan Shaw (3), Tyler Skinner (2) and Jasper Varieur.

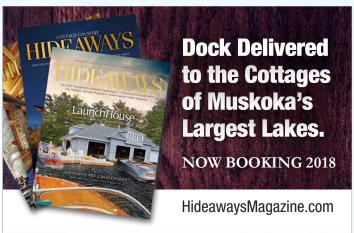
Other great results included: Aj Curnew - 5th, 50 breast; Sydney Freeman - 4th, 50 and 200 free; Duncan Gray - 100% best times; Andrew Guerriero - 100% best times, three 4th place finishes; Maddie Guerriero - 6th, 400 free; Megan James - 6 top 8 finishes; Mary Jibb - 5th, 400 free and 100% best times; Matthew Kuusk - 4th, 100 and 200 breast and 100% best times; Cameron MacConnell-Garson - 5th, 50fly and 100 %

best times; Andrew Markham - 6 top 8 finishes; Connor McNaughton - 100% best times, finals in 200 breast; Chloe Ortiz - 17 second best time, 100 IM; Lucas Penney - 6 top 8 finishes, 100% best times; Mia Pitts - 4 top 8 finishes; Vienna Scholten finals, 50 and 200 breast; Abby Scott

- 10th, 100 fly; Branwyn Shaw - 7 top 8 finishes, new club record 50 back; Eva Standing - 12 second best time, 200 breast; Jasper Varieur - 7 top 8 finishes.













- **2.** Bala Curling, 3rd Weismiller 'Spiel (L-R) Darryl Dukoff, Kara Hansen, Sean Johnston & Andy Hansen (skip).
- 3. BB Bandits & championship shirts.
- **4.** MSK Hornets spring training.
- **5.** MSK Limberettes at Classic Awards.
- 6. MSK Limberettes Pre-Competitive Team.
- **7**. MUSAC break time.
- 8. MUSAC at Winter Festival (L-R) Ty, Aidan, Branwyn & Owen
- 9. Port Carling Synchro Skating
- 10. MLA Bonspiel at South Muskoka Curling & Golf Club









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and players who previously had basic skills are now anticipating plays and are well positioned on the ice. The atoMc Reds netminder, a first-time goalie, has already recorded his first shutout!

Coach Smith notes that, "key in the growth and development of the players has been practice. Attendance at practice has been excellent, thanks

in large part to supportive parents. Our team has parents who encourage their children to both work hard on the ice, and have lot of fun. They are the cornerstone of the team."

"Not only are these players developing great skills for life, they are also developing friendships for life," said local McDonald's Owner Operator and atoMc Hockey sponsor Alan Cumber. "I'm proud that through McDonald's atoMc Hockey program my team and I can support the development of hockey for local youth. This is a special time in these players' lives and we're glad to be part of it."

The atoMc team is made up of players who are having a good time on and off the ice, regardless of the numbers on the scoreboard. The squad is looking forward to their first tournament, in Whitby on Easter weekend. In addition to McDonald's, the team with Smith at the helm is sponsored by local business, Fitzmaurice Bros.

In keeping with the theme of having fun, the atoMc Fitzmaurice Bros players will be vying for a chance to win an atoMc team party at the end of the month. Nation-wide, McDonald's is running their annual contest for atoMc Hockey teams to win a team party to cap the season. The contest runs until Monday, March 26, 2018 at 11:59:59 P.M. ET. All participating 2017-18 atoMc Hockey teams can enter (one entry per team) at www.atomchockey.ca.

Photos courtesy South Muskoka Photography - John Pokocky

ATOMC FITZMAURICE BROS Squad Making Strides

Special Feature Submitted by McDonald's & South Muskoka Minor Hockey

The atom age group (9-10 year-olds) in minor hockey is a special one as players begin to consolidate their skills and start to work as a team on the ice.

When South Muskoka Minor Hockey Association's atoMc Team Manager Ross Elliott reflected on his team's season so far, it was exceptional player development that struck him as the most outstanding quality of the squad.

"The growth our team has experienced from the start of the season has been remarkable," said Elliott. "When our players first stepped on the ice in September it was clear that some were relatively new to skating and hockey, but the progress has been amazing to watch, the players have improved exponentially. I credit their determination, and the guidance of coach Ryan Smith."

The players' progress has been notable. First year players who struggled are now among the strongest skaters on the team,









MULTIPLE BESTS TOPPED WITH MEDALS

Submitted by Muskoka Aquatic Club (MUSAC)

The 2018 Ontario Winter Festival Championships in Nepean had 6 MUSAC swimmers qualify for this 13-and under provincial meet.

Ty swam 2:12 in 200 free, placing 14th out of 41 swimmers and making his AA champs cut. Day 2, Ty qualified for AA champs in 400 free with a huge best time. He also had best times in 200 back and 100 free, narrowly missing the AA cut.



In 100 back, Aidan swam his best time, placing 14th and his 100 fly best time placed him 16th. His 200 fly saw a 10 second best time, earning 9th. Then Aidan's 200 IM best time placed him 15th, up from his seed of 27th.

Hayley's weekend featured best times in 50 free for 8th, big best times in 200 back and 100 free which saw her move to 17th from 31st. In 100 back, she dropped four seconds.

Daniel P. swam a best time in 50 free, earning another festival cut. In 100 back he went a big best time narrowly missing the festival standard, and in 200 free rocked another best time moving to 23rd out of 38 swimmers. His weekend ended with a best time in 100 free, just short of the festival cut for his group.

Owen took 5th in 200 breast and 400 IM, then silver in 800 free with a best time of 9:20. Owen finished the event with a 9th in 100 breast, and 12th in each 100 free and 200 IM.

With a best time and provincial cut, Branwyn swam to gold in the 800 free then grabbed 6th in 100 back, 8th in 400 IM, 10th in 400 free and 6th in 200 back.

Overall, MUSAC placed 24th of 58 teams but 3rd from our region.

Great job MUSAC - up next Provincials, AA Champs and Eastern Nationals.







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NEW CHAMPS AT MLA BONSPIEL

Submitted by South Muskoka Curling & Golf Club

Curlers from far and wide representing places like Galt, North Bay and Brampton descended upon South Muskoka Curling and Golf Club and Port Carling Curling Club as they played host to the 56th Annual Muskoka Lakes Association Mixed Bonspiel.

One of the highlights of the Muskoka Curling season, the MLA Mixed started on the Friday evening, with teams playing their first game. Games two and three took place Saturday at both curling clubs. After 72 games being played by 24 teams, the event was capped off with the trophy presentations for first, second and third as well as prizes for all 96 curlers.

For a Bonspiel to continue for 56 years it takes a good deal of support. The committee and participants thank the Muskoka Lakes Association, its Board of Directors and the membership for their continuous support of this great event. They also thank Shier's Insurance, sponsor of the Runner-Up Trophy as well as Indianhead Harbour for coming aboard to sponsor the third place trophy. Everyone involved with the MLA Mixed thank the businesses and individuals who helped provide the Bonspiel with a fantastic prize table (Phil and Dianne Lyndon, Jay-Jay's Gardens, South Muskoka Curling and Golf Club, Deschamps Recreational & Rental, Unity Connected, Van Schyndel Greenhouses, Tea Infusion, Muskoka Brewery, Papashop Wood Creations, Marlene & Scott Josiak, Momma Bears, Camp Muskoka, Sysco Foods and Classy Cuts).

The 2018 champions of the Muskoka Lakes Association Bonspiel, accepting The Robert W. Purves Trophy, were South Muskoka Curling & Golf Club's Greg Corbett-skip, Laura Lee, Brandon Kuehn and Peggy Barrette.

In second place receiving the A.W. Shier Insurance Brokers Ltd. Trophy for the second straight year, out of the Orillia and Hamilton Curling Clubs, were the Willemse Family: John and Ann Willemse, Ben Willemse and Amanda Lee, Jeremy Klumper and Jessica Willemse.



Also staking their claim for the second straight year and winning the newly reinstated Indianhead Harbour Trophy, the team of Heather McNorgan, Dave Stacey, Bev Jamieson and Jason Campbell of Galt Curling Club.

Next season's event is already in the works so mark your calendars for February 8 and 9, 2019. It's going to be a great weekend!



TOP: 2018 Champions-Robert W. Purves Trophy (L-R) Brandon Kuehn, Laura Lee, John Bowlby- MLA, Peggy Barrette, Greg Corbett-Skip.

MIDDLE: 2nd Place- A.W. Shier Insurance Brokers Ltd. Trophy (L-R) Jeremy Klumper, Ann Willemse, Ben Willemse, John Bowlby-MLA, John Willemse, Amanda Lee, Jessica Willemse.

BELOW: 3rd Place- Indianhead Harbour Trophy (L-R) Jason Campbell, Bev Jamieson, Dave Stacey, Heather McNorgan-Skip, Whip Moore-Indianhead Harbour.







A FIRST FOR DOM'S

Simply put - it is the first team in St. Dominic Catholic Secondary School history to win the Muskoka-Parry Sound and Georgian Bay Championships.

In an extremely dramatic final, the St. Dom's Junior Girls Volleyball team came from behind to capture the GB Championship over Elmvale District High School.

Elmvale hammered St. Dom's 25-3 in the first game. The team regrouped but lost game 2, 28-26.

Down two in the best-of-five, huh - cue the comeback.

First, a 25-20 win - next 25-21 to set up the 5th game. Momentum carried the squad to a closely contested final 15-12 victory and the Georgian Bay Championship.

"It was as good as a season can be for Junior Girls Volleyball, 9-1 in league play, won the BMLSS tournament, MPS and GBSSA Champions. We had an athletic team who made the commitment, worked hard, competed in matches and had fun doing it", said Coach Dan Blum.



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Submitted by Muskoka Rowing Club

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SWIMMERS RACK UP PERSONAL BESTS

Submitted by Muskoka Aquatic Club (MUSAC)

The recent Muscat Splash #2 meet hosted in Bracebridge was a huge success.

MUSAC was represented by 28 swimmers who swam many new events and achieved lots of best times.

Congrats to the following swimmers who earned 100% best times: Claire A., Maddie A., Mason B., Sydney F., Taylor F., Georgina H., Abbey K., James M. and Emily P.



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FAST AND FURIOUS BALA

Submitted by Bala Curling Club

February flew by with a full schedule of weekly games and two bonspiels.

The Club opened its doors for the 69th running of the Annual Men's New Windsor Bonspiel. It was a huge success thanks to our sponsors Bedrock Landscapes, Pride Marine Group and Portage Landing. A round of applause to Steve Davidson and the volunteer crew for a wonderful day.

The winners were Team Overbeek from Bala: skip Jeff Overbeek, vice Pete Morrison, second Andy Hansen and lead Chris North. Second place went to Team Parry Sound (past champions) and third place to Team Algate, another Bala-based team.

The ever-popular Weismiller Bonspiel was also held last month. This two day, three draw event always brings a full number of teams and spectators to the Club. A big thanks to our main sponsor Weismiller Lumber and our volunteers who made it a fun and exciting event.







Some new names will be displayed on the trophy this year, and they all end with Morrison. Congratulations to Team Morrison: skip Pete and team members Paul, Brittany and Carter. Second place went to Team Overbeek and rounding out third place was Team Hansen.

The Club finishes the season with the Ladies Ides of March Bonspiel, Hockey Night Hot Shots and playoffs.

- **1.** New Windsor (L to R) Pete Morrison Vice, Steve Davidson(who presented the trophy), Jeff Overbeek, Skip, Andy Hansen Second and Chris North Lead.
- **2.** Weismiller Bonspiel winners: Team Morrison, (L to R) Paul Morrison, Pete Morrison Skip, Brittany Morrison, Carter Morrison.
- **3.** Weismiller Bonspiel second place (L to R) Jeff Overbeek skip, Sheila Overbeek, Joanne Knight, Errol Knight.
- **4.** Weismiller Bonspiel third place (L to R) Darryl Dukoff, Kara Hansen, Sean Johnston Vice and Andy Hansen Skip.

BEARS CAPTURE TITLE IN BARRIE

Submitted by South Muskoka Minor Hockey

The South Muskoka Envotek Bears trekked to Barrie to represent the association in the Dodge Caravan Family Fun Day Tournament. A total of 16 teams split into four brackets participated in this fun and well-run event, which meant there would be plenty of competition awaiting Envotek.

From the first puck drop, the team was up for the challenge. They ultimately swept through their opposition in division 'A' in three hotly contested games. This earned them a spot in the championship final against the first-place finishers in division 'B'. Envotek completed their mission with a win in the final, becoming the undefeated champs, strongly representing South Muskoka both on and off the ice.

Envotek showed the true meaning of TEAM in this tournament. Seven different players notched the team's 12 goals, two strong forward lines kept the pressure on, a shutdown 3-man defensive unit and great goaltending limited the opposition to only six goals in 4 games. The individual contributions of all ten of these players was notable. The forwards (Chris, Wyatt, Beckett, Jaxon, Noah and Aiden) all chipped in with goals. The slightly undermanned defensive group of Austin, Helmut and Kallum were up to the task, shutting down the opposition all day long, and Ben made many outstanding saves to preserve victories in every game.

The first game of the day saw the team face off against Ajax Smiles. Although Envotek carried the bulk of the play and were hustling all game, a combination of near misses on breakaways and rebounds, goal posts, and superb Ajax goaltending saw this game still tied at 0-0 late in the game. It appeared destined to remain a tie until Envotek was able to bury a rebound with two minutes left in the game to come away with a well-earned 1-0 shutout victory.

The second game saw Envotek take on the TNT Silver Tornados. The game saw lots of end to end action. Envotek pounced on

rebounds throughout game and relentlessly forechecked. The efforts paid off with a 3-2 victory, highlighted by the first goals of the season for two of the team's players, both goals the result of their determination getting to the net to bury rebounds.

The last match in the 'A' division was for first place against East Gwillimbury. The forwards skated strong and applied

pressure while Ben played his usual strong game between the pipes, giving up only one goal on the way to a convincing 3-1 win.

The last game of a long day was against undefeated 'B' champs, Ajax Turner Moore LLP. The boys continued to play incredible hockey and staked themselves to an early 2-0 lead. Whenever Ajax closed the gap, Envotek responded to maintain the cushion. The enthusiasm of the supporters in the crowd kept the kids pushing hard, and the final outcome was 5-3 for Envotek!

Coaches and parents are extremely proud of the Envotek Bears and the boys deserved the medal they received.











TRIVIA

ANSWERS

- 1. Dunedin, Florida
- 2. Boston Celtics
- 3. Cactus League
- 4. 1993-94
- 5. New York Rangers
- **6.** 32
- 7. Roger Clemens





LIMBERETTES SOAR AT HOME CLASSIC

Submitted by Muskoka Limberettes

The Muskoka Limberettes hosted upwards of 500 athletes from around the province at their Women's Provincial Qualifier and Invitational Gymnastics Competition, the 32nd annual Muskoka Classic.

Over the weekend, the Limberettes proudly supported 16 of their competitive gymnasts as they performed routines in various levels.

While each Muskoka Limberette had a successful weekend of competition - personal bests, conquering goals and taking in the experience - some took home medals after their stand out performances.

Maiya Dyni, Level 4 age 11, captured gold on beam. Ella Plested, Level 4 - 14 year olds, took home a bronze on bars. Alex Marsden competed in Level 7 with the 10 year old group and secured silver in all 4 events. Kiera Makale tumbled her way to bronze on floor in Level 6, age 11. Trista Fry, competing in Level 6 age 10, took bronze on every event as well as the all-around.





Not only did the seasoned athletes compete, but several first time competitors took home hardware. Sierra Barrie, in Level 4 age 10, soared to gold on bars in her first-ever provincial meet. Despite a fierce group of competitors, Lucy Guy (age 8) captured a bronze on bars, while Elizabeth Petersen (age 7) took home gold on vault. Finally, Arden Johnston (age 9) won a bronze in each event in Level 6.

The Limberettes youngest team members were also involved in the event. Although too young to compete, they put on an excellent demonstration and entertained the crowds with their routines during the breaks.

Over the next couple of months the Muskoka Limberettes will continue to train for upcoming meets and upgrade their skills. In the meantime they are happy to be walking away from this event with the experience under their belt and lots of new goals.





Ball Awards Start Season

Submitted by Bracebridge Minor Ball

As spring approaches, the Bracebridge Bandits recently held their "year-end" celebrations and awards from the 2017 season.

The Mite division award winners included TOP, LEFT (L-R) Alex Stephen (most sportsmanlike), TJ Babcock (most improved) and Jacob Jennings as MVP.

For the Squirts BELOW, LEFT(L-R), Brayden Barnes (most sportsmanlike), Ewan Davis (MVP) and Bennett Stockholm (most improved) captured the honours.

A special moment was had when the Squirt team received their OASA Provincial Champion warm up shirts commemorating their phenomenal accomplishment (see 'Hot Shots' section).

2018 in-person registration takes place April 5 from 5p-8p at Gagnon's Your Independent Grocer (upstairs). Details at bracebridgeminorball.com.



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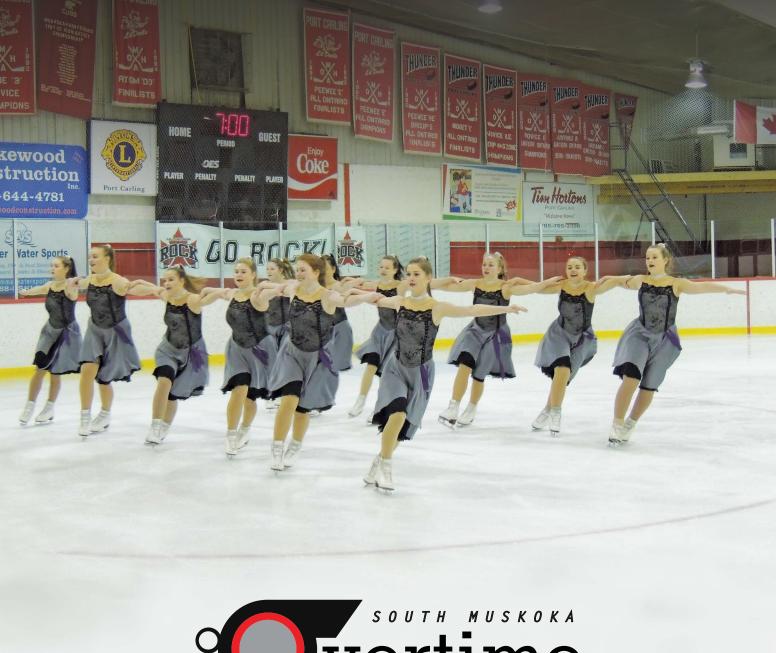


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