

# Moncton Hawks Show Class Downing Abbies

## Smooth-passing New Brunswick Team Win Game By 14-4 Score

A fast skating, smooth working band of Moncton Hawks, giving a power-packed display in all three periods last night defeated the local Abegweit 14-4 in an exhibition hockey encounter staged at the Forum. It was Y-Grads annual hockey night and the record crowd of fans who jammed the Forum estimates had the crowd ranging up to 3,000 — were well pleased with the wide open and at times hard-hitting brand of hockey the two clubs displayed.

Although beaten decisively by a better team the local hockeyists, coached by a former Abegweit great, "Chick" Williams, fought it out to the end and had their marksmanship seen better might as they have added two or three goals to their total.

Opening the throttle wide right from the start the visitors jumped into a 4-1 lead in the first twenty minutes of play; they increased their margin to 7-2 in the middle canto and wound up their display by shooting seven counters to the losers two in the final twenty minutes.

Still full of fight despite the mounting score against them, Abbies sent five forwards to the attacks in the last five minutes of the game but the best they could do was snap in one counter. "Cart" McDonald skating through the entire Moncton team for a sensational marker with the visitors getting two in the same space of time.

**Whitlock Gets Four**  
Buck Whitlock, Charlottetown boy playing with the Hawks and who last night was crowned scoring champion of the Maritime Big Four Hockey League gave a sample of what kept him at the top all during the season when he sniped four of his team's goals with Jodoin, a linemate, getting three. Gresko had a couple of counters to his credit with singles going to Gagnon, Legere, Imonti, Agnew and Ramsay.

Johnny Higson and "Cart" McDonald accounted for the Abbies scoring efforts as they potted two counters apiece on smartly executed efforts.

Abbies used two goalies during the tussle with Schurman, netminder for Summerside All-Stars and last year spare goalie for the Hawks being beaten five times and Cudmore, the other net jantor being forced to bend to nine. Both boys gave stellar performances with Schurman drawing down well deserved praise for his work in the middle session and the first half of the third.

The game was less than nine minutes old when the Hawks enjoyed a 3-0 lead on goals by Jodoin, Gagnon and Legere all coming after smooth passing attacks. Jodoin with his second goal of the period made it 4-0 just past the halfway mark with the Abbies snapping in their only counter of the session at 11:40. Johnny Higson drawing goalie Sonier to slip the biscuit into an empty cage after Jay had sent him into the clear.

**Wide Open And Fast**  
The game was wide open and fast and in the final five minutes of the period both goalies came through with spectacular saves with Cudmore, the local custodian coming through with three in a row in the final couple of minutes as the visitors' passing attack reached a high crescendo.

The big crowd got a chance to roar as Cart McDonald put the locals back into the game early in the second session as he blasted a waist high shot behind Sonier, but before the period had ended, Hawks broke through for three counters, Imonti getting the first and Whitlock adding the next two. Schurman gave a great display of netminding for the locals during the session and it was his spectacular work that kept the score from mounting higher.

Hawks struck early in the final period as Whitlock accounted for his third straight goal less than two minutes after the start. Abbies came back with their third goal two minutes later, Higson blasting one in from twenty feet out on Art Perry's pass. Hawks never easing the pressure ran their count into double figures in the next eight minutes on goals from the sticks of Gresko and Jodoin. A penalty to an Abbie defenceman saw the winners rap in two more in the space of 58 seconds with Agnew and playing-coach Ramsay counting. It made the count 12-2

and from there on Abbies, throwing caution to the winds sent five forwards to the attack. They forced the visiting goalie to some good saves as they buzzed around inside their opponent's defence zone but it was Moncton who finally counted, Whitlock getting his fourth counter.

Cart McDonald brought the crowd to its feet a minute and 26 seconds before the end when he swerved between the Moncton defence to beat Sonier cleanly for the loser's fourth goal but Hawks fired the parting salute in the high scoring encounter, Gresko combining with Agnew to dent the draperies in the last 49 seconds of play.

**Lineups:**  
Hawks: Goal, Sonier; defence, Poirier, Bastarache, Legere, Bisette; forwards, Ramsay, Gagnon, Jodoin, Demchuk, Whitlock, Agnew, Gresko, Imonti, Paulsen.  
Abbies: Goal, Schurman, Cudmore; defence, Hennessey, Steele, Pound, McDonald; forwards, C. McDonald, Mahar, Houde, Perry, Higson, Jay, Beer, LeClair, Strain.  
Referees: Walter Lawlor, C. Hogan.

**Summary:**  
First Period  
1—Hawks, Jodoin (Gresko) 3:32  
2—Hawks, Gagnon (Gresko) 3:52  
3—Hawks, Legere (Demchuk) 8:26  
4—Hawks, Jodoin  
5—Hawks, Whitlock 10:58  
6—Abbies, Higson (Jay) 11:40  
Penalty: Poirier.

**Second Period**  
7—Abbies, C. MacDonald 2:22  
8—Hawks, Imonti (Demchuk) 7:15  
9—Hawks, Whitlock (Jodoin, Paulsen) 10:02  
10—Hawks, Whitlock (Jodoin, Paulsen) 17:40  
Penalties: None.

**Third Period**  
11—Hawks, Whitlock (Jodoin) 1:21  
12—Abbies, Higson (Perry) 3:33  
13—Hawks, Gresko 5:42 (Bastarache)  
14—Hawks, Jodoin (Whitlock) 11:40  
15—Hawks, Agnew (Gagnon) 13:27  
16—Hawks, Ramsay (Imonti) 14:26  
17—Hawks, Whitlock (Jodoin) 17:13  
18—Abbies, C. MacDonald 18:34  
19—Hawks, Gresko (Agnew) 19:11  
Penalties: Pound.

### O'Connor Continues To Pile Up Points

Buddy O'Connor keeps piling up the points at a steady clip and during the week-end the feather-duged New Yorker upped his National League production to 50 points on a goal and a pair of assists. Toronto's Max Bentley fired two goals to keep the second spot, but dropped six points behind the leader. Bud Polie of Chicago earned an assist to move into a third-place tie with Elmer Lach of Canadiens who went pointless.

**The leaders:**

Name	G	A	Pts.
O'Connor, New York	21	29	50
M. Bentley, Toronto	25	19	44
Lach, Montreal	23	19	42
Polie, Chicago	19	28	42
Lindsay, Detroit	26	15	41
McPadden, Detroit	21	20	41
D. Bentley, Chicago	15	26	41

### Final Standing In Big Four League

(Canadian Press)  
Final Maritime Senior Hockey League Standings:

Team	G	W	L	D	F	A	Pts.
Moncton	48	23	18	7	236	218	88
Truro	48	23	19	6	238	220	82
St. John	48	20	23	5	209	200	45
Halifax	48	20	26	2	228	289	42

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## Island Horses Miss Bus For Halifax Races

(By The Canadian Press)

HALIFAX, Feb. 16.—A mix-up in transportation arrangements today left Prince Edward Island trotters and pacers in their stables at Dartmouth across the harbor while horses of the Halifax and Dartmouth clubs and a lone entry from Cape Breton battled it out in the second and final day of the interprovincial harness racing meet.

Highlight of the day's racing was the three-heat battle in the Class A. Trot between Judge, driven by Pat Lavers of Halifax, and Lee McKillop, driven by Angie Allen. In the first and third heats Judge managed only a nose decision while the second heat was a tie, the judges decided.

**Summary:**  
Free-For-All Pace  
Jacob Withrow (F. Baxter) 1 1  
Sully (R. Baxter) 2 2  
Dr. L. B. (L. Walker) 3 3  
Walter Brown (S. Weeks) 4 3  
Winning owner: Cyril Dauphinee, Halifax.

**Class A. Trot**  
Judge (Lavers) 1 1x1  
Lee McKillop (A. Allen) 2 1x2  
Ima Kalmuck (Dauphinee) 3 3 3  
Basil Hanover (McDonald) 4 dr  
Winning owner: Circle J. Ranch, Fall River.

**Class B. Pace**  
Nellie Worthy (C. Drake) 1 0  
Hanover Courier (R. Kidney) 2 3  
Grattan Axworthy (Lavers) 3 2  
Winning owner: Cecil Drake, Halifax.

**Class C. Pace**  
Joe Direct (F. Baxter) 1 1  
Merle Direct (C. Connors) 2 2  
Winning owner: F. Baxter, Halifax.

**Class D. Pace**  
Harold Grattan (R. Kidney) 1 1  
Mary Witte (D. Turner) 2 2  
Helen Budlong (L. O'Brien) 3 4  
Maxine Duides (D. Harding) 5 3  
G. Turner 5 dr  
Tom Volo (C. Hector) 4 dr

**Class E.**  
Hurrykane (D. Smith) 1 1  
7-Up Direct (L. Walker) 2 2  
Hazel Stout (N. Campbell) 3 3  
Winning owner: Don Smith, Fairview.

## Horse Races At Vernon

The Vernon Driving Club held its first meet of the season Saturday afternoon, Feb. 7, with a good sized crowd of interested spectators being on hand.

Four classes were run off in quick order. The veteran reinsman, Mike McKenna piloted home two winners, Miss Belle Vernon and The Hornet.

**Class A**  
Lady Forbes (Wood) 1 1 2  
Star Junior (Praught) 2 2 1  
Captain Budlong (Grant) 2 3 3  
Winning horse owned by Claude Wood, Vernon.

**Class B**  
Miss Belle Vernon (McKenna) 1 1 1  
Ruby P. (Praught) 2 2 2  
Golden Aubrey (Young) 3 3 D  
Winning horse owned by Mike McKenna, Vernon.

**Class C.**  
The Hornet 2 1 1  
Micky Peter (Ryan) 1 2 2  
Winning horse owned by John Lynn, Lake Verge.

**Class D**  
Miss Playfair (Buell) 1 1 1  
Scotty Kalmuck (McInnis) 2 2 2  
Winning horse owned by Earl Buell, Village Green.

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## Juvenile Playdowns

(By The Canadian Press)

SYDNEY, N. S., Feb. 16.—Charles Campbell, president of the Maritime Amateur Hockey Association, today issued the following schedule for juvenile playdowns:

**Island Series**  
Series N—Feb. 24: Souris at Summerside.  
Feb. 27: Summerside at Souris.  
Series O—Feb. 24: Charlottetown winner at Kensington.  
Feb. 28: Kensington at Charlottetown winner.  
Series P—March 1: Winner series N at winner series O.  
March 3: Winner series O at winner series N.  
(New Brunswick-Prince Edward Island play-off dates to be announced later.)

**First Period**  
1—Rangers, C. Cheverie  
2—Rangers, MacDonald (Cannon)  
3—Hawks, Hennessey  
4—Rangers, Baegan (MacLeod)  
5—Rangers, Cannon  
6—Hawks, Hennessey.

**Second Period**  
7—Rangers, Cannon (Stull)  
8—Rangers, Cannon  
9—Rangers, Cannon.  
Penalty: C. Cheverie.

**Third Period**  
10—Rangers, Stull (MacDonald)  
11—Rangers, MacCormack (MacDonald)  
12—Rangers, Gillis (Baegan)  
13—Rangers, Baegan (C. Ready)  
14—Hawks, A. Cheverie (C. Ready)  
15—Rangers, Stull.

**SECOND GAME**  
In the second game the Royals shut out the Rangers by a score of 6-0 and thereby went into the lead in the league standings.

With Leonard and McCallum setting the pace by rapping home five goals between them, and backed by stellar netminding by "Luker" Burke, the Royals outclassed the losers in every department.

McCallum led the scorers with two goals and three assists; Leonard had three goals and one assist while Coyle had one goal and two assists.

**First Period**  
1—Royals, McCallum (Coyle)  
**Second Period**  
2—Royals, McCallum  
3—Royals, Leonard (McCallum, Coyle)  
4—Royals, Leonard (McCallum, Hughes)  
**Third Period**  
5—Royals, Leonard (McCallum)  
6—Royals, Coyle (Leonard)

## Program At Curling Club

Junior playdowns will get underway at the Charlottetown Curling Club tonight.

The schedule is as follows:  
7 P.M.—Ice 2:  
Burden vs. Nicholson.  
7 P.M.—Ice No. 3:  
White vs. Presby.  
9 P.M.—Ice 2:  
Prowse vs. Chapman  
9 P.M.—Ice 3:  
Saunders vs. Acorn.  
Play in the Wright Trophy will also be resumed as follows:  
7 P.M.—Ice 1:  
Full vs. Keefe.  
9 P.M.—Ice 1:  
Anderson vs. Keefe.  
Curlers will note that rink No. 4 will be kept open for "scratch" competitions.

**Whitlock Ends Season Leading Big Four Scorer**

(By The Canadian Press)  
Final standing of top seven scorers in Maritime Senior Hockey League:

Name	G	A	Pts.
Whitlock, Moncton	50	35	84
Medynski, Truro	43	45	88
Wade, St. John	42	41	83
Sullivan, Halifax	36	38	74
MacDonald, Truro	39	30	69
Jackson, St. John	38	32	68
Barkwell, Truro	33	32	65

## Halifax Win Leaves Moncton On Top Of Big Four League

HALIFAX, Feb. 16.—(CP)—Moncton Hawks won the Maritime Senior Hockey League championship tonight when Halifax Crescents whipped Truro Bearcats 11-4 in the loop's last regularly scheduled game.

Moncton will open a best-of-five semi-final series with Halifax Friday at Moncton and Truro will take on Saint John Beavers in a similar series starting Wednesday at Truro.

Truro blew its chance to clinch the title tonight when they fell apart in the last two periods to allow Crescents to rush in for 10 goals. Bearcats led 3-1 at the end of the first.

Bearcats had stood only one point behind the leading Hawks, who came within the lead only a few days from the end of the schedule. Halifax wound up in last place behind Saint John.

**Summary:**  
First Period  
1—Truro, MacDonald (Beaulieu, Wilson) 4:08  
2—Truro, Medynski (Barkwell, Keorns) 5:45  
3—Halifax, Young (Robertson, Hannon) 14:26  
4—Truro, Steele 18:33  
Penalties: Metcalfe.

**Second Period**  
5—Halifax, Hannon (Young, Robertson) 9:03

**Third Period**  
6—Halifax, Charlton (MacGregor) 14:26  
7—Halifax, Robertson (Hannon, O'Neill) 15:30  
8—Halifax, Sullivan (Gray, Gaudet) 17:39  
Penalties: Beaulieu, Third Period  
9—Truro, Beaulieu 4:57  
10—Halifax, Gaudet 12:17  
11—Halifax, Hannon (Metcalfe) 12:26  
12—Halifax, Gray (O'Neill, Sullivan) 13:53  
13—Halifax, Gray (Sullivan) 15:05  
14—Halifax, Stanhope (Charlton) 16:30  
15—Halifax, Sullivan (Metcalfe, Gray) 18:52  
Penalties: O'Neill (major) Barkwell (major), Grabowski, Chariton Keorns, Larlee.

### REMEMBER WHEN

Jack Britton, 37 years old and with 19 years' ring experience behind him earned a creditable draw with 19-year-old Dave Shade to hold his welterweight boxing title. The bout was staged at New York 26 years ago tonight. "Mickey" Walker outpointed Britton in a 10-round fight the same year to take the crown.

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