

# Sports

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## Freetown Royals Competing In 17th Season of Hockey

The Freetown Royals are presently playing in their 17th season of hockey competition and are well known to hockey fans throughout the island having displayed their blue and white royal colors in the rinks at Alberton, O'Leary, Mount Poasant, Summerside, Bedouque, Borden, Crapaud, North River, Charlottetown, Kensington and Montague.

Their first competition was in the North Shore League in Kensington with their first championship coming in 1940 in that league. Since that year they only entered twice in 1950 and 1951 at Kensington, and each year they won the league championship.

In 1950 Hon. C. C. Baker donated a trophy for the winners of the North and South Shore league. The Royals have held this trophy four times.

In intermediate hockey the Royals have always been strong contenders each year but have never won an Island championship. Last year they came close to the title winning every game in the playoffs and in the final lost out by a few goals and again this year making a strong bid against the P. E. Island Champion Milton Hornets in a close series.

The Royals greatest success and achievements have been scored in the South Shore League at Bedouque rink where they have been playing since 1942. They won the Horace Wright Trophy for first place at the J. F. Arnett Trophy for second place many times. But the highlight of the Royals history came in 1946 and 1953 when they won the Simmons and MacFarlane trophy and reigned as league champions for eight straight seasons.

Royal players have also been winning their share of the individual trophies with the highest scoring trophy going to Edgar Taylor twice, and Lee Taylor, Walter Campbell and Clayton Mill, once each. For the star selection trophy, Walter Simmons and Robert MacMurdo won it twice and George Somers and Walter Campbell won it once each.

**400 GAMES PLAYED**  
Since the team has been organized it is estimated that a total of 400 games have been played. Only records of the past seven seasons have been kept which show they played 157 games, won 87, tied 26, and lost 44. Scored 914 goals averaging 5.8, had 757 goals scored against them for an average of 4.1.

An interesting note shows that in 157 games they only lost 28 percent or about 1 in every 4, and have never been shut-out in 7 seasons. In 14 starts this season they won 9, tied 1, and lost 4, had 49 goals scored against them while picking up 92 goals from Freetown sticks.

Behind all the achievements of the Royals and the success guiding them through the past 17 years is their manager and coach, Robert Jardine. In his career he has seldom been absent from his coaching post on the bench. He has always maintained a high team spirit among his players and conducted the teams affairs

very efficiently. A pleasant event each season is the teams annual banquet and picnic.

Freetown fans have always supported their team in large numbers and rink officials consider the Royals one of their best drawing cards.

They won their semi-finals series in two straight with Lot 16 Rangers, and are now ready to enter the South Shore League finals.

Cosch Jardine and his players will be all out in a determined drive to regain the title which they lost last year in a thrilling series. These finals should prove to be one of the feature attractions of the hockey season.

Appearing in the finals for the Royals lineup will be:  
Goalie—Allison Reeves, 162 pounds, has shown wonderful improvement and has played very steady this season.

Defence—Walter Campbell, 190 pounds, shoots left, has led his team on to many a win with his unerring efforts, has a bullet shot.

Eustace Reeves, 182, right, outstanding defenceman, goes both ways well, and has a hard accurate shot.

Albert Waugh, 196, left, hard hitting defenceman, who plays a solid game on the blue line.

Zeke Roberts, 191, right, sturdy defenceman, also plays forward well, and presently playing in the best season of his career.

Forwards—Edgar Taylor, 160, left wing, outstanding stick handler and speedy skater, and one of the leagues most potent scorers for many years.

Robert MacMurdo, 162, left, a hard worker and a great play maker.

Clayton Mill, 188, right wing, captain of the team, this seasons top scorer in the league.

Des Roberts, 168, right wing, always aggressive, has scored consistently with his fast wrist shot.

Ray Smith, 172, left, clever centerman, plays well both ways.

Eldon Roberts, 158, left wing, the rookie of the team, a good skater, a brother of Zeke and Des, has shown well in his first year.

## Soccer Results

LONDON (Reuters)—Results of soccer games in the United Kingdom Saturday:

### FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION CUP

#### Semi-finals

Manchester C 1 Tottenham H 0  
ENGLISH LEAGUE  
Division I  
Blackpool 5 Newcastle U 1  
Bolton W 4 W Bromwich A 0  
Huddersfield T 1 Everton 0  
Portsmouth 1 Sheffield U 1  
Wolverhampton W 1 Luton T 2  
FA amateur cup semi-finals  
Corinthian Casuals 3 Dulwich Hamlet 1  
Kingstonian 1 Bishop Auckland 5

### SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Division B  
Alloa A 5 Albion R 1  
Brechin City 2 St. Johnstone 1  
Cowdenbeath 2 Arbroath 1  
Dumbarton 3 Ayr United 3  
Dundee U 6 Montrose 3  
Forfar A 3 Berwick R 0  
Hamilton A 1 Stenhousemuir 0  
Morton 5 East Stirling 1  
Queen's Park 0 St. Mirren 1

### ENGLISH LEAGUE

Division II  
Blackburn R 4 West Ham U 1  
Bristol R 2 Fulham 2  
Doncaster R 2 Bury 3  
Hull City 1 Bristol City 3  
Leicester C 3 Rotherham U 1  
Lincoln C 1 Port Vale 1  
Liverpool 4 Swansea T 1  
Nottingham F 2 Middlesbrough 4  
Plymouth A 1 Notts County 1  
Stoke City 2 Leeds United 1

Division III (Northern)  
Accrington 3 York City 3  
Barrow 1 Derby County 2  
Barnford 0 Mansfield Town 3  
Carlisle U 0 Hartlepool U 3  
Chester 0 Crewe Alex 0  
Cherterfield 3 Halifax Town 0  
Darlington 2 Workington 2  
Gateshead 1 Oldham Athletic 3  
Grimsby Town 3 Stockport C 0  
Rochdale 1 Wrexham 0  
Southport 2 Scunthorpe U 2  
Southport 2 Scunthorpe U 2  
Tranmere R 1 Bradford C 1

Division III (Southern)  
Bournemouth 4 Swindon T 0  
Brentford 1 Shrewsbury T 1  
Colchester U 2 Northampton T 0  
Coventry C 2 Southampton 0  
Exeter C 6 Crystal P 1  
Gillingham 3 Newport C 2  
Leyton Orient 8 Aldershot 3  
Millwall 3 Torquay U 2  
Norwich C 1 Queen's P R 0  
Reading 2 Walsall 0  
Sheff Wed 1 Brighton 2  
Watford 0 Ipswich T 2

Inter-league match  
League of Ireland 1 Irish Football League 0

### SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Division A  
Aberdeen 1 Dunfermline A 0  
Airdrieonians 1 Clyde 8  
Celtic 1 Dundee 0  
East Fife 1 Hibernian 2  
Falkirk 3 Motherwell 4  
Hearts 1 Rangers 1  
Kilmarnock 1 Raith R 1  
Partick T 6 Stirling A 1  
Queen of S 4 St. Mirren 1

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## "Not Saying A Word"

# Fiery Phil Mum On Eve Of Series

By W. R. WHEATLEY  
Canadian Press Staff Writer

### MONTREAL (CP)—Coach Phil

Watson, never at a loss for a few thousand words in either French or English, suddenly clammed up Monday when he led his New York Rangers into town for their Stanley Cup semi-final series against Montreal Canadiens.

"Not saying a word, period," said Phil.

"We are not going to be quoted," replied Watson, seemingly relishing the editorial "We." Cautiously he added:

"We are just opening a new series. We had a meeting of directors and everybody and we decided this is a day of rest. We will go into the series with our own ideas."

### HABS RIDE TWO WINS

Coach Toe Blake of Canadiens, who brought his club through to the National Hockey League championship in his first year, was quietly confident his boys can pick up right where they left off in the regular schedule. The best-of-seven semi-final opens tonight.

Canadiens, who also returned this morning, turned back the Rangers 3-1 Sunday night in New York, in the final game of the schedule, after a 7-2 wallop of the same Rangers here Saturday night.

"In a psychological way I think those two wins will be helpful and not make for complacency," said Blake. "The Sunday win was our first of the season in New York, and in the Saturday game we came back from a two-goal deficit to win."

"Those wins should give our fellows just the right confidence, not over-confidence, and I'm glad about the way we finished. . . ."

"I'm not saying this series with the Rangers will be any walk-away. It shapes up as a terrific struggle even if we are the favorites, and we would have faced the same situation if Detroit Red Wings had been our semi-final opponents. We'll have to hustle."

"I know Watson will have his club up for this series. Sure they lost the last two games to us, but he has been able to lift his club before."

Blake said all his players are in good shape and he will go into the series with his regular lineup.

McDonald, who is six feet, two inches and weighs 192 pounds, was third in scoring in the OHA Junior A league. In 48 games he had 40 goals and 34 assists, for 83 points. His 48 goals were topped only by the 51 scored by Walter Braley of Kitchener, who is also Canadiens' property.

### Canadiens Sign Tee Pee Forward

MONTREAL (CP)— Montreal Canadiens Monday announced the signing of Alvin McDonald, 20-year-old left winger who played this season with St. Catharines Tee-Pees of the Ontario Hockey Association Junior A division.

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RCAF'S CHILLY NORTHERN CURLING RINK

# R.C.A.F. Boasts World's Northernmost Curling Club

by CPL DARRELL EAGLES (RCAP)

When most Canadian sportsmen are settling into a balmy summer of baseball and swimming, the RCAF boys at Resolute Bay, N. W. T., will still be sweeping away on the World's northernmost curling rink, about 2200 miles north of Montreal.

Boasting the oldest curling season anywhere in natural ice, enthusiasts will be able to curl nine months of the year at this Arctic weather station, just 900 miles from the Pole.

Members of this unique curling club have enthusiasm too, which is very helpful, since the rink is situated in an unheated canvas quonset hut in which the temperature is practically the same as outdoors. To cope with the cold, which has dropped as low as 46 degrees below zero during a game, the standard curling costume usually consists of heavily lined parka, windpants and flying boots.

There were only two experienced curlers on hand when the rink was started in December 1955. Cpl. D. Brien of Calgary and Cpl. B. McQuarrie of Cold Lake. This didn't prove to be a deterrent however, and "Skip" Brien maintains that there are now several up and coming curlers at Resolute.

The schedule calls for play every night, and two games every second night. Only one game has been cancelled so far, and that was because weather conditions made it too dangerous to try to

find the curling rink although only 250 feet away. An 85 mile an hour wind driving snow through the 17 below zero air had resulted in zero zero visibility and a paralyzing chill factor. Travel outdoors was reduced to only essential checks of power and heating plans across the road from the main building, and only then when guided by hand lines could they venture out.

When the idea was conceived to establish the Scottish pastime in the Arctic Circle everyone enthusiastically pitched in to start the rink. Even from as far south as Montreal came a donation of curling rocks from Canadair and the scoreboard from the MacDonald Tobacco Company.

In all the preparations, one very essential item was forgotten, — the curling rule book — and so disputes concerning rules and measurements had to be settled by referring to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

**ICE MORE STABLE**  
Cpl. A. Arsenault and LAC. P. Sullivan, Air Force fire fighters on the station patiently sprayed water over the bare gravel floor of the hut and painstakingly built up a smooth surface in the eighteen feet shorter than regulation rink. This was a difficult task, since the extremely low temperatures caused the ice to heave unevenly if the water was not applied properly. An advantage of

the low temperatures however is that the surface condition of the ice is more stable than that of normal indoor rinks.

The final stop, an overall application of white paint and the final crowning of colorful markings completed the job and the boys were ready to step into the hack.

Of the two monthly Bongspiels that have been held so far, "Skip" Brien's team has emerged victorious in both. Prizes for the first competition were Resolute Bay crests, and sweaters for the second. Now that the Resolute Bay curlers' baptism is over, they thirst for new competition, and invite any curling club interested up for a Bongspiel. "We would be only too happy to play a club down south on their home ice", one curler added with a broad grin, "but the airforce requires that our endeavors be confined to these northernly climes for the present."

**DARK PERIODS BRIGHTER**  
The keenness of these new enthusiasts at this Arctic outpost was expressed by one airman who said, "We don't get a glimpse of the sun for three and a half months during the winter, and being able to look forward to enjoyable hours on the curling rink gives us plenty to talk about and helps to make the dark period seem a lot brighter."

The club boasts a mascot too, but he is permanently banned from the rink. Insulted but undaunted, he usually leaps to the roof of the rink with the aid of a huge snowbank, and knocks snow through a tear in the canvas piteously to be let in. The reason for this apparently heartless treatment of a beloved mascot becomes obvious and understandable when it is explained that the curlers are proud of their spotlessly white, gleaming sheet of ice, and that Pogo, the mascot, is a large, healthy and very normal Husky pup whose presence has proved disastrous to the immaculate surface of the rink and unerving to these new Arctic exponents of the old and honourable sport of curling.

After two halves, Marlene, a 22-year-old senior at Florida's Rollins College, grabbed the next two holes to again set front.

Two down with four to go, Wanda again showed her mettle on the par three 15th. Marlene was short and Wanda's ball rolled to the side of the hill, she dropped the ball 12 feet from the pin and got down in three. Marlene missed a six-footer for a half and was only 1 up.

Pressure told on both as they walked the last three holes, each going one over par on the last two. Marlene's medal was 39-39-78 and Wanda's 41-40-81 for the No. 2 course of the country club. Women's par is 74 and the yardage 6,000.

**Racing Debut Of Donoghue's Son Deferred**  
LINCOLN, England (CP)—The racing debut of Steve Donoghue II, namesake of one of Britain's most famous jockeys, was deferred Monday. Authorities decided school must come first.

Young Donoghue, a 14-year-old apprentice jockey, was scheduled to have his first ride in public on Gerald's Fancy in the opening race of the 1956 flat-racing season at Lincoln. Instead, he did lessons at school in Doncaster, Yorkshire, and the horse was scratched.

The jockey is the son of James Donoghue, cousin of the late Steve Donoghue whose successes in inter-war years, including six Derby winners, gave rise to the famous cry: "Come on, Steve!" Donoghue Senior asked school officials to let his son play truant, but they warned: "Don't take him away unless he is ill."

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## Rifle Scores

The following are the scores for March 14, at the York Rifle Club:

### CLASS I

Raymond Vessey	100
George Andrews	99
H. T. Vesey	99
W. L. Crockett	98
Howard Watts	97
Alley Birt	97
Louis Vessey	97
Irene Hardy	97
Edison Watts	97
Myron Ling	96
A. J. Cluney	95
Jack Andrews	89
Harold Taylor	89
Arthur Brown	86

### CLASS II

Fred Pound	96
Leigh Vessey	95
Betty Andrews	95
Peter Proud	93
Carol Hardy	93
Norman Brown	92
Stuart Vessey	92
Cecil Watts	91
George Proud	89
Leonard Ford	85
Hazel Vessey	81

### CLASS III

Joyce Ling	94
Harry Welton	91
Bonell Ling	90
Frank Vessey	86
W. R. Godfrey	86
Elizabeth Watts	86
Alan Brown	84
Robert Cooper	84
Marjorie Lewis	84
Erna Watts	80

### CLASS IV

Irving Thompson	87
Aden Clow	87
Roddie Munn	83
Earl Taylor	81
Willard Murray	81
Laken Lewis	80
Alex Robertson	80

### SAVES CLIMBING

Switzerland's winter sports areas now have 306 ski hoists of different types, including 26 chair lifts.

## Marlene Stewart Captures Amateur Golf Tournament

PINEHURST, N.C. (AP)—Pete little Marlene Stewart, the Canadian amateur golf champion, edged Wanda Sanchez of Baton Rouge, La., 1 up, Monday and won the north and south amateur tournament in a surprisingly tight 18-hole final duel.

Marlene, out-driven consistently, combined more accurate shots to the green and her opponent's mistakes to gain her margin.

The Canadian girl, whose home is in Fonthill, Ont., led by two holes through the sixth an, when Wanda missed golden opportuni-

ties on both the seventh and eighth, it seemed she was in for a decisive defeat.

But, showing the same determination and competitive desire that made her a star softball pitcher and basketball player before she gave up those sports for golf two years ago, Marlene won the ninth hole with a par three and birdied the long 10th to get even.

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