

Islanders Deadlock Maritime Title Series



DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

FT. . . Yes, the date for the closing of entries for the Miramichi Stake for 230 pacers, purse \$1,000, has been extended to April 17. Write A. D. Napke, Secretary, Newcastle, N.B., for entry forms.

Edward Carrier of Ernscliffe, P.E.I. was pleased by the arrival of a filly foal on St. Patrick's Day. The sire is Playdale 2044, dam, Lillie Kalmuck by Kalmuck 2.15%. It is a very healthy and straight limbed youngster and with its exceptional breeding should go far.

The eight-year-old trotter Guy Harvester 2.13 has changed hands. Last Tuesday Blair Andrew, acting for the writer, bought him from Fred Reeves of Traveller's Rest for a tidy sum of money. This horse has changed hands several times since his two-year-old form and was practically given away in the fall of 1946 — some say sold for \$75. Then Mr. Reeves bought him from Don MacAulay, Pugwash, and succeeded in making a good trotter out of him where many others had failed. Mr. Reeves is a night watchman with Holman's Ltd., Summerside, and lives quite a distance from a race track, but has a nice piece of road where he takes Guy nearly all his training.

In Guy's four years of racing he had failed to accumulate a total of \$300 but in Mr. Reeves' hands the past season he won \$372. His total winnings of \$663 make him eligible to the 2.25 trot. In 1949 he made three starts and won \$1540. In 1950 he won all three heats at Parkview and offers of \$1,000 were made that afternoon and refused by owner Reeves. His next start was at Covehead where he won the first two heats and race. At St. Peters he was 2-2-3, then he commenced to fade — Kinkora 3-5-2, Covehead 2-5-5, Charlottetown 7-7-7, 6-3 and 5-5. As a matter of fact he has never seemed to like the Charlottetown track although he took his record over it in a dash race under the lights in 1947. And by the way, was our face red when he headed home in front of his field. A couple of friends sitting near me asked what about a bet on Guy Harvester? "Don't do it, he hasn't a ghost of a chance," I said. He was owned and driven that night by James Arbing. To Mr. Reeves must be given great credit for bringing this little trotter to the form he has shown. It may be that his system of training is the only one suitable for him. Time alone will tell the tale.

It might be interesting to point out that his breeding is really excellent. He is by Simcoe Harvester 2.044, one of the fastest pacers ever developed in Canada. He took his record over the Quebec half mile track, winning two free for all races in a week. Guy's dam is Ima See by Kalmuck 2.15%, granddam, Ima Guy by Guy Axworthy 2.034, great-granddam Ima May 2.044. Ima May was the holder — and probably still is — of the fastest eight heat race ever trotted. She was a real bearcat with plenty of endurance and tremendous speed.

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daughter of Possibility 2.024. The latter was really an eye-ful and when he turned the final quarter and appeared in the home lane he was a magnificent and inspiring sight to behold. A flashy chestnut, head held high like a conquering hero, he always seemingly had a great kick in reserve when some of his opponents were easing off seeking filling stations.

Thirty-seven years ago Sep Palin made his memorial campaign with Possibility, which opened in Indiana then followed in Michigan and Ohio. Then he invaded the South, his campaign consisting of 16 events and when he concluded his tour he had scored 14 victories consisting of 43 heats, losing but two battles one to Napoleon Direct 1.594; and the other to Hal B. Jr. 2.024. He earned his record of 2.024 that season over a mile course and one of 2.04's over a twice around. Beating 2.05 back in those days on a half mile ring was really an extraordinary achievement.

June Morning's dam was the dainty black mare Miss Victoria, owned by James Power of this city, who had for her sire Kalmuck 2.15% and her dam Miss Possibility 2.12% by Possibility 2.024. Not having facilities for raising a foal, Power Bros. sold the foal in June to George MacDonald of Mermaid, who developed and raced her and gave her a record of 2.104, then sold her to J. H. DeWitt of Woodstock, N.B., who lowered her record and sold her to Simonson Bros. of Maine for \$5,000.

The trouble mostly political, over the awarding of dates to Foxboro race track has been settled by the State Racing Commission. Manager Paul Bowser of Bay State Raceway, will have fifty straight nights racing starting August 27. It will be the fifth year of racing at Boston suburban oval and horsemen are promised the best of care and treatment, good purses to race for and trophies for certain class winners.

The many friends of Tommy Berry, the noted reinsman, will be glad to learn that he is showing steady improvement from the recent heart attack which he suffered in Orlando, Florida. Tommy Berry was born in England and as a boy helped to train runners. When he came to the United States he adopted harness racing as his future vocation and he is now recognized as one of the greatest drivers of all time. He has had two victories in the celebrated Hambletonian classic and is the leading driver of two minute trotters with seven to his credit. Where Tommy Berry stars in handling colts and developing them into real racing stars either as futurity candidates or as aged horses. A friend of the writer for many years we are hoping that his illness is only temporary and will not remove him from a vocation he loves so well.

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Hockey Scores

ALEXANDER CUP
Maritime Major Final
Sydney 2 Charlottetown 3
(Best-of-seven series tied 2-2, one game tied)

ALLAN CUP
All-Ontario Final
Owen Sound 2 Sault Ste. Marie
(Sault Ste. Marie leads best-of-five series 2-0)

Eastern Canada Semi-Final (Allan Cup)
Smiths Falls 5, Dolbeau 12.
(First game of best-of-five series)

If there is any town in the Maritimes that has more rabid hockey fans per capita than Charlottetown we would sure like to know where it is. They were lining up by the dozens in front of the Forum as early as 11 o'clock on Thursday night to witness a thrilling race for the Forum of ice opening at nine o'clock Friday morning to get their ducats for last night's game between Islanders and Millionaires. By two o'clock in the morning there was an estimated crowd of two hundred expectant buyers in line.

In fact the situation goes even one better than that. The fans actually had a system worked out in which those in the lineup were all issued with tickets to procure a ticket. The idea of the system was to give each waiter a ticket with the number of his position in the lineup, so that if he wanted to break off his long vigil for a cup of coffee or a light snack, he wouldn't lose his rightful position on his return.

Grabbing off a light snack Friday morning about 1.30 with former coach Murph Chamberlain, in Smith's, editor of the Sydney Post Record and Joe MacIsaac, vice-president of the Sydney Hockey Club, a young lad breezed in to get a thermos bottle filled with tea. On being questioned as to his purpose by Murph, he said, "See Mr. Chamberlain I'm in the lineup to get my ticket for tomorrow night's game." Retorting Murph said "Won't you lose your place in the lineup," and the youngster said "No I have my ticket to show my position in the lineup. I'm number sixteen." Stated Murph, "I knew this was a keen hockey town, but that sure takes the cake."

Incidentally, Murph tells us that he has a contract with owner Coley Hall of the Vancouver Canucks to coach the club again next year, but that his plans for next season are still unsettled. The deal to take over Montreal Hawks franchise in the Big Four is still open," Murph said, "and I have received another good offer to take over the franchise of another Big Four club, but that deal is still confidential."

After watching the two games here between Islanders and Millionaires on Tuesday and Wednesday nights, Chamberlain made the following comments: "In the first game Islanders lost 4-3, the local boys didn't play any hockey until the third period, and although they made a good showing then, it was a little too late. But they really played the kind of hockey I knew was in them on Thursday (Islanders won 8-1). In my opinion they have a very good chance of winning this series over Sydney. Millionaires have the depth," Murph quoted, "but my boys (he still calls them that) really have the hustle and fight that should pull them through."

"I saw Quebec Aces and Valleyfield Braves in their first two games, and it is my opinion that the two games played here on Tuesday and Wednesday was a superior brand of hockey than I saw up there. That doesn't mean," he said, "that the winner of this series can win against the Quebec series winners." Murph also told us about the publicity build-up they gave Kevin Conway when he landed out on the Pacific Coast with Canucks. "The first day he arrived," quoted Murph, "we published pictures of Crusher holding up the back end of an English car, but they didn't see the two jacks that were holding it up for him. But it sure packed 'em in to see him the first night he hit the ice."

Asking him about his Canucks' team, Chamberlain said that he didn't have a winning club "but a battling one that used plenty of body contact that made the turnstiles really click and gave Hall one of his best seasons in years as far as gate receipts are concerned." It is Murph's contention, "that once you take the body con-

Sydney Urges "Rigid Control" Of Series

SYDNEY, N. S., April 6—(CP)—Dr. C. A. MacDonald, president of Sydney Millionaires Hockey Club, in a telegram to president Bryce Love of the Maritime Amateur Hockey Association, today asked the M.A.H.A. to "assume rigid control" of the Maritime major hockey finals being played between Sydney and Charlottetown Islanders.

Dr. MacDonald said the series "has deteriorated into a disgraceful brawl, apparently beyond control of the referees."

He asked that referees Casey Bradshaw and Frank Elliott, along with players and coaches of both teams, be given "full warning" before each game.

The Sydney president said Millionaires "have been instructed to play hockey strictly according to the rules, with no retaliation regardless of provocation."

Charlottetown edged Sydney 3-2 tonight at Charlottetown to tie the best-of-seven series at two games each and one draw.

Terry Moore Wins Split Decision

NEW YORK, April 6—(AP)—Terry Moore, a substitute's puck, turned out to be a surprise package tonight as he scored a split 10-round decision over Chuck Hunter of Cleveland in the main bout at St. Nicholas Arena. The Baltimore youngster weighed 153 1/2 to Hunter's 161 1/2.

Called in on 24-hour notice to fill in after Dick Wagner and Ray Barnes were forced out, the 21-year-old underdog made an impressive New York debut.

Fighting out of a crouch, he willed up a big lead through the first seven rounds with short jarring punches at short range. Judge Harold Barnes voted for Moore 6-3-1, and referee George Walsh scored for Moore 5-4-1. Frank Forbes cast his ballot for Hunter. 5-4-1, a decision that was roundly booed by the fans when it was announced. The Associated Press score card had Moore in front, 6-3-1.

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Favorite Today

AINTREE, England, April 6—(AP)—The Irish-bred jumper Shagreen emerged tonight as a clear favorite to win tomorrow's 105th running of the Grand National steeplechase.

Shagreen, owned by James V. Rank, Millionaire flour miller, replaced the American-owned Arctic Gold as top choice for the tough 4 1/2-mile grind.

Attention Horsemen!

Get your horses ready for half mile dashes at Parkview Raceway, May 24. If not fine it will be held June 4. Good purses. Have eligibility papers ready. U. S. T. A. rules to govern.

A. P. Gallant, President
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At the recent sitting of the Provincial Legislature when the Game Act came up for revision it was the Section dealing with Enclosed Property that drew the lion's share of discussion. Under the old Game Act the enforcement of the section covering hunting, trapping or fishing on Enclosed Property came under the jurisdiction of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police who, among other duties, enforce the Provisions of the Provincial Game Act.

Enclosed Property was originally intended to constitute a miniature wildlife sanctuary. Somewhere along the line this intended conservation measure was side-tracked and the ultimate ending was that the R. C. M. Police found themselves in duty bound to protect private fishing and hunting interests. Under the New Game Act this has all been changed. It now becomes the duty of a property owner to protect his own rights under the Trespass Law. There is one stipulation where a fishing site may be given protection under the provisions of the Game Act. This will be touched upon at some later date.

I am ready to admit that the Enclosed Property Section of the Game Act was endowed with a set of sharp teeth . . . longer and sharper than the Trespass Law with its selfish actions on the part of some individuals was the cause of this Section falling by the wayside. Personally I am glad that it did. No officer wishes to be given the role of policing someone's private hunting or fishing area, boiled down to its last analysis, that's what it amounted to. Here is a favorite little trick that was becoming more common with each passing season: a group of business men, or for that matter a party of the ordinary run of the mill city fellers, would lease a promising duck marsh or fishing site. Whereupon they would promptly declare it Enclosed Property under the Game Act and hold the threat of police intervention over the heads of potential trespassers. It generally worked. Now they are on their own and unless I miss my guess many sections of former leased hunting and fishing rights will revert to public status.

In all fairness I want to point out that urban dwellers were not the only offenders in this connection. A lot of farmer-hunters were also flocking on to the "posted" band wagon. This resulted in friction among certain groups of farmers. I know of a party of farmer-hunters who "posted" a block of their farms and then hunted in an adjoining district and brazenly ignored "No Hunting" signs on the properties of former acquaintances. They evidently figured that so long as they were country "fellers" they were at liberty to shoot anywhere and that the signs applied only to city hunters. It doesn't always work out that way. Two convictions last season for fishing on Enclosed Property without the consent of the owner were against farmers who also had their own farms posted. It's a strange world.

I note by the appearance of letters in our local Press that a campaign is under way against 22 calibre rifles, B.B. guns, etc. More power to the writers. It's high time some action was taken toward putting a stop to the indiscriminate use of such weapons. B.B.'s are possibly the most destructive to wildlife. As many as four or five youths in their early teens will often spend a whole afternoon in a woodlot potting at robins, song sparrows, chickadees, goldfinches or whatever offers a target and those guns are so silent passers by have no idea of what's going on almost under their noses. A BB gun will kill birds as large as robins.

22 cal. rifles make a report sharp as the crack of a whip and users of such weapons are inclined to seek out more secluded spots for their hunting. A 22 bullet will carry a mile and is dangerous to human beings and livestock up to that distance. The other day a farmer reported to me as seeing a car loaded with young teen agers out on the pavement not far from the Hillboro. They were armed with rifles and were shooting at black birds out the car window. Black

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Defeat Sydney 3-2 In Terrific Game Before Large Crowd

Leo Lamoureux's P. E. Islanders played it smart all the way before a capacity crowd at the Charlottetown Forum last night to garner a close 3-2 victory over Sydney Millionaires and deadlock their best-of-seven Maritime Major finals series at five points each.

Both have two wins and a draw to their credit at the end of five games, and the scene of action will shift back to Sydney ice on Monday and Tuesday for the sixth and seventh games, which will now have to go the series limit.

A flashing solo effort by Johnny Horeck from his own blueline at 4.45 of the third period was the winning marker that broke up a 2-2 deadlock after two periods of play. Flicking the puck from out of a scramble along the left boards at the Islanders blueline, Johnny tore down the ice at top speed to go right in on goalie Nick Pidsodny, faded to the left to pull him out of position, and slipped it neatly into the net behind him for a beautiful effort. Islanders were playing a man shy at the time, Phil Vitale off for high-sticking, and Sydney were forcing the play inside the Island zone when Horeck got his winning break.

Fewer Penalties
It was a long way from the bruising battle that was staged here between the same two teams on Wednesday night, both teams playing it all hockey the whole way, with only 12 penalties being handed out.

Islanders held the edge on the scoring all the way to go one up in each frame with Sydney driving back to tie it up each time for two periods but fell short on their efforts against smart defensive tactics by Islanders in the closing session after Horeck put them out in front for the final time.

Other goaltender for Islanders were Danny Horeck, who potted the first at 8:29 of the first frame with Johnny Horeck and Phil Vitale, Walter Pawlyshyn their second at 8:09 of the middle frame with Bucko Trainor and once again big Phil Vitale garnering the assists.

Cliff Roach and Tom Rocky did the honors for Sydney. Roach got the equalizing counter at 15:23 of the first frame on a play with Bill Cupolo to make it 1-1, while Rocky's goal that sent the score to 2-2 at the 18:53 mark of the second frame, was unassisted.

The goaltending by both custodians Dennis Brodeur of Islanders and Nick Pidsodny of Sydney was outstanding at points throughout the game. Pidsodny was particularly hot in the first and second frames when Islanders carried the bulk of the play, while Brodeur made a glowing debut with the Island club with some particularly hot saves when Sydney pressed hard in the final session.

Pidsodny handled 25 shots on the night's play and Brodeur 21. Islanders' outshot Sydney 8-3 in the first period, 12-10 in the second, but Sydney held the edge in the finale with shots of 8 to 5.

Sydney took the initiative in the opening minutes of the first period to force the attack into Islanders zone, but met stiff opposition from a close checking defence quarter, and Sydney were unable to get an opening shot on an injured Hal Gordon. Staving off the early pressure, Islanders busted out on the offensive themselves, with the Beaudry-Horeck brothers line firing the first two shots of the game that made Pidsodny hop to keep them out.

Once on the move, Islanders continued to press the attack, and it was Danny Horeck who opened the scoring. Roaring in on an attack around the Sydney cage with brother Johnny and Vitale, Danny sent a high flip shot into an empty corner from close in after Pidsodny had blocked shots by both Vitale and Johnny Horeck, who picked up assists on the play, the goal coming at 6:34.

Outshooting Sydney 8-3 on the frame, Pidsodny was called upon to make some hot close-in saves before Sydney recovered when George McLagan received a penalty for elbowing at 13:36. Taking advantage of the odd man, Sydney forced hard to rack up the equalizer at 15:33. Cliff Roach, working a close play around the net with Bill Cupolo, flipped the puck home behind Brodeur from close in. The goal was protested by Islanders, who claimed the Sydney player was inside the crease, but the referees didn't agree.

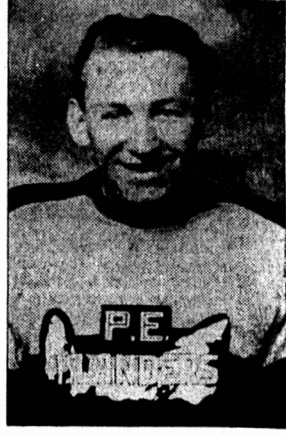
McLagan went off again in the closing minutes, 18:32, to see Sydney still forcing the play in Islanders defensive zone at the end of the frame. Bill Dinning of Sydney, drew the only other penalty of the frame for hooking at 5:34.

Weathering an early second period pressure while McLagan was still serving part of his late first period penalty that saw Brodeur come up with a stellar save on a blazing shot by Dinning, Islanders recovered at full strength to force the play to the opposite end of the rink.

Breaking in on Pidsodny, Red Favero really made it hot for the Sydney goalie when he fired two quick shots in a roaring attack around the net, but the stellar netminder rose to the occasion on both attempts.

Islanders made the breaks count when Don MacRae went off for

Scores Winning Goal



holding at 6.43. Blasting all around Pidsodny's domain, they hammered away and although Dutchak went off for charging at 7:09 to even the manpower, Pawlyshyn sent Islanders out in front again at 8:09 on a clever attack around the net with Trainor and Vitale. Vitale sent a shot in on the net that was recovered by Trainor who fired away at Pidsodny, who stopped it, only to have Pawlyshyn right on deck to flick home the rebound.

Sydney then launched a full scale power attack that really had the Islanders in trouble and cooped up behind their own blueline, but a penalty to Eddie Marchant for hooking at 11:13 relieved the pressure for Islanders.

From there on the play hit into a very fast clip with both teams taking their turn to rip in on driving attacks, with both teams checking close and hard, but Tom Rocky finally found the mark at 18:53 for Sydney that deadlocked the count at 2-2 for the frame. Rocky fired a hard angle shot from about 25 feet out, and as Brodeur made his move for the stop, the flying puck caromed off Vitale's skis and bounced right between Brodeur's spread legs.

The play opened fairly slow in the final session, with both teams taking it cautious and looking for the breaks until 4:05 when on the offensive on a high-sticking penalty to Vitale. But their offensive backslipped with the one man advantage. Sydney, forcing the play just inside the Islanders blueline along the left boards, Johnny Horeck sailed out of nowhere to snare a loose puck out of a scramble, with only Tom Rocky back at about centre ice. Spotting Rocky, Horeck scooped the puck along the boards ahead of him that by-passed the Sydney defenceman on the move.

The Winning Goal
Tearing up behind to pick up the puck again, Johnny literally flew down the ice to cut over to centre at the opposing blueline and go right in on Pidsodny. Moving out to the edge of his crease in expectation of a shot, Pidsodny was a sitting duck for Johnny, who held his fire, fired, drew the puck and planted the disk neatly behind the out-witted Sydney custodian.

It was a beautiful effort by Johnny, that later proved to be the winning goal of the night, and the crowd let out a roar of applause that nearly lifted the Forum roof.

Although that ended the scoring, the play was hot for the rest of the frame, and brought about the only uprising of the contest.

Forcing a faceoff to the right of the Island cage with a minute and 23 seconds left in the game, coach Jack Fritz pulled Pidsodny out to put on six forwards in an effort to get the equalizing tally, but the Islanders drew the puck out over the blueline on the faceoff and Nick was rushed right back in again. Working hard, Sydney forced another faceoff, this time to the left, and with 27 seconds left, Pidsodny was again taken out.

On the faceoff Dinning and Dutchak started to rough it up that saw both get in a couple of hefty blows before they both hit the cooler for two minutes each at 19:35. Facing off again, Trainor took the draw to go in behind the net, where Cupolo rammed him into the boards viciously, that opened up an old cut from the Wednesday night game over Trainor's right eye. The two boys tangled for quite a flurry, but when the smoke cleared, Cupolo drew a foul for a boarding injury at 19:56. In the meantime the Islanders had worked the play back to centre ice and Pidsodny was sent back into his cage. The play was starting back towards the Islanders zone when the buzzer sounded to end the game, and just before it did, Hub Beaudry drew the final penalty at 19:58 for elbowing, a penalty that there was no time to serve.

For his outstanding job in the nets in his first trip in the series behind the Islanders club for a winning performance, Dennis Brodeur was awarded the Allan Cup, while Johnny Horeck's winning goal and a powerful all-night performance drew him the nod of independent judges for the guaranteed Forsythe shirt donated by Jack Cameron.

A smooth-skating Mac Ragan was also the winner of a special award, a valuable signet ring donated by Hawley Crockett, local jewellery store proprietor.

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