



DOWN THE BACK STRETCH

We were delighted to have a letter from a very old friend, Gavin Harding, who is now in Alberta. Gavin was a great horse lover and owned some good ones in his time. He writes - - "Out here we are living in an oil boom, the equivalent of the fox boom many years ago. The government has been taking in enough money to retire their debt (\$100,000,000) and it is only started. With all best wishes, Gavin."

Ken MacDougall, Presiding Judge and Manager of Sydney Sports Center, has issued a letter to all horsemen from which we quote - - "The goose that lays the golden eggs will be at Sydney race track in its program of 1953. Our patrons have imported one of the largest and finest groups of harness horses to come to the Maritimes at one time in any year. Our track has been scarified and given a liberal coat of soil and manure and will receive an application of sand in the Spring. This should provide a real training and racing surface and one that will produce record times next year. We will have a full season of racing starting with the 24th of May, 2nd of June, 8th of June and following through Tuesday and Friday nights until Thanksgiving. Including a feature week being planned for mid-summer. There are many other horses mentioned in the letter and Ken has written on the bottom - - "Looks like a great year in '53. We have about 30 horses here now that can go between 2:07 and 2:12. It won't be hard to build good race programs around that lot. Have about 90 to 100 being wintered here in Cape Breton." Thanks, Ken, and congratulations to you and to the horsemen of Cape Breton who have invested so much

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IN THE CORNER

Almost 3,000 fans, the biggest crowd that ever saw a Major League hockey game here, sat in on last night's contest between the Islanders and Atlantics at the Forum. That crowd topped last year's record breaker by about 150. Early last season when the Islanders played the Moncton Hawks here on a Saturday night, close to 2,850 fans were on hand. The Islanders took that game 1-0 with Bob Gray, as he was last night, being the Islanders star.

The Indian sign, which the Hallgrians put on the Islanders last spring in the play-offs, apparently still holds on. Last night for the fifth time in the last five games the Atlantics defeated the Islanders by a one goal margin. There were several reasons for the Islanders' defeat with two of them being LePine and Billy Gool.

The game, although marred by considerable holding, produced a wealth of good hockey. The Islanders gave it a great try in the first 30 minutes and the Atlantics, playing it wide open all the way, although short-handed made many of their opportunities in the last half. Several of their goals resulted from smart plays while the others were of the easy variety.

Billy Gool, who comes in at about 160 pounds gave his best performance on Charlottetown ice. Billy, playing on a line with his coach Dugger McNeil and Kenny Lauffman scored three goals and assisted on the fourth. McNeil, who usually plays defence, shows that he can be a pretty good forward.

Wes "Bucko" Trainor, stickhandling wizard of the Islanders for the past two seasons has made a terrific hit with fans in Grand Falls, Newfoundland, according to the sports pages of the Grand Falls Advertiser. The Grand Falls team, of which Trainor is the playing coach, played a two-game series with the Sydney Scots recently and won easily by the scores of 6-2 and 8-5. Trainor did not play too much according to the reports, but when he did, he put on a show that lifted the Grand Falls fans out of their seats.

Wif Maloney, Sports Editor of the Advertiser, had this to say the day following the series with the Sydney team: "Most popular sport in town today is 'Bucko' Trainor, colourful coach of our Grand Falls team. During the Sydney games he saw little action but whenever he stepped on the ice it was 'Here comes Trainor' and his playing little to be desired. Not since Drillon have we had a player like Trainor. Byrne had it upstairs but a back injury kept Joe from showing his best."

Speaking of the first game Maloney wrote that "was the debut of our All-Star team and it was a great one. Fans came away shouting the praises of coach Trainor and the great play-making of Joe Byrne. The Trainormen hit a sharp pace in each game outshooting the Scots 31-21 on Friday night and 29-24 on Saturday. "Bucko" Trainor brought out a fast-skating aggressive team, schooled in his old familiar style to clash with the Scots in the first game on Friday night. The locals gave a very impressive display in the debut before the home town fans."

The writer also speaks about the work of Ray Marshall and Cliff Jackson. They are playing on a line with a chap named Green and "held the attention of the fans during the first game." Jackson and Marshall each scored a goal in the first encounter and Marshall scored once in the second game. Bucko picked up two goals during the series and his first goal was described as follows: "Bucko Trainor, who didn't see much action, scored the prettiest goal of the game with less than two minutes to go. He picked up the puck at centre-ice and stickhandled through the Scots to score with a sizzling backhand."

The Sydney Scots are a team of senior calibre. This fall they played several exhibition games with the powerful St. F. X. team and in most occasions put up a very good showing against the Collegians. They number among their ranks many former College and senior hockey players. Last week Trainor was almost ready to join the Islanders when he could not obtain proper living quarters in Newfoundland. He was offered an Islanders contract and transportation here and might have accepted had not a completely furnished house been made available to him and his wife.

SPEDDY BRICKLAYER
GEORGE, South Africa - (CP) - Joey Fourie, a mason at an experimental farm in this Cape Province town recently laid 1,905 bricks in one day.

Atlantics Come From Behind To Take 5-4 Victory Over Islanders

A short handed band of Halifax Atlantics, led by Billy Gool, Dugger McNeil and Jolitt Joe LePine came roaring from behind a three goal deficit in the third period last night to defeat Murphy Chamberlain's Islanders 5-4 and set their tenth decision from the Islanders this season.

Little Billy Gool, playing on a line with Kenny Lauffman and coach Dugger McNeil rifled home three goals, two of them in the final period as the Atlantics maintained their mastery over the Islanders.

The Islanders raced into a 3-1 lead in a lively first period, maintained their two goal lead in the second period as each team scored a goal and appeared headed for almost certain victory before the sharper and more eager Atlantics pulled the game out of the fire in the final session.

The Halifax upset was watched by almost 3,000 fans, the largest ever to watch a major league hockey game here. The win moves the Atlantics four full games ahead of the Islanders.

Joe LePine and Dugger McNeil fired single goals for the Atlantics to assist Gool in his task. Bullet Bob Gray, the best of the Islanders forwards, scored two with singles going to Ronnie Hurst and Lyle Wiseman.

The Islanders started fast in the first period and for a time it looked as though they were headed for another 10-1 victory. They controlled play in the rough hard-hitting session and outshot the visitors 12-6.

In the last two periods, however, they run out of steam as the big Halifax defense, holding, hooking and using their weight to good advantage kept the Islanders forwards out of the danger zones.

Billy Gool put on a one-man offensive show as he led his team from behind the 4-1 lead which the Islanders enjoyed midway in the second period. He cut the Islanders' lead by a goal in the second session by scoring on a long shot. In addition to scoring twice more in the last period he set up Dugger McNeil for the tying goal.

Murph Chamberlain used Hub Beaudry, Marcel Clements and Bob Gray as his third attacking unit and they were easily the best line the Islanders had on the ice. They accounted for two goals and held their opponents scoreless while they were on duty.

Goalie Al Millar had his good and bad moments in the Islanders nets. Al had only 21 shots directed his way but many of those that beat him were tough or tricky shots.

Make Desperate Effort
The Islanders, led by Beaudry, Gray and Clements, tried desperately to get in the game during the last five minutes but the Halifax team threw up an almost unbeatable defense. For almost two minutes at one stretch the Islanders kept the puck inside the Halifax blue line but could not get a shot on the net.

With only six seconds left in the game the Islanders forced a face-off in the Halifax end and Murph Chamberlain drew goalie Al Millar in favor of another forward. The Islanders got the draw but Joe LePine blocked Bob Gray's slap shot and broke up the play that might have forced the contest into overtime.

Gray opened the scoring for the Islanders in the first period by deflecting Beaudry's back hand shot from a scramble. Gray did the work for the goal centering the puck from the corner.

Joe LePine tied it up a little over four minutes later by beating Millar on a screened shot along the ice.

Ronnie Hurst counted on a high 20 foot drive from the side and Lyle Wiseman rifled a 30 foot bullet past MacMeekin to put the Islanders out in front 3-1 before the period ended. During the period the fans saw a lot of heavy checking with Orval Lavell standing out for the Islanders and Joe LePine for Halifax.

Gray's second period goal was the prettiest of the night. Bob took back-to-back passes from Clements and Beaudry before drawing MacMeekin and running the count to 4-1.

minutes old when Gool took McNeil's pass and fired a backhand shot that caught the short corner of the net for his second goal. Seven minutes later he tossed a pass across the front of the Islanders that McNeil batted into the corner. Still not content Gool combined with Peanuts McLaughlin to fire the clincher. He skated across the front of the Islanders net and deflected home McLaughlin's shot.

The game was rough in spots and tempers flared on a couple of occasions. Referee Ross Morrow handed out only five penalties, four to the Islanders and one to Halifax.

Halifax played without the services of their star right winger Hughie Campbell. Also missing from the Hallgrians lineup were forwards Frank King, Muckle Hollett and Doug MacPhee. The Atlantics used only two forward lines.

Halifax - Goal, McMeekin; defence, LePine, Bergeron, Hayes, McLaughlin; forwards, Bowness, Watson, Ford, Lauffman, Bloom, Gool, McNeil.

Charlottetown - Goal, Millar; defence Travis, Brklacich, McLagan, Lavell; forwards, Whitlock, Hurst, Holdaway, Gray, Gordon, Wiseman, Beaudry, Pawlshyn, Clements.

Referee, Ross Morrow; linesmen, Art Perry and Johnny Squar Briggs.

SUMMARY	
First Period	
1-Charlottetown, Gray (Beaudry, Clements)	3:14
2-Halifax, LePine (Watson)	7:45
3-Charlottetown, Hurst (Gordon)	12:10
4-Charlottetown, Wiseman (McLagan)	13:22
Penalties - Travis 3:29, LePine 5:38, Gray 15:50.	
Second Period	
5-Charlottetown, Gray (Clements, Beaudry)	4:32
6-Halifax, Gool (LePine, McNeil)	13:40
Penalties - Gray 5:10, Brklacich 12:47.	
Third Period	
7-Halifax, Gool (McNeil, McLaughlin)	4:03
8-Halifax, McNeil (Gool, Lauffman)	11:23
9-Halifax, Gool (McLaughlin)	12:32
Penalties - None.	
Stops: McMeekin	9 5 7-21
Millar	5 4 6-15

HUNTERS' CORNER

The controversial question of the hunting seasons for 1953 has been a live issue during the summer and fall months but the pattern of the argument has fallen into a definite trend. It is now apparent that the vast majority of hunters want a later opening date and that all four species of game birds... geese, ducks, Huns and pheasants open on the same date. The three County Branch Associations have now voted on the question with the following results: Prince County wants the season on both migratory and upland game birds (geese, ducks, Huns, pheasants) to open on October 15th. At least that was the final vote.

Early in the summer a meeting was held at Cavendish and the vote was to have the 1951 hunting seasons restored. In 1951 the seasons opened on ducks, Huns and pheasants on October 1st and on geese on October 18th. This past season (1952) October 1st was the opening date on all four.

There was considerable confusion connected with the vote at Cavendish. Several prominent geese and duck hunters told me afterward that they got the resolution mixed up and thought they were voting for a later and universal opening date. I note that these same sportsmen attended the Game Meeting at Kensington and voted unanimously to have the season open on the fifteenth. Alberton also voted for an October 15th date on both upland game and migratory. Queen's County voted to have the 1951 season brought back. This was not at all surprising as the meeting was held at Charlottetown and this city has long been known as the home of the Old Guard.

King's County Branch took a more moderate stand and were also quite definite as to opening and closing dates. The vote was October 10th as the opening date on all four, Huns and pheasants to close on November 21st and geese and ducks on December 5th. Since the game meeting at Montague last Friday week I have talked to a lot of Queen's County hunters and without an exception all expressed satisfaction with the seasons and dates as outlined by the King's County Branch. In-

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Millionaires Score 3-0 Shutout Over Glace Bay

SYDNEY, Dec. 19 - (CP) - Sydney Millionaires tonight blanked Glace Bay Miners 3-0 in a Maritime Major Hockey League game before a small crowd of 1,278 fans. It was the third shutout for colorful Nick Pidsodny.

After a scoreless first period, Johnny Morrow, back after a week layoff due to an injured ankle, fired what proved to be the winner at 12:47 of the second while Hub Macey was sitting out a hooking penalty.

In the final frame, Bill McDonagh built it up to 2-0. Then later in the period, when Miners were caught up the ice on a gangling attack, Eddie Marneau broke out of his zone, and using the lone defender Lloyd Hinchberger for a screen, fired the third goal past goalie Don Lockhart.

Miners dressed only 11 players against the 14 for Sydney and

they held to the pace until the final frame when the extra line wore them out.

There were three penalties, all against Glace Bay. Lockhart was terrific in the opening heat, halting 17 Sydney shots.

The game was scrambly at times Glace Bay, playing shortstuffed with defenceman Bill-Burea sitting out the fifth game of his suspension and Bob Cooper and Bill McCracken on the injured list made it a close checking game early and managed to stay well in the game until the final frame.

Sydney dressed Lorne Pirie for the first time, following a long layoff due to a broken wrist.

Glace Bay - Goal, Lockhart; defence, Hinchberger, Amadio, Macey; forwards, Schiller, Joss, Verrier, Backer, Keller, Miller, Raynak. Sydney - Goal, Pidsodny; defence, MacIntyre, Marneau, Weaver, Whalen; forwards, Robertson, Rowe, McDonagh, Blrukow, Gallagher, Hildebrand, Hill, Morrow, Pirie.

Referee - Charlie Goodie
Scoring - None.
Penalties - Raynak 10:57, Hinchberger 18:53.

Second Period
1-Sydney, Morrow (MacIntyre, Pirie) 12:47
Penalty - Macey 11:28.

Third Period
2-Sydney, McDonagh 1:16
3-Sydney, Marneau 11:31
Penalties - None.

Stops:
Lockhart 17 7 7-21
Pidsodny 8 7 11-26

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