

Participation key to gym policy

By RICKY HUGHES

Participation is the key word around the LTMHS gym these days. This is due to the change in emphasis from interscholastic to intramural sports and club activities.

The new plan, which will come into effect this year, was organized by the Gym staff (Mr. Lachance, Mr. Cruchet and Mrs. Wall) last year. New department head Mr. Robert is coordinating the change this year.

What the program means, is that the gym teachers will be putting most of their time, effort, and money, into the intramurals and clubs.

Although the new policy calls for the removal of interscholastic sports, it is going to be a gradual process. Last year there were eight interscholastic teams, this year, it appears there will be seven, with basketball being the one left out.

New Policy

Mr. Lachance said he hopes that the interscholastic program will not be done away with entirely. "To have a successful intramural program, you have to have interscholastic sports. The kids playing intramurals have to have a goal to work toward. Like a town with a Junior B hockey team. All the kids in that town in pee-wee midget, etc., are working to make that team."

Mr. Lachance gave three main reasons for the switchover in policy.

"First, the Gym staff feels they can better serve the student population with an intramural program. Instead of spending ten hours a week with the same fifteen students, the Phys-Ed. Dept. would rather spend the same ten hours with 150 students. Secondly, "we were not satisfied with attitude of the interscholastic competitors towards the games and sportsmanship."

Mr. Lachance concedes that money was a factor, though not a major one in the decision.

"You can always get around a shortage of money. Using cars instead of buses, donated equipment, etc."

What does the Gym Staff hope to achieve by the new policy? "We want to get more people involved in sports this year. Instead of having them smoking outside we could have them playing sports. Participation is certainly the key word in Phys-Ed. this year."

Gym staff adds Robert as department head

By BOB WATERS

He's come a long way in one year — from Australia back to Canada — that's LTMHS' new Physical Education Coordinator, Mr. Robert.

Mr. Robert was born in Montreal. When he was young, he enjoyed football and canoe racing. Both were organized sports.

It wasn't until he graduated from high school and worked for two years, that he decided to be a gym teacher. It was back to classes for Mr. Robert. He went to the University of McGill and earned his Bachelor of Education and a Major in Physical Education.

Last year he taught in Ballam Park Technical School in Victoria, Australia.

In Australia they have a "period of sport" where everyone is programmed to participate every Wednesday and Thursday afternoon.

The most popular games are Australian rules football played from May to September, and cricket from November to March.

They only have snow in the Australian Alps in New South Wales. In the North Eastern part of Victoria the snow is at 3,000 feet up in the mountains. Besides these two places, the rest of Australia is nice year-around so they divide the holidays up with term breaks where the schools stop for a period of two weeks.

Some schools don't have indoor gyms. The ones that do, are not as equipped as Canadian gyms. The weather is so nice they really don't need a gym, but when it rains they go in a small indoor area like the church hall, across from LTMHS.

Mr. Robert taught field hockey, softball, track and field, cricket and Australian rules football. They play all sports, even ice hockey and lacrosse. They don't play American football because they already play four types of football. They also play tennis and squash. They have many courts for this and the cost to play is very cheap. They play year round. There are few sports programs on T.V. They get World Cup Soccer, olympic games, championship fights and maybe the Super Bowl late at night. They get no baseball, no hockey, no football (except Super Bowl).

He had to come back to Montreal to clear up some business, as he inherited a house. Also, Mrs. Robert gave birth to their third girl in September. Mr. Robert is very glad that the baby is in good health (but he says he would like a boy).

Mr. Robert has had a short stay at LTMHS but he says that the school has good equipment and enough to supply everyone who takes gym. But he says LTMHS's gym is not big enough so again the Church Hall will be used.

RHS dims playoff hopes

By ROGER SAWYER

"We screwed it all up" muttered one LTMHS soccer player after a grim 2-0 defeat to Rosemere High.

Nothing seemed to go right for LTMHS. They generated enough offense but couldn't seem to put the ball in the net. To make matters worse, Steve Lawrance was ejected from the game in the second half because of a fore-arm to Rosemere's center forward, followed by a fist in the mouth. George Virus took over with LTMHS trailing 1-0 and allowed one more goal to lose 2-0. LTMHS play-off chances were hurt but they are not destroyed.

LTMHS 3

Malcolm Campbell

George Virus put LTMHS ahead early in the first half and it looked like they'd roll to another easy victory. This was not the case however. Malcolm Campbell got two corner kicks and with their height advantage capitalized on both to give them a 2-1 lead at the half.

Kenny Wilson scored near the 10 minute mark of the period to tie up the game, and then with 1 minute remaining in the game, Mario Moore swerved a shot just inside the left post to give LTMHS a Deserved 3-2 come-from-behind win.

LTMHS 4-Laval

Catholic 0

Rick Kaczkowski once again opened the scoring after a lot of hard work by Kenny Wilson. Steve Doucette added another to give LTMHS a quick 2-0 lead, which held until half-time.

Tempers flared up in the second half when Steve Lawrance, LTMHS goalie, fielded a loose ball, and received an elbow in the face, by the opposing center forward. Neil McLaughlin added 2 MORE GOALS LATE IN THE GAME TO CLINCH IT. The second goal of Neil's may have taken the head of L.C.'s goalie had it struck him. LTMHS had a convincing 4-0 victory.

LTMHS 3

Rosemere 3

The LTMHS senior soccer team got to a shaky start with a 3-3 tie in Rosemere. Richard Kaczkowski opened up the scoring for the Red and White early in the final half.

Mario Moore then boosted the score to 2-0 by stealing the ball from a Rosemere defender and sneaking it inside the goal post. "Kaz" netted his second goal of the game midway through the first half and LTMHS had a quick 3-0 lead. Rosemere came back though in the same half scoring twice and making it 3-2 at halftime. LTMHS held the lead until the final two minutes when Rosemere tied the score and left with a good 3-3 tie.

Intramurals

In boys Grade 9 borden ball, with two thirds of the schedule complete team B, led by captain Leigh Blackman, is solidly entrenched in first place with a 4-0 record.

Team D, in three games, has yet to gain a point.

In girls Grade 8-9 field hockey, Team 3, captained by Kim Busby, defeated Team 1 in a two-game total point series, to win the championship.

In Grade 7 girls floor hockey, the second place Reds, captained by Diane Lavalee, defeated the first place Blue team to win the championship.

SPORTS



Photo by Roger Sawyer

Number 8 Mario Moore takes a shot that just missed the left goal post.

Russia dominates Canada outplayed

By CRYSTAL AVON and KAY TAYLOR

Why was this group of so-called "has-been" or "never-were" hockey players representing Canada against the mighty super-human Russians?

What did they think they were doing? Billy Harris couldn't have been serious about playing these guys!

These are some statements made before this series began. The feeling was Team Canada would be lucky to win one game of the eight. Weren't alot of people surprised when Team Canada came out and skated with the Russians and hit them to gain a tie in Quebec City?

Then they beat the mighty Russians in Toronto. They changed their style in Winnipeg and lost, but went to Vancouver, took a commanding lead in the first period, then loused it up in the second and third period.

Gave five. Moscow, Team Canada still adn't recovered from their travel woes, and though they started to move when Gordie Howe scored, they weren't on track, and lost 3-2.

The next game was the roughest in the series, with the first real fight taking place.

The fight however, did not inspire the Canadians who lost, 5-2.

Going into game seven, the Canadians had to win both games left just to tie the series.

The game wasn't as rough as the others, and Team Canada came from behind to tie the score. In the last minute, Canada scored, but the goal was disallowed because the ref said it was scored after the game had ended.

The Canadians were so upset,

they threatened not to play the last game.

Before the last game, the Russians made an announcement that if the Canadians used any dirty tactics, the Russian team would be pulled from the ice.

This surprised everyone, because the Russians spear, hold, and kick as part of their normal game.

The Canadians scored first, but the Russians tied the score on a power-play. The Russians scored another power-play goal, and then scored another goal while the Canadians were trying to come back.

When the Canadians were making an all out effort to score, they received a too many men on the ice penalty. The fact that Team Canada got a enalty wouldn't have been so bad, but they only had six players on. They had pulled Gerry Cheevers, and the ref didn't see him leave, so when Gordie Howe came on the ice, he thought there were seven players.

That extinguished the Canadians rally, and the Russians won the series five and a half games to two and a half games.

QUIZ

1. Name the Heismann Trophy winner from Notre Dame who played Quarterback briefly for the Toronto Argonauts.
2. What is the record for the longest touchdown in the C.F.L.?
3. Name the N.H.L. goaltender who was the first to wear a mask?
4. What is the lowest amount of possible outs for a team to win a Major League Baseball game?
5. How many Stanley Cup winning teams has Henri Richard played for?