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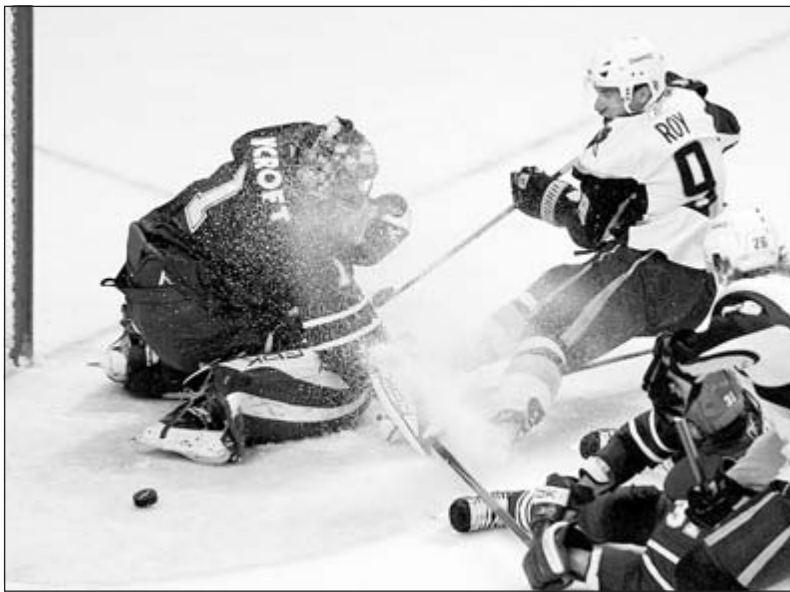
Sabres forwards belongs to winger Maxim Afinogenov, who has just three goals, three assists and a staggering minus-nine rating.

"It all comes back to getting chances," winger Drew Stafford (two goals, three assists) said. "If we're not getting those chances, then we have to reevaluate what we're doing. Sometimes you get the bounces, sometimes you don't. But it's not really about that. It's about us sticking with it and not getting too frustrated by this."

The defense isn't exactly pulling its weight either. The Sabres rank 24th in the league with 3.12 goals against per game.

The shutdown tandem of Toni Lydman (minus-two) and Henrik Tallinder (minus-three) hasn't performed up to last year's standards and has had to lead an injury-filled defensive corps.

"If it is happening, you can't really sit back and reflect back on it too much," Stafford said of the team's recent down streak. "You gotta always try to get better,



Center Derek Roy and the rest of the Buffalo Sabres have been having plenty of trouble finding the net this season, as the team ranks 15th in the league with 2.75 goals per game.

Photo by Patrick McPartland

show up and work even harder to try to improve yourself. You can't get too frustrated. You can't get too down on yourself, because then it's only going to get worse. You've got to pick yourself up, stick up for each other and help

each other out."

Buffalo plays again Thursday, when the Sabres travel to the league-leading Ottawa Senators (14-2-0).

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Youth hockey

Pee Wee Devils ground Red Wings

The Pee Wee Devils (2-0) beat the Red Wings, 4-2, on Saturday. The Devils were ahead 3-0 at the end of the second period. Devils' goalie Bryan Cowing was close to having his first shutout, but the Red Wings gained momentum in the third period.

James Kirkpatrick and Jake Alessandra earned two goals with assists by Lynn Sementilli, Adam Herman and Ryan Hillery, but it was too late to claim victory.

James Bassett's three goals and Stephen Soos' goal ensured the Devils' second win.

Jacob Distasio, James Irish-Ryan and Jack-Riley Armentrout played solid defense for the Devils.

Devils 10, Sharks 3

Sharks' goalie Matthew Phillips sustained 33 shots on goal and made 23 saves in a game played on Nov. 4.

The Devils' James Bassett scored a hat trick and two assists. Joshua Wrest (two goals, two assists), Charles Carlino (goal, assist), Mitch Yoder (two goals, assist) and Stephen Soos (goal) also scored.

William Tunkey, Scott Kaempf, Dmitry Shapkin and Dan LaLama executed assists that led to the Devils' victory.

Devils' goalie Bryan Cowing took 13 shots on goal and made 10 saves. Tom Adolf, Melissa Mallon and Brian Bookbinder scored for the Sharks, with an assist by Tom Main.

Penberthy, Heyden lift Rangers over Red Wings

Tyler Penberthy's hat trick and sparkling goaltending by Michael Heyden led the Pee Wee Rangers to a 5-2 opening-game victory over the Red Wings.

Penberthy opened the scoring in the first period, knocking a slap shot in off a Red Wing defender. The Wings evened the score 11 seconds later as Jake Alessandra

beat Heyden.

Lucas Kindron knocked in a rebound of a Penberthy shot to give the Rangers the lead for good, assisted by John Tomczak.

Penberthy then scored twice in seven seconds to widen the Ranger lead to 4-1 before John Huyler finished the Rangers' scoring.

Meyers' goals, Piccone's saves push Black Sabres to victory

The Black Sabres notched their second consecutive victory behind the goal scoring of Ryan Meyers and the stellar goaltending of Joe Piccone as they defeated the White Sabres, 7-1, in an Amherst Hockey Association Pee Wee game.

Meyers started the game by scoring four unassisted goals as the Black Sabres jumped out to a 4-0 lead. Peter Singara, Tyler Stainfield, and Christopher Lillis added power-play goals to close out the Black Sabres' scoring.

Meanwhile, Piccone aided by the outstanding defensive play of Jason Raimondi, thwarted every White Sabres scoring opportunity until Belkin beat him on a short-handed goal.

Stars blank Rangers, 2-0

The Amherst Pee Wee Stars edged the Rangers, 4-3, in an exciting game on Nov. 10 at the Pepsi Center to up their record to 2-0.

The Rangers, with goals from Tyler Penberthy, Nicholas Cuomo and John Huyler, jumped out to a two-goal lead late into the second period. However, Star forwards Nick Noe and Trevor Shaw scored to keep it close.

In the third period, the Stars strong forecheck paid dividends. Conor Mulvey scored to tie the game and Nicholas Schiappa netted the game winner with less than 90 seconds left.

Publish sports scores in The Bee

Anyone wishing to have their teams' hockey, indoor soccer or other winter sports results published in The Bee, whether it is a house, travel, town, recreational or other team, can submit articles in a variety of ways.

Summaries of individual games — *whether it is a season opener, a league/playoff championship or any other contest in between those extremes* — are limited to a maximum of 100 words each. For stories on tournaments that include multiple games, reports are limited to a total of 300 words.

The deadline for stories to be turned in to run in Wednesday's paper is still 9 a.m. the Monday before that paper is published.

The Bee will make every effort to publish youth sports results the week they are received, but makes no guarantee as to the publication date.

Forms for some of the sports can be filled out on our Web site, www.beenews.com. This is the preferred method for sending reports to The Bee.

Articles can also be emailed directly to sports reporter Patrick Nagy at pnagy@beenews.com. However, anyone wishing to obtain forms to fill out manually can come to our office at 5564 Main Street in Williamsville and pick forms up there. Once filled out, they can be either faxed to our office at 633-8601 or mailed to P.O. Box 150, Buffalo NY, 14231-0150. If you wish to have forms mailed to you or have any other questions, call 632-4700 ext. 4903.

Kastan earns sailing honors

A recent University of Rhode Island graduate and East Amherst resident has been named to the Inter-Collegiate Sailing Association 2007 All-Academic Sailing Team.

Matt Kastan, who graduated with a bachelor's degree in biomedical engineering from URI last spring, was one of 20 scholar-athletes selected for the honor. Kastan was selected to the first team for his sailing and academic prowess. The Sailing Association recognizes 10 first-team and 10 second-team student-athletes who attain a 3.5 cumulative grade point average or above.

According to the association, this honor points

to Kastan's dedication and his ability to balance academics and athletics.

Kastan and his URI crew, Kristen Johnson, had been sailing together for three years when, in the 2006-2007 season, they helped their team qualify for the Atlantic Coast Championships.

Maintaining strong grades is a challenge for sailing team members, since the squad practices four days a week and competes during the fall and spring.

The ICSA is collegiate sailing's governing body and is made up of seven North American conferences established within geographic regions.

Master Khechen School of Tae Kwon-Do Williamsville students compete at invite tourney

Students from the Master Khechen School of Tae Kwon-Do in Williamsville competed in the second annual Camille Khechen Invitational Tournament on Saturday, Nov. 3.

Students competed in forms, sparring and weapons, and musical weapons divisions across all age groups and belt levels. Participating in tournaments gives each student a sense of accomplishment, win or lose, and allows each student to measure their personal performance and set goals to better themselves.

The Williamsville school students train under head instructor Christopher D. Schiele, third degree black belt, and 2007 US Open Martial Arts Tournament Grand Champion, among other U.S. titles.

In a special self-designed musical weapons form competition, Mr. Paul Garas placed first in the Adult Black Belt Division, displaying the art of the Kamas and Mr. Noah Diebel placed first in the Junior Black Belt Division,

also displaying the art of the Kamas.

David Abelson, Sandy Bodami, Mr. Sam Bonk, Miss Julie Boyle (third forms and second sparring); Mr. Charlie Campanella, Anthony Campione, Dominic Campione (first forms and second sparring); Kristina Campione, Peter Chericco (second weapons - nunchuks); Rami Daham, Mr. Raffaele D'Avanzato (second forms and third sparring); Mr. Noah Diebel (second forms and 1 first weapons - kama, Kevin Du first forms & first sparring); Miss Jessica Fox, Waylan Frears, MissCarolynn Garas (third sparring), Danielle Garas (first forms and first sparring), Miss Grace Garas (second sparring); Laura Garas, Mr. Paul Garas (first sparring and first weapons - sword); Michael Garofalo (first forms and first sparring); Mona Garofalo (third forms); Sean Gorman (first sparring); Dyllan Gross (third sparring); Evan Heerdt (third sparring); Olivia Heerdt

(first forms and second sparring); Daniel Joseph, Stacy Joseph, Emma Kanuer, Miss Kristine Khechen (third forms and second sparring), Michelle Kirk (first forms and third sparring); Marianna Kowalewski, Adam Lobur, Alfredo Longo (second forms and second sparring); Vincent Mazraany (third forms and first sparring); Alicia McManus (first sparring and third weapons - sai); Mary McManus, Nicole McManus, Mr. Nathan Mutka, Joseph Nasr (third sparring); Sally Panepento (first forms); Joseph Paterson, Joyce Paterson, Julian Payne (first sparring); Madeline Payne, Adam Pezzimenti, Kyle Phelps, Anthony Pieber (third forms); Mehmood Quazi (second forms); Alex Raymond (third sparring); Kody Richardson, Dean Robbins, Jamie Robinson, Andrew Salem, Jodie Scherrer (second forms); Angelina Shanahan, Erika Taylor (third forms); JoAnn Tripi (second sparring); Mr. Wesley Tripi (third forms and first sparring); Cathy VanDette (third sparring); Jenna VanDette (second sparring); Maggie Weichert (second forms); Zachary Wexler and Joseph Whalen, Jr.

The Master Khechen School of Tae Kwon-Do has four locations: 1360 Hopkins Road in Williamsville, 1200 Kenmore Avenue in Buffalo, 3170 Orchard Park Road in Orchard Park and the newest location at 1460 French Road in Depew.

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