

# Hawks out of playoffs — Toronto ties series

**By GLENN COLE**  
**The Canadian Press**  
 The hockey season is over for Chicago Black Hawks, could be finished for Detroit Red Wings and Buffalo Sabres. Tuesday night but the earliest National Hockey League Stanley Cup semifinal series can begin in next Saturday night.  
 Boston Bruins completed a four-game sweep over the Black Hawks with a 5-2 victory at Chicago Sunday night. The Canadiens demolished Detroit 6-0 and Philadelphia Flyers downed the Sabres 4-1 after losing 4-1 to Buffalo in a

penalty-filled affair Saturday night. Montreal and Philadelphia now both hold 3-1 series leads.  
 But Toronto Maple Leafs evened their best-of-seven quarter-final with New York Islanders at 2-2 with a 3-1 triumph Sunday night at Maple Leaf Gardens in Toronto.  
 After the second straight game, the Islanders' high scorers, Bryan Trottler, Clark Gillies and Mike Bossy and defenceman Denis Potvin, did not score a point.  
 The Islanders' two game here and that was at the end of a power play," noted Toronto coach Roger Neilson.

**HAD LITTLE LUCK**  
 New York coach Al Arbour said it seemed the Islanders' shooters had more than their share of bad luck.  
 "It seemed that every time we shot the puck it either hit a leg or a stick. It just wouldn't go through the net."  
 "You can't win many games scoring just one goal. So we're starting from scratch. We're confident we will get it back."  
 The Leafs' Islanders' clash was choppy throughout, with referee Bob Myers assessing 111 penalty minutes, 58 to Toronto.  
 A total of 59 minutes were handed out by Myers as he tried to keep things under control during the opening period. Each team took six minors while New York's Bob Nystrom and Dave Williams of the Leafs got majors for their fight with less than five minutes to play.  
 In the third period, Toronto's Pat Bouette, who scored along with team-mates Stan Weir and Borje Salming, was ejected for being third man in a fight with Leafs netminder Mike Palmater and Gary Howatt of the Islanders.  
 The Leafs lost the services of Salming for an indefinite period when he was cut over the right eye during the second period.  
 Salming received a deep gash about one inch long on the eyelid when he was nicked with an errant stick of Islanders' Bob Bourne.  
 General manager Jim Gregory said Salming was expected to remain in hospital for a few days after being examined by an eye specialist. NIM A STROKE IN FRONT OF ANDY BEAN.  
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 He made him only the 10th man in PGA tour history to win three consecutive titles; the first in two years, and the first foreign player to sweep three in a row since Bobby Locke, also of South Africa, turned the trick 31 years ago in 1947.  
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# Player humbles foes with third straight win

**HOUSTON (AP)** — One of Gary Player's standard comments, almost a cliche with the South African golfer, is: "Golf is a very humbling, very strange game."  
 In the last three weeks he has proved it.  
 His victories have been among the most unusual in American golf history and the game has, indeed, been a humbling one—to his competitors.  
 In the final rounds of the last three events he has made up a total of 17 shots and won all

three—the Masters, Tournament of Champions and now the Houston Open.  
 And there is no let-up in sight.  
 He will try the New Orleans Open in Louisiana for a fourth consecutive title, which was last accomplished by Jack Burke Jr. in 1962.  
 "Oh, no, you don't dare let yourself start thinking you're invincible. You never think that. Golf is a very humbling game," he said.  
 Player came from seven shots off the pace in the last rounds of the Masters and

Tournament of Champions. On Sunday he came from three strokes behind—his first in five behind at one time during the final 18 holes—with a solid, unobtrusive performance.  
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# Jets earn rest by beating Bulls

**By THE CANADIAN PRESS**  
 Winnipeg Jets earned themselves a two-week rest Sunday night, and after struggling past Birmingham Bulls, they probably need it.  
 The Jets beat Birmingham 5-2 at Winnipeg to win their World Hockey Association's best-of-seven quarter-final 4-1 in a bruising series against the rambunctious Bulls who kept up their intimidation tactics throughout.  
 "We've had a tough series," said Winnipeg's Barry Long. "We didn't want to go back into their building. It's just a horrendous experience to go in there."  
 The Jets, who finished in first place in the regular season, now have a bye into the quarter-final finals where England Whalers and either Quebec Nordiques or Houston Aeros will meet in the semi-

final.  
 New England beat Edmonton Oilers 4-2 Sunday to wrap up that quarter-final four games to one, but Houston defeated Quebec 4-2 to narrow Quebec's lead to 3-2 in their series. The sixth game is being played Wednesday night and a seventh, if necessary, will be in Houston on Friday.  
 "That means the Jets could have to wait more than two weeks before they know who will be their next opponent," PENALTIES HURT BULLS  
 In the last night of the series continued to take advantage of Birmingham penalties, scoring twice with the man advantage and running their power-play goal-total to 12 for the first time in the series.  
 Mike Ford and Anders Hedberg supplied the power-play scores Sunday night.

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Boston 6, Cleveland 3				Los Angeles 2, Houston 1			
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Toronto 4, Chicago 2				San Diego 6, Atlanta 4			
Detroit 7, Texas 6				Houston 9, Philadelphia 3			
Cleveland 13, Boston 4				Cincinnati 11, San Francisco 7			
New York 4, Milwaukee 3				San Diego 2, Atlanta 0			
California 5, Minnesota 2				Los Angeles 2, Houston 1			
Kansas City 5, Baltimore 3				Cincinnati 11, San Francisco 7			
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# Nanaimo takes lead in BCJHL final series

**By THE CANADIAN PRESS**  
 Nanaimo Clippers won back-to-back weekend games to take a 2-1 lead in their best-of-seven British Columbia Junior Hockey League final series over Penticton Vees.  
 In Nanaimo Sunday, the Clippers took a 4-0 decision in a game delayed 55 minutes by a bench-clearing brawl. The Clippers won 7-3 Saturday night in Penticton.  
 Sunday's brawl erupted 32 seconds into the game, and when it was over five Penticton players refused to return to the ice complaining of violence in the game.  
 Howie Walker of Penticton was given a match penalty for striking a lineman, who left the game mid-way through the second period complaining of dizziness.  
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