Generals' Perani Repeats as MVP; WED APR 14 1971 Agar, Young Combine for 5 Awards

Being named most valuable player is getting to be a habit for Bob Perani.

The Flint Generals' veteran goalie was announced as MVP Tuesday night when approximately 500 guests attended the annual fete arranged by the booster club at Skandia Hall.

WHILE PERANI was walking off with the major award, Corky Agar earned three trophies and Jim Young two among the eight trophies handed out by General Manager Frank Gallagher.

Agar was honored as (1) leading scorer (2) sportsmanship and (3) rookie-of-the-year, an honor he shared with goalie Gilles Meloche who has been called to Dallas of the Central Hockey League.

Young was named best defenseman and the unsung hero of the Generals who finished fourth in the International Hockey League and carried third-place Dayton to seven games before being eliminated in the Turner Cup playoffs.

LAST YEAR Young was honored for sportsmanship, thus earning three separate awards in two seasons.

Perani, who was named to the IHL second team for the last two years, put together a 2.84 goals-against average in 43 games. That average was his best in four IHL seasons, improving in last year's 2.86 in 34 games for the Generals.

Other honorees Tuesday were Dave Gorman as most popular player and Doug Rombough as most improved. Rombough scored 44 of his 58 points in the last 29 games.

All voting was done by the players.

A SPECIAL award went to defenseman Bill Horton who was named most popular player by a vote of the fans.

Mayor Francis E. Limmer made special awards to players and other team officials.

Carl Lamb, president of the booster club, also made special awards to players and officials.

Short talks were made by Coach Ken Hodge, Capt. Ron Ringler and Brian Shaw, director of player personnel. The welcome was by Carl Robertson, the Generals' public relations director. Len Hoyes of The Flint Journal sports department was master of ceremonies.



Goalie Bob Perani