Perani No. 2 IHL Goalie; Agar Shares Rookie Honor

By LEN HOYES

Bob Perani's selection as secondteam goalie today gave the Flint Generals a place on the International Hockey League all-star team for the second straight year.

Corky Agar, the General's top scorer, shared honors as rookie of the year with Dayton Defenseman Howie Howdle.

Except for two men, the 12-man squad has a new look with only Perani and defenseman John Gravel of Toledo having been chosen previously. Gravel is a second teamer.

Lyle Carter, the IHL's No. 1 goalie, was chosen most valuable player, heading four first-team selections from Muskegon's championship club.

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Defenseman Norm Descoteaux, left winger Hugh Harris and center Darrel Knibbs also were picked.

Other first-teamers are defenseman Bob LePage and right winger Duke Asmundson of Des Moines which also furnished the first-team coach in Terry

Other second teamers are defense-

man Lorne Weighill and center Barry for point honors among defensemen with Merrell of Dayton and wingers Steve Sutherland and Len Fontaine of Port Huron. Dayton's Gerry Moore was the second-team all-star coach.

The only other award, The IHL Governors' Award, went to LePage as the outstanding defenseman.

The accent is on scoring with the first team. Knibbs has 93 points as the No. 1 scorer and Harris is tops in goals with 39. Asmundson already has exceeded his IHL career high with 78 points.

Descoteaux and LePage are battling

one game to play - against each other - tonight.

Carter was an obvious selection because of his 2.44 goals-against average. Unless he gets to Des Moines tonight in time to play, he's sure of finishing with the best average in the history of the seven teams still active in the IHL. Carter has been with the Montreal Voyageurs of the American Hockey League for the past two weeks.

Perani, who probably will get a rest Wednesday in the Generals' final game

of the regular season against Fort Wayne, has a goals-against average of 2.84, the lowest figure in his four-season IHL career.

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He shared first-team honors with Toledo's Glenn Ramsay in 1968 and last year was picked on the second team.

Gravel was a first-teamer last season and was named the No. 1 defenseman.

Fort Wayne was the only team which failed to place at least one man on the 12-man squad.

Agar, with 76 points, needs two more in Flint's final game to equal the team

record of 78 established by Wally Kozak last year. The 24-year-old left winger has played in every game and has been among the IHL's top scorers all season. He ranked No. 3 last year but picked only two points in four games.

After tonight, only two games remain in the regular season.

Toledo goes to Dayton on Wednesday in their windup.

The Generals face the prospect of a 15th straight sellout crowd at IMA Sports Arena, giving them 28 of a possible 36 for the regular season.



Bob Perani Three Times in Four Years



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