

When the Chicago Black Hawks
played in Belleville

Memorial Arena 1951

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The dignitaries
were there

With McLean Haig
(Mayor of Belleville in 1951) dropping the
puck

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And of course the
players



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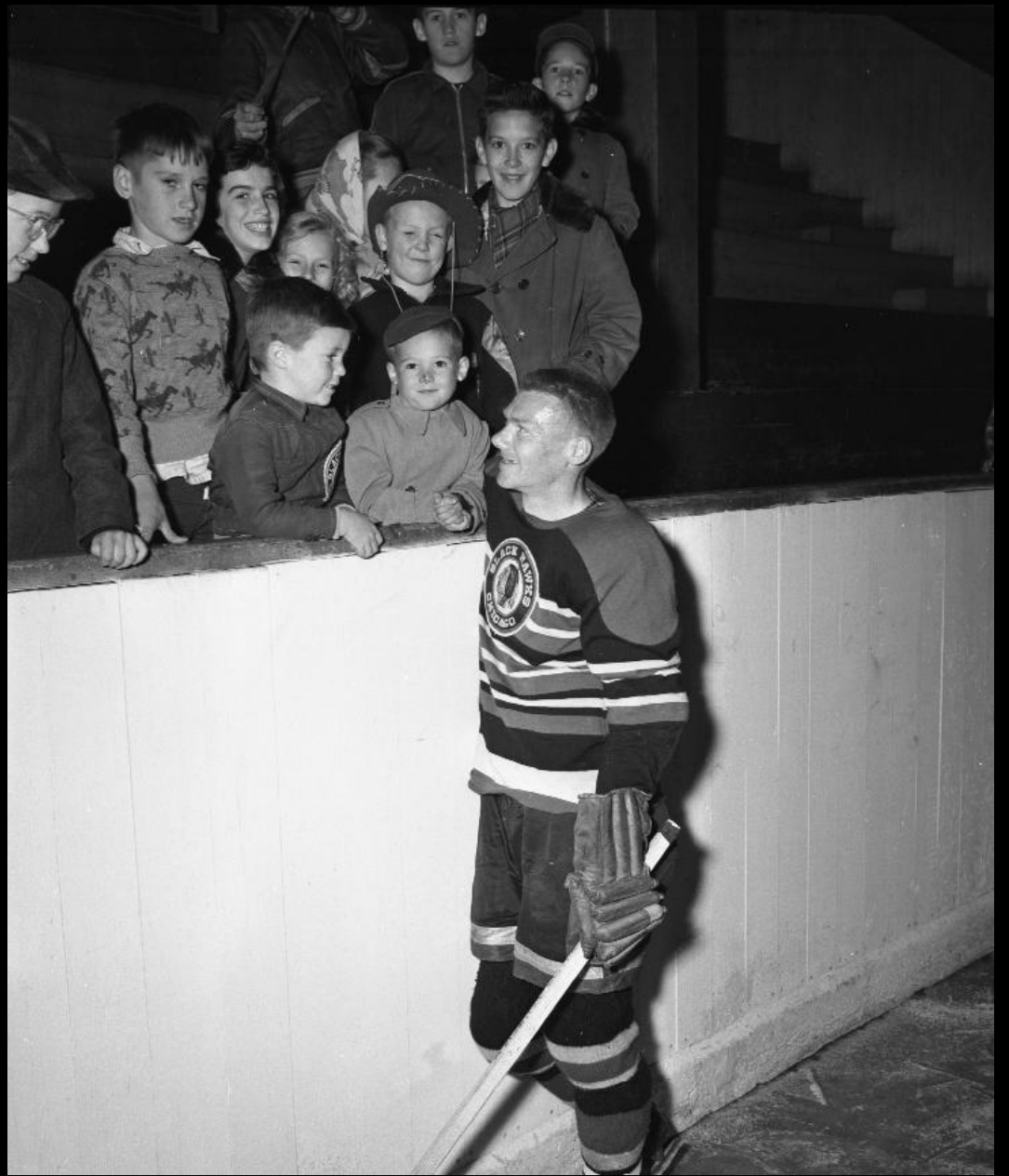
In the exhibition game
played in Belleville,
the Chicago Black
Hawks members were
divided into two
teams, hence the
different coloured
uniforms



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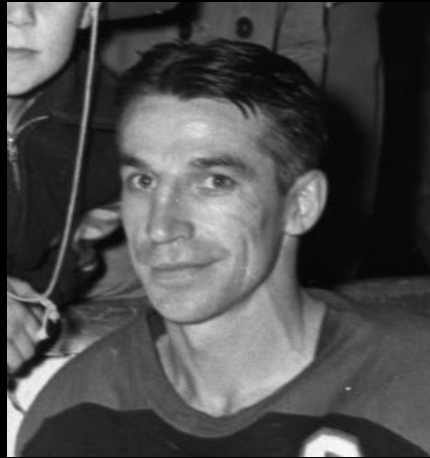
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The Memorial Arena “Broom Gang”

Otherwise known as the
“Rink Rats”

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Dick Beare,
manager of the
Junior B. Hawks,
worked for Bill
Cook Wholesale





Jack Smith,
looked after the
“Broom Gang”





Jack Gill who later
worked for Gilles
delivery service





A member of the
Chicago Black
Hawks team





Bob Brookes who
later worked at
the cement plant
in Picton





Don Kennedy who
is believed to have
become Asst.
Superintendent at
OSD





Bill Vesterfelt who
later worked at
National Grocers





Hughie Hurst
who is believed
to have died as a
young teenager





Doug Murray who
later worked for the
City of Belleville





Bruce Smith who
became a cook in
the Army

