

Softball Teams**Firemen Drown Legion Team
Minor Sports Repeat Feat**

What started out as a means to raise funds to provide Acton youngsters with one at the double-header ball game at Maple Leaf Stadium, fast developed into a regular softball league as four pickup teams are now entering various play at Acton park.

Last Friday, a team drafted from the ranks of the Acton Firemen drowned out the Legion boys, 9-2, in an interesting and exciting nine inning game at the park.

The firemen took an early lead and extinguished all efforts of the veterans from making any possible comeback to even up the tally.

Fire chief J. Newton had his lads well trained in ladder practice and their base running kept them away from the park ahead each inning.

Alex Commando, relieving president Ham Peal, attempted to lead a blitz to penetrate the iron curtain set up by the firefighters, but his efforts fell short when he scored the only run in the third inning for the lads.

Doug Guthrie dined the curtain once again in the sixth inning before a wall of water washed away all traces of further attempts to catch the leading firemen.

Score 5-3**Juves Drop Playoff Opener
As Merriton Rally in Last**

A combination of errors and bad throws accounted for the Acton Juvenile entry dropping the first game in the O.B.A. playoffs to Merriton in the winner's park on Wednesday evening. The score for the game was Merriton 3, Acton 3.

Denis Gibbons toed the slab for the local lads up to the eighth inning when he was replaced by Pete Lawson. Gibbons turned in a stellar performance allowing only three hits in the eight innings.

Merriton started off the scoring with one in the second and another in the fourth. Acton came back strong in the eighth with three runs when Doug Lindsey cracked a double with two on, scoring the runners and trotted home himself on a single by Pete Lawson.

Swinging a hefty bat as well for the local squad was Denis Gibbons and Pete Lawson, with timely hits.

**Intermediates Ousted From Ball
Collingwood Takes Two in Row**

Moth balls are in order for the Acton Intermediate ball club following their defeat in Collingwood on Tuesday evening, making it two straight games for the ship-builders in the best two out of three series in the O.B.A. finals.

On Wednesday, August 26, Acton and Collingwood tied 6-6 in Acton park. Fans were treated to a heads-up ball game with all indications pointing to a victory for the locals when they played a return match in Collingwood on Saturday.

Chuck Jewell handled the mound duties for Acton during the Saturday game, turning in a top-notch performance and holding the opposition to three runs and a many hits. Errors backed up by the locals counted for part of the loss, backed up by a lack of hitting.

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On Sunday the Firemen and Minor Sports team tangled in the first half of a double header with the Legion and Arthur Citizens' Band clashing in the second game.

Monday Game

With damp from the drenching given them last Friday by the fire-fighters, Acton Legion softball lasses suffered another setback on Monday evening when the Minor Sports team drowned them 6-4, at Acton park.

Muscles aching and breath coming in short pants the Minor Sports lads trudged gamely 4-2 until the top of the eighth inning when a rally brought them four runs to pump ahead and win the game.

Vic Martens, past master at base running, fell short of home plate when trying to squeeze an extra run in and tripped over his new spikes.

Doug Lindsey, OBA in days gone by showed the lads a thing or two about playing fast ball as he whizzed the ball around like olden days, but lacked the ability to fallen his hitting average.

The team plus again this Sunday in a doubleheader effort.

**Oakville Team
Meets St. Thomas
In Ball Finals**

Oakville ousted Kitchener in the Senior League of the Acton Legion Minor Sports baseball Tuesday evening, when they ran up 10 runs to their opponents' 8.

Kitchener led 6-2 up to the third inning when they weakened and the Oakville lasses punched off a spark leading to a 14 run tally, gathering three more in the final inning. Kitchener scored twice more in the last inning before the last batter was out.

The winners received 10 runs, seven hits and one error while the losers put eight runs off eight hits and had seven errors.

Oakville now meet the St. Thomas lads in the finals with the first game played at the park tonight (Thursday).

International League
Montreal won the International League championships Tuesday evening without even donning a glove as their opposition failed to field a team for the round robin game.

**Burlington Wins 3-0
Cops Juvenile Trophy**

Burlington Juvenile ball team completed home last Saturday from Acton park with a 3-0 victory over the locals to win the Halton County trophy, three games to one.

Douglas Gibbons leading the slab for the locals held the visitors to a minimum of four hits and was batted 100 per cent by his teammates. Lack of hitting accounted for the lack of runs by the Acton team as the game was interesting and exciting throughout the entire nine outings.

unable to penetrate the defense put up by the Burlington lads, but were safe for the locals with only ten runners touching first base during the game.

The days are getting shorter
Or are the nights getting longer?

The Highway 25 overpass over Highway 401 was opened to traffic this week.

Sports Page**Little Leaguers
Continue Play
At Acton Park**

Churchill went ahead in the play-offs in the little league baseball of the Minor Sports group on Thursday, August 27, when they defeated the Yankees 10-7 at the Park.

Taking advantage of all the breaks in the first innings the Churchill team ran up 13 runs before they were stopped. Five more runs were counted in the second inning with Newton Hurst, lead off man for the winners, cocking a home.

Len Varey, ace pitcher for the Yankees hit a Homer in the first inning for the losers, but his efforts fell short of the mark when his team mates failed to follow suit.

Out for revenge, the Yankees took a 12-10 lead against the league leaders on Tuesday evening before the game was called on account of darkness, with Len Varey holding the opposition to a few hits and counting three runs himself.

Newton Hurst came through with his game home run for the Churchill team in the second inning to put his team three runs up but the Yankee lads rallied with five runs in the top of the third inning before the game was called.

John (Buster) Chisholm, MacLean Boulevard, on a recent fishing trip north landed a 14 pound trout. He was accompanied by two other men and the three fishermen landed 19 beauties during the trip.

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A new phase of training was introduced to the Water Y's Swimming Club during the swimming session last Thursday, when the pupils witnessed a demonstration of preliminary basic principles of instructing a non-swimmer.

Following the demonstration, senior members of the class took part in the technique and Ken Robertson, a non-swimmer, succeeded after only 30 minutes of instruction in swimming six feet out of the water.

Sue Walters, Susan and Shirley Cohen, Thelma Phillips and Chris Dunn are now ready to enter an accredited course at Guelph before they take their licensing and junior instructor examinations.

Plans for the winter classes have been finalized and instructor Jim Buckland advises anyone interested in taking lessons to register as soon as possible.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Wilks wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, K. Neuma, to Mr. William Titus, son of Mrs. M. Titus and the late Gordon Titus of Milton. Wedding to take place at Knox Presbyterian church, Acton, September 12.

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