

Pounding the Sports Beat . . .



DUDE LINDSAY patched and borrowed for his baseball inter-mediate Saturday for the season opener and what emerged from the shambles of last year's team was fairly profitable for fans who turned out in chilly weather for the inaugural. Some of the players were a year older in experience and none of them looked out of place in intermediate company.

Three of them were borrowed for the occasion from last year's juveniles and they picked up more hits than the club veterans in some instances as well as playing their positions almost flawlessly. Like all openers, however, the game suffered from fan exposure to elevated major league ball. However, the team was far from being in shape and it will be mid-season before they start to hit their stride.

By then, it wouldn't surprise this curly headed scribe if the locals aren't far from the top of the good old Halton County circle.

IN CAMPBELLVILLE on Victoria day the Acton club showed off one of several players from Guelph they hope will be in an Acton uniform this summer. He's a pitcher and his name is Howie Cain. He hurled for six innings against the villagers, Halton County champions these many years, allowing only seven hits and three runs before being relieved by John Cunningham who went the rest of the distance. Cunningham also played a relief role in Saturday's opener.

Dude switched the infield around from other years until it is hardly recognizable. At first base he had Harold Townsley. At second was Terry Masales occupying a position his father, Owen, played with distinction for many moons. Playing at short is Paul Lawson, all-star first baseman of the league for years. Paul played the position as well as he did at first. Brian McCristall, another juvenile held down the hot corner. Behind the plate is Ross Morton who just needs to brush up on his throws in second and he will be a top receiver.

We would say the experiment in switching positions is a success to this point. **EVERYONE** knows death is scheduled for each one of us at some time or other but it was a shock to see the demise of Georgetown manager Chick Jewell at Saturday's game. The genial and popular manager had many friends here made when he managed the locals for a season and for a span when he ran a business in town.

He was a comparatively young man—in his 51st year. Always a keen sportsman he had a lot to

do with the formation of the new Georgetown baseball club. His son, Chuck, a promising young pitcher, hurried for Acton for several years.

The sympathy of the entire community goes to Chick Jewell's family. He will leave a big vacancy in the Halton baseball scene where his presence lent a dignity to the player's bench.

BRUCE ANDREWS and Pete Lawson, students of Acton district high school, will carry the school colors at the Ontario Federation Secondary Schools Athletic Association track and field meet this Saturday at the Ontario Veterinary college field, Guelph.

Competing in the events will be athletes from several schools in Ontario.

Bruce, young track and field star, is expected to meet Bruce Kidd, Toronto school champion for the one mile championship. Acton students are hopeful their representative will cop the crown.

The Acton athlete has won many honors running under the colors of the Guelph Legion Track team and his fellow students and many friends are looking forward to another trophy being added to his vast collection.

Pete Lawson, Acton star of the pole vaulting event during the local meet, will enter competition against other schools. Everyone is confident his first try at the Ontario competition will be successful.

BEAT BITS—Guelph's Junior A baseball club is already attracting fans from the customers and it's no wonder—four of the club's better performers come from Acton. Pete Lawson picked up two hits for the club as they defeated Preston Saturday. Milton Red Sox found themselves in a predicament similar to the Acton Intermediates Saturday when they collected only seven players for the baseball opener at Bronte. They called on the minors for help but lost to the Braves. . . Bronte, meanwhile, was clobbered 25-12 by Oakville at the port town Monday.

Rod Gilbert, the toast of Guelph's hockey Royals is prohibited from playing hockey next season. Gilbert suffered a serious spinal injury in a game with St. Michael's when he slipped and fell into the boards. An operation in the States corrected the injury but he must lay off any activity for a year. He is prohibited from even tying shoes. . . Everyone joins in wishing Ches. Fescha a speedy return home after undergoing surgery for internal injuries suffered in an accident Saturday.

Win Toss—Acton captain Peter Schiffer won the toss and chose to play into the wind.

In the first 20 minutes the play was fairly even, moving from end to end. Then after about 25 minutes, Acton gave the crowd of close to 100 something to cheer about as centre forward Tony Crimes smashed home his first goal of the afternoon.

From then until the final whistle it was all Acton.

Larry Nolan made it 2-0 shortly after and just before half-time Acton's 16-year-old right wing Barry Shepherd made it three, which was the half time score.

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Tragedy Mars Opening 1961 Baseball Season

Visiting Mgr. Dies at Game

Tragedy marred the opening of the 1961 baseball season in Acton Saturday afternoon.

During the eighth inning, Charles (Chick) Jewell, popular manager of the visiting Georgetown team, suffered a heart seizure which proved fatal within a few minutes. Prompt attention from hastily summoned Dr. W. G. C. Kenney and an intubation crew failed to revive the 50-year-old manager and he died before he could be moved.

"Chick" was well known in Acton. He operated an automobile parts retail outlet in town for a few months and also managed Acton Intermediates in the season of 1959.

Apparently in excellent spirits during the game, "Chick" saw his team overcome a three run lead Acton chalked up in early innings in the top half of the eighth. With the score tied at 3-3 going into the bottom half, Acton scored two runs to forge ahead 5-3.

"Chick" was well enough to question one of the umpire's decisions a few minutes before he toppled off the bench with the fatal seizure. Lynn McLaren, Georgetown's pitching coach, asked Harold Townsley to bring a doctor immediately and Lloyd Robinson volunteered to go for Dr. Kenney.

Dr. Kenney was prompt in arriving but despite all his efforts and the use of a resuscitator, Charles Jewell died a few minutes after the doctor arrived. It was a shock to the spectators at the opening game and further play was left to a further date.

Coroner Dr. A. Sayers of Milton said coronary thrombosis was the cause of death.



YOUNG ROOKIES are keeping the veteran intermediate ball players on the hop as they battle for position this summer. Saturday afternoon Acton Merchants played their opener in the park with Georgetown and the game was called at 3-3 when the Georgetown team manager died of a heart attack. Pictured above prior to the game kneeling in front are two rookies John Leatherland and Terry Masales. Back row are Scotty McCristall, John Cunningham and Ross Morton, veteran players.

Acton Chalks Up Early Lead

Injection of three juveniles in the riddled opening day lineup paid off for "Dude" Lindsay's intermediate baseball club Saturday. The trio never looked out of place and supplied some of the big hits as the Acton club went off to an early lead against Georgetown in the Halton County league opener.

The game was called in the eighth inning due to the tragic death of Georgetown manager, Chick Jewell, who collapsed with a heart attack shortly after Acton grabbed a 5-3 lead. It is possible the remainder of the game will be played at a later date.

The Acton club chalked up a 2-0 lead in the first inning when Harold Townsley's first hit single scored Paul Lawson and Terry Masales who were on with his ahead of him.

In the second frame Brian McCristall laid down a perfect bunt, Jeff Fryer, walked and Terry Masales singled to score McCristall. It gave the locals a 3-0 lead.

There was no more scoring until the eighth but in the interval John Cunningham lashed out a clothes line single in the third only to be left stranded. Brian Cargill doubled to the race track in right field but was tagged as he attempted third.

Jeff Fryer, who was pitching strikes up until the eighth weak ened momentarily when a well hit ball went through third scoring the first Georgetown run. Then Jack Barzanger, former Acton third baseman, lofted a high one into centre field. It was misjudged and Ritchie made it 3-2.

The "Dude" hastily injected John Cunningham on the mound and he retired the side but not before Barzanger tied the score on a fielder's choice.

Brian McCristall greeted Bern Dove, the Georgetown right hander, with a single to centre in the bottom half of the eighth to start an Acton rally. Brian Cargill's grounder to the box was thrown to second to try for a double but all hands were safe when the throw was dropped. A passed ball at home and the runners advanced a base.

Both runners scored as Jeff Fryer lashed a grounder through third with Jeff holding up at second. Phil McCristall's high infield fly dropped in the hole around the mound and Acton had two men on when the game was called.

Jeff Fryer was stingy with hits on the Acton mound limiting Georgetown to four while Dove was nicked for eight.

Blank Hamilton 9-0

Soccer Club's First Win

Booting three goals home in the first half, and another six in the final, Acton's Maple Leaf soccer club defeated Hamilton Elmania 9-0 Sunday afternoon at the high school grounds.

It was the first league win of the season for the Acton club against two defeats and they were full value for it.

Centre forward Tony Crimes and diminutive Larry Nolan paced the Maple Leafs to their win with three goals each and they were going concerns both ways. Hamilton could do little with the stiff defense the Acton club put up right from the opening kick-off.

In the second half Acton went on to score six more goals and the marksmen were: Tony Crimes two, Larry Nolan 2, Bob Martinelli one and Al Synett one.

This was the first time the Leafs had been at full strength this season. They were very impressive, and with two new signings this week they should finish well in the league standings.

This Saturday Acton travels to Hamilton to play East End United in a league fixture. The club hopes to have an exhibition game on Sunday at 3:00 p.m. at Acton high school grounds.

Minor Ball

In spite of the holiday weekend a large number of youngsters 16 years of age and under attended the first registration for Acton Legion Minor Sports baseball, Monday evening.

Project chairman Jack Bulough was swamped at times with young recruits but everyone kept in line and waited their turn to hand in their names.

In view of the number of boys who were away for the weekend the sports committee are holding another registration next Monday at the M. Z. Bennett school grounds at seven o'clock.

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Saturday, May 27 — Acton at East End United, Hamilton.

Town Takes Over Tannery Buildings

Properties and buildings valued at \$100,000 belonging to Cain Packers and formerly occupied by Anglo-Canadian Leather Co. have been turned over to the town of Huntsville. The plant was operated there for many years until more than 100 men were left jobless when the company shut down operation last fall. Since then 30 families have moved to Acton where the men have employment at the tannery.

Since the Huntsville shutdown the buildings have been standing empty in spite of repeated attempts to bring in industry. Immediate plans for the factory include home industrial projects supported by the local industrial committee. Plans are still incomplete.

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Cain Hurls First Six Frames Campbellville Drops Acton

Campbellville made an auspicious debut in front of a large crowd Monday by dumping Acton 7-1. The game was close until late innings when Campbellville started to belt the Acton pitching. Howie Cain started on the mound for Acton and was replaced by John Cunningham in the seventh. He allowed only three runs off four hits.

Garry Field, the winner, worked the first six innings for the defending Halton champions, allowing one run off two hits. He walked one and struck out nine. Bruce Hamilton shut Acton out in two innings on two hits. He walked one and hit two batters. In the ninth, Jack Roberts allowed one hit and struck out three.

Acton Starts Well
Acton took a 1-0 lead in the second. Townsley was safe on an error, advanced to second on Morton's single, went to third when a pick-off play went wrong and scored on a fielder's choice. Campbellville tied it up at 1-1 in their half of the second when Earl Cairns singled, was pushed on to second when Eaton walked, went to third on an infield out, and scored on King's single.

Earl Cairns scored again in the fourth to make it 2-1. He forced Wingrove at second after the latter had singled, went to second when Eaton picked up his second consecutive walk, and scored when George Chester singled into left.

First Homer
It was Earl Cairns again in the sixth when he homered over the right field fence to make it 3-1 for Campbellville.

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STAN HENDERSON
His 300th Game

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