

# MINOR BASEBALL

**By Art Cooper**

McMullen's Bantams travelled to Waterdown Friday night, only to return on the short end of an 8-3 score.

The club plagued by the annual enemy of all minor ball clubs, summer vacation, made the trip with only eight regulars and two borrowed Pee Wees. McKamp did a creditable job on the mound for the locals but was unable to silence Waterdown's big guns.

In further Bantam Tri-County League action the locals dropped games to Oakville, Saturday and Georgetown Monday. Score sheets were not available for these two contests.

**Pee Wees Lose Two**

Paul's Pee Wees contributed to the recent Acton losing streak, being shut out by Burlington Saturday morning 5-0 in a tight fast ball game. Pitching on both clubs was brilliant. Turkosz on the mound for Acton allowed but 5 hits. The gang returned to Prospect Park Monday night only to get clobbered 15-1 by the powerful Milton entry.

Pete Vale manager of the Pee Wees, remarked that his boys will have to pull up their socks if they hope to make the playoffs.

**FROM THE BENCH** — A lucky draw to help support minor ball in our fair town, is being made Saturday at the Park. If you have

**Pee Wee Boxla Team Formed**

A yet unnamed Acton Pee Wee lacrosse team meets Friday, Saturday, July 26 in the first game of what is hoped to be a full season of exhibition play.

The youngsters, some who have never seen the game played, let alone actively participate, are being ably coached by Larry Taillefer of late Acton Intermediate Boxla fame, assisted by Barry Incoe, who is playing for Streetsville this season.

Larry reports that with only two practice sessions his proteges are beginning to catch on, and predicts that by the season's end they will be ready for tournament play.

"Doc" Harkley, manager of Acton's famed Tireless Tots, the Pee Wee hockey team that last season played upwards of 70 games, has undertaken managerial duties for the newly formed boxla entry and promises the boys their fill of the old Indian game before the summer's end.

**Tanners Take Grocers 14-11**

Tanner's Tanners edged I.G.A. 14-11 in an Acton Softball Association slugfest Thursday night. Both clubs swung at anything with leather on it and each collected their share of hits. Beardmore collected 14 and the Grocers boys swatted 11.

Leading the hit parade for the Grocers was Williams with four hits in six appearances, six runs and six RBI's. Leader also hit a circuit street for the Grocers.

The weather was not idealized with home runs off the bats of Paul Lawson and Bruce Cargill.

Both clubs kept the scorekeeping busy by trading the upper boxla and adding costly runs the various leading in this department with 7 innings. The Grocers continued to lead.

Paul Lawson and Leader shared mound duties for I.G.A. the be speckled Peter being relieved in the second inning. Butch Richmond handled all the hurling for the Tanners.

Umpires were C. Shotts and N. Morton.

I.G.A. B. McCristall, Leatherland, Fryer, Lawson, Williams, Gibbons, Waterhouse, Leader, Mames, Dawkins.

Tanners — Del Walker, H. Lawson, Bruce Cargill, Butch Richmond, Paul Lawson, Bob Bruce, Ben Bayliss, Hull and Jack Bulough.

**County Debentures On Sale August 15**

Haltom County's first over-the-counter debenture sale—a \$110,000 issue—goes on sale August 15 and already many local buyers have reserved portions of the issue.

Councillors recently agreed to stay away from the American market on smaller debentures, and offer the bonds to Haltom residents through the treasurer's office. This debenture includes \$104,000 owing to the George town hospital and \$12,000 for the Milton hospital.

The fact that many have already reserved a big portion of the bonds speaks well for the residents' faith in the future of the county, officials noted. The \$110,000 debentures are offered at par in denominations of \$1,000.

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# Blow 9 Run Lead Merchants Lose to Milton 18-12

Trading 1-1 into the bottom of the third inning Milton Red Sox exploded with four runs in the third, one in the fourth, seven in the seventh and three in the eighth to down Acton Merchants 18-12 in Milton Sunday.

Milton batters jumped on Acton's Brattain and Cain for 30 hits, by far their best output of this season. Tom Marks won the decision in relief of Wayne Hillson. Marks came in in the second. The two hurlers allowed 11 hits.

Milton got into trouble only with one on. Cliff Houston ordered his defense into a "Williams shift" when notorious pull hitter, Sonny Townsley came to bat. This shift puts all the weight on the right side and Townsend surprised everyone by depositing a pitch in one of the large gaps created for an RBI triple. Paul Lawson, another pull hitter, stepped into the batter's box and again caught Houston ordered the shift. Lightning struck twice as Lawson hit a home run that actually bounced in the infield before sailing through a gaping hole into the deep outfield. Acton scored three more times to go ahead 6-0 after a ball hitting.

Dance's triple, an error and Riddell's and Phillips' singles counted those runs for the Sox in the bottom of the big first.

The Merchants exploded again in the third, bringing across five runs on only three hits. Paul Lawson's double was the big blow of the inning.

**Pull Up Sox**

With the count 1-1 against them, Milton pulled up their Sox and went to work. Riddell was hit by a pitch, Phillips singled, Chaston singled, Hyatt doubled and Marks singled to bring in four big runs and start the comeback.

The Sox scored one in the fourth on Dance's homer to bring the count to 11-8. Acton got their last run in the fifth.

Milton went ahead to stay in the seventh inning with their biggest single hit of the year. By the time the dust had settled, seven runs had crossed the plate on seven big hits. Dance singled, Shannon singled and was fouled off second on Riddell's grounder. Ron Phillips stepped up and blasted a three run home run to bring the Sox to within one run. Before the inning ended four more hits including doubles by Hyatt and Marks had scored four more runs and Milton had the lead 15-12.

**Tripled Home**

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**NOTES:** Paul Lawson led Acton with a home run and a double. Mrs. Ron Shannon presented Run with a 7th 9-00 before the game. Two runs were scored in the seventh when Marks' grounder went right through the amazed third base man's legs. Riddell's triple in the eighth could have been a home run but Brattain moved the ball and had to go back. The use of Williams shift in the eighth after the results it will probably remain unique.

# Exhibition Match League-Leading Queens Douse Firefighters 7-1

Guelph Dairy Queens are still eating plenty of nourishing ice cream. They defeated Acton Firemen 7-1 in an exhibition game at the park last night (Wednesday).

Dairy Queens started strong with six runs in the first inning and a postscript in the second to make seven. Firemen didn't reply till Krapek homered in the fifth and that was the end of it as far as the firemen were concerned.

Queens scored six runs on two errors by Townsley and Duval in the first inning.

**Only Five Hits Each**

Two-basers were hit by Richardson, Del Walters and M. Rath and singles by Becker and Nicol for the Queens. For Acton Krapek had the home run and there were two singles by Duval and one each by McCristall and Dadds.

Queen pitcher M. Rath had five strikeouts and firefighters' pitcher Daley had four.

**Beardmore Players**

Two of the Dairy Queen lineup, E. Richmond and Del Walters, were in Guelph but work at the tannery and play for the Beardmore team as well. A good crowd watched the match.

# Grocers Squelch Hose-Toters 11-8

Acton Firefighters, who have remained undefeated in 10 to these many weeks, were stopped dead in their tracks Tuesday night by a win-hungry I.G.A. squad that belted the best the hose-toters could offer for 14 hits and 11 runs. Final tally was 11-8 for the Grocers.

The Extinguishers opened the scoring nipping the Grocery Boys for four runs in the first two innings, but in the third the tide of battle changed as the Grocers loaded up the sacks and proceeded to romp home when Jeff Fryer belted a grand slam home run that knotted the score.

From here on I.G.A.'s never looked back, plating one more in the third, two in the fifth, two in the sixth and two in the eighth. The bucket-brigade collected 12 safeties, but just couldn't halt the determined Grocers.

Archibald and Daley did the hurling for the firefighters with Leader going the route for the Grocery Boys.

Firefighters — Holmes, Daley, McCristall, Williams, Townsley, Archibald, Duval, Turkosz, Spielvogel, Dadds, Krapek, F. Spielvogel, E. Archibald.

I.G.A.—Leatherland, McCristall, Waterhouse, Gibbons, Fryer, Lawson, Leader, Williams, Shannon, Dawkins.

**SOFTBALL SKED**

Thursday, July 12 Dominion Hotel vs Junior Farmers

Monday, July 16 Dominion Hotel vs Beardmore

Tuesday, July 17 Junior Farmers vs Firemen

Thursday, July 19 Legion vs I.G.A.

# Tinny's Tanners Topple Legionnaires 10-2 Tuesday

Monday night muddball action saw the agile Tanners scalp the up-and-coming Legionnaires 10-2 in scheduled Acton Softball Association play.

Beardmore's were first to break the ice, plating 3 runs in the third inning off the bats of the Lawsons, Harry and Paul and a solid double by Richmond, who did all the hurling for the leatherworkers and allowed only four scattered hits. They added three more in the fourth when Papillon got on the board on a Legion boot, followed by Harry Lawson's two-bagger and another by Richmond. Bob Bruce then came out of the batter's circle and belted a resounding triple to clear the basespaths. His hard pressing Tanners added another run in the fifth and one more in the seventh to end the scoring.

Legionnaires, an all new squad under the direction of Rae West, were no match for the hit starved Tanners and never seriously threatened. Only two runs scored by the Vets came in the seventh and eighth frames.

Pitching for Legion was J. Salmon, For Tanners, Butch Richmond.

Tanners plated 10 runs off 14 hits, Vets, 2 runs off 4 hits. Innings were Chuck Shotts and Chester Peycha.

Tanners — Papillon, H. Lawson, H. P. Lawson, Butch Richmond, P. B. Bruce, J. Lambert, B. Comand, L. Lillie, M. Webster, Legion G. Masales, S. D. Price, B. D. MacPherson, H. F. Thompson, C. H. J. Salmon, P. W. Marshall, M. W. Mellon, L. Holmes, A. Lillie, G. M. Mason, G. L. Males, B. R. West.

**Bantam Loss**

Keenwood Park Mills Bantams were defeated by Milton 15-5 on Saturday.

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