

# SPORTS

**BEARDMORE'S U.P.W.A. TANNERS** picked up a few players from the town league All Stars and a couple from Guelph Dairy Queens and almost succeeded in bringing home the bacon in the Hillsburgh softball tournament on Labor Day.

Hornby won the tourney by edging the Tanners 6-5 in the final game behind the pitching of Louis Bertasson and Joe Shaw. The Acton club took their first two decisions handily, Frank Daley leading a no-hitter in the first game against Hillsburgh to win 10-0. Daley worked the first batter and he was the only batter to get on base. Frank also struck out 17 batters of a total of 22 in the seven-inning contest.

In the second game the Tanners had an 8-1 edge over Cecil Williams at the end of five innings, so according to tournament rules, the game was awarded to Acton. Bill Robinson, picked up from the Dairy Queens, hurled a two-hitter for Acton, stacking up strikeouts like cordwood. Jim Casburn supplied the longest hit of the game—a homer.

The Acton club was really tagging the ball in the first two games and kept it up early in the third contest under the lights. They had a 4-0 lead at the end of the middle innings, but one bad inning which saw a couple of miscues and a pair of hits allowed Hornby to tie the score. Then they added single runs in the sixth and seventh to take a 6-4 lead.

Hornby came down on the teams west into the ninth and scored the surprise to call the game. Both managers wanted to continue however, so the game was finished in the eleventh. Hornby's second baseman, Jim Casburn, was hit by a pitch for the sixth inning run of the inning enabling Hornby to walk off tournament champion.

**FRANK DALEY** and Bill Robinson shared the mound duties for the Tanners in the final game against Hornby's supporters of Bertasson and Shaw.

Players from the Acton club were more than pleased with the support they got from Acton fans. The stands crowded at times were often dominated by the vocal cheering section from Acton.

That's one reason why Acton is so popular in tournaments and leagues in every sport. Fans here don't just patronize home games, if the team goes away, they go away with it.

Harro Lawson handled the Beardmore team in the tourney. He had Harold Townsley behind the plate, Frank Daley and Bill Robinson to pitch. M. Rath from Guelph playing first, Jim Casburn on second, Bruce Richmond at short and Bruce Cargill at third. Scotty McCristall covered left field, Jeff Fryer the wide territory in center and Ed Phillips the right garden. On hand in case they were needed were Dennis Gibbons—Bert-Hall and John Salmon.

The result of the tourney pleased all the Acton players and fans even though they only came in with second money. It proved the Acton players could play the heat in the district and emerge as strong contenders for a title.

**BEAT BITS**—Town League softball officials are asking everyone involved in the league from managers, coaches, players and hat boys to get behind plans for the 10 team softball tourney, here, Saturday, September 14. They point out proceeds from the tournament are slated for Redlights, which will benefit everyone. Other events planned by the league are a quiz draw and a dance, October 11. Recreation Director Jim Casburn wants to see minor hockey officials' memoranda about the meeting at 11 a.m. Sunday, September 15. Purpose is to get the minor hockey association formed and rolling on behalf of the town's youngsters. Jim reports a more enthusiastic attitude from would-be sponsors as a result of the first meeting's deliberations. Johnny Goy Jr., one of the Acton boys attending the Hamilton hockey try-out camp of Detroit Red Wings, stayed around for the finish of the camp despite many cuts. John says he probably will line up with Georgetown's new Junior 'B' team this year, a Montreal Canadian sponsored club. Rod Presswood, one of Georgetown's midget blitsters of last season, has signed with Montreal and will play with one of Canada's farm teams in Montreal this winter. No word yet from the Acton Tanners executive on a new coach for the intermediate hockey club but they're still looking.

Four members of the Acton Y's Men's Club staged a cleanup program at the Y Wednesday evening. Interim President Pat McKenzie, Elmer Smith, Clarence Rognvaldson and Y secretary Sid Saltz were assisted by caretaker Charlie Griest in the cleanup program.

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## 10 Entries in Softball Tournament

Acton Softball Association president Dave Hanson announced that a full complement of 10 teams has registered for the softball tournament to be held in Acton park, Saturday, September 14.

Entries have been received from Aurora, Hillsburgh, Toronto, Guelph Dairy Queens, Brantford, Mountbelle, Milton, Shelburne, Elgin Williams as well as from the Acton All-Stars.

Prize money for the tournament is \$75 for the first place, \$50 for the runner up, a total of \$125. Proceeds from the event will go towards the installation of floodlights for the softball diamond.

First game of the tourney, which will be played on two diamonds, starts at 11:30 in the morning. It is expected the final game will get underway between 5:30 and 6:00 p.m. in the afternoon.

## Twin Bill Sunday

A double header in the park at 1:30 Sunday afternoon should clear away the cobwebs in the town softball league's schedule.

The twin bill will see the first place Tanners meet the Legion in one contest to decide which club will finish in front—the Tanners or Firefighters. Both teams have chalked up 11 wins but the Tanners have suffered only three losses, the Firefighters four. A win for Legionnaires could leave the teams tied for first.

A Tanner victory will clinch first place for the Beardmore club.

The second debacle, to be solved in the fourth place tie between L.G.A. and Dominion Hotel. Fourth is the last play-off position and both clubs are anxious to finish in the money.

The rivalry should be keen, the action tense and dramatic as these four teams meet Sunday.

## Title-Hunting Tanners Tipped in Ten Inning Cliff Hanger

Everybody's getting in their ticks at the expense of the front running U.P.W.A. Tanners, who all of a sudden find themselves in danger of dropping a match in the later stages of the town softball league schedule.

Sunday, it was the Firefighters' turn to rap the league leaders. They did it in the 10th inning after surviving a ninth frame rally by the Tanners, who trailed most of the way in the contest. Score—8-7.

Will Duval supplied the winning knock—a single with the

bases loaded that sent Don Archibald in to score the winning run in the bottom of the 10th. Extra innings were necessary when the score was knotted 7-7 in the ninth.

It was the Tanners' third loss, their second of the week. For the Firefighters, it opened up accounts as they lost their previous meeting with the leather workers. Another loss by the Tanners and they could end up in a first place tie with the Firefighters.

The league's two top hurlers met in Sunday's contest, Frank

Daley for the brigade and Ed Phillips for U.P.W.A. In the pitch-out department, Daley excelled by fanning 10 batters. He walked four and allowed nine hits. Phillips whiffed seven, isued nine passes and was nicked for 11 safeties by the winners, who went into a 5-1 lead in the second frame on the strength of Daley's triple, a single by Scotty McCristall, three walks and a batter hit by the pitcher.

Tanners scored one in the top half when Richmond doubled and Ben Bayliss singled to score him.

### Two Run Rally

In the third, the Tanners got back into the scoring—things with a two run rally. Ken Pappilon singled and was scored by Del Walters' long triple. Walters scored as Rich Richmond poked a single through the infield.

Firefighters enlarged their margin by one in the bottom half, when Bill Spitzengel took a pass and Herb Dadds and Scotty McCristall had back-to-back singles.

From that point until the eighth, there was no scoring in the eighth, the Tanners sent two men across the plate, to pull within one run of the firemen.

An error in right field, a single by Harry Lawson, a base on balls and a bubble at short forced the runs over.

In the ninth, it looked like the Tanners had it all wrapped up when they scored two runs, to take a 7-6 lead, but Firefighters came back with one of their own.

The Tanners' third run out burst in the ninth threw a scare into the Legion camp, but Legionnaires held on to their most important victory of the season.

## Legionnaires Throw Away Charts Tan League Leaders 5-3 Thurs.

Legionnaires threw away the town charts and turned their Thursday's contest twice this week.

U.P.W.A. Tanners into a position on the third rung of the town softball league's ladder with a 5-3 victory. The win, as well as setting up third place for the youthful Legion crew from a three-way tie for third, added the distinction of being only the second defeat pinned on the league leader Tanners this season.

The Tanners' loss threatened their front running position, leaving them in danger of being overtaken by the Firefighters, who have been beaten four times during the season.

**Salmon in Top Form**—John Salmon, who's pitched many games for the Legion this season, was in top form for this one as he sat the heavy hitting Tanners down on five hits.

He had a two-hit shutout going for him until the ninth, when Del Walters parked one of his pitches in deep right field for a three run homer, which accounted for all the leather worker runs.

Lost Ed Phillips was the victim of a nine hit bombardment from Legion's heavy artillery, including a bases-empty four bagger by Allan Hayward. Ed whiffed five and walked one during

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