

Pounding the SPORTS BEAT

TWO TRIPS TO THE TROTS at Mohawk for this fuzzy-cheeked sulky scribe have been most unfortunate. In both instances we've arrived too late for the feature events and the steeds running in the final few races haven't been co-operating.

The favorites have been doing all the winning, the long shots bringing up the rear. I sympathize with the underdogs.

Almost picked a winner in the eighth race on the second instance a week ago today (Thursday), however. There was a 40-1 shot named Superior Dale, a neat-looking horse, maybe a trifle on the small side.

My wife who accompanied me on these junkets in case I get carried away, liked his looks. I liked the odds. His record was unimpressive this year. Out of the west, he'd only appeared in one race and placed in the money.

Last year he had something like \$4,500 tucked up under his breeching.

A horse with that kind of potential would bear watching I surmised, perhaps even rate a show ticket. As I turned it over in my mind the fella in the seat behind loudly proclaimed he was having \$200 on No. 6's nose. The number seemed familiar. Yep, it was Superior Dale.

That clicked it for me. I hurried to the \$200 wicket looking like a bit of a gambler from the city and asked the man for one of No. 6. He looked up, ran his eyes over my honest features, rang me out a ducat and said, "I wish you luck."

As I hurried away I thought I heard him muttering — "you'll need it!"

I must have been mistaken, for Superior Dale went to the head of the class after the horses had passed the fifth mile mark. He was stepping out smartly making the other hang-tails look like donkeys as they passed the half-way post. He was still leading as they came into the stretch.

My wife got excited. She went to her feet. I joined her. We capoled, threatened and hollered for No. 6 and he kept the lead — until there was only about 20 yards to go.

Then like arrows leaving the bows, about four of the trailers started to come. They came like bullets. Superior Dale was stretching those legs like a pendulum but he looked like he was standing still.

One, two, three and then four sulkies passed him before he reached the finish line. Big strapping horses. I saw visions of dollar signs flying — away. Our horse limped in fifth.

But that's life. You live and learn. The small guy seldom gets past the big guy, long shots seldom pay and other such assorted sayings by the wisebeaters. It was still an exciting experience.

SATURDAY, HILLTOP GOLF CLUB in Erin, almost three quarters of a hundred Acton golfers will tee off for the annual Acton Open.

Trophies on the line for this year's event include a new one for juniors as well as several others up for competition each year. Tee-off time starts at 7:30 a.m.

Recreation director Jim Cashburn has been busy lining up many prizes and almost anyone who can swing a club has a good chance of taking home something besides aching muscles. Arrangements are completed for the dinner which follows the divot digging and it promises to be another highlight of the program.

More than a few eyes will be on the play of Rev. Andy McKenzie, the putting padre, who captured the honors last year with a net of 67. This observer advises you to watch Dr. Brian Moore, Murray Scovine, Jack Creighton, Andy Nolan and a few others who will be in there for the honors.

Tickets have sold like the proverbial hot-cakes for this outing but a few are left if anyone is still interested. Contact Jim Cashburn for details.

BEAT BITS . . . A work party will attempt to finish tightening the softball screen Sunday morning at 11 a.m. Volunteers are asked to be at the park so the work can be completed. At least two from each of the league's six teams will be required. Last night's performance against the I.G.A. indicates the Legion squad is going to be a tough nut for any of the other clubs to crack this season. . . . Jan Kiddall, playing for Georgetown, poled a grand slam home run in his first time at bat recently in Hallow County minor baseball. . . . Merv Marshall was in the nets for Oshawa Green Gaels when they played Guelph Mohawks in Jr. 'A' box at Guelph last Friday and Merv came up with another outstanding display. The Guelph Mercury account of the game says, "Action high school student Merv Marshall, who plays goal for Gaels by a considerable margin in the opening canto but it was Marshall plugging the dike with saves ranging on the fantastic side. Bob Brown, Jerry McKenna and Barry Redwood all became victims of Marshall's latest before the stanza ended. Bob Dobbie refereed. . . . Firefighters and Station Hotel meet tonight in softball action.

Villagers Bomb Steel City Squad
Hamilton Tosses Three Hit Win

Campbellville took on highly touted Hamilton Cardinals on Thursday night and won by a convincing 4-1 score. The game was played in Hamilton and the defending League Champions outplayed the home team in every department.

Harry Hamilton went the route for the winners and put on a brilliant display as he held the Cardinals to one unearned run on three hits. He hit one batter, walked one, and struck out five. Pete Ewing and Rick Holt pitched for Hamilton allowing eight runs off 11 hits. They walked three and struck-out seven.

Early Lead
Campbellville had a 1-0 lead on the first three pitches of the game when Ken Moore doubled down the first base line and scored on Dredge's sacrifice fly. Back to back doubles by Cairns and King in the second scored another to make it 2-0.

With one out in the fourth, Fetter singled and single have been forced at second on Elliot's grounder but two errors allowed him to get to third. He scored when Iannuzzi fumbled Moore's grounder and Elliot came in on Dredge's single to make it 4-0.

Henderson Doubles
Henderson opened the fifth by clubbing a double into left centre and took third on King's single. Then with two out and two strikes on the batter, Henderson stole home. It was a called third strike but a passed ball allowed Elliot, the batter, to get to first and Henderson's run to score. Activity King also scored but was out at first because

Release Schedule Town Loop

Following is the complete schedule for the six-teams town softball league which opened the season this week.

Games are being played Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings with doubleheaders on Sunday afternoons beginning at 1:30 p.m. Twilight contests are scheduled for 6:45.

We suggest you clip out the schedule and reserve it for your own use.

MAY
26 — Georgetown vs Dominion II; 27 — Legion vs I.G.A.; 28 — Firemen vs Station H.

JUNE
2 — Firemen vs I.G.A.; 3 — Georgetown vs Station H.; 4 — Dominion II vs Legion; 7 — Firemen vs I.G.A.; Station H vs Georgetown; 9 — Legion vs Firemen; 10 — Dominion II vs Firemen; 11 — Station H vs I.G.A.; 14 — Dominion II vs Legion; Station H vs Firemen; 16 — Dominion II vs Station H; 17 — I.G.A. vs Georgetown; 18 — Legion vs Firemen; 23 — Georgetown vs Firemen; 24 — Station H vs Legion; 25 — I.G.A. vs Dominion II; 28 — Dominion II vs Georgetown; I.G.A. vs Legion; 30 — Legion vs Dominion II.

JULY
1 — I.G.A. vs Firemen; 2 — Georgetown vs Station H.; 5 — Legion vs Firemen; Dominion II vs Station H.; 7 — Firemen vs Station H.; 8 — Georgetown vs Dominion II; 9 — Legion vs I.G.A.; 14 — Georgetown vs I.G.A.; 15 — Firemen vs Legion; 16 — Station H vs Dominion II; 19 — I.G.A. vs Georgetown; Legion vs Station H; 21 — Station H vs Legion; 22 — Dominion II vs I.G.A.; 23 — Firemen vs Georgetown; 26 — Georgetown vs Firemen; I.G.A. vs Dominion II; 28 — Dominion II vs Firemen; 29 — Legion vs Georgetown; 30 — I.G.A. vs Station H.

AUGUST
4 — I.G.A. vs Legion; 5 — Station H vs Firemen; 6 — Dominion II vs Georgetown; 11 — Station H vs Georgetown; 12 — Legion vs Dominion II; 13 — I.G.A. vs Firemen; 16 — Georgetown vs Legion; Station H vs I.G.A.; 18 — Firemen vs Dominion II; 19 — I.G.A. vs Station H; 20 — Georgetown vs Legion; 23 — Firemen vs Dominion II; 25 — Georgetown vs I.G.A.; 26 — Firemen vs Legion; 27 — Station H vs Dominion II.

SEPTEMBER
1 — Legion vs Station H; 2 — Dominion II vs I.G.A.; 3 — Firemen vs Georgetown.

More Returns
Returns are still coming in, and the campaign for funds for the Association for the Mentally Retarded is doing "fairly well" here. Letters were sent out two weeks ago but the fund is not closed yet. Any donations will still be most welcome; they may be left at the Bank of Nova Scotia, with any member of the Acton group or sent to the Sunshine School, Hornby.

concern at the time but going into the bottom of the seventh they were the only two hits he had given up. With one out in the last inning Welch was safe on an error by King, he stole second, went to third on an infield out and scored when Holt singled through short to make it 4-1.

Welch Russell and Holt all singled for Hamilton. Ken Moore led the Campbellville attack with a triple and two singles. Stan Henderson, Earl Cairns and Stu King all doubled and singled and Elmer Dredge and Terry Fetter singled.

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Meanwhile H. Hamilton had been coasting along on the mound for Campbellville. Back to back singles by Welch and Russell in the second had caused a little Chaska.

MOTORCYCLE RACES (SCRAMBLES)

SUNDAY, MAY 31st. — 1.30 P.M.
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- 7:40 a.m. — B. McArthur, Jim Bullough, D. Gibbons, A. Williams
- 7:50 a.m. — J. Casburn, Paul Lawson, H. Townsley, Brian Hill
- 8:00 a.m. — Dr. B. Moore, B. Pendleton, M. Scovine, J. Creighton
- 8:10 a.m. — D. Manes, J. McCutcheon, M. Jordan, Jack Bullough
- 8:20 a.m. — R. Kirkness, Bud Nichols, Jim Bacon, Peter Boon
- 8:30 a.m. — G. Ware, John Hufnagel, D. Wilkie
- 8:40 a.m. — R. Butler, D. Butler, A. Hughes, F. Hughes
- 8:45 a.m. — Jack Blow, C. Psyeha, M. McCristall, Ray Wallis
- 8:55 a.m. — Bert Harris, Al McKenzie, Earl Butler, Steve Goy
- 9:00 a.m. — Bert Hinton, W. Near
- 9:10 a.m. — B. Toth, B. Armstrong, G. Sargent, H. Briggs
- 9:20 a.m. — Rev. A. McKenzie, W. Dubois, T. Tyler, H. Patterson
- 9:30 a.m. — J. McGachie, Terry Slaven, Jack Wood, Bert Wood
- 9:40 a.m. — A. Nolan, J. Krapek, J. Drysdale, J. Zaja
- 9:50 a.m. — R. Anderson, V. Guess
- 10:00 a.m. — W. Taylor, G. Dawkins, J. Pink, R. Zanetti
- 10:10 a.m. — J. Weldon, R. Hateman, R. Weldon, J. Parker
- 10:20 a.m. — Open
- 10:30 a.m. — Open

Anyone's name not on the list who wishes a starting time please contact recreation director Jim Cashburn at 853-0015.

Sports Page



PREBALLER JOHN SALMON hurled the Legion to a victory Wednesday night during the softball opener against Legion's I.G.A. team. Left to right are catcher Ruddy Holmes, fielder Wayne Marshall and moundman John Salmon. John came up with a four-hitter to win the game 13-2.

Oaks Top League Ladder Rally to Edge Villagers

Oakville took over sole possession of first place in the Halton County League on Sunday when they walked into Campbellville and came out with a 7-5 victory.

Dave Hefferman started for Campbellville but was taken out in the second inning as Oakville got to him for three runs off four hits (all doubles) and two walks. He struck out two, Jack Roberts, the eventual loser, went the rest of the distance allowing four runs off four hits. He walked two and struck out ten.

John McKenzie, down from Guelph, started for Oakville and allowed four runs off four hits in five and one third innings. He struck out four, walked six and hit one batter. D. Craig, the winner, finished for Oakville and in three and two thirds innings allowed one run off three hits. He walked two, struck out two and hit one batter.

Bonds and Kane both doubled and singled for Oakville while Lawrence, McKay and Craig all doubled and Drayden singled.

The veteran Stan Henderson led Campbellville attack with a home run and two singles. Don Joyce doubled and singled, Earl Cairns doubled and Ken Moore singled.

Campbellville's next home game will be on Sunday at 2:30 p.m. with Dundas supplying the opposition.

Legionnaires Trim I.G.A. In Town Softball Lid Lifter

Full of the zip that carried them to the Acton Softball Association title last season, the youthful Legion crew hammered out a 13-2 decision over I.G.A. last night (Wednesday) to usher in the 1964 town league season in chilly, teeth-chattering weather.

John Salmon, the youthful finger who pitched Legionnaires to the championship last summer, resumed where he left off by spinning a crackling four hitter for the winners. Meanwhile, his mates unleashed a 16 hit barrage at the expense of Bruce Carrill, who went the nine-inning distance for I.G.A.

Play wasn't nearly as one-sided as the score would indicate. Carrill spaced the 16 binges but his mates threw in eight errors to aid and abet the Legion cause. Legionnaires made only one bobble.

I.G.A. played an unearned run in the first frame, to take the lead, but Legionnaires bounced back with three in the second.

Authority Flies Ensign at Parks
The Credit Valley Conserva-tion Authority took sides on the flag issue last Thursday backing the Royal Canadian Legion in flying the Red Ensign.

Two ensigns were purchased to replace Union Jacks for the Terra Cotta and Belmont parks. Provincial government regulations require the flag be flown all the time the areas are open.

The Ensign is going to be extinct, like the dodo bird, one of the Authority members objected.

Explaining why the flags were bought, Deputy Treasurer G. W. Bentley exhibited an old Union Jack so faded the Cross of St. George showed orange.

Tree Planting Record Set
With 317,000 trees planted this year, the Credit Valley Conservation Authority set a record in reforestation. Reforestation and Wildlife Chairman John A. Carr of Streetsville made the announcement at the monthly meeting in Terra Cotta last Thursday.

The Authority has planted 17 million trees in its first 10 years, he said. He hoped 15 million trees would be planted in the next decade.

Of the record 317,000 trees this year, 3500 were planted on Authority-owned land, Mr. Carr said.

one in the third, two in both the fifth and sixth, three in the eighth and finished up with a pair in the ninth.

I.G.A. got one back in the bottom of the ninth when Bill Shannon slammed a bases-empty home run into left garden. Gary Masales, started it off by piling one on the Legion and the very next batter, Wayne Marshall, duplicated his feat.

Four for Five
Big gun for the Jack Bullough coached winners was first sack er Don Price, who whacked four hits in five trips to the plate, his first a triple. Gary Masales hit

Bill Shannon, Malby, "Rec" Jim Cashburn and Matt each clipped one for I.G.A.

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Legion: Brian McCristall 2b, Gary Masales vs. Wayne Marshall, Danny Arbie 3b, Don Price 1b, Gus Holmes c, Terry Waterhouse lf, Jim Bullough rf, John Salmon p.

I.G.A.: Bill Shannon lf, Dave Manes 2b, Curtis rf, Malby cf in 5th, J. Cashburn vs. Hall, D. Back 3b, Bruce MacArthur c, A. Williams cf, Keith Allen lf, Brian Carrill vs in 5th, Bruce Carrill p.

Umpires: Chuck Shultz, plate; Dave Stamp, base.

LOTRA NAMES
Tommy Pop — what does a backdoor call himself after he's married?
Pop — I'd hate to tell you!

ALL SETTLE
Tommy — Don't say that just yet, here.
Holt — keeper. They all settle and in advance.

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