



Pounding the SPORTS BEAT

TONIGHT OR SATURDAY The Stanley Cup will be in the hands of Montreal Canadiens or Chicago Black Hawks. Judging by Tuesday's key fifth game it will most likely be Les Habs who cart home the silverware. No matter which team wins the final game will signal the end of hockey for another season.

True, there are still the Memorial and Allan Cups up for grabs but interest in both will be confined to the participating cities. The advent of warm spring weather dulls local interest.

One of the cardinal sins of organized hockey is the lengthy season. It intrudes on the entire range of warm weather sports. For the professionals it's simply a case of dollars and cents but there is no excuse for the amateur leagues. Simple horse sense should tell them the season would be much better shortened so it can end in appropriate weather.

Action teams packed up their gear for the season after the Easter week tournaments at which they made their best showing to date. Although they didn't win any championships in most cases it was the team headed for the title which knocked them off by a goal or two. All the evidence points to a big improvement in the calibre of minor league hockey here.

While we're spouting off it might be a good time to hand homages to the men and organizations who kept minor league hockey running here this season. They'll never really know how much they've wrought, keeping the boys busy through the winter, but if parents and citizens went out of their way to thank them and ask them to come back another year. They'll appreciate your interest.

STATISTICS RELEASED by the Halton County Baseball Association for last year's intermediate clubs showed that Campbellville Merchants dominated the batting race in 1964. Seven of the Merchants' eight regulars finished in the top 10.

Right hander Ken Moore of the villagers won the crown with a blistering 421 pace at the plate. He was followed by teammate Earl Cairns and Al Winyroy in that order with averages of .369 and .366 respectively. Next came pro hockeyist Murray Hall of Oakville who compiled a neat .361 figure.

Earl Cairns of the Campbellville club again led the league in homers. He clubbed nine. Teammate Stan Henderson was runner up with seven. No one else was close. The villagers socked half the league total.

Of the Action players in Georgetown's Grand pin stripe the top lumberman was Danny Arbis. In 26 appearances at the plate Danny scored five runs from 11 hits for an average of .423 which is a couple of points above Ken Moore's. However the young Action player played only part of the season and was not eligible for the crown. Jim Lindsay of the Action players with the Giants hammered out six hits in 17 trips for a .358 average.

Campbellville easily led the team total with an all-round batting average of .325. Almost astounding. Next in line came Oakville with .246 which shows the real hitters in the league come from the Nanaagawya village. The total came from 364 hits in 933 at bats which included 39 doubles, 16 triples and 38 home runs, league leaders all the way.

BARRY INSCOE was elated at the response he got in his up-pool for coaches, managers and executive to help form a minor league lacrosse league this season. Several men volunteered and several more significant interest. It's possible the projected league could expand beyond the four teams anticipated.

A registration for players from age seven up will be held in the community centre a week from this Saturday from 9 to 12 a.m. All boys are welcome to register.

The Action organization has been invited to participate in a box lacrosse league composed of Kitchener, Guelph, Terra and Owen Sound but indications are they will have enough to handle here this season.

Incidentally, if you've got a lacrosse stick at home which you aren't using, the new minor league could sure use it. Barry Inscoe will pick it up if you phone him at 853-1524.

BEAT BITS Industrial hockey league players interested in staging a banquet are urged to contact either president Ed Phillips at home or Dick Willie at the Bank of Montreal by May 10. Tentative date for the banquet is set for May 22. A fee of \$100 will be exacted to defray expenses, an item which left the league holding the bag last season.

Elora Rocks, unless through the schedule showed playing in a tough league can be rewarding when you enter the playoffs. The Rocks won the W.O.A.A. but C crown by defeating Midway in the finals. They defeated Cheltenham and Elmville before meeting the Merchants in the finals. Allan Hall and Paul Muir, Action runners with the Guelph Legion Track Club, ran in the "Lucky Stewart" Memorial 2 1/2 mile Junior Road Race at Hamilton Saturday. Neither placed but the coach was pleased with their performance.

Georgetown's two O.M.H.A. titlists, the Midgerts and Pee Wees, almost popped the buttons on town hockey fans but it gave special pleasure to the Ingles brothers, Blake and Gerry. Blake coached the Pee Wees, Gerry the Midgerts. Milton Midgerts, meanwhile, lost in the B finals to Huntsville. Rouyn Citadels defeated Toronto Marlboros 5-4 in the final game to take the All-Ontario Juvenile A title Sunday in Guelph.

A document, officially calling itself a golf challenge, but looking more like the Magna Carta appeared out of the Beardmore office last week, signed by Murray Scovine and Bob MacArthur of this family journal. At stake — four dinners. Losers pay. Like other duffers in the area they're watching the grass to green up with anticipation. Both sides are convinced it'll be the other pair that pays.

Mohawk opened Monday with district standard bred fans rejoicing. It saved them a trip to Greenwood.

Don McMillan revealed he and "Red" Holmes of Milton have a horse at Mohawk. He's not passing out any slips, however. Legion minor hockey banquet this Saturday after noon.

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Recreation director Harris Roe is looking for someone with swimming experience and possibly some knowledge of lifesaving to help with the summer program for children.

Pond Quiet

Frogs have begun to sing their spring song in shallow waters in the countryside, and have been heard south of town. However, the banks of Fairy Lake are still unseasonably quiet. The ice has turned to slush and begun to break up Tuesday.

Opening Day Sat.

Spring is officially ushered in on March 21st but you'd have trouble convincing a fisherman that the date is anything other than May 1st.

Saturday, the day when anglers get the green light to go ahead and fish for trout in their hearts' content, providing of course they follow the rules and regulations.

It's also about the time of year nature dons its green mantle, making it pleasant to be outdoors.

In spite of the long dreary months behind, there'll be a glint in the eye of district fishermen as they head for their favorite ponds. Many, because of the late spring and high water, may have trouble locating their preferred places. They'll have to settle for something else.

Few specimens of piscatorial splendour are pulled from the swift running creeks in this district opening day. Trout, like the rest of us, will have also suffered through the hard winter. Unlike us, however, they'll be lean and hard. We are more apt to be soft and fat.

There'll be two types of fisherman after the brownies. The speckled and brookies. One will be the worm dunker who's not afraid to disturb the equanimity of a quiet pool with the keelup of a dewie threaded on a hook. The other will be the purist who prefers faces and lures to the messy business of hooking worms. His quiet cast seems to be very much in tune with the awakened wilderness.

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Mohawk Starts Third Season 4,000 Welcome Pacers Back

Nearly 4,000 fans turned out in dull damp weather to welcome harness racing back to Mohawk Racetrack on Monday evening. The popular Campbellville area track will highlight 21x stakes races and several innovations during its eighth spring meeting which opened Monday and will end May 29.

Approximately 3,600 bettors wagered more than \$188,000 during the opening night of action.

Mohawk provides the most unusual setting of the Ontario Jockey Club's three racing tracks, nestled against a background of pine and maple trees in the countryside just north of Campbellville. Several improvements were made in time for the opening of Mohawk's third season, including the installation of tele-timers which incidentally failed for the opening race. The tele-timers are designed to instantly record racing times at quarter mile intervals on the five-eighths of a mile oval.

Some of the most highly regarded outfits in the harness racing business will be competing during the spring meet, including Bill and Jack Herbert from London, Harold and Bill Wellwood of Stratford, Bob Silliphant from Brampton, Bert Madell from Leamington and Jimmy (Red) Holmes from Milton.

The beautiful Campbellville track was constructed three years ago at an approximate cost of \$1,000,000 and opened for the first time in May, 1963.

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Curling Meeting

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Check Our Handbill For BARGAINS RED & WHITE



TWO TIME WINNERS, Dog Bones, copped two trophies in place of one when they won the Beardmore bowling league play and finals. Front left to right are Ben Bayless, captain Jim Bullock and Eddie Hubbell. Back row left to right are Bob Snyder, Mike Churchill, Jake Van der Kooy and Ardie White. The team won the Anglo-Canadian trophy for league play and the Beardmore trophy for champions.

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"B" Company Top Kegglers In Firefighters Tourney

April 25 "B" Company finally dethroned the perennial champions, "C" Company, in the Action Firefighters' Association annual 1000 pin tournament. Champions for the last four years, "C" Company were quoted favorites by "B" Company: 1, 1043; 2, 1106; 3, 876; total 3025.

"C" Company: 1, 971; 2, 971; 3, 971; total 2913.

"B" Company headed up by Bill Knight 235, Bert Fowler 224 and Earl Spiechogel 228, went into an early lead with a pinfall of 1013 as against "C" Company's 971 and "A" Company's 865. A 1100 increased their lead in the second game with Bill Knight 222, John Krapek 240, Wayne Kelly 219 and the peerless leader, Mick Holmes 242. "C" Company with 971 and "A" Company with 940 still trailed.

Came the third and last game and disaster almost blew "B" Company's chances. Good hits for "B" Company were like the Scarlet Pimpernel— elusive—and kept going on. "A" Company, paced by Don Van Heet 267, John Turkosy 250 and Leo Symott 231 racked up the best score of the day 1124 but it left them 104 pins short. The erstwhile champions, "C" Company, who had bowled steadily, but still seeking the big ones, turned in a 985 effort and it gave them a tie with "A" Company.

So there it is—winners and new champions, "C" Company—and congratulations are in order to Bill Knight, Norm Price, Ken Hodgson, Jack Pook, John Krapek, Bert Fowler, Bill Spiechogel, Wayne Kelly and Mick Holmes. To the dethroned champions, "C" Company, a word of condolence—you were worthy champions, your four year reign proved that, and to "A" Company, your refusal to quit under fire and finishing up with the best score of the day, lives up to the best traditions of the A.F.F.A.

For individual honors, it was John Turkosy for high triple with 680 and Don Van Heet, high single with 267.

Team Scores
"A" Company 1, 865, 2, 940, 3, 1124, total 2929.
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10 New Teams Enter Halton Minor Loops

Approximately 48 teams including entries from Terra, Bramalea, and Elm Dale will compete in the rapidly expanding Halton Minor League set up this season. The 48 teams, about 10 more than last year, will start play near the end of May and league officials are hoping for a banner season.

One of the major changes effected at a recent meeting was the raising of entry fees for all minor teams from \$10 annually to \$15 annually. Members of the executive state that increased operating costs necessitate the change.

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