



BOB SHAW

Rockwood slab duo stingy with runs

It's been over two weeks since Rockwood Senior pitchers John Salmon and Bob Shaw have given up a run in Intercounty or OASA playoff action and if the two hard-throwing righthanders continue their mastery of opposing batters, Rockwood could end up with its second straight Intercounty championship and an OASA Intermediate "C" title to boot.

Between the two of them, Salmon and Shaw have recorded four consecutive shutouts, as Rockwood knocked off Fergus Merchants 9-0 and 8-0 in the first round of the Intercounty playoffs and advanced to the OASA Intermediate "C" semi-finals with 4-0 and 5-0 decisions over Bay Ridges.

Rockwood have now sidelined three teams in OASA play. They start their next series tonight (Wednesday) in Napanee. Second game of the series is slated for Rockwood park, Saturday night at 8:30. Meanwhile, Hespeler will visit Rockwood tomorrow (Thursday) night for the first game of the Intercounty semi-finals.

August last time Binbrook scored both their runs in the seventh inning, as they

of two baggers by Dan Arbie and a leadoff home run by centre fielder Mike Kelly. Russ Spicer was tagged with the loss.

Shaw mowed down 20 Bay Ridges batters and was touched for only four hits in Rockwood's 4-0 opening game victory, last Wednesday night. Bay Ridges pitcher Upshaw chalked up 10 strikeouts.

Rockwood scored once in the first, when Vic Williams doubled, moved to third on a ground out and scored on Jim Thatcher's sacrifice fly. They added another pair in the fourth on Dan Arbie's single, Arlon Popkey's sacrifice, a double by Chick Milne and a single by Ted Buczek. In the ninth Popkey was safe on an error, stole second and third, then scored an insurance run on a ground out.

Mike Kelly made the defensive play of the game, when he prevented a sure triple and possible homer with a great running catch in the bottom of the ninth.

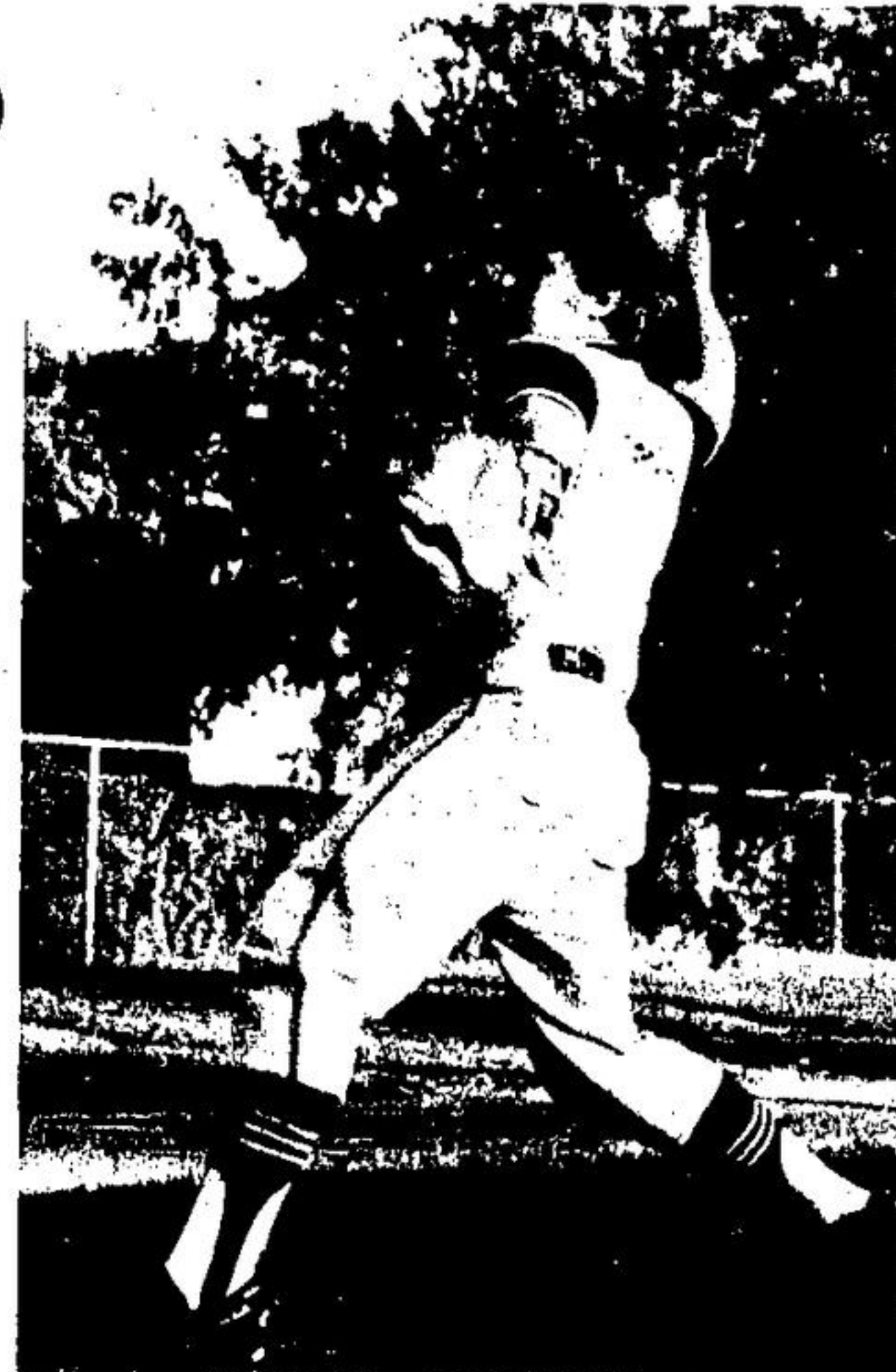
Bay Ridges failed to advance a runner past second base in Monday night's second game, a 5-0 win for Rockwood. Salmon allowed only two base hits and fanned 11.

Rockwood broke a scoreless tie with two runs in the fourth. Dan Arbie singled, reached third when Arlon Popkey was safe on an error and scored on Chick Milne's sacrifice fly. Ted Buczek then doubled Popkey home.

In the fifth, Thatcher followed Vic Williams' double with a home run to make the score 4-0. Salmon singled to drive home Popkey with the final Rockwood in the sixth. Popkey had singled and moved to second on a passed ball.

Winner of the Rockwood-Napanee series meets either Merlin or Elmvalle and the survivor of that series advances to the all-Ontario final against either Capreol or a representative of the Northern Ontario Softball Association.

Glen Williams and Norval are squaring off in the other Intercounty league semi-final.



JOHN SALMON

Bantams near lacrosse title

Acton Bantams will carry a four goal lead into the second game of the Oakville house league lacrosse finals this Saturday, as a result of their 9-5 win Monday night. The series is two games total goals. Saturday's game is scheduled for

Kinoak Arena in Oakville at 12 noon. Mike Luty scored three goals and assisted on a fourth to pace the Acton win Monday. Wayne Allan potted a pair of goals, while singles went to Ron Turkosz, John Hansen, Russ Van Fleet and Kent Kenner.

Oakville ousts boxla peewees

Although they chalked up a 3-2 win in the second game, Acton peewees were eliminated from the Oakville house league lacrosse playoffs 7-6 in a total goals series. Oakville won the opening game, 5-3.

Danny Webster, Rick Van Fleet and Scott Withers scored for Acton in the first game. Mike Rippon picked up an assist. Van Fleet paced the Acton attack in the second game with a pair of goals.

Dunker is back

The dunking machine, a popular Fall Fair attraction returns to this year's fair after a one year absence.

Acton Junior Hockey Club will operate the machine

Kentner, who also earned three assists, drew praise from coach John Goy Jr. for his fine defensive work. "It's the best game I've ever seen him play," coach Goy commented. Turkosz, Van Fleet and John Pink also picked up assists.

Acton reached the finals by dumping another Oakville squad 20-8 in the semi-final total goals series.

Luty fired five goals in the opening game, a 9-3 win for Acton. John Hansen netted two goals and Robin Incoe and Wayne Allan and goalie John McCutcheon had one apiece.

Acton scored an 11-5 win in the second game, as Turkosz led the way with four goals. Luty notched three, Van Fleet two and Pink and Allan one apiece. Four of the Acton goals came in the final minute of play.

Barber shop bats silent Hespeler sweeps series

Pete's Barber Shop tripled their hit production in the second game of their Intercounty Fastball playoff series in Hespeler Friday night, but the three safeties they picked up hardly ruffled Hespeler hurler Bob Anderson, who struck out 14 and helped his own cause with a double and a home run to lead Hespeler to a 5-2 win and a two game sweep of the quarter-final series. Barbers collected only one hit off Jake Neu in dropping the opening game 3-1.

Toeing the slab for the second game in a row, Ed Phillips pitched steady ball for Acton for all but one inning, the fifth when Hespeler scored three runs. Phillips gave up eight hits, struck out seven and walked four. His teammates committed three

errors, only one of which figured in the scoring.

Drops strike Barbers scored both their runs in the fourth, after Harry Phillips struck out, but reached first,

when Hespeler catcher Padwell dropped the third strike. Fred Buchanan then doubled to score Phillips. Buchanan moved to third and scored on John Dunn's sacrifice fly.

Phil Marzo's second inning single and a fourth inning single by Ed Phillips were the only other Acton base hits. Anderson shut the locals out on no hits over the final five innings.

Hespeler hitters For Hespeler, Anderson doubled and homered, Brown tripled, Haggarty doubled and Donohue, Hardman, Craig and Posin all singled.

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Acton: Ed Phillips p, Harry Phillips cf, Fred Buchanan c, John Dunn lb, Jim Bullough 3b, Phil Marzo ss, Ed Smith lf, Grant Usher rf, Bob Andres 2b.

GEORGETOWN has a new clerk-administrator Douglas Pritchard, formerly of Niagara-on-the-Lake, with a salary of \$14,400.

Expect new entries in O.L.A. junior

Possibility of additional entries in the Ontario Lacrosse Association Junior "C" category next season is good, according to convenor Al Baxter.

Baxter told the Free Press two new entries are expected from Eastern Ontario and that Wallaceburg, Chatham, Brantford and Stouffville have all indicated an interest in entering a team.

Just four

Besides the O.L.A. champion Acton Rams, only Brockville, Midland and Windsor were in the "C" classification this year. Windsor dropped out of competition just before the playoffs began, reportedly because of a squabble with the O.L.A. over where they would play their home playoff games.

John Collerton wins junior championship

A hot round of 39 on the back nine allowed John Collerton to overcome Bill Stansl and capture the Acton Meadows Junior championship Sunday afternoon. Collerton trailed by a stroke 42-43, at the end of nine holes, but recorded four pars and a birdie the second time around. Collerton finished with 82, while Stansl was two strokes back at 84. Bruce

Nevin placed third with 85 (45-40).

Youngest player in the field of 15, 10 year old Bruce McPhail came in with a respectable score of 104 (52-52).

Also entered were, Gord Williams 94, Terry Slaven Jr. 95,

Frank Houston 96, Scott Somerville 103, Ron Loutlet 106, Ted Muehbach 110 and David Drinkwater 122. Steve Van Fleet, Jamie Ellerby and Glen McKenzie did not turn in a card.

Collerton succeeds George McPhail as club junior champ.

Corunna ousts Campbellville

Campbellville bowed out of O.B.A. competition Sunday afternoon when they dropped an exciting 10-9 decision to Corunna in Corunna.

Campbellville dropped the first game of the O.B.A. Intermediate B semi-finals to Corunna by a score of 4-2 in Campbellville Saturday afternoon. Campbellville showed the effect of a two week lay-off

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Novices bow to Oakville

Acton novices absorbed a 10-4 shellacking last week in the second game of their minor lacrosse playoff series with Oakville and dropped the total goals series 14-8. First game ended in a 4-4 tie.

Shane Withers bagged two goals and Bruce McPhail and Randy Van Fleet added singles in last week's game. Van Fleet and Pete Turkosz picked up assists. In the first game McPhail scored twice for the locals, while Van Fleet and Withers notched one apiece. McPhail, Van Fleet, Turkosz and goalie Rick Gibson earned assists.

Bengals tough

Hamilton Bengals, who were only good enough to finish sixth in the regular Western O.L.A. Junior "B" season, won the group playoffs by upsetting Brampton Excelsiors, Niagara Warriors and Mississauga PCO's, the league's three top teams.

Bengals were finally sidelined in the provincial semi-finals by Rexdale, pennant winners in the Central O.L.A. loop.

Acton Rams handed Hamilton a 15-12 defeat here and lost only 12-6 in Tiger-town, during the regular schedule.

Burlington has OWNA champ

Bill Dunn of the Burlington Post carded an 81 to win the annual Ontario Weekly Newspapers Association golf tournament at Aurora Highlands last week. Last year's winner Bob Schier of the Goderich Signal-Star placed third with an 83.

Staff members of the Aurora Banner were hosts for the event, which included a roast beef dinner and social get-together. Representatives of the Fort Erie Times-Review volunteered to stage next year's tournament.

Advertising manager Don Ryder and sports editor Denis Gibbons represented the Free Press.

Notes and Quotes

from the world of sport

by Denis Gibbons



Acton Council has promised that Acton Rams' O.L.A. Junior "C" championship will be recognized and we're sure ways and means of doing same are being discussed at committee meetings, even though no mention was made of it at last night's public meeting.

But just in case council may need some ideas or perchance a member or two may think the team's accomplishment does not warrant a reward, we offer the following examples of what has been done in the past under similar circumstances.

Checking back into the Free Press files, we discovered that Acton's two previous provincial sports championship teams were well looked after.

In May of 1939, Acton Council recognized the achievement of the hockey Tanners in winning the O.H.A. Intermediate "B" title by passing a motion that the team be given a grant to secure windbreakers. Further, at a public meeting, citizens organized a civic banquet and dance to honor the team. "No solicitation for funds was made," says the Free Press of May 4, 1939. "Individuals and firms who desired could share in whatever amount or plan they deemed advisable."

Following their 1947 O.B.A. Intermediate "C" championship, the baseball Tanners were presented with bench coats at a dance, which was organized to raise funds to further honor the team.

As recently as last April, Milton Council honored that town's O.M.B.A. Bantam "A" champions with individual trophies and Georgetown midgets received personal gifts from Georgetown Council, after winning the "B" championship at a tournament in Drummondville P.Q. in February.

A provincial sports championship doesn't come to a town every day and isn't something that's going to have to be budgeted for annually by council. When it does come, it shouldn't go unrecognized, especially by the town fathers, the elected representatives of the people.

We point out action taken by previous councils in the hope that it may provide some guidelines for our present council, not for the purpose of saying "This is what they've done, you must do better."

The important thing is that the Rams are honored in some way. We're certain most members of council share this feeling.

Tennant sparks midget victory

Acton Thompson Fuels midgets closed out their minor baseball season Monday night whipping Georgetown 11-3 in the replay of a protested game. Acton won the original best of five series in straight games, but Georgetown successfully protested one of the games.

four insurance runs in the sixth, when shortstop Riny Schuts walloped a home run.

Righthander Chris Tennant hurled a four hitter, struck out 10 Georgetown batters and lined out two singles and a triple in three at bats to earn star of the game honors for Acton.

Glen McKenzie and Riny Schuts both singled and homered for the locals.

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