

# Rockwood talks turkey in rematch with Merlin

A Northern Ontario Thanksgiving Day dinner and a crack at the all-Ontario Intermediate "C" softball championship await Rockwood Seniors, as they prepare for the second game of the southern OASA Intermediate "C" finals in Rockwood, tonight (Wednesday).

Rockwood shut out Merlin, the defending OASA champs 2-0 in Merlin Saturday night in the opening game of the best of three southern Ontario finals. A win tonight (Wednesday) would give the villagers the southern Ontario championship and earn them a trip to the north Thanksgiving weekend, to play either Capreol or a representative of the

Northern Ontario Fastball Association for the all-Ontario title.

### Pitchers duel

John Salmon and Merlin pitcher Frank Guy hooked up in a tight pitchers duel Saturday night. The game was scoreless until the eighth inning, when Rockwood tallied a pair of unearned runs.

With two out, Salmon was safe on an error by Merlin third baseman Tarnham and went to third on Mike Kelley's single. Kelley took second on the throw from the outfield. Vic Williams knocked in one run with an infield single and Dan Arbie followed with a single to score Kelley with the second run. Up until the eighth, singles by Kelley, Arlon Popkey and Harry Barber were the only Rockwood base hits. All came with two out.

twice. He struck out two batters with Merlin runners at second and third in the fourth. Merlin had the bases loaded with none out on in the fifth, but Salmon struck out Slade and Ford lined into a double play to end the inning.

A crowd of about 500, including two busloads of fans from Rockwood watched the game. Merlin ousted Rockwood in two straight games in last year's playoffs.

Tonight's game starts at 8:30

Fans 15

Salmon gave up just four hits, fanned 15 and was in trouble only

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## Rockwood, Norval to meet again for intercounty crown

Rockwood Seniors and Norval Mets will clash again in the best of seven Intercounty Fastball league finals, a rematch of last year's exciting series, which Rockwood won in seven games. The series opened last night (Tuesday) and will continue in Rockwood (Thursday) night at 8:30.

Rockwood second place finishers in the eight team league, shunted Hespeler to the sidelines, chalking up a 3-1 win in the fourth game of the best of five semi-final series Sunday night. Rockwood won the set three games to one. Meanwhile, the pennant-winning Mets, who trailed two games to none at one stage bounced back to eliminate Glen Williams in seven games. Norval won the deciding game 6-2 Sunday night.

Bob Shaw was a one man

wrecking crew for Rockwood in Sunday night's game. The husky righthander struck out 14 batters and drove in all three runs with a second inning homer. Hespeler's only run came in the eighth inning.

Most exciting game of the series was Thursday night's third contest. Rockwood tied the score with four runs in the bottom of the ninth and won the game 6-5 with a single tally in the 11th. A two run single by Bob Shaw tied the game up.

In the eleventh Gord Burnett led off with a double, advanced to third on Shaw's sacrifice and scored on a single by Walt Jeffries.

Rockwood won the opening game of the series 4-3 and Hespeler prevailed in the second by the same score.

## Notes and Quotes

from the world of sport

By Denis Gibbons



Rockwood Seniors seem to be taking turns subduing opponents with strong pitching one game and hot bats, the other, as they continue along the trail they hope will take them to both the Intercounty Fastball league and OASA Intermediate "C" championships.

Of the 12 Intercounty and OASA playoff games they've played during the month of September, the villagers have won 10, scored 73 runs and allowed only 20. Both losses were by a single run.

Even before the Napanee series, in which Rockwood banged out 38 hits in three games, three regulars Vic Williams, Harry Barber and Jim Thatcher and part-timer John Thatcher were sporting lusty batting averages. Williams led the team with .414, Barber was second with .333, but first in base hits with 63, and Jim Thatcher was third with .309. Although he had been used sparingly, young John Thatcher had collected 18 hits in 53 trips to the plate for an enviable .348 average.

The overall Rockwood team average was .275, a figure that most major league clubs would be ready any time to barter for. The team had hammered 24 home runs, a new record, including five by Dan Arbie and four by Jim Thatcher.

Whenever the hitters have bogged down, which hasn't been often, John Salmon and Bob Shaw have silenced enemy bats with an assortment of blazing fastballs and hard to hit curves and risers. Up to and including Sunday night's 3-1 win over Hespeler, each had accounted for 22 of the 44 Rockwood wins in regular season and playoff action and its a clinch their earned run averages are both well below the 2.00 per game mark.

Softball fans, who haven't seen the villagers in action, can do so to-night (Wednesday), when they host Merlin in an OASA playoff game and tomorrow (Thursday) when they take on Norval in the second game of the Intercounty league finals. Both games start at 8:30.

Milton Lions bantams eliminated Essex to win the O.B.A. Bantam "B" baseball championship last week. Many of the players were also on this year's Milton Legionnaires' O.M.H.A. Bantam "A" hockey championship team. This week Milton Tykes brought the county town its second O.B.A. title.

Fergus juniors will have Paul Cook as coach in their first season of O.H.A. Junior "D" play. Cook, high school teacher in Fergus has been manager of Fergus juveniles for the past two seasons. The Fergus team will play in a new six team league, which includes Acton Sabres.

## Orangeville Raceway

- FIRST RACE—1 mile Pace \$200**
- 1 ROD RON ROBIN—Bill Troy
  - 2 IZZY CAPER—Earl Rowe
  - 3 ABIGAIL HERBERT—R. Given
  - 4 Miss James Mac—T. Pierce
  - 5 Jeanie Caper—L. Wilson
  - 6 Tracy Ann Direct—C. Young
  - 7 Pace N Space—D. Heath
  - 8 Jan's Pepper Pot—M. Schaefer
- SECOND RACE—1 mile Trot \$250**
- 1 BELWOOD BOY—M. Corbett
  - 2 LAVENDER JOHN—B. Morrow
  - 3 SALLY B. BARNES—G. Galbraith
  - 4 Lady Karen—N. Cochrane
  - 5 Deke Worby—L. Tolhurst
  - 6 Miss Todd Riddell—J. Somerville
  - 7 Nat Frost—C. Archdekin
  - 8 Speedier Sighner—R. Bovald
- THIRD RACE—1 mile Pace \$250**
- 1 CAPTAIN BUD—C. Lockhart
  - 2 DUSTY SPENCER—R. Neale
  - 3 BOSWORTH—G. McQueen
  - 4 Scotia Wha He—Bill Fogel
  - 5 Barbara Ann Direct—Bill Troy
  - 6 Crispy Lee—G. Anderson
  - 7 Lady Florence—L. Wilson
  - 8 Beyond Belief—W. Mayrock
- FOURTH RACE—1 mile Pace \$250**
- Quisella
- 1 SHADYHILL BARB—N. White
  - 2 SIDNEY MAC—Bill Carroll
  - 3 ARMBRO JAUNTY—Bill Troy
  - 4 Onlooker—C. Crow
  - 5 Alpine Lady—C. Lawson
  - 6 Caleb's Girl—M. Schaefer
  - 7 Desmond Dares—C. Lockhart
  - 8 Corky Herbert—L. Siple
- FIFTH RACE**
- 1 ABBIE—Bill Carroll
  - 2 CAPER'S DREAM—W. Jones
  - 3 BEVERLY GRATTAN—C. Lawson
  - 4 Giggle Water—Bill Troy
  - 5 Valid Dean—L. Tolhurst
  - 6 I Command—W. Stead
  - 7 Mighty Spare—M. Jorgenson
  - 8 Max Wynwood—K. Ellis
- SIXTH RACE—1 mile Pace \$500**
- 1 KAWARTHA BABE—N. White
  - 2 MAGGIE'S COMET—L. Tolhurst
  - 3 ADIOS JULIA—Bill Troy
  - 4 Vicki's Kid—G. Crowe
  - 5 Miss Battle Rose—B. Cummings
  - 6 A. J. McGregor—W. Stead
  - 7 Tony Battles—Bill Meagans
  - 8 Star Smoke—J. Fox
- SEVENTH RACE—1 mile Pace \$900**
- Quisella
- 1 HIE BATTLES—C. He
  - 2 GALLANT HOF—G. Galbraith
  - 3 JIMMY BING—G. LaRush
  - 2 Widow's Joe—G. Sheldon
  - 4 Kewartha Bell—N. Cochrane
  - 3 Micky Fly—G. Galbraith
  - 8 Sir Marvin—J. Fox
- EIGHTH RACE—1 mile Trot \$1,000**
- 1 TASMEN N—C. Archdekin
  - 2 JUBILEE FROST—Bill Carroll
  - 3 LUTTA BOMB—Bill Troy
  - 1 Dillon Song—R. McLean
  - 3 Beau Winter—J. Bowerth
  - 4 Protector Don Ledo—N. White
  - 5 Drew Hanover—Bill Sirtun
  - 8 Leland Prince—C. He
- NINTH RACE—1 mile Pace \$1,200**
- 3 JOHNNY BING—G. LaRush
  - 4 JAY QUICK—Bill Troy
  - 3 CASH DOMINION—L. Tolhurst
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- TENTH RACE—1 mile Trot \$250**
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  - 5 BERNIE'S LUCKY BOY—Bill Meagans
  - 1 Freight Master—K. Ellis
  - 2 Randomwood—M. scanner
  - 4 Sharp Clark—G. Crowe
  - 5 Kawartha Bell—N. Cochrane
  - 8 Johnny's Choice—A. Lefebvre

## Meet to decide Tanners' future

Acton Tanners' executive will meet next week to decide whether or not the team will operate in O.H.A. Intermediate "B" play this season.

Tanner president Jack Marshall told the Free Press this week unless the O.H.A. has any last minute entries, Acton and Cheltenham will be the only two teams left from the six that formed the Central O.H.A. league last year. Lucan and Durham have been elevated to Intermediate "A" and Fergus

and Elmira have suspended operations for this season at least.

Need intermediates  
"If this is the case, I would think there'd be no point in us operating this year," he said. "If there's no suitable group, we might hang it up for a year. I feel we should have an intermediate team though, to give our juniors a place to play later on," he added. Marshall said a decision on whether the team might enter a rural league for this season would be left up to the executive. There has been some speculation Tanners might join the COHL with Orangeville, Erin, Hillsburgh, Shelburne and Grand Valley. The league is not affiliated with the O.H.A.

## Marzo's goal nips Knights

Acton's Pete Marzo scored the winning goal, as Guelph CMC's of the Southern Ontario Hockey Association league edged London Knights of the O.H.A. Junior "A" Major league 3-2 in Guelph Friday night.

Marzo is playing on a line with Dave Reid and Doug Riseborough, a Tri-County all-star with Guelph Optimists midgets last year.

## Try snowmobiles in park areas

Snowmobiling will be permitted on a trial basis, without charge, along designated trails in the Meadowvale, Hillsburg and Orangeville Conservation Areas this winter, members of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority decided at their September 22 meeting.

Authority staff will work in close liaison with the Orangeville Snowmobile Club in trail layout, policing and signing in the Orangeville Reservoir. Open areas will be marked in Meadowvale and at the Hillsburg Farm.

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NELLIS Construction were eliminated in the finals of the Acton Minor Baseball Association T-ball league. Team members are front row l. to r., Murray McNabb, Kevin Bousfield, Jack Evans, Mike Ashley, Steve Evans. Second row l. to r., coach Bruce McArthur, Nick Lawlor, Gord McArthur, John Evans, Ron Bousfield, Murray Dalton, manager Don Ford. —(Staff photo)

## Start make ice Fri. October 15

Ice making machinery in Acton arena will be started up October 15 or later, depending on how well the weatherman co-operates. Arena manager Harold Townsley said this week, if the weather is cool enough at that time, he could have a sheet of ice ready in three days. However, a warm spell could delay the start of ice making, because of the lack of insulation in the building. Saturday night is the last night for roller skating this season.

## Three teams of Y boys

Three basketball teams are being organized at the Y this year. Last year there was one. Organizer Roy Wood says it hasn't been decided for sure what nights the games will be played. He is very pleased with the kids' response and is looking forward to a busy winter.

## 60 swim

There were 60 boys and girls on the bus for Guelph last Friday evening, for swimming lessons. The program is expected to be very successful this fall and winter.

Only Y program which didn't get enough registration is ladies' slim and trim. Just four signed up.

## Hespeler hurlers red-hot in softball tournament action

Hespeler downed Milton Legionnaires 7-1 here Saturday night to win first place money in the Pete's Barber Shop softball tournament.

Hespeler earned a first round bye, when Mississauga failed to show and blanked Hornby 2-0 in the semi-finals. Milton reached the final game by nipping Van

Dorf 6-5, after they missed their first round game, because of the last minute withdrawal of the Sandhill team.

In the first round action, Van Dorf shut out Aberfoyle 2-0 on a two hitter by Norm Roberts, who Acton fans will remember from the 1963 Acton-Aurora OASA Intermediate "B" series.

Roberts fanned 13 in the seven inning game. Bob Sheppard, who helped Station Hotel to three Acton Industrial league titles, played first base for Van Dorf. Hornby trained Brampton 7-1 in the other first round contest.

Bob Eccles tossed a one hitter and struck out eight, as Hespeler ousted Hornby in the semi-finals.

One hitter  
A sixth inning single by Warren McEay was all Milton Legionnaires could muster off Hespeler righthander Jake Neu in the championship game. Neu chucked up 19 strikeouts in recording the win and also stroked three singles in four at bats.

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