

Notes and Quotes

from the world of sport

by Denis Gibbons

Harness racing fans can look forward to a meet in more suitable weather at Mohawk Raceway, if Monday's plebiscite on Sunday racing in Nassagaweya township is carried.

Ontario Jockey Club president John J. Mooney has said he hopes Mohawk will be granted three meets a year, one of which would be during the favorable summer weather.

Sulky followers in the Acton area have long complained the Raceway gates are seldom open when the frost's not in the ground. Presently only two meets, one beginning in April and the other in late October are held there. Preference on racing dates goes to the Jockey Club's other standardbred tracks Garden City and Greenwood.

The same fans who are supporting the introduction of Sunday night racing at Mohawk would like to have the assurance at least part of the Jockey Club's increased revenue would be passed along to them in the form of further betting privileges. Mr. Mooney, however has announced the present mutuels system is not likely to change.

Some harness tracks, Windsor Raceway notably, have increased their popularity by establishing bonus wagers like quadactor on certain races.

Keep those chins up Sabre fans. It may be small consolation after the club has gained only three points in six starts, but five of the six games have been against the three clubs down tied for the league lead, Fergus, Bradford and Alliston. Sabres could still logically be called favorites to tame Schomberg Cougars in their next game here Friday night. Schomberg has won only once in eight tries.

Sabres could have easily won any of the three games they've tied. The talent is there at least in the same degree as the Stayner, Schomberg and Shelburne clubs. The goals will come and there's no reason to panic yet, which is causing a lot of fans to wonder why some players are blowing their tops at referees, others are driving shots over the boards following opposition goals and still others are flinging broken sticks into the stands. Senseless acts like these will lead faithful followers to abandon their support a lot more quickly than just a few losses.

Equally senseless is the frequency of high-sticking and cross-checking infractions in the junior loop. Sabres played Sunday, without Pete Morrison and George McPhail and almost lost Ted Harmer when he was cracked over the head with a stick by a Bradford defenceman. The helmet he was wearing was all that saved the Sabre captain from serious injury.

Ken Hearn and Carl Timbers have suffered through many lean years as coach and manager of the Lions juveniles, but their dedication to the cause has always been remarkable. This year it looks like they may at last have a winner. Lions have lost only one of their first five games and held the opposition to an average of less than two goals a game. Even more amazing is the attendance record of juvenile players. Since the junior Sabres started play last year, Lions have seldom had less than the full complement of 16 players dressed for games. Many predicted formation of a junior club would be a fatal blow to juvenile hockey in town.

Legion Minor Sports officials are attempting to make arrangements to have the famous Flying Fathers team of priests play an exhibition game here in February to kick off their annual pee-wee house league tournament. Alan Hall has been named chairman of the tournament again this year.

Orangeville Raceway

- FIRST RACE—Trot—\$450**
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 3 JIMMY VAN—J. Moor
 4 HILKA—H. Harper
 5 Betty the Great—C. Stevens
 6 Guffin Wynwood—K. Ellis
 7 Hy Tension Hames—
 8 Sherry's Gal—D. Meyers
 AE Happy Moon—J. Wray
- SECOND RACE—pace—\$450**
 6 KEITH'S ATTORNEY—G. Crowe
 7 LOCHINVAR JIMIE—Holmes
 8 MA. CARROLL—M. Pollard
 1 Bombay Lil—T. Oenema
 2 My Son John—W. Milligan
 3 D. W. Yates—H. Purdie
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ROBERT LITTLE school boys' volleyball team were "B" group champions in the recent North Halton tournament. Team members are front row l. to r., Scott Oakley, Marvin McNabb, Tom Haverty, Paul Bowen, Dan Webster. Standing l. to r. are, principal Garnet McKenzie, Rick Van Fleet, Arnold Gordon, Brian Larsen, Robin Speaker, Matt Spehar and coach Rick Coe. (Photo by D. Gibbons)

Robert Little wins volleyball title

Robert Little school boys' volleyball team captured the "B" division championship at a recent tournament for North Halton schools. Robert Little defeated Burlington Fairview two games to one, winning the finale by a score of 18-16. Robert Little placed third in the overall tournament standings, which included "A" division schools. The Acton school had a record of six wins and four losses. In a playoff for second place in the initial round robin tournament, Robert Little lost by only two points 15-13 to Stewarttown Senior school of the "A" division. This is the best showing a Robert Little volleyball team has ever made in North Halton competition. Teacher Rick Coe coached the team.

Industrial league

Bell barricades goal Unknowns win first

Derek Bell recorded the first shutout in modern day "bush league" history Sunday night, as Unknowns blanked Lakeview Centre 8-0 for their first win of the year. Blow Press replaced Lakeview as league leaders, trimming Heller's 8-5 and Nielsen's Clothing wiped out a 4-0 Ken's Auto Service lead to gain a 4-4 tie in other games.

Score early Unknowns got the only goal they needed, when Denis Gibbons scored after only a minute and 45 seconds of play. Gibbons scored twice more, as did Eric Stone. Single goals went to Cecil Stuckless, John Kavanaugh and Russ Masales. Bell's play in the Unknowns' net was superb. He robbed

Peewees bow to New Hamburg

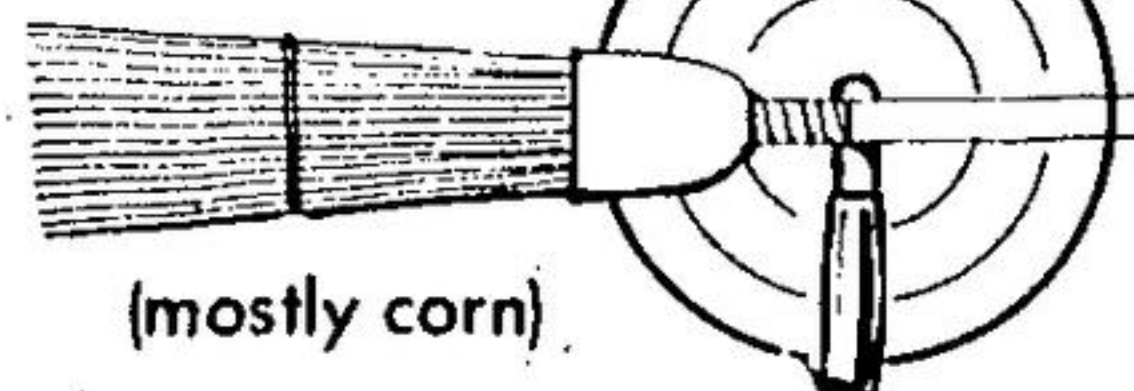
Acton Y's Men's pee wees bowed 5-2 to New Hamburg in Waterloo-Wellington league play at the community centre Saturday afternoon.

Steve Van Der Eyken put Acton ahead 1-0 on a pass from Jeff Shields at the 42 second mark of the opening period, but Greg Shantz tied it up for New Hamburg before the period ended.

Tim Christner and Kevin Weeden gave New Hamburg a 3-1 lead in the second frame before Shane Withers cashed in Wade Vickery's pass to narrow the count to 3-2.

New Hamburg wrapped up the win with a pair of third period goals by Trevor Kobe and Joe Scherer.

Wi' Rock and Broom



By Bob MacArthur

Just enough members signed up for the biennial Saturday to run one draw. Two 10 end games were played in the first bonspiel of the season. A pot luck supper was served after the curling by the ladies who provided.

Top winner for the day was the Andy McKenzie rink of Harriet Osterlein, Glen McKenzie and Lilla McGee. They had a total of 40 1/2 points. Second prize was taken by the Tony Stapleton rink with 35 1/2 points. Playing on the team were Willa Hewitt, Garbriel Rosenbersky, and Nellie Beatty.

Third prize winners was the team skipped by Bob Drinkwater with Toni Downs, Wes Beatty and Shirley Rosenbersky. They had the best one game total of 26 1/2 points.

Team entries for the Halton-Peel bonspiel have to be in by December 15. Entries should be turned in to Bob Drinkwater by then. The final day's play will be held at the Acton club. The playdowns will be held at various rinks January 13 to 20 with the final day at the local club. This is a men's event.

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Minor baseball to continue lottery

Acton Minor Baseball Association president Roy Swan announced this week the extension of the group's popular \$500 monthly draw for another year.

Subscribers will receive a letter early in the new year listing the names of all cash winners up to date. Tickets for the next year will be on sale beginning in January.

Alex Richards of Acton won the \$500 prize for the month of November. Lucky ticket seller was Clarence Harding.

Revenue from the monthly draw helped the organization expand this past summer to include sponsorship of three girls' softball teams. Minor baseball teams were also entered in the Halton County "B" leagues for the first time in a decade. "Getting our teams into the "B" groups was a good start, even though they didn't fare too well" Mr. Swan said. "And we feel the funds we put into the girls' softball teams was money well spent."

The Association will hold its annual meeting and election of officers at the Acton Public Library, Sunday, December 10. More persons are needed to help with teams next summer.

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