

Sportlite

with Denis Gibbons



Minor ball season ends with field day and feed

Parks and recreation committee member Ed Wood is encouraged by the response shown at a recent meeting called to sample feelings about the formation of a sports council in Acton.

Representatives of almost every local sports group attended and support for the move was unanimous. Further meetings which will allow more detailed discussion of how a sports council should be formed, who should sit on it and what its function should be, are planned.

All organizations agree that flooding of the town with 50 cent lottery tickets which produce minimal minimal funds and lack of communication between the groups should end.

"I'm very pleased with the number of players we've got in camp this year. We should be able to select a solid team," Dave McKnight, new coach of the Junior "C" hockey Sabres reports.

Sabres' most recent workout, their third attracted 35 hopefuls Monday night. Midget and juvenile grads from the Erin, Hillsburgh, Georgetown, Chinguacousy and Milton areas have impressed, making it more than just a possibility Sabre holdovers will have to fight for their positions.

"Credit for the excellent turnout of prospects must go to Bill Shannon, a member of our executive", manager Lou Bonnette points out. "Bill started establishing contacts towards the end of last season and the results of his work are evident".

Sabres will hold a fund-raising dance at Legion this Saturday night, September 29. Tickets are available from executive members.

Average age of the starting nine ballplayers in the Campbellville Merchant lineup in the final game of their provincial final series with Exeter is 21. Campbellville won the O.B.A. Intermediate "B" crown, their 16th Ontario championship.

Instead of Earl Cairns, Stan Henderson and Ken Moore busting down the fences, it's now youthful sluggers like Ray Evans, Rich Clement and Don Hearn.

Yet the villagers could only finish fourth in the tight Halton County league race, an indication the calibre of baseball in the league must be progressing.

It wasn't too many years ago knocking off Campbellville once a year was an accomplishment few teams dreamed of and even fewer realized.

It's not a sport that draws a lot of "ink", but cross-country racing is helping Acton High School gain some credibility in Halton secondary schools sports circles.

The Redmen cross-country team just finished a sweep of dual meets with Milton High Mustangs, which must make some of last season's 80 point basketball defeats to the Mustangs a little easier to swallow.

Frank Houston, Scott Somerville and grade 9'er Les Jones have been the pleasant surprises of early meets for coach Bruce Andrews. Bruce is also high on Heather Near, Janet Johnston and Anne Smith, three members of the girls' team who have shown winning potential.

"Schools in the southern part of the county often write us off as contenders, but we hope to prove they're wrong this year", Bruce says.

Many of the A.H.S. runners have trained all summer with the North Halton Harriers track club which Bruce organized.

Georgetown Raiders have signed an affiliation agreement with the defending Allan Cup champions Orillia Terriers of the O.H.A. Senior "A" league. Raiders who have won the O.H.A. Intermediate "A" crown two years in a row are entered again this year in the Niagara District league.

Trophies and prizes were handed out at the Acton Minor Baseball Association field day in the park Saturday.

AMBA president Jim Ismond thanked all coaches, managers and executive members for their help during the season and officiated at presentation ceremonies.

Jan Paul was awarded the trophy for the most valuable player in the T-ball league. Most valuable pee-wee player was Robert Van Der Laan. Steve McKnight walked off with the bantam MVP award and Jeff Ribble was named midget MVP.

Champs T-ball champions were Bob Paul's girls' team. Susan Lehn was named MVP among intermediate (16 and under) girls and Patsy Storey accepted the trophy for the most improved player.

Sportsmanship award, the Harold "Pop" Main Trophy was presented by Acton's "Mr. Minor Baseball" "Pop", himself to Laurel Murchison.

Tourney victors Susan Lehn also accepted the All-Brigden Trophy on behalf of players on the combined intermediate girls' team which won the Hornby tournament in June.

Laurie Jones, captain of the girls' house league championship team accepted the trophy on behalf of her teammates.

Prior to the presentations, a field day was held with winners of events receiving prizes. Hot dogs and pop were served to all youngsters as well.

A special surprise were Acton Minor Baseball hats which were handed out to all participants.



T-BALL champions of the Acton minor baseball Association was the girls' team which defeated the two boys' teams to win the round robin series. Front row, left to right, Cindy Brouillard, Allison Chaisson, Anita Civiero, Mardelle Phillips. Middle, Lisa McIntyre, Carol Chaisson, Janet Britton, Sharon Turkosz, Susanne Civiero. Back, Joanne Van der Eyken, Elke Zeissig, Susan Kinal, Cindy Pettibone, Jaye Gerth and coach Bob Paul. Missing when the photo was taken were Joanne McArthur, Colleen McKnight, Laurie Drysdale, Beverley Ann Glenn, Angelina Shumara, Kim Barber and manager Mrs. Glenn.

—H. Coles Photo

Redmen best Milton in cross-country races

Acton High Redmen scored their second consecutive cross-country victory over the Milton High Mustangs in Milton last week.

Redmen took a 13-40 win with Frank Houston placing first in the race in a time of 13:57 and Glen McKenzie taking second in 14:22. Top Milton runner was Geoff Banner who placed third in a time of 14:36.

Scott Somerville, Rodger McEachern, 14-year-old Les Jones and Cliff Creasey grabbed the fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh spots respectively for Acton.

Cross-country points are awarded according to the individual finishes in the race (e.g. 1 for 1st and 2 for 2nd etc.) and the team with the lowest number of points wins. Course distance was 2 1/2 miles.

Heather Near and Anne Smith of Acton placed 1-2 in the 1 3/4 mile ladies' open event.

More runners Also competing in the mens' event for AHS were Bob Charlette, Gary Campbell, Dennis Blake, Jack DeWilde, Mark Withers, Ian

Campbell, Rick Van Fleet and Lee Robinson.

Acton earned an 18-23 win in a previous meet here, although Simon Joynes of Milton placed first in the race in a time of 16:17 over a three mile course.

Acton's Frank Houston was second just six seconds behind Joynes and Geoff Banner of Milton was third. Scott Somerville, Les Jones, Rodger McEachern, Cliff Creasey and Steve Buchanan of Acton took the next five places.

In the ladies' open Heather Near and Anne Smith tied for first place in a very good time of 12:15 for 1 3/4 miles.

Acton High won the Halton County Secondary Schools Junior championship in 1970, but coach Bruce Andrews says this year's team is the best he's ever had.

Redmen host Milton OSD in a meet today (Wednesday) and travel to Oakville to meet General Wolfe tomorrow (Thursday).

Halton championships are scheduled for the Kelso Conservation Area, October 17.

Appointment

Alliston mayor George McCague has been appointed chairman of the newly-created Niagara Escarpment Commission. Head office of the commission will likely be in Georgetown.

WANTED!!

Managers and Coaches are urgently needed to assist with Legion Minor Hockey House League this season.

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NOTICE

To Voters of The Town of Central Halton

You are hereby advised the following question will be placed on a ballot to be voted on by electors of the Town of Central Halton at the same time as the Municipal Election, October 1, 1973.

And at the same polling places as the election for the Municipal Council. Polls open from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The following two names have been proposed for the new Central Halton Municipality. Indicate your preference with an "X".

MILTON

MOHAWK

Certified a true copy of the question to be placed before electors of the Town of Central Halton on a ballot.

J. McGeachie, Returning Officer, Town of Central Halton



OUTSTANDING PLAYERS in this year's Acton Minor Baseball Association girls' softball leagues were, second from left, Laurel Murchison, winner of the Harold "Pop" Main trophy for sportsmanship, Susan Lehn, most valuable intermediate (16 and under) girl and Laurie Jones captain of the girls' house league championship team. Susan Matthews (extreme left) accepted the trophy for the most improved player for Patsy Storey who was absent from the windup field day in the park.

(D. Gibbons photo)

Final registration Sat.

Saturday morning's initial registration for Acton minor hockey attracted only 88 boys, less than 20 per cent of the number who played here last year.

Registrar Jean McPhail reports many of the 88 boys who registered are newcomers, which means there are still a great number of returnees yet to register. Second registration at the

Legion this Saturday from 9 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. will be the final one held. Fee is \$8 per player. Midget and juvenile age players who make the local Waterloo-Wellington league teams will be assessed an additional \$2. Ice time limited. Executive members warn that ice time is limited this year and the number of hockey teams will be

restricted. To be assured of a berth boys should not fail to register this Saturday.

For house league players the \$8 registration fee includes a sweater, which they may keep at the end of the season.

All those who register will be given an opportunity to try out for the local Waterloo-Wellington league (OMHA) teams.

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Special thanks to all team sponsors and to those who made financial contributions throughout the year.

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