



DRESSED IN PERIOD UNIFORMS, of early Grand Circuit races Nelson White of Rockwood drives Frosty Riddell, an Acton owned horse by Robert E. Marshall of Churchill Rd. N. in the Grand Circuit feature race at Greenwood. High

wheel sulkies and no wagering made the feature event unique. The Grand Circuit races are a week long racing program held in different centres around Canada and the United States.

Acton horse runs fifth in high-wheeled sulkie at Greenwood Grand Circuit

Frosty Riddell, a standard bred five-year-old trotter owned by Robert R. and Robert E. Marshall of Churchill Rd. Acton, ran fifth in the non-wagering feature race in high wheel sulkies at Greenwood's Grand Circuit week Tuesday, July 19.

It was Frosty Riddell's second start this year. The Acton horse, driven and trained by Nelson White, of Rockwood, followed Big Beaver over the wire in the \$1,800 purse race. All feature races were televised over CFTO-TV Channel nine.

Frosty Riddell is by Hoot Frost from Nancy Riddell. Nancy Riddell was sired by Van Riddell, owned by the former Governor General Earl Rowe. The colt Nancy Riddell was raised on the Marshall farm at R.R.3 Acton on the First Line, Erin.

Nelson White operates a large stable on the Ontario Jockey Club Circuit which is presently racing at Greenwood. The Grand Circuit started over a century ago, before baseball had its first professional league or a world series, before

basketball had been invented or before the first triple crown had been run. Since being formed in 1871, The Grand Circuit has survived the depression, wars, and crusades against wagering to become the premier attraction of harness racing. More than 60 cities have hosted the Grand Circuit. The first Grand Circuit run in Canada was at Port Erie on August 17, 1898.

In Hornby

The grudge match of the summer is shaping up for Hornby ballpark, Thursday.

August 14, when the Hornby ladies' softball team combines forces with the all-stars of the Halton Ladies' League to take on a team of officials from the National Hockey League.

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Ram crowds are up

Average attendance at Halton Hills Rams Junior "C" lacrosse games has jumped from under 100 to over 200, since the club moved from Georgetown Memorial Arena back to the Acton Community Centre. Lacrosse could still be a major summer sport in Georgetown, but it looks like it will take local faces and maybe a change of venue from the stuffy old John St. building to the Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena to put some people in the stands in the future.



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The Rams. Things can be said about this year's club which would make them look a bunch of small town losers, but it wouldn't be true. Rams have demonstrated a fantastic desire to win in their recent upsurge. It seemed as though moving back into the community centre here made all the difference in the world. When they did so, they hopped off a four game losing streak like nobody's business and proceeded to belt around the big boys of the league like they were in first place.

It was lucky they did or they wouldn't be in the playoffs. They are and that's what counts. Rams have lost only one of their past seven games and it looks as though they could make a fight for the Ontario Junior "C" Central division in taking on the east and west.

But what spurred the Rams to such outstanding play recently? Was it moving back to Acton or was it the regaining of fans that made the team feel they had something to play for.

Even in their worst game played here Monday, according to coach Marces, Rams held an impressive 9-0 lead in the second half of the third period. The majority of the Rams' losses through regular season play were not massacres. Rams felt losses by one, two or three goals, but no more. It was their low goals against and high scoring that edged them into the playoffs, after tying with Owen Sound at

18 points apiece.

Rams seem to be an August team. Maybe they like the hot weather, the matured moieties, or the thought of playoff action. Whatever, Rams may carry on their playoff play the same as last season.

Last year the Rams finished out the regular season of play in sixth spot with 22 points. The team turned-on at the start of the round robin playoffs with six wins-no losses and advanced to the semi-finals. In the semi-finals Rams continued superb play to oust Owen Sound three games to one and advanced into finals against Bolton. Bolton dumped Rexdale in the semi-finals and dragged Rams down 3-0.

If Rams can pull off getting into the finals against the winner of the Mississauga-Itunville series, it will be an exceptionally interesting fight like Green Bay when they astounded the football world.

But first they have to dump Orangeville with another win, and take on the winner of the Orillia-Rexdale match. Rams had a good team back in '71 when they garnered the Ontario championships, but little competition from a three team league. This time they have a fight on their hands. One which I hope their fans here will help them to deliver.

Bang on Rams, as you've been doing, and another banner will grace the halls of the community centre.

Two dunkings for Jim Day

Sunday may have been hot and humid but two water dunkings were two too many



JIM DAY
Two dunkings

for Hornby's Jim Day, competing in the North American Grand Prix at Varsity Stadium, Toronto.

Out of the money, Day may have lost his chance at Mexico City's Pan-American Games as part of the Canadian Team.

Both his mounts, "Out of Sight" and "Happy Fellow", balked at the Liverpool jump, each time landing Day in the drink. Spectators roared in

sympathy the second time and then in delight as Day pulled himself out laughing, waving his helmet cheerfully to television cameras.

The Grand Prix are a series of equestrian jumping events sponsored by Rothmans of Canada and designed as a measure for the selection of Canada's various International Jumping Teams.

A member of the Canadian Equestrian Team for some years and Olympic competitor, Day is having bad luck this year and is seeing very little of the winners podium.

However, he is also competing in Combined Events, a rigorous test of horse and rider in dressage, cross country and stadium jumping. Making the change in type of competition is always demanding, experts note.

Winner of Sunday's event was Rodney Jenkins from the US after a jump off with Michelle McEvoy, also of the US, and Norma Chornawka from Alberta. Even though finishing third behind Miss McEvoy, Mrs. Chornawka became Canada's leading rider.

Sharing the \$15,000 prize money with the three winners were: Frank Selinger from Calgary; Tony D'Ambrosio of the US; Jenkins on his second horse "Go Jamie"; Moffat Dunlap of Newmarket; Jim Elder of Aurora; and Kevin Bacon from Australia.

Fastball!

16 teams play Hornby tourney

The 16 team Hornby Mens Fastball tournament opens up at 9:30 Saturday morning when the home town Hornby Greenhouse squad takes on Sanson Bindings of Toronto.

On the other diamond Oakville Procor plays the Fobert Realty team from the Milton Mens Recreational Fastball league. At 11 a.m. Palermo faces the Foundation Group while Glen Williams squares off with the Zepher Spud Kings. Robin Lee Sports of Port Credit face Ingelwood at noon while the Bramalea York Merchants will tangle with Barrie.

The Milton Charles Hotel, Robert Newman Stags encounter Collingwood LOF at two p.m. with defending tournament champion Streetsville facing Goderich.

Finals are slated to begin at 8:30 p.m. Winner of the tournament receives \$175 with \$100 to the finalist team.

The Hornby Greenhouses enter the Ontario playoffs this week against Binbrook and rounded out the Halton Fastball League season against Streetsville in Port Credit Tuesday night.

Lifeguards win awards

Kelso lifesaving guards placed third in a seven team competition held last week at Centennial Pool in Burlington. The team, Jeff Hodgins, Dave Crans, Maria Mazorato, Ellen Huyburts, Marianne Harris and Mike Blackwood were contestants in the Burlington Invitational Lifeguard Competition. Subs were Greg Rusk and Lauren Michelle.

The competition included beach rescue situations in first aid and pool emergency and rescue procedures.

More than 2,600,000 Canadians now suffer from some type of heart disease.

Thomson aids Canadian win

Sue Thomson of Brookville pitched her way to her second Canadian Junior Women's Fastball championship. Sunday in Moncton, New Brunswick, pitching for the Scarborough club.

Last year Burlington picked Thomson up and garnered the Canadian title. Scarborough scored four runs in the top of the first inning Sunday and held on for a 4-2 win over Moncton Rebels.

Donna Bennett, who hit a three run homer in the first inning was all the offence needed for winning pitcher Thomson. Wendy Daley, who was named best pitcher and most valuable player in the tournament suffered the loss.

Full report next week when Sue returns home.



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