

Rockwood Seniors sizzling, steal six of last seven games

The Rockwood Seniors are playing hot in the Inter-County Fastball league. They have won six of their last seven games, including a convincing 5-1 win over league leading Cambridge Monday in Rockwood.

Bob Shaw was the winning pitcher in the game, holding the Cambridge A's to a scant two hits, both going to Jim LeClair. Shaw struck out five men in the win.

The win evened the team's record at 9-9. "We've struggled back to .500" said press representative Norm Beattie.

since 1974. That year they won the ORSA Int. "A" title, and in 1973 they won the "C" category, going on to win the tournament of champions, which consists of the winners of the A, B, C and D flights of the tourney.

This year the team is in the

B flight, playing teams from southern Ontario towns with about the same population as Rockwood. Tentative date for their first game is this Sunday afternoon, when the team would face Aberfoyle, in Aberfoyle.

Beattie is optimistic about

the team's chances in the league. "The team is rounding into shape," he said. "We're getting clutch hits and putting things together. It's what we predicted. We always seem to start slow and now we're motoring pretty good."



Hole-in-one at Acton Meadows

Acton Meadows golf course was the scene of a hole in one Thursday as Barry Spaldin, 15 Sideroad at Speyside, drove the 165 yard par 3 eighth hole to get a golfer's once in a lifetime thrill.

Spaldin has been golfing "off and on" for about 20 years, and has been a member of the Acton Meadows Golf Club for four years.

Playing in a foursome with him were Charles Davidson, Bill Clark and George Robertson. Their scores were two, three and four respectively, giving the crew a "one, two, three, four" finish on the hole.

Spaldin used a seven iron to make the shot, and thought he had overdriven the hole, while Bill Clark said "a couple of us thought we heard a click". When they got to the green, Spaldin's ball was there in the cup, and a celebration was in order.

Softball teams still dominate rural league

Nine hits
The Seniors belted out nine hits off loser Dan Bender. Tom Parkinson had two of them, including a two run double and a triple. Other Rockwood hits went to Dave Bruce and Phil Shrive, each connecting twice, one apiece going to Norm Beattie, Bob Shaw and Ron Kelly.

Sunday the team trounced cellar-dwelling Arkell 7-1 behind the three hit pitching of John Thatcher. Thatcher's record now stands at 3-2.

Badenoch tourney
The Seniors were unable to translate their league success into a tourney trophy in the annual Badenoch tournament, losing 6-0 to Don Prior Trucking from Aberfoyle. Don Meyer pitched a one hit game for the winners as Bob Shaw took the loss.

Seniors have entered the Ontario Rural Softball Association in a playoff tournament for the first time

Nellis construction atom boys continued to burn up the league with three more victories last week. They swamped Hornby 32-13 July 12 behind the pitching of Kevin Lobsinger, Sean Fitzgerald and David Haynes. The team scored 21 runs in the last inning, including a home run by Brad Demone. Steve Wagner also homered for the winners.

July 13 saw them overwhelm Lowville by a 25-1 count, as David Haynes went the distance on the mound. Kevin Brown hit two home runs before being pulled from the game for sickness. Other home runs went to Brent Connor with two, Kevin Lobsinger, with two, and Don

Swinamer with one. David Haynes struck out 12 batters in the five inning game.

Kevin Lobsinger provided the pitching in a July 14 shut-out of Limehouse. He struck out 15 in the game. All the Limehouse outs were on whiffs as Kevin struck out the side in each of the five innings. Only three Limehouse players reached base. Steve Wagner, Pete Cargill and Kevin Brown homered for Acton.

Squirts winning
Even with pitcher Theresa Dunn on vacation, the Olympia Drive In squirt girls still have that winning touch, as they picked up a pair of wins over Milton and Omagh both by 11-1 margins. Betty Lou Tufford took over the pitching chores in Theresa's absence. Betty Lou's sister Susan Tufford belted two homers in the Milton game, as did Kim White. Kim repeated the feat in the Omagh game.

Boys too
L&L Ford squirt boys were not to be outdone by their female counterparts as they trounced Hornby by a score of 15-9 July 14. The team also won the Glen Williams tourney last week, beating Hornby 16-4 and tying the Glen 4-4 in their other game. They won on the basis of more baserunners in the game.

Orioles 16-14

Orioles edged the Red Sox 16-14 July 12 behind the two homerun performance of Brian Mandarino.

Minor soccer news

by Richard Kilpatrick
HOUSE LEAGUE
Squirts
Angels 2 vs. Tornados 0
Angels blanked Tornados with two fine goals from Cyril Nibbs in the first half. The second half saw the Angels defend well to hold their lead. It was a good game by both teams.

Tigers 0 vs. Gunners 1
A first half goal from Paul Kilpatrick saw the only scoring in what was an even, hard fought game. Both teams deserve praise.

Tornados 0 vs. Tigers 2
Tigers blanked Tornados in this excellent squirt game, goals by John Coniglio and Geoff Maltby. These little guys are now showing the skills that make good soccer players. Well done guys.

ATOMS
Hillsburgh 2 vs. Rifles 2
An excellent result from a short-handed Rifles team, playing with 9 men they matched the Hillsburgh scoring with 2 goals from Shawn Taras. A good defensive effort from Chris Conroy and Steven Webster, in defence, helped considerably.

Rockets 2 vs. Rockwood 5
In spite of the score this was an even game, the Rockwood defence made the difference especially Glen Seim, the Rockwood goalkeeper who made several exceptional saves. Rockets scorers were Pierre Bollent and Mike Nellis, with David Adsett netting twice and Tommy Woodward getting his hat-trick for Rockwood.

MOSQUITO
Raiders 0 vs. Flyers 3
Raiders were blanked by Mathew Wakelin's hat-trick for Flyers, who had the edge in this game through a strong team effort. Although Raiders tried hard they just could not penetrate the Flyers defence.

Rockwood 1 vs. Rangers 9
Rangers, playing away to Rockwood, swamped the home team with hat-tricks from Scott Allonby and Brad Youmans and singles from David Allen, Robbie Allen and Trevor Hoy. Geoff Masson scored the solitary Rockwood, in what must have been a most disappointing game for the Rockwood team.

REP LEAGUE
ATOM
Orangeville 6 vs. Acton 0
Acton were well beaten by a good Orangeville side, despite a strong defensive game from David Van der Eyken for Acton. Also worth mentioning was the excellent

standard of refereeing from Orngeville's Ken Lee.

PEE WEE
ACTON 6 vs. Hillsburgh 0
Acton played their best ever game with this excellent performance. They really put it together with an intelligent passing game that completely shut Hillsburgh out. A single goal came from Jimmy Reynolds and the remaining 5 from Gary Lumbers who was perhaps the man of the match.

HOME SCHEDULE
House League
Squirts July 21 at 7 p.m., Tornados vs. Gunners at Prospect Park, and Tigers vs. Angels at M. Z. Bennett.

REP LEAGUE
Mosquito July 20 at 7 p.m. Acton vs. Pineview at high school.

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