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THE STAR OF THE FUTURE: Two-year-old Angela Yaworsky can't decide whether she wants to play baseball or play with her trucks. Action took place at Industrial softball action Sunday.

Season over

J&T shut out Vans to end battle for A.M.S.L. top spot

J & T Sports clobbered Vans Welding 7-0 Sunday in the final game of the 18 game industrial softball schedule to edge the same Vans squad out of first place by a single point. The Sportsmen's victory gave them 23 points to the Welders' 22.

In other industrial action Family Cleaners squeaked by Halton Hills Catering 2-1, the Caterers topped Halton Hills Electric 10-6, and the Cleaners got their second win of the week by doubling Station 14-7.

Daley winner
 Frank Daley was the winning pitcher for J & T as he struck out ten while facing only 26 batters in the seven inning game. His only trouble spot was in the second inning when he issued a double to Ed Hillier and a walk to Brian Harriman. He pitched his way out of the jam by whiffing Armand Steeves and Alex Ward to end the inning.

Dave Black drove in three runs in the first inning for J & T, clouting a big homer after Stan Kruk had singled and Dave Allen had drawn a walk. The Sportsmen scored three more in the third on another

single by Kruk, a homerun by Dave Allen, a walk to Black and a double by Ron Nicolucci.

Dave Black netted the final J & T run in the fifth inning after singling to lead it off. Losing pitcher Ken Pilgrim struck out three and walked an identical number.

Tight game
 The Cleaners-Catering contest was tight from start to finish, although loser Bryan Lawrence was in trouble more often in the game. He struck out two and gave up seven hits, including a homerun to Terry Masales in the

sixth. Chris Tennant scored the other Cleaners' run in the fourth as he doubled to lead off the inning and came home on a single by Bill Shannon.

Tennant got the win as he struck out six, allowing only six hits. The only Catering run came on a single by Ray Graham and a double by Al Avery. Caterers threatened in the third as Gary Wilson and Ron Jarrett connected for back to back singles, but Ray Graham grounded out to strand the runners.

From behind
 The Caterers came from behind in their game with

Halton Hills Electric as they trailed 2-0 and 3-1 before exploding for five runs in the sixth inning and four more in the seventh.

John Duffield doubled in the fifth and scored on a hit by Gary Wilson to break the hold loser Ken Pilgrim had held over the Caterers' bats. In the next inning they sent nine men to the plate. Ray Graham, Al Avery, Ron Hachey and Karl Killingback got consecutive singles, followed by a triple from John Duffield and a double from Bryan Lawrence for five runs.

The four runs in the seventh

were scored on a single by Graham followed by four consecutive doubles.

The Electricians connected for seven hits in the second inning but were only able to count two runs for their efforts. Only Bob Jarrett and Dave McMillan made it across the plate in the inning. They continued to add runs slowly as Fred Burns scored in the fifth, Lyle Preuter in the sixth and Bob Jarrett and Pilgrim in the seventh.

High score
 Family Cleaners continued their high scoring ways in their 14-7 win Sunday as they

scored in each of the seven innings they played. Terry Masales, Darryl Whitten and Chris Tennant scored in the first, Masales repeated in the second and in the third, Ed Wood and Bill Shannon in the fourth, Dave Paul and Al Gardner in the fifth, Masales, Mullen and Pete Homer in the sixth and Shannon and Homer in the seventh.

Station runs went to Gord Standbridge, Ken Owens, Denis Heights, Hugh Forbes and Terry Curlew. Standbridge scored three times in the contest.

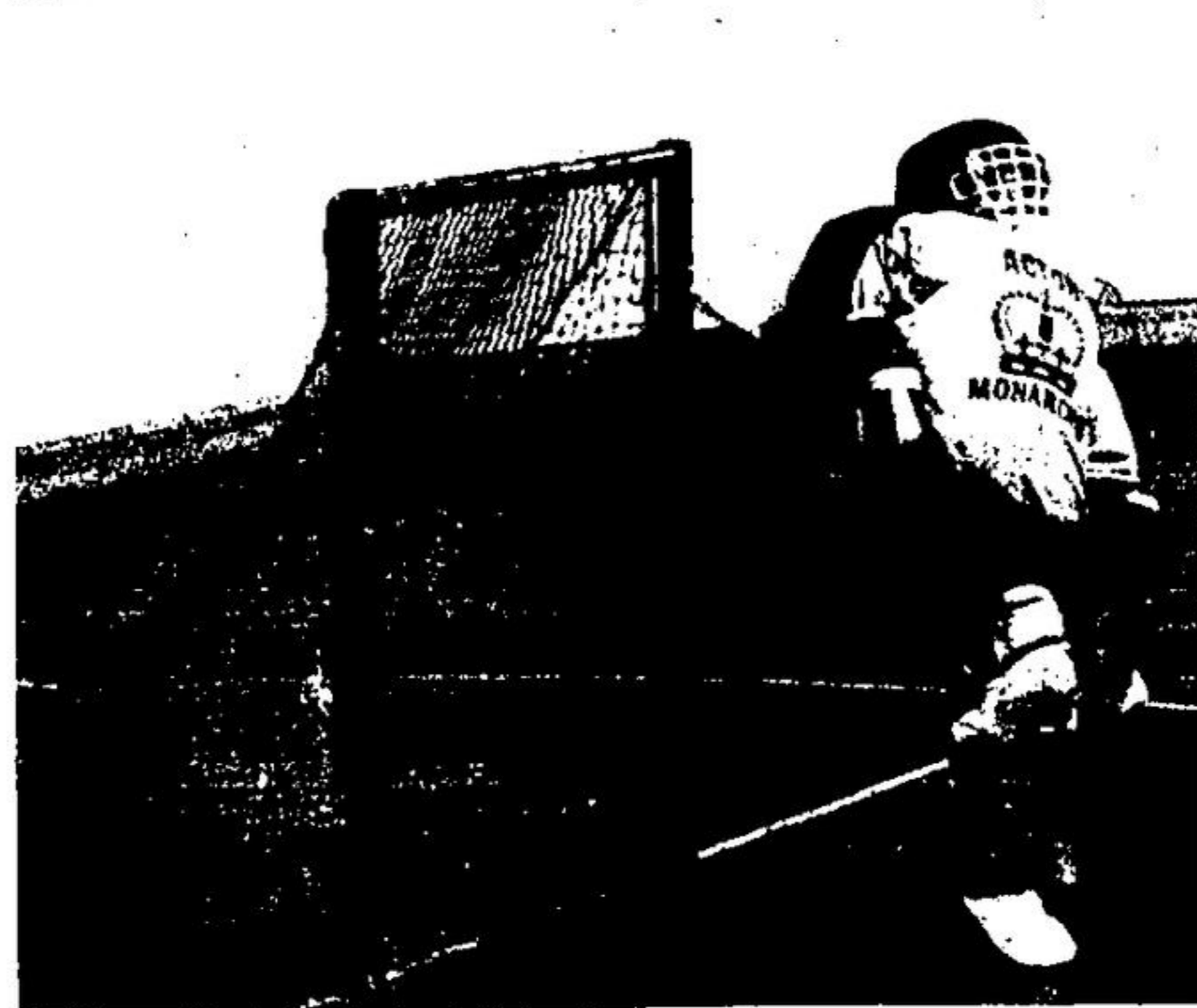
Playoff action begins this Sunday, August 21, as Halton Hills Electric meet Halton Hills Catering at 6:30 and Station meet Family Cleaners at 8:30. Vans and J & T have earned a bye into the second round of play.

The league held a draw to raise funds and the winners were Dave Dodds, four bats; Gene Yaworsky, three bats and Jack Hayes, one bat.

J&T Sports 11 6 1 21 155 112
 Vans 11 7 0 22 140 114
 Caterers 19 7 1 21 127 121
 Cleaners 9 9 9 23 174 154
 Electric 7 11 9 14 134 112
 Station 5 11 9 19 172 122

Monarchs lose first in playoffs

Lose 9-6 to Guelph Knights



EXCELLENT PERFORMANCE by Monarchs' goalie Paul Campbell was in vain as he got no support on defence from his teammates. The Monarchs went down to their second defeat of the year as the Guelph Knights edged them 9-6 in playoff action. Playoffs continue tonight when Kitchener Chippewas come to the arena.

First the arena reeked of ammonia, then the clock wouldn't work right, but the Acton Monarchs' bantam lacrosse game finally did get underway Monday night. The Monarchs are probably sorry it did as they suffered from a bad case of the droopies and lost 9-6 to the fourth place Guelph Knights in playoff action.

The ammonia smell was there because a mechanic was testing a compressor in the engine room and a blast of the gas shot out onto the floor. Where the Monarchs' problems came from is harder to figure out.

They finished the season with a 9-1 record to lead the league, and had won their first three playoff games in a row. Last night, however, they let the short-handed Knight squad run all over them without checking, and the result was a 9-6 loss.

Swelled leads
 Both coaches, Chris Sargent and Bob Turkosz, agreed the loss might have been good for the team, to cure any possible swelled heads.

The Monarchs were not helped by the absence of the high scoring Peter Hurdle, leaving Peter Turkosz the only big gun left. He came through, netting four goals and an assist, but was not enough to win the game.

The Acton defense was sleepy throughout the contest as they allowed the Guelph shooters through time after time, and not even a sterling performance by goalie Paul Campbell could stop them all.

Start at top
 The Monarchs started out on top as they moved out to a 3-1 lead in the first period on two goals from Turkosz and one from Oakley. Guelph closed the gap in the second, outscoring the Monarchs 3-2. Acton goals went to Turkosz

and Thring. The home squad seemed to fall apart completely in the third frame as the Knights jumped on them for 5 points while the Monarchs managed only a single from Turkosz.

Knights had only nine players to the Monarchs' 14 for the game. Both teams totalled 12 minutes in penalties.

Monarchs' next game is tonight with the Kitchener Chippewas visiting Acton. Chippewas beat the Monarchs in regular season play and coach Turkosz predicts it will be a very close game. Game time is 8 p.m. at the arena.

Going, going, gone

John Bottomley will be out of town on holidays for the next three weeks, and former sports chief Eric Elstone will be handling the sports chores for that time. Since he is a bit out of touch with the athletic scene now, any extra help would probably be appreciated.

Houston qualifies for Junior T&F Nationals

Actonian Frank Houston has qualified for the Canadian Junior Nationals in Montreal by placing fourth in a 1500 metres race August 10 in Toronto. The Junior Nationals are August 26 and 27.

Running for the Scarborough Optimists Club, he won his nine man heat with a time of 3:58.2, a personal best for him. Three runners in the

first heat, including Terra Cotta's Simon Joynes, recorded faster times. Joynes won the race in 3:51.8.

Slower heat
 The heats were divided up in groups according to speed, with the fastest going in the first heat. "I just worried about winning my race," said Houston. All the same, he wished he had been in the first heat. "I would have like

to have run in the fast group, and gotten pulled along. They ran the half mile in 2:02 where I ran it in 2:08. There's six seconds right there."

He set a goal of 3:55 for himself earlier in the year and feels he can make it. "I keep up with Simon in workouts. It's just a matter of putting it together on the track."



HENRY KROUZEN signs up his brother and sister Walter and Annette for swimming lessons in the next session, at the indoor pool. The session is now underway.

"Kelly at the bat" saves Rockwood in ORSA action

Albert Kelly's dramatic three run home run in the thirteenth inning gave Rockwood Seniors a 5-2 victory over New Dundee in the deciding game of the second round of the Ontario Rural Softball Association playoffs last Wednesday.

Because they are virtually assured a playoff spot in Inter-county action, the team is concentrating on the ORSA tourney, which they have won in the past. This year they are playing in the Intermediate B flight.

"had us on the ropes two or three times and we always seemed to weasel out," according to Beattie.

John Thatcher was the winning pitcher in the game, going the full thirteen innings. "It was probably his best game all year," Beattie commented. Don Roo, who struck out 20 batters in the opening game, took the loss.

Dave Bruce was good on defence, taking away three sure hits from the New Dundee squad. Ron Kelly had five hits in the marathon contest, followed by Tom Parkinson with three and Phil Shrive and Norm Beattie with two.

The team goes on to play Bothwell, from the London area. Bothwell beat Eden Mills, finalists in the Aberfoyle tourney, to get to the third round of the ORSA play-

offs, so it could be a tough game when the two teams meet tonight in Rockwood.

Aberfoyle tourney
 Rockwood was in Aberfoyle for the annual Aberfoyle tournament Friday as they trounced Milgrove 7-2 in the first round game. John Thatcher was the winning pitcher in the contest.

John Parkinson, Johnny Carson and Doug McAlpine each got two hits to pace the offence. hits to pace the offence. The win sent Rockwood into the second round where they faced Arkell.

Arkell, only 5-15 in Inter-county action, managed to put it together to top the Seniors in their Saturday contest by a 3-1 count. Tom Jefferson got the win for Arkell while John Thatcher took the loss.

Softball teams still in Halton rural playoffs

Olympia Drive-In squirt girls continued their march towards the Halton Rural championships they downed Omagh, upset winner of the Omagh-Milton semi-final series, by a count of 26-4.

Theresa Dunn was the winning pitcher, having trouble

only in the third inning as the Omagh squad belted two home runs to score all four of their runs. At the time the score was 5-4 but the squirts erased any expectations of a close game as they unloaded for 12 runs in the top of the fourth, sending 17 people to

the plate. Susan Tufford hit two home runs in the game, while her sister Betty Lou Tufford, Jody Brown, Gisele Charette and Kim White each added one.

The two teams were scheduled to play the second game of their best of three final series last night, but rain forced the postponement of the game.

Squirt boys
 L&L Ford Squirt boys began their playoffs with a bang as they outslugged Hornby 15-10 in the first round of playoff action.

Winning pitcher Ian Paul struck out nine batters in the August 11 game. He also scored twice. Paul Cargill got the only Acton round-tripper of the game. Run scorers for Acton were Greg James, Rhys Gibb, Bruce Sheppard, Allen Higgins, Brian Roach, Shane Steeves, Ted Lindsay and Ian Paul.

If the squirts win their series they go on to play Glen Williams in the final.

Close series
 Pee wee girls' coach Ron Hagen called the semi-final series his team is now playing "one of the closest I've ever been involved with." The girls took three games to eliminate the Limehouse squad, all of them tight.

In the first game Limehouse came out on top by a 9-5

| Standings | W | L | Runs | ER |
|-------------|----|----|------|--------|
| Fergus | 22 | 5 | 815 | 0 |
| Orangeville | 14 | 7 | 667 | 5 |
| Cambridge | 14 | 9 | 636 | 6 |
| Hillsburg | 15 | 12 | 555 | 7 |
| Rockwood | 12 | 13 | 480 | 9 |
| Hesperia | 12 | 14 | 461 | 9 1/2 |
| Arkell | 5 | 15 | 250 | 13 1/2 |
| Erin | 3 | 22 | 120 | 18 |



FRANK HOUSTON QUALIFIED last Wednesday for the Canadian Junior Nationals in the 1500 metres event. The games will be held August 26 and 27 in Montreal.