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Peavoy strikes out nineteen as industrial season opens

Despite the weekend rains the Acton Industrial Softball League opened their season Sunday afternoon with two of their three scheduled matches. Family Cleaners were the first winners of the industrial season as they topped Unisal Construction in the inaugural game of the year. Chuck Peavoy's 19 strike-outs led the Cleaners to a 7-4 win.



Round Robin
by Robin Inscoe

Need ump's . . .

Acton Umpires Association is looking for people to act as umpires for Minor Ball throughout this summer.

According to umpire Gary DeBruyn the addition of several new minor teams in town has put umpires at a minimum.

Anyone wishing to volunteer their time to helping the minor ball as an umpire may do so by calling Mr. DeBruyn at 853-2943.

Well attended . . .

I must give my heartiest congratulations to those people who showed up at the Acton Community Centre on Sunday afternoon to sit in on the Acton Minor Hockey annual meeting and election of officers.

In the minutes of the previous annual meeting secretary Fran McKnight announced that there had been 15 people in attendance at the 1978-79 annual event. Sunday there were over 100 interested persons there.

It was nice to see so many faces at the meeting both who I know and don't know. The faces I know I have seen around the arena for a number of years and those I didn't know means that the parents of the younger players have taken the opportunity to become familiar with the ways and means of Acton Minor Hockey.

With an interest like that shown at the annual meeting the Acton Minor Hockey's new executive has things to look forward to.

Track meet . . .

Acton High School students will be competing at the Halton Track and Field Championships at Etobicoke's Centennial Stadium this coming Friday.

I know what the competition is like at such an event and with opposition of the Oakville schools not to mention powerful Georgetown, I wish all Acton High students the best of luck and hope that they can bring back a few first place finishes.

Soccer begins . . .

Acton Minor Soccer is once again ready to kick off a new season. League play begins next Monday and from then on, Monday through Thursday, the soccer fields at McKenzie-Smith Middle School and Prospect Park will be busy places.

Complete timetable for opening games appears elsewhere in today's Free Press.

Jills meet . . .

Acton High School will be a busy place on Saturday as the Halton Hills Jills invade the school premises to hold an invitational gym meet.

The meet begins at 9 a.m. with the recreational gymnasts competition. At 1 p.m. the competitive gymnasts take to the floor, beam, vault, and bars for their competition.

batter, Gary Wilson, tripled and scored as Vince Thornton reached on an error. Thornton crossed the plate on an Al Avery single to give Family Cleaners a 2-0 lead.

Cleaners brought two more runs across the plate in the fourth inning as Peavoy continued to manhandle Unisal hitters keeping them off the base paths. Singles by Thornton and Peavoy and a double by Al Avery scored the pair of Family runs.

Cleaners extended their lead to seven in the fifth inning as Dave Paul singled, Robin Inscoe doubled and Gary Wilson walked. A Vince Thornton single brought the runs across the plate.

In the sixth inning Unisal started to get wood on the ball and a walk to Alex Ward and a home run by Wally Hdblski brought the score to 7-2.

In the seventh inning a double by Ward scored Larry Ciglen, who had doubled, and Dave Shannon, who drew one of four walks given up by Peavoy.

Neither team could manage a run in the final innings giving the Cleaners the 7-4 win. J and T 16—Electric 5.

In the other contest played on Sunday, J and T Sports scored nine times in the first inning as they routed Halton Hills Electric 16-5.

Five walks, three errors and singles by Steve Bennett, Larry King and Jim McNabb accounted for the first

inning outburst by the Sportsmen.

The Electricians got three of the runs back in the third inning and J and T pitcher Fred Archibald gave up singles Dave Bousfield, Stan Kruk, and Steve Kruk, walked Dennis Lefebvre and then allowed Rolly Lefebvre a single to score the runs.

In the bottom of the third the Sportsmen got the three runs back as Steve Bennett, Bruce MacPherson, and Jim McNabb singled and scored.

Dave Bousfield's fourth inning solo shot added one to the Electric total before J and T counted a run of their own on singles by Bruce MacPherson, Jim McNabb and Brian

Canary.

Three more J and T runs in the sixth inning rounded out their scoring as a pair of walks and a Dave Allen single scored runs.

Electric added one more to produce a 16-5 final as three straight singles by Steve Kruk, Ken Kearne and Glenn Hillier counted the last run of the day.

Game three of the industrial slate between Station Hotel and Van's Welding had to be cancelled because of poor diamond conditions under the lights. The first two games of the day had been switched to the unlighted diamond on the west side of Prospect Park.

The Acton Industrial League schedule continued tonight (Wednesday) at 8:15 p.m. when Family Cleaners and J and T Sports do battle. Sunday, Station Hotel will see their first action against J and T Sports at 4 p.m. At 6 p.m. Halton Hills Electric will try to get on the winning side as they take on Unisal Construction and at 8 p.m. Van's Welding opens their season tangling with Family Cleaners.



Out at the plate Acton Merchant first baseman Steve Marshall was thrown out at the place when he tried to score on a fly ball during an exhibition match between Eden Mills and Acton last Wednesday.

day. The Merchants won their last exhibition encounter 4-2 and were rained out of their Georgetown Industrial Softball League opener on Sunday evening.



J and T Sportsman Bruce Macpherson watches as a pitch passed during opening day of the Acton Industrial Softball League. Despite the wet conditions two of the three games were completed with J and T scoring nine first inning runs on way to a 16-5 win over Halton Hills Electric. Family Cleaners nipped Unisal Construction in the other contest 7-4. The Van's Welding and Station Hotel game was postponed. Dennis Lefebvre is waiting to make the catch in the above picture while umpire Bob Paul reads to make the call. Action resumes tonight as J and T meet Family Cleaners. A full slate of three games is scheduled for Sunday.

Excellent turn-out for minor hockey meeting

Acton Minor Hockey got a big morale boost at their annual meeting and election of officers at the Acton Community Centre on Sunday.

Over 100 interested persons turned up to find out what was going on over the past year in the minor system. The 100

figure is a positive increase over the 15 that attended the annual last year.

One of the major factors surrounding the turn-out was the fact that a second slate of officers was announced to run against a slate set by the group's own nominating

committee.

Bruce Cargill was elected the new group president over Bob Haine in a vote that saw 75 of the people in attendance taking part.

Herb Dodds succeeds Andy Berry as the association's first vice-president after Mr.

Dodds topped Mr. Berry in Sunday's elections. Lynn Smith will retain her job as the second vice-president over Richard Kilpatrick as will Joan Yelowica, the treasurer's job, over Ken Stanley. Fran McKnight remains secretary after topping Bob Smith in the poll.

All those who ran for office at the annual meeting but were upset in their bid have volunteered to sit on the executive of the association as directors.

Acton Minor Hockey would not release the vote count.

Aside from the election of officers a total of 67 constitutional changes were proposed at the meeting with only four being defeated.

A lot of the changes had to do with wording such as changing the defunct position of co-ordinator to director and the word "will" to "may".

Many other changes in the constitution were changes in work load. Acton Minor Hockey no longer has a chief time-keeper but before their meeting the constitution stated his duties. The work load of that and

other defunct positions was given to another.

Secretary Fran McKnight was overwhelmed with the turn-out, stating her surprise in the couples who turned out for the event. "Usually you will find the husband or the wife showing up," she said, "but I counted 24 couples at the meeting." Of executive members of the Association there were 23 in attendance with only two of the teams not being represented at the coaching level.

Acton Minor Hockey is now making preparations for their annual 500 Club elimination draw that will take place at the Acton Community Centre on June 2.

500 Club

Doris Townsley has had a lucky season in the Acton Minor Hockey 500 Club draw.

Mrs. Townsley's ticket, number 152, came out of the drum for the fourth time this year bringing her a fourth \$30 prize.

Other winners this week are Beverly Miller 331, Joan Knight 37, Bruce MacPherson 278, and Melody Rhynolds 422.

Minor soccer prepares for season opening

by Bernie Fryers

Acton Soccer club starts its 1979 season next week. First games are scheduled on Monday May 14 and as usual games will be played Monday to Thursday evenings.

Coaches have been contacting their players for practices and will be able to give them copies of schedules for the season. If your son is registered and has not been contacted please call Richard Kilpatrick (853-3014) for information.

Although Hillsburgh has decided not to enter teams in our house league system this year, both Rockwood and Eramosa have, giving us a total of 23 teams which is a great increase over the last few years. We will also be fielding representative teams in four Halton-Peel leagues.

With over 200 boys registered to play this year a great deal of effort and planning has gone into preparing for this season and the members of the committee and coaches hope that all parents will make an effort to come to the field and support their sons.

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Schedule for week May 14-May 17.
Mosquito, May 14, Ajax vs. Wolves, Everton vs. Leeds, Rockwood vs. Eramosa.
Atom, May 15, Rangers vs. Raiders, Rockwood vs. Eramosa.
Squirt, May 16, Tigers vs. Gunners, Angels vs. Tornados, Rockwood vs. Lions.
Fee Wee, May 17 Newcastle vs. United, Rockwood vs. Rockmills.

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Acton High School novice gymnast Trisch Renton led the Acton team to a fine second place finish at the Halton championships last week. Oakville-Trafalgar edged Acton by only 1.5 points for the overall title. Miss Renton placed second in the overall competition placing first on parallel bars, seventh in vault and floor routine.

Gymnasts place second at eight school meet

Acton High School's novice girls gymnastics team put in a fine showing last week at the Halton Championships, finishing a strong second among eight competing schools.

The Acton team, paced by the performance of Trisch Renton, placed second, only 1.5 points behind the winners from Oakville-Trafalgar High School in Oakville. Acton finished the four event competition with a total

of 117.5 points while the Oakville school totalled 119. T.A. Blakelock placed third in the competition with 105 accumulated points.

Acton students totally dominated the parallel bars portion of the gym competition taking the top three positions and seventh. Trisch Renton led the Acton squad placing first on the bars with a total of 8.7 of a possible ten.

Sylvia Bourassa finished second at 8.3 and Lynda Whiffin rounded out the Acton sweep with 8.15. Alisa Comber placed seventh of the 25 competitors with 7.75.

The novice or first year gymnasts placed high in the vault snatching sixth, seventh and eighth places in competition with 27 girls. Sylvia Bourassa was the top Acton gymnast in the event with a 7.30. Trisch Renton placed seventh in the event with a total of

7.20 and Lynda Whiffin was third with a 7.15. On the beam Lynda Whiffin placed sixth of 29 competitors with a 7.8. Lori Drysdale was the seventh place finisher with a 7.7 performance.

Trisch Renton was the only Acton competitor to place in the floor routine grabbing seventh spot of some 28 entrants.

In all-round competition, combining the totals of all four events Trisch Renton finished

second with an amassed total of 30.25. Lynda Whiffin placed fourth overall with a 29.95.

Acton coaches Anne Lepik and Marg Tamblin were very pleased with the performances of the gymnasts. "They did themselves proud" said Mrs. Lepik. "It was a long enduring season which began for some as early as October."

The competition brought to an end the high school gymnast season for another year.