



Chris Kempton gets help from coach Bob Johnston during a Grasshopper softball game at Sir Donald Mann Park. The Grasshopper league meets at the diamond on Tuesday and Thursday evenings with boys and girls competing together.

Road race this Sunday

The big race is this Sunday. The Mayor's First Annual Halton Hills Road Race is just four days off and many entrants are in the last phase of their training for the 3.4 mile run.

Heather Leslie of Operation ACTION

reports entry forms for the event are pouring in now and about 100 runners are now registered. There is still room for more registrants, though. Entry forms are available at the recreation department at Alcott Arena in Georgetown or at 42 Mill Street in Acton.

The fee is \$1. Runners can also enter the race by calling the ACTION Line at 877-7211. The most popular category is senior, for men 19-39 and women 19-34, with the teens, juniors and team groups following closely. Teams are parent and child combinations.

The race gets started at Alcott at 10:30 a.m. and Mayor Peter Pomeroy will be on hand to fire the starting gun. It is suggested runners be at Alcott at least a half hour before the start of the race to pick up registration numbers, receive

pre-race instructions and warm up. Awards will be presented to the runners around noon. Cost of awards is being financed by contributions from the following businesses: Burns Transport, Crichton Bros. Sports, DRG Stationery, Frank

Veteres, J-T Sports, Neilsons and Smith and Stone. Race Director, Miss Leslie, has been working with Bob Daniell, Dave Dixon and Dave Steen in planning the event and notes the committee feels the idea behind the race

is to "participate and have fun." "It's not a serious do or die competition," Miss Leslie declared. She said everyone hopes spectators come out to watch the race and cheer the runners on. The race route is from

Alcott to Sinclair and down that road to Armstrong Avenue. Over Armstrong Avenue the course then swings down Maple Avenue to River Road. Up River Road to Mountainview again and along to Guelph Street to the finish at Alcott.

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Kevin Parker selected to international team

For the second year, Campbellville figure skating ace Kevin Parker has been named to the Canadian team to compete in International Senior competitions in Europe.

Parker will be competing in Coup Des Alpes, Grand Prix de St. Gervais, France and in the Nebelhorn Trophy in Garmisch, Germany.

The Canadian team will be in Europe from

Aug. 20 to Sept. 4 with Kathy Oatesburg and Sandra Mattiussi skating in women's singles, Gordon Forbes and Parker in men's singles, Peter Ponikau and Gina AuCoin in dance and two pairs units of Mark Rowson and Rebecca Gough, Timothy Mills and Mary-Joe Fedy. Last year at St. Gervais Parker placed fourth overall with a great freeskating performance which lifted him

from 20th after figures. In Oberstdorf Germany he finished fifth overall again, with strong freeskating in both long and short compulsory programs. Parker's figures have been the focus of his training recently and he hopes to put it all together for improved standing. He rested in Tennessee and Florida before resuming intensive training this week.



Brandon Canary donned the catcher's gear for his Grasshopper league team on Thursday night but had trouble finding the handle on the ball on this occasion. Scores of the games are not kept but the youngsters seem to enjoy the game to its fullest.

Squirts top Hornby fall to Glen Williams

L and L Ford Squirrel Boys of the Halton Rural Softball League split matches over the past week, clubbing Hornby 21-8 and falling to Glen Williams 11-3.

Kevin Lobsinger was Acton's top batter in the contest with Hornby going three for three at the plate including a first

inning two run homer. Acton scored five runs in the top of the first inning of the match but Hornby came back to even the count in the bottom of the inning.

The L and L team added another run in the second inning as Gary MacEachern crossed the plate but again Hornby

matched the run production. In the third inning Acton took the lead for good, scoring nine times as 15 batters went to the plate.

Hornby added two in the bottom of the inning before Acton came back with another five run outburst. The Acton squirts added a single run in the last inning to bring their total to 21 while holding Hornby scoreless.

In their other contest of the week the L and L boys managed only three first inning tallies as they dropped an 11-3 game to Glen Williams.

Four first inning singles by Brad Demone, Kevin Lobsinger, Spencer Smith and Mike Ormsby and a double by Paul Forti accounted for the only Acton runs and base runners in the contest.

The squirts will be back on the diamond tonight (Wednesday) when they meet Limehouse in a 6:30 p.m. start.

Composite and Waples win

Ron Waples, of Rockwood, riding 16 to 1 shot Composite trotted off with top prize money in the Queen City Stakes at Greenwood on the weekend.

Composite edged out 1 to 5 favorite Tijuana Taxi by a half length in the one mile race for three year olds earning half of the \$52,000 purse.

Waples is part owner of the colt, Composite, through WAR Stables.



Ron Waples

16 teams enter tourney

Prospect Park will be a busy place this weekend as the Acton Merchants host their annual fastball tournament beginning Friday night at 6:30 p.m. The tournament has expanded this year with a total of 16 teams entered. The addition of squads has made it impossible for the tournament to be held on one diamond, forcing the Merchants to use Limehouse field for four Saturday contests.

Acton will field two teams for the tournament. The host Merchants, who play in the Georgetown Industrial Fastball League, will tangle with the defending champion 3-Phase Electric in opening round action at the Acton diamond Saturday at 11:30 a.m.

The other Acton entry, the Acton Industrial League Reps, will take on Curwood Packaging of Norval in a 9:30 p.m. Friday night start, also at the Acton diamond.

MERCHANTS FASTBALL

Tourney Schedule

A 1 6:30 p.m.	Philips Publishing vs. C and P Landscaping
A 2 8:00 p.m.	Akers-Clark vs. Alben Furniture
A 3 9:30 p.m.	Acton Reps vs. Curwood Packaging
Saturday	
A 4 8:30 a.m.	Hornby Greenhouses vs. Mack Truck
A 5 8:30 a.m.	Cand S Plumbing vs. Color Your World
A 6 10:00 a.m.	Peel Police vs. B.P. Stags
A 7 10:00 a.m.	Crichton Brothers vs. Foberts Real Estate
A 8 11:30 a.m.	Acton Merchants vs. 3 Phase Electric
A 9 11:30 a.m.	Loser Game 1 vs. Loser Game 2
A 10 1:00 p.m.	Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2
A 11 1:00 p.m.	Loser Game 3 vs. Loser Game 4
A 12 2:30 p.m.	Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4
A 13 4:00 p.m.	Loser Game 5 vs. Loser Game 6
A 14 5:30 p.m.	Winner Game 5 vs. Winner Game 6
A 15 7:00 p.m.	Loser Game 7 vs. Loser Game 8
A 16 8:30 p.m.	Winner Game 7 vs. Winner Game 8
Sunday	
A 17 8:30 a.m.	Winner Game 9 vs. Winner Game 11
A 18 10:00 a.m.	Winner Game 10 vs. Winner Game 12
A 19 11:30 a.m.	Winner Game 13 vs. Winner Game 15
A 20 1:00 p.m.	Winner Game 14 vs. Winner Game 16
Consolation Final	
A 21 2:30 p.m.	Winner Game 17 vs. Winner Game 19
Championship Final	
A 22 4:00 p.m.	Winner Game 18 vs. Winner Game 20

In-n-out midgets continue to slump

Ed's In-n-out Midget Boys' Softball team is having trouble finding a winning combination. After taking six points early in the season the midgets have fallen on hard times losing five straight games including three over the past week.

The In-n-outers dropped an 8-3 decision Monday night in Fergus, suffered a 6-4 setback against Arthur at home Sunday and fell 9-4 in Ponsonby last Wednesday.

Acton got on the board in the top of the fifth inning as a pair of runs crossed the plate on a Dennis Jennings' double and a Murray McNabb single.

Fergus picked up another run in the bottom of the fifth and Acton counted a third run in the top of the sixth as Frank Noseworthy crossed the plate on Dennis Jennings' second double of the game.

A pair of seventh inning tallies gave Fergus the 8-3 win.

At home to Arthur on Sunday the In-n-outers built up a 3-0 lead and then watched it dwindle over the last four innings as they dropped a 6-4 decision.

The Ramblers were doing battle with Hamilton last Monday when a sweating floor caused cancellation of the remainder of the match during the third period. At that time the two teams were even at four goals each.

The rematch between

Acton got a single run in the third inning to take the lead as Frank Noseworthy singled and scored. The In-n-outers added two more runs in the fourth inning as singles by Murray McNabb and Roger Evans led to runs.

Arthur got a pair of runs back in the sixth inning to pull within one and then pounded the ball in the eighth inning scoring four times to take the lead.

Acton replied with a single counter in the bottom of the eighth as Kevin Archibald singled and scored but the locals did not have enough dropping the two run match.

Bantams bombed by Brampton

Acton Bantams lacrosse team suffered a resounding 19-3 exhibition defeat last week at the hands of Brampton.

The locals held Brampton close over the first period of action trailing 4-1 at the end of the period. In the second frame the visitors unleashed for ten goals

Last Wednesday night the In-n-outers had trouble getting started as they allowed Ponsonby two runs in each of the first two innings before getting on the board. Acton counted a pair of runs in the third inning as four walks and a single scored the pair.

Ponsonby added one run in the bottom half of the third and three more in the fifth to take control of the match. A seventh inning run brought the score to 9-2 before the local tallied a pair in the top of the eighth inning on a pair of walks and singles to Murray McNabb and Collin MacFarlane.

while Acton managed just one. In the final stanza Acton played a tighter defence giving up five counters while adding their third.

Acton goal scorers included Chris Hicks, Troy McNaught and Steve Raine. McNaught, Lorenzo Civiero, Paul Vermeulen and Jim Richard earned assists.

Merchants winners remain in first spot

It does not pay to beat the Acton Merchants by a big score. Crichton Brothers Sports learned that fact when they played a rematch with the Georgetown Industrial Fastball leaders this week.

The Merchants are currently sitting in top spot among the Georgetown teams with 11 wins and only three losses. One of those losses was a 10-2 setback at the hands of Crichton Brothers.

In the rematch the Merchants pounded the ball on the Sportsmen, scoring an 11-5 win. It was one of three Acton wins this week. In other action the Merchants topped Peel Police 8-2 and rapped Akers-Clark Real Estate 8-1 in a mercy shortened game.

In the battle with second placed Akers-Clark the visiting Real Estate squad had problems fielding a squad. At game time only six Akers-Clark players were at the Acton diamond.

When the game finally began the Merchants exploded for three first inning runs. A pair of walks, a double to Chris Tennant and a Joe DeForest single accounted for Acton's first inning scoring. Akers-Clark got one

run back in the top of the third inning but the Merchants replied with one of their own in the bottom half as Terry Masales singled and scored.

The Merchants added three more runs in the fourth inning and a single in the fifth to round out the scoring putting the mercy rule into effect. In the Georgetown Industrial League if a team leads by seven runs or more after five innings the game is called.

Against Peel Police a weakened Merchant lineup scored a four run third inning and a three run fifth as they topped the cops 8-2.

The Merchants counted once in the first inning as Don Richard singled and scored. Acton counted four more times in the second inning on a pair of walks and doubles to Steve Townsley and Richard.

Peel got one run back in the third inning but it was a Chris Tennant three run homer in the sixth that put the game out of reach. Tennant's homer brought in Don Richard and Ed Hillier, both had singled.

Peel added a seventh inning counter to produce an 8-2 final.

In the rematch with Crichton Brothers the Merchants bats were

booming as they revenge their earlier defeat.

After two scoreless innings the Merchants and the Sportsmen exchanged runs in the third inning, each team scoring twice. Terry Masales and Don Richard accounted for the Acton scoring as Chris Tennant doubled in the runs.

In the fourth inning the Merchants picked up five hits and a sacrifice as they counted four times. Joe DeForest, Steve Townsley, Bruce Macpherson and Richard crossed the plate for the

Merchants. Crichton added one in the bottom of the inning.

Acton counted another pair in the sixth inning as a walk and singles to Don Archibald and Steve Townsley produced the scores. Three more walks and singles to Richard and Tennant produced three seventh inning runs as the Merchants recorded the win.

This weekend the Merchants host their annual tournament at Prospect and Limehouse ball parks. Sixteen teams are entered in the event this year.

Station Bulldogs pulling together

Station Hotel Bulldogs have been busy pulling their weight around.

Following the Speyside Highland Games in Georgetown the local tug 'o' war team travelled to Port Elgin's Highland Games where they finished third in competition beating out Owen Sound.

Missouri, a professional team from London, took top honors in the competition with Renfrew placing second.

The Acton team is scheduled in a total of eight events, the next being at Brantford, on July 9.

Station Hotel Bulldog members include Bob Mitchell, Larry McGilloway, Doug McGilloway, Willie Mitchell, Charlie McGinn, Jim Mitchell, Denis Mitchell, Denzil Heights, Chuck Mitchell (captain) and John Emerson (coach).



Robert Little's Joffy Silcock failed in his attempt at the North Halton Public School Championships but

made good on other occasions as he won the Junior boys' event.



Julie Munkacs (centre) of St. Joseph's is on her way to victory in the Junior girls' 60 metre final.

Elaine Easdale of Limehouse is on Miss Munkacs' right and Kim Hagan of Robert Little is to her left.

Ramblers drop rematch

Acton Rambler Pee-wees found a different lacrosse game awaiting them when they stepped on the floor with Hamilton on Monday night to replay a washed-out game of a week ago.

The Ramblers were doing battle with Hamilton last Monday when a sweating floor caused cancellation of the remainder of the match during the third period. At that time the two teams were even at four goals each.

The rematch between

the two teams had no resemblance to the first, unfortunately for the locals. The floor did not start sweating during the game nor did the Hamilton team let up as the locals fell by a 13-1 score.

The only Acton goal came from the stick of Scott Phelan. Phelan's goal gave the Ramblers hope as they were only trailing 4-1 but an overpowering Hamilton attack sent the Acton side to defeat.

In bantam action the Acton team fared no bet-

ter as they dropped a 15-1 decision to the Hamilton bantams.

The Acton Rambler pee-wees will be in Guelph this weekend to compete in a 16 team tournament at the Victoria Road Recreation Complex.

The tournament involves teams of the same population classification as the Acton team and coach Bob Turkoos are hoping for a fine showing from his players. Acton plays Elmira in their first game at 8:30 a.m. Saturday morning.