

ONTARIO OUTDOORS

A good, bottom bumping jig

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Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring.

If you recognize the above then you will realize it comes from an old hymn. The writer was anonymous but the hymn is very well known.

It reminds me of springtime and these things are very evident now. The last few weeks I have noted a large number of crows in the area, and during the last week I heard and saw a Killdeer. The robins are coming in from their country hideouts and their friends are coming back from where the other robins go. I saw a lot of them when I was in Florida in January.

This last weekend I was at Owen Sound. I was surprised to see Red Winged Blackbirds and also a lot of migratory ducks. The fishing was good but apparently was even better the previous two weeks when the sun was shining and it was warmer. The heavy rains of last weekend did not help any. Rainbows ran from eight to 12 pounds and they were the only kind of fish taken.

If you are going to fish the Severn River - Waubesa area, the ministry of natural resources would appreciate the turning in of any tag that you find on Walleye, as this will help in the compiling of information on the Walleye fishery in this area, and that is to our advantage.

More on the Sportmen's Show-Zebco: Earl's Pearl is a jig put out by Zebco that has a spinner blade on its tail as well as a skirt and joins the Doll line of lures that Zebco makes. It comes in one-quarter, three-eighths and three-quarter ounces with the spinner designed to spin on the fall. Earl's Pearl can be fast retrieved and used as a bottom bumping jig when fished slowly for the spring Walleyes.

Another company that makes downriggers is Riviera Mfg. Co. These downriggers come in many models to suit almost any type of deep water fishing. In case you do not know what "downrigging" is, it was primarily designed to get a light lure on a light line down to the depths where the big fish hide in the hot weather. Of course with the Salmon in Lake Ontario now, this is a sure-fire method of getting to these fish all year long. The system of the Riviera is complete with all the accessories needed for this method, and I hope to get into this way of fishing this year and will keep you posted as to the effectiveness of the Riviera system.

Fish huts are to come off Lake Simcoe: This weekend has to be unless you can get up for the deadline of Monday the 31st of March. As yet I have not heard of an extension due to the short season.

Hooks are very important to the fisherman of course but the average person does not consider the quality of his hooks when they are of such importance. I have seen many fish lost to poor quality hooks when they

either bend or break under the stress of fighting a hard jawed fish. I always buy the best quality hooks I can get and have 400 treble hooks at home that I will not use. I would throw them out except for the fact that I paid so much for them. The company I ordered them from substituted a cheap hook for the ones I ordered and would not replace them. Of course I never bought from that outfit again.

I used to make and sell fishing lures that I designed. I used hundreds of hooks, and I know from experience that quality sells. The hook I favor above all others is the "Eagle Claw" in its many styles and sizes. There is a different size and style for every fishing need and you can depend on their quality. "Eagle Claw" has a catalogue of their hooks that is something to see in itself, a catalogue devoted to hooks, 27 pages of them!

The ministry of natural resources still persists in planting Coho Salmon. As most fishermen know these fish run to spawn and

then die, whereas the Trout species runs, then returns to the lake and then returns to the streams next year. Some time back I heard that they were going to stock the Don River but was asked to keep it quiet as they did not want to have the bother of answering their phone with the deluge expected when that news got out. The planting has now begun with an estimated number of 50,000 being placed in the Don at a rate of 20,000 a time. Coho have a survival rate of only 10 percent and the hatchery at Chatsworth is the birth place of these fish. Some 400,000 are being raised at the present time and the question arises, where are the rest to be planted???

The news will out someday and remember what I told you about writing them to ask for Brown Trout or Brook Trout in our streams as these are always available. Are you concerned about gun controls? Now is the time to defend your privilege. I have written about this a lot and expect many of you have written to the MP in charge. Philbrook has some funny ideas about this and should know our feelings. Write him now. Let's hope we can continue to enjoy our Ontario Outdoors.



Fine showing by rinks

By Diane and Jeffrey Duck

Please excuse the somewhat personal tone to this column this week. Yours truly had the honor of curling with nine swell guys, who came within a whisker of being at least fourth best in Ontario, in the Governor-General's Competition.

Had we got past Dundas Valley in our second game in Barrie last Friday our teams of Andre Wolder, Jeffrey Duck, Joe Gerrard, and Gary Knight,

Ray Steele, Jim Lusby, Doug Collison, and Ian Christie would have played in the Ontario finals in St. Thomas on Saturday. Ray and Ian were sparing for Harvey Chapel and Tracy Barrager, who couldn't make the last two games.

In single knock-out competition like this there is no tomorrow. We would have had to win seven straight, to win it all. We won four, and lost our

fifth game. Along the way we were victorious over Milton, Grand Valley, and Brampton two weeks ago, and Orillia in our fourth game. Against Dundas Valley, both games were tied 9-9, at the end of the 11th end, but neither of our teams had the hammer for the 12th end. The steal was set up well in both games but the opposing skips made magnificent saving shots to end our winning ways. We didn't win, but we sure came home with a lot of pride.

We are at seven-eights pole in men's club curling. The regular draws are finished and the playoffs have begun. The home and home series with Orangeville for the much coveted Crichton Trophy begins this Monday. We haven't been doing so well these last few years, but this is the year we bring the trophy back home. Some of us predict a win this year mainly because Jack is not curling this year.

The Ladies Competitive League completed their season with a final one-day bonspiel. The top four teams at the end of the final draw competed for the Reneholm, and Currie Trophies in the first event. The victors were, Doris Zilio, Norma Wilson, Jane Burrows and Dot Currie. They were presented with the Reneholm and individual trophies.

The runners-up and Irene Currie Trophy winners were, Peggy Fischer, Lena Burns, Sharon Wood, and Jet Reynolds. The winners of the second event were, Faye Braithwaite, Mildred Wall, Alice Cornell and Jean Brander. Close behind were the runners-up team of Marion Smeaton, Gail Sparks, Bobby Phillips, and Alice Walker. All agreed this was a great way to end a most successful season.

Last Saturday our Junior Section had their final big event an invitational mixed bonspiel. Four home teams played against two teams each from Shelburne and Hamilton Glendale. We didn't do so well. Our best showing was made by Dave Henderson, Sheila Strong, Dave Porter, and Toni Treahy. Between games the Georgetown rinks hosted the visitors at their homes sharing hot chili, hamburgers, and curling experiences. Our Juniors are coming along fine, someday soon they will produce a championship rink.

Youth bowlers Up their average

By Christ Burke

Results from the "I Beat My Average" tournament have been tallied, and a total of 142 Youth Bowlers were successful. All winners will receive an "I Beat My Average" crest. The list of all winners follows:

BANTAM GIRLS
Lindsay Baines, Rhonda Dobson, Kim Kirk, Julie Burns, Sharon Stone, Diane Jones, Tracy Farmer, Dana Dodd, Robin Hillock, Dawn Pentecost, Connie Hay, Cathy Coburn, Jennifer Armstrong, Lisa Switzer, Sandra Marshall, Marian Peeters, Sandra DeCote

Maria Tassone, Linda Hofdahl, Wendy Green, Wendy Stephens, Sheila Frouse, Leslie Fleury, Tammy Knott, Patricia Turner, Debbie Scarborough, Ronda Core, Carol Pearson, Judy Bartle, Tina Green, Pam Brabant, Cheryl Barr, Sally Baines, Marina Herrington, Linda Lovell, Vicky Sacco, Kim Sparling, Cathy Dobson, Margaret Jessop, Heather Wallace, Kim Balsom, Cheryl Jackson, Linda Hayes, Rhonda Ritchie, Margo Ledger, Lynne Waters, Linda Houston.

BANTAM BOYS
Frank Madden, Philip Handy, David Fallow, Andrew Hicks, Mark Waters, Jimmy Burey, Trevor Jones, Martin Moeschter, Peter Moeschter, Dennis Lawrence, David Wallace, Ryan Roberts, Peter Hagan, Robbie Rush, Barry Stevens, Andrew Cooper, Dean Reynolds, Brian Archer, Wesley Thomas, Larry Hease, Jerome Stone, Mark Roberts, Terry Pottruff,

Russell Gourlie, Sheldon Brown, Paul Chaplin, Charlie Weatherall, Charles Anderson, David Chaplin, Paul Walker, Lenard Fisher, Stephen Lukas.

JUNIORS
Michel Le Blanc, Janet Hicks, Jim Harding, Gwyneth Williams, Randy Yeo, George Farrow, David Herrington, John Burke, Randy Rutherford, Tina Gibbs, Wendy Chanlin, Kim Aldridge.

Sabrina Schuller, Lea Gourlie, Wendy Hay, Karen Hay, Anne Bolsvenue, Nicole Lemay, Patti Sunucks, Carol Ann Stuart, Janet Bingley, Scott Morrison, Gary Nickerson, Wayne Richardson, Grant Richardson, John Colter, Nigel Cooper, Janet Burns, Susan Smarda, Betty Jean Wilkes, Sheila Ford, June Ford, Diane Leonard, Marty Zilio.

PEEWEEES
Joanne Richardson, Robin Fitzpatrick, Audra Kavanagh, Stuart Baines, Kenneth Boyer, Nicholas Barnes, Julie McCorry, Teresa Maslach, Andrea Ford, Karen Humphreys, Jay Anderson, Billy Hay, Michael Teetzel, Ted Maslach.

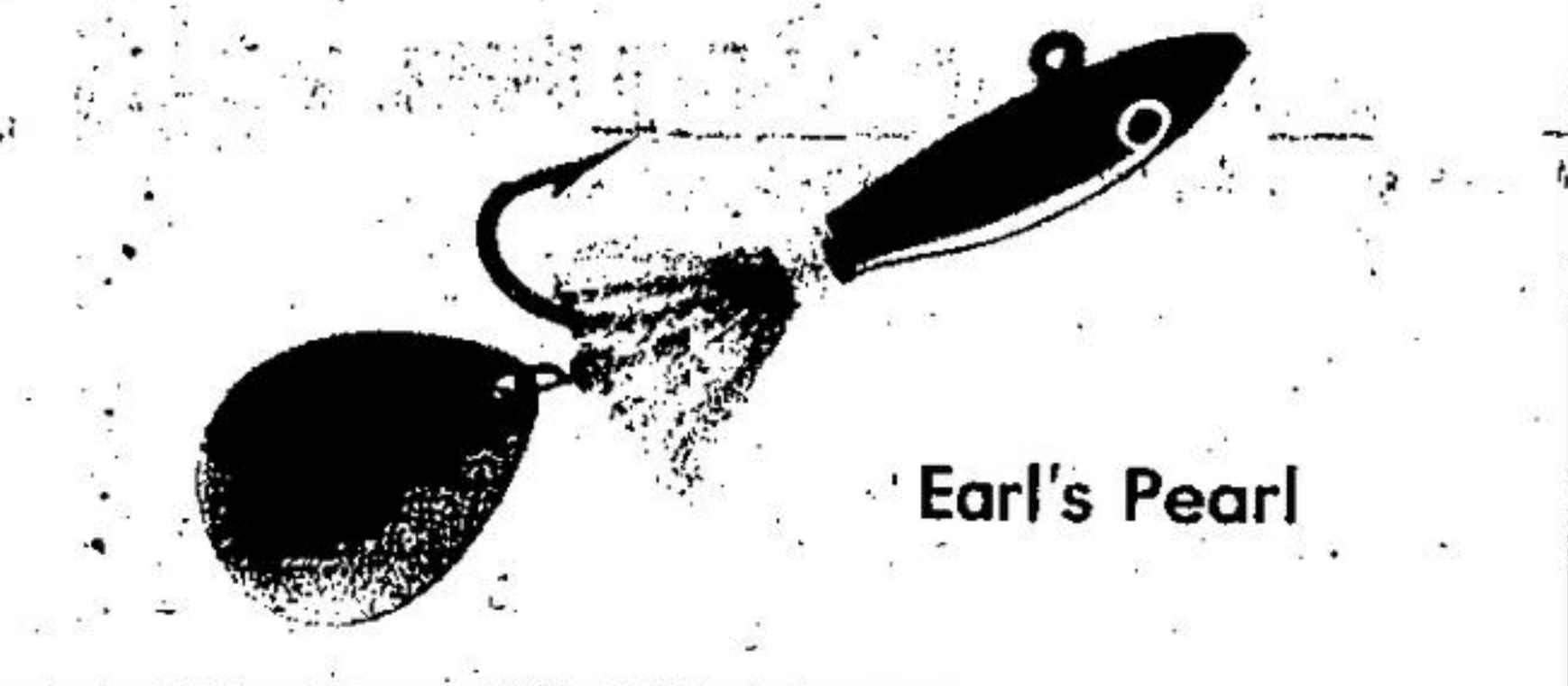
SENIORS
Jim Collier, Gary Richardson, Stephanie Gowin, Rick Gourlie, Sue Mandarino, Karen Archibald, Martin Sweeney, Ruth Finlay, Peter Smarda, Bob Gillanders, Chris Deschenes, Carolyn Barber, Dave Warman, Sandy Bratkin, John Halliburton.
Congratulations to the 93 Banlams, 34 Juniors, 14 Peewees and 15 Senior bowlers who "Beat their Average."



THE MARG O'FLAHERTY RINK recently won the Mackenzie Trophy, the oldest trophy presented in local curling, at the recent vice and Marg O'Flaherty, skip. Members of the rink are (from left): Ellen Burns, Louise Nugent, second; Maddie Howat, Mackenzie-Noble Bonspiel.



AT THE SAME BONSPIEL, the Glad Robinson, with Mrs. Joy Noble who presented Robinson Rink won the Noble Trophy. The trophy, (back row, left to right) Marj team members are: seated, Mrs. Glad Allen, Dorie Cox and Mary Jo Pfaff.



Earl's Pearl

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BANTAM GIRLS
Julie Burns has the high average of 171. Alleycats trimmed WHCF for two games and totals. Pink Panlies blasted Bantam Baby in all three games. Mustangs creamed Strekers for three

victories. Pin Knockers handed all three games to Wild Cats. Dum Dums subdued SS and M's in two and totals. Strikers bowed down to Bantam Bowlers in two games and totals.

Team Standings
Mustangs 32, Pink Panlies 26, Banlam Bowlers 20, WHCF 19, Wild Cats 14, Strekers 14, Dum Dums 13, Bantam Babys 9, SS and M's 2, Pin Knockers 2.

Super Scores
Julie Burns threw the top threesome for this week with her 564 total, along with a 226 single game. Debbie Scarborough registered 534 and a 203 single. Lisa Burke rolled 494 with a 173 single. A 468 trio and 199 solo were tossed by Cathy Coburn while Cheryl Jackson scored 459 with a 164 single.

BANTAM BOYS
Russell Gourlie's 171 average leads the race. Tiger Cats caged Rebels in all three games. hlucky Bunch qtole two games and totals from Slickers. Cougars salvaged one game and totals from Stingrays. Pin ups were oblazed in every game by Hot Rods.

Team Standings
Hot Rods 43, Cougars 33, Tiger Cats 31, Stingrays 25, Lucky Bunch 23, Pin Ups 21, Slickers 11, Rebels 9.

Super Scores
David Wallace shot a 496 triple with a 160 single. Trevor Jones fired 467 and a 190 solo. A 474 threesome and a 177 single were thrown by Ross Knipe. Peter Hurdie tossed a tricounter of 459 and a 186 single game.

JUNIORS
Sheila Anderson with 216 and Colin Hicks at 206 own the high averages. Sexy Strikers battled Super Strikers for three victories. High Singles triumphed in every game over J's S.D.'s. Pin Hitters were run over by Team Canada in all three. New Comers annexed two games and totals from Super Six. S.S. and M's plastered THCOD in every game. Pin Busters str-

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