

Soccer registration still on

By ALEX TOUGH

Late registrations will be accepted tomorrow (Thursday) evening at the Cedarvale field from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. The late charge will not apply to commissioners, coaches, managers, referees and their children this year.

Mini-soccer entrants are encouraging for this new concept. Initially we will have to look at the total number before making a final decision on the set up.

We intend to play all the

girls in their own divisions, and split them into squirt, atom, mosquito, pee wee, bantam and junior in the same manner as the boys. Of course the exact division will depend upon total registrations. At the moment the situation looks good. We have approximately 170 girls and 580 boys registered in the first regular signing days. Des Rafferty is still looking for over 18-year-old ladies to register.

We are also looking at

Ballinafad, Caledon, Hillsburgh and Pineview joining our boys league. Acton, Bolton, Milton and Pineview are joining with us in the girls league as last year. Obviously we consider our own needs first and then look to expansion. Local soccer is developing into rural, or Halton Hills, and there are advantages in this development.

Peter and Sally Skelton, with the boys, Gary and David, not forgetting Crystal (the dog) are leaving us to go

to Vancouver in a couple of weeks or so. Pete was our equipment and uniform man this year. He has done a first class job to date, and with Sally, in other areas in previous years.

I am pleased that another efficient person is taking over, in Erwin Gross.

Our rep team are in early competition this year. We are taking part in the Guelph tournament on April 26 and 27 and May 3 and 4. Regrettably it will not be for minor

atom and senior ladies since there is no competition.

The senior and bantam girls are accepted for the Robbie in September. The Junior Falcons are in the Vanguard, also in September. The lads have been asked to host the Mexican team and the bantam girls are also to billet; both as a condition of entry.

We require divisional commissioners at all levels other than girls, bantam boys and mini-soccer. We require coaches, managers and referees.

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The basic referees clinic is tentatively set for April 20 and 27 at Cedarvale. Please note this one in your diary.

I am honored to be asked to join the Athlete of the Year committee for 1980 and feel this is an overdue item for town soccer. I am looking forward to the task as an interesting diversion from the soccer grind.

See you around, folks.

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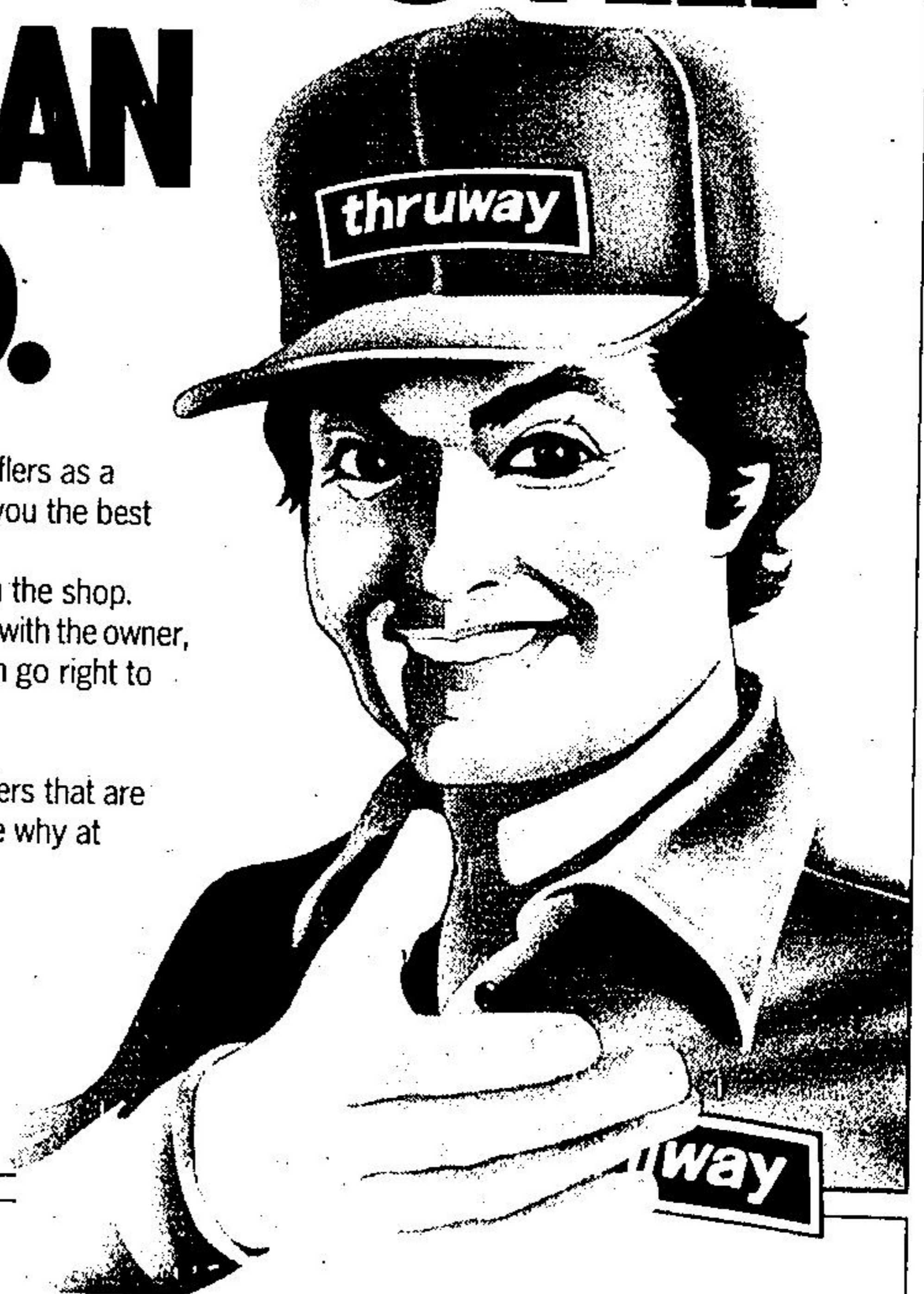
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