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Sports Editor

Benefit hockey game tonight

It was purely a case of mistaken identity. Lynn Parker, 19, and her 24-year-old fiancée Folke Johansson were innocent victims. Only the sniper with the automatic rifle up on the apartment balcony didn't know it.

"Please mister, don't shoot! Don't shoot!" Johansson begged as he flung himself upon the downed body of the woman he was to marry this summer in Sweden. It was too late by then. The damage had already been done. She lay paralyzed from the first of the twelve shots, now protected by her valiant man who in response to his pleas intercepted three more bullet crashes meant for Lynn, the woman who was thought to be the wife of the gunman.

This piece of real life drama transpired on a quiet residential street in Baton Rouge, La., last March. Thankfully this story is not over. It continues, because the three principals are all alive. The man suspected of fingering the trigger of the offending weapon, which sent out the causes creating this tale, was arrested immediately. The young couple go on living. She is in a wheelchair, accepting the fact that she will never walk again, and he getting by with recurring side effects from the chest, shoulder and leg injuries he suffered.

Flying Fathers

Today, back at the scene of the crime, Lynn and Folke carry on with the trial of the man accused of their attempted murder, living each horrifying second of their brief brush with death through their testimony in court.

Tonight at Victoria Park arena in Bramalea, a group of men who wear jerseys identifying them as the Halton Hills Huff 'n' Puffers, will play an exhibition hockey game against the famed priestly Flying Fathers. Proceeds from the fund raising endeavor will go to help keep the Lynn Palmer Benefit Fund alive.

Baton Rouge Mayor Woody Dumas started the fund and his city opened their hearts and donated \$5,400 initially, with more still coming in a spokesman said. With medical bills eating up the money, no income source any longer for her and further extensive rehabilitation planned at St. Michael's Hospital in Toronto facing Lynn, the Lions Club of Bramalea decided they would try and help out. Thus tonight's 8 p.m. meeting of two teams of dedicated sportmen and helpers of other human beings.

Former National Hockey League stars Andy Bathgate, Pierre Pilon and Eddie Shack will suit up with the Huff 'n' Puffers which will play the devil's advocate to the group of Roman Catholic priests. A formidable task indeed. The brainchild of Father Brian McKee, of the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie, the Flying Fathers were formed in 1963. Bringing together priests from many locations in New Brunswick, Ontario, Quebec and Michigan, they are now international in scope, playing for worthwhile charitable community affairs. Their brand of shabby is entertaining and they have a habit of winning.

Huff 'n' Puffer Lorne Smith, a close family friend of the Palmers, is the connecting link for the evening's affair. For it was he who as an employee of the Ford Motor Co. in Brampton spoke of the project to fellow workers who were Lions. They picked up on it and hence, hopefully a few more dollars will be collected for the Boisjoly, N.B. native.

Admission is only \$3 per person. A good way to show some generosity and if you must, get some value out of it too.

Paralyzed by bodycheck

When the Jr. B hockey playing Gems face off against the Oakville Blades in their first home game Sunday night, 17-year-old David Hawkins will not be on the opposite side of the centre red line ready to go at them. The talented defenseman, with what looked like a promising career in the national art of winter recreation, is paralyzed from the neck down as a result of a "flukey" accident during an exhibition game.

A story in the Toronto Sun Friday reported the incident this way:

Hawkins suffered a spinal vertebra fracture during the game at the Stratford Arena two weeks ago Sunday. He remains in intensive care at Sunny Brook Medical Centre in Toronto. Doctors say he may never walk again.

A bodycheck by his teammate, meant for a Stratford player on a break-away on their goal in the third period, rendered him down but conscious on the ice. He told teammates and the Blades' trainer that he couldn't feel anything below his waist.

He was removed to Stratford hospital where he underwent an operation to realign the broken vertebra. He was later transferred to Sunny Brook.

Hawkins' father, Bob - a minor hockey coach and oldtimer player - and his mother, Ellen, were at the game.

Mrs. Hawkins says the doctors aren't optimistic about David recovering from the paralysis, but she won't give up hope that her athletic son will walk again.

"He loves the whole world of sports and has tried them all and excelled in most of them. Hockey was probably his favorite," Mrs. Hawkins said.

The Grade 13 student has played hockey since he was six years old and was considered one of the better prospects of the Oakville team had this year.

"He was one of the first players we signed this season," said Murray Walker, general manager of the Blades. "He had a lot of potential. In all my years of hockey, I've never seen a boy injured that badly with a hit like that," Walker said. "I'd have to say it has to be the flukiest accident I've seen in my life. It's tragic.

"He is going to need our support now and down the road and that is a commitment we have made to this boy. Our hope and prayers are with him," Walker said.

Just a reminder that like anything in life, all the precautions and rules in the world aren't going to prevent strange things from happening, although they do help.

Heart attack kills

Here's another item along the same lines, only this one ended in the death of a 16-year-old Jr. B player, Dave Ueberig of Elmira.

The Elmira Sugar Kings player collapsed on the bench following his first shift on the ice in the first period of an exhibition game with the Kitchener Rangers. Dr. George Christ of the Kitchener-Waterloo coroner's office said Ueberig died of a heart attack that resulted from malformation of the right ventricle of his heart.

The rookie player was trying out for the team said his coach Doug Brenner, when he suddenly came off the ice complaining of dizziness. He fainted and did not regain consciousness, despite the efforts of the coach, trainer and referee to revive him. He was rushed by ambulance to Kitchener-Waterloo hospital where more attempts at resuscitation proved fruitless.

Sport is not without its casualties, as this once again so blatantly reveals, regrettably. It just serves to further point out the importance of trained personnel at such contests. This is not to say that had someone been there, even a doctor, that Ueberig would have lived, however similar episodes happen all the time in athletics and being prepared is what the First Aid courses are all about. With the strenuous demands being put on the competitors today, you never can tell when.....



HEADS UP!

The throw-in in soccer is one of the most important and demanding jobs in the game. Here opposing players from the Hustlers and Meteors pee wee teams get their all into the task during Sunday's cup final between the two teams.

House League soccer finish with Cup finals

ATOM Cosmos

Chris Bewley, Steven Eastwood, Mark Shephard, David Presswood, Jeff Guiliani, Chris Kilpin, Greg Hagan, Mark Reed, John Reel, David Schouten, Stephen Hreickha, Stephen Mills, Kristopher Westra, Derek Treffry, Michael Rodenburgh.

MOSQUITO Hurricanes

Mike Flynn, Terry Flynn, Fraser Knowles, James Xanthios, Paul Adema, Robin Cocks, John Devries, Gregory Clarke, Bobby Sun, Philip Simpson, Mike Treffry, Lorne Allen, Harvey Jonkman, Peter Jonkman, Sean Cleary.

PEE WEE Hustlers

Gord Savage, Rick Middaugh, Peter Jones, Scott Taggart, Paul Davenport, Willy Dykstra, David Banks, Chris Jessop, Jeff Dykxhoorn, Lee Patterson, Glenn Edwards, Michael Wood, Ron Vanitem, Lol Tang.

SQUIRT Blackhawks

Michelle Melville, Nick O'Donnell, Chris Stadelmann, Ronald Desrosiers, Paul McLeod, Scott Dobbins, Dean Robbins, Grant Foreman, Eric Labonte, Paul Smith, Shawn Fowler, Phillip Mountain, Clary M. Coe, M. Clarke, Bradley Gray.

Glen in final

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Back in the Glen the following night the home team took a two-game lead with a 9-5 win. Bert Osborne, the team leader throughout the regular season and "the incentive" for the boys, according to their manager, led the hitting parade with three runs. Fendley and Broadbent added a pair each and singles came from Dean Hancock, Rob Hatcher and Mike Reynolds. Pitcher Terry Haines was credited with the win.

This was not a classic confrontation in terms of baseball skills, as the team that lost had the most errors. They had 11 compared to the winner's five. Sunday night at the Glen, one of the largest crowds of the year witnessed the 7-2 semi-final advancing win by the Merchants. Pitcher Terry Haines struck out 11 batters and helped the cause with two runs himself. Other runs were scored by Osborne with two, Waldron with one for Fendley, and singles from Hatcher and Bill Zilio.

Depending on who the Glen meet in the final, their sixth place season finish could find them the home field advantage. Hespeler won the league and Hillsburgh finished just behind in seventh.

Manager Haines says home field doesn't matter to him and his team. "If they want to win bad enough it doesn't matter where you play." He says his team is on the move and because of their "maturity" they don't feel the pressure. "They have the will to win." We'll find out.

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Flag football season ends, now playoffs

By TIM TOLTON Sunday marked the end of the GFFL regular season and in case anyone thought it was a four-team race for the championship, forget it. Dave's BP, the Glen and Wimpys all served notice this week that they will be heard from in the playoffs.

In a Hollywood movie Dave's BP snatched a last-minute stopper from the Greeks 26-20. The Glen came within a yard of tying Wimpys but lost 20-13. Foberts dropped one by a whisker 33-27 to the Smoke Shop and the Dairy Queen hammered the Hogs 50-14.

DAVE'S BP 26 GREEKS 20 Dave's BP nose dived from a first tie five weeks ago to fifth place in the standings. Last week not only were they upset by Foberts', but they lost one of their premier receivers for the season when Rob Taylor went out with a knee injury. Just when they were written off they came back to slap down the Greeks in one of the year's finest games.

The teams were tied at the half on touchdowns by Paul Egerton and Scott Mason for BP and James Allan and Mike Makovnyk for the Greeks.

The Greeks emerged from the third quarter with a slim two point lead on a Mark Russel TD and two point conversion by Dave Chamberlain. Scott Mason kept the BP close with another score.

The final quarter saw frantic action with both defenses coming up with big interceptions. Time was running out when Jim McGill drove the BP downfield and on the second last play of the game hit Paul Egerton with the winning TD to send the crowd into delirium. Rick Garder added a two point convert.

This loss proved costly to the Greeks as they have dropped

from first to fourth place in the standings with 20 back losses.

WIMPY'S 20 GLEN 13 If the Glen ever take a lead into the second half of a game watch out because they are virtually unbeatable in that frame.

Trailing 20-13 in a fourth quarter, that saw spectacular defense from both sides, Howie Jacobs drove the Glen to Wimpys' one yard line where they had first down with only a minute to go. Three plays later Wimpys' defense had risen to the occasion and stopped them cold to preserve a very narrow win.

All scoring took place in a hectic first half. Bob Lockwood had two TD's and two converts for the Wimpys', with Dave Robertson contributing a single major. Bob Paul and Jim Boulanger had the Glen majors and Andy Tyrell kicked one convert for them.

SMOKERS 33 FOBERTS 27 Foberts' continued their rapid rise to respectability by pushing the Smoke Shop hard before dropping a close game.

The Smokers had it all their own way in the first half when Werner Mikoleit, Paul Ewing and Jerry Neil had touchdowns. Bruce Cartwright converted one. Doug Fraser had the lone Foberts' score.

In the second half Foberts QB Terry Hunt began to unleash a pack of receivers that very

much resemble a herd of gazelles. They caught the Delrex defense flat footed and roared back to tie the score with majors by Dave McCarthy and Bryan Meyers. Hunt had one convert.

Fortunately for the Smokers Terry Diardichuk and Jerry Neil gave them some room with a pair of TD's which Cartwright converted.

On the final play of the game Foberts' Brian Pemberton embarrassed the Delrex defense by blowing by every one of them en route to a 55 yard score. Brad Fraser added two on the convert but time ran out on the comeback.

DQ 50 HOGS 14 In the day's other game the Dairy Queen, behind a 20 point effort by Jeff Lockwood, demolished the Halton Hogs to move into third place in the final standings. They also had touchdowns from Brad Jacobs with two, Hal Hulme with two, and Andy Broadbent with one.

Sam Waldron returned from hangover heaven to score for the Hogs while Doug Cousens had the other TD.

PLAYOFFS Playoffs begin Oct. 5 with Wimpys' meeting the Halton Hogs at 8:45. Delrex Smoke Shop take on the Glen at 10:00. Dairy Queen play Foberts at 11:15 and Dave's BP has a rematch against the Greeks at 12:30. All games are sudden death.

FINAL STANDINGS

	G	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Wimpys	14	11	3	0	423	198	22
Delrex Smoke Shop	14	11	3	0	401	254	22
Dairy Queen	14	9	5	0	354	268	18
Greeks	14	9	5	0	397	297	18
Dave's BP	14	6	8	0	310	295	18
Foberts	14	5	9	0	235	411	10
Glen	14	4	12	0	219	369	4
Halton Hogs	14	0	14	0	174	410	2

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