

# Tutoring a junior dirt track champ

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There's no doubt in Mike Doucette's mind that the main reason why he's the top junior dirt track rider at the 1/2 mile is because of Jon Cornwell's help.

The grade thirteen student from Georgetown says he owes Cornwell and the entire Cornwell Racing Group a great deal for their work in keeping his 250 cc custom-built motorcycle on the track instead of in his garage.

Mike, who also ended the season as the fifth ranked rider in the 250 cc junior national championships, says the cooperation between Georgetown riders enables them to race more competitively.

Quite often, Mike's fellow riders, Georgetowners Steve Duff and Dave Broomhead will exchange motorcycles for races if one is broken. The threesome travel to dirt track races in Ontario and Quebec, with North American expert rider Jon Cornwell.

Cornwell is accompanied by Brian Olsen from Acton, who is Jon's mechanic. Leonard Shepley is the fine-tuning expert, the technician of the Cornwell Racing Group. Bob Sobering from Brampton also works together with the four riders. "Jon helps about 10 different riders. If not for him, we wouldn't get a chance to ride," Doucette says.

The sharing of motorcycles sometimes backfires. Recently Dave Broomhead borrowed Mike's 250 cc for a race and did considerable damage. However, Mike understands and he's willing to pay for the damage because if he damaged Broomhead's 500 cc bike, he would pay for its repairs.

Mike is a rookie on the dirt track circuit, but he's been a veteran of moto-cross racing since grade eight. This summer Mike would have rode moto-cross at the senior category, but Jon and the other local riders convinced him to race dirt-track.

One of the biggest differences in the two types of racing is the speeds involved, Mike says. On a 1/2

mile track, Doucette can accelerate to 110 mph on straightaways while Jon's 750 cc bike can get up to 130 mph, he says.

Last summer Cornwell broke his pelvis and couldn't ride his bike. Mike went up to visit Jon and he was offered use of his bike for the rest of the season.

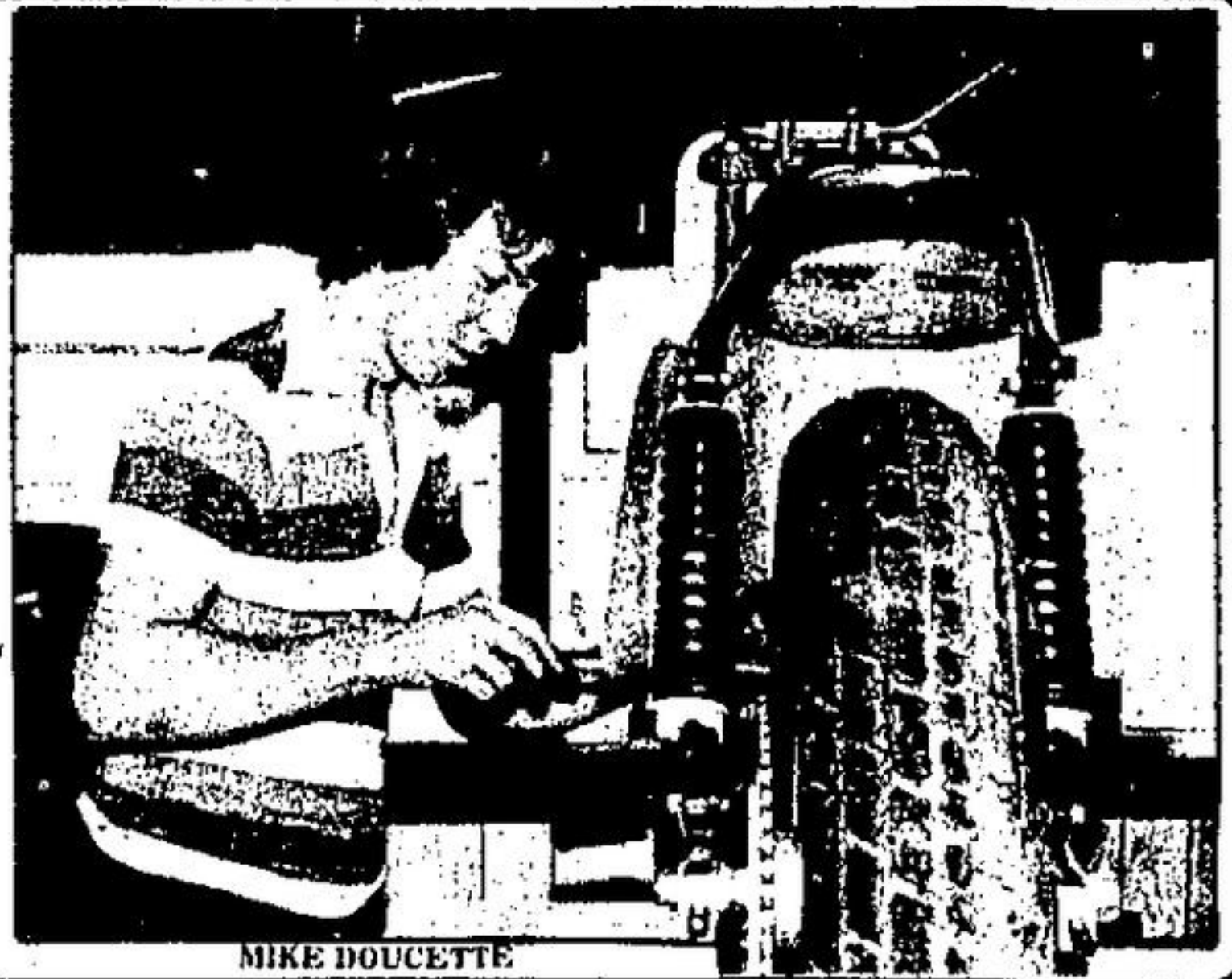
### BEST RIDER

Mike considers Cornwell one of the best riders in the United States and the best in Canada if it hadn't been for his unfortunate accident last year.

During the winter, Jon and Mike travelled together on the ice-racing circuit. He gained valuable experience with Jon and Mike ended up the high point winner at the end of the season in his junior class.

Jon taught Mike how to do his own mechanical work by telling him to just "sit back and watch". The encouragement and biking tips from all the Georgetown riders have helped Doucette to

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Patrick Brooker scrambles back to first base after a Pelham pitcher eyed his lead-off advances. The local midget rep hardball team won their first playoff game against Pelham 19-5. (Herald photo by Dave Rowney)

## Local team split playoff series

# Those power-hitting Midgets

The Georgetown Inter-American Transport midgets opened their Ontario Baseball Association playoff series last Saturday at the Fairgrounds against Pelham and won the match-up handily 19-5.

The GBA rep hardball team had 16 hits in the game, powered by the pitching of Rod Wilson who had an excellent game.

The under-17 boys finished their season recently playing in the highly competitive Halton County Baseball Association, against powerhouse teams like Brampton, Burlington, Oakville, Mississauga and Streetsville.

The win against Pelham (Fonthill) was attributed by the collective hitting of the entire team, said manager Pat Brooker.

Pitcher Rod Wilson went 3 for 4. Greg Robertson was close behind with three hits for five times at bat.

GOOD PLAYS  
Several outstanding plays in the infield were attributed to Dan Curtis, Neil Sivertson, Rob Wilkes and Pat Brooker. Outfield duties were handled very effectively by Rob Hagen, Mike McNiven, Eric Clark and Tom O'Brien.

"It was very rewarding to see the team start to hit the ball well," manager Brooker said. "They played heads-up defense the ball to," he said.

Under rain-soaked conditions, the Inter-American midgets were stowed down and they were edged out 6-5 by Pelham the following day in a away game.

COLD CONDITIONS  
In spite of losing, a tight

game was played under cold and rainy conditions, manager Brooker said. Greg Robertson pitched a good game that saw the lead change hands five times, he said.

The third game was to have followed in a proposed double-header, but because of the adverse conditions, the game was cancelled.

The third and final game of the first round of playoffs for the midgets will start 4:30 Saturday in Pelham.

The winner of the game will play Port Hope Sunday. If Georgetown wins, the game will be played against Port Hope at the Fairgrounds. The Inter-American midgets are coached by Jim Parker.

In other GBA rep news, the Tyke reps ended up tied for fifth in the Halton County Baseball Association, playing in the

major division.

The team drew a bye which enabled them to advance to the 'B' championship tournament held last weekend. The tournament will feature six teams and will be a double elimination. The location is Kingsville near Windsor.

The Peewee rep Lions let out a roar as they entered OBA 'C' playoff action against Milton.

However, when the dust settled it was Milton who proved that their bite was more fearsome than their bark. Milton won the series.

Two weeks ago the GBA Eagle junior entry were downed by Chippawa two games to one.

The Georgetown Baseball Association are planning to hold their house league playoffs Monday September 6 of the Labor Day weekend.

## Borthwiche wins tourney

North Halton Golf and Country club held their Ladies Invitational Saturday and crowned Gail Borthwiche as champion, shooting an 82.

Borthwiche won a set of woods while Lil Wosney of Aurora won a stereo set for the low net score of 69.

In all about 144 players took part with 25 local club players qualifying for the Invitational. The tournament had a Hawaiian theme.

Some of the low scorers from the area were Shirley McDermott (86), Gail McIntyre (88), Gerry Caird (89), Cathy Crowe (91), Anne Hartford (95).



Cathy Crowe, the reigning North Halton Golf and Country Club's Ladies golf champ, reads to tee off Saturday at the North Halton Ladies Invitational. Gail Borthwiche won the event shooting an 82. Crowe managed a 91 on the course. (Herald photo by Harold Bransch)

## Limehouse fastball

# Huttonville Hawks humble Blue Jays

By BARB CASE  
Herald Special  
Regular season was wrapped up in Limehouse last week with the last four places being decided by the last two games played. Oilers and the Blue Jays came out as the big winners.

In the first game Sunday morning, the Petrohul Oilers took an 8-0 forfeit when the Indusmin Expos failed to field a team.

In the second game the Huttonville Hawks came out on top of the Ballinafad Blue Jays 20-3.

Considering that centre fielder Bob Schofield held the Hawks to 4-2 until the fifth inning when his pitching arm decided to rebel, this game didn't end up as a pitcher's duel.

In Sunday's final game, Laing's Hustlers proved that there is still some winning spirit on their team when they trounced

the Abitibi boys 11-5 with two home runs.

Both were in the second inning. The first knocked out of the park by John Case, and the second was a beautiful Grant Slam scored by Glen Scott. Glen was also 3 for 3 at the plate.

The game between the Huttonville Hawks and the Hustlers started out as anyone's game. Peter Blacklock started the scoring on a double and Gary Gillis brought him home. Three more runs in the second for the Hawks brought in on Fred Butler's double, and Rob Reid's two-baser scored Fred and the game is now 4-1 Hawks.

Roger Brown crossed the plate in the second inning and Earl Malby scored in the Third. Then the Hawks started to soar getting six runs finishing with a home run - out of the park - by Marty Zillo to

retire their side.

Although the Hustlers did get a five run inning in the fourth and two more single runs, the Hawks total runs of 15 was still more than the Hustlers 9.

In Wednesday's game between the Abitibi Price boys and the Indusmin Expos, the star player was Bob Fendley.

On the mound for Abitibi, Bob threw a two hitter - striking out nine players and his team held Indusmin scoreless, while they brought in seven runs. Score 7-0 Abitibi.

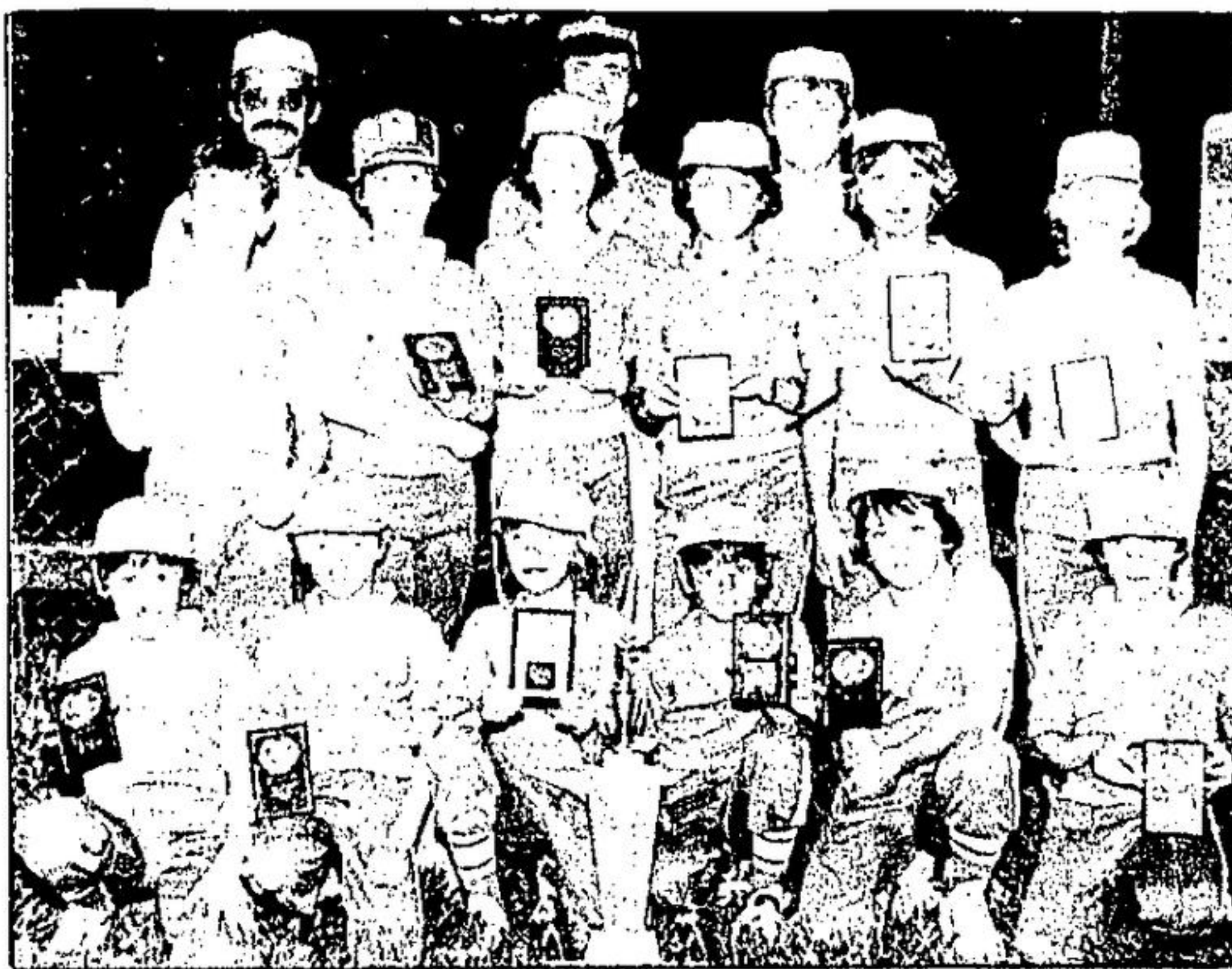
In the final deciding game for the standings, the Petrohul Oilers and the Ballinafad Blue Jays played to a draw. This decided the standings and paired off the third place team Petrohul Oilers against Laing's Hustlers and fourth place Indusmin Expos against the Ballinafad Blue Jays. Playoffs started on Sunday.

## Glen squirts wear crown

The Squirt Boys of the Halton Rural Softball League are the happy champions of playoff baseball, having won the crown beating such teams as neighboring Hornby, Acton and Limehouse. Seen here are: (back row, left to right) Jeff Dean, Doug McEachern, Wayne Sproule; (centre, left to right)

Craig Cooper, Brent Presswood, Glen Stork, Greg Onoprejanko, Greg McEachern, Dave Chatten; (front, left to right) Daryl Sproule, Don Quest, Derek Meyer, Glen Dean, Kevin Roe and John Balsille.

(Herald photo)



## Hornby squirt girls take trophy for 2nd time

The 1982 version of the Hornby Squirt Girls Softball Team has won the Elmer Fendley Memorial Trophy (donated by The Glen Williams Minor Softball Association). They won this award last year also.

The Hornby girls also won the Len and Marg St. John Trophy for ending up in first place at the end of the regular season. They were scheduled all year by Glen Williams, the team they met in the

finals. Excitement - at the Hornby and Glen park when these two teams met in the finals. Good Ball - when these two teams met in the finals. Hornby won the series in two straight games, but both games went down to the last inning, before a definite winner was declared.

In game one, which was so fast it only took less than an hour to play,

Hornby hung on for a 4-3 victory. The Glen had the bases loaded with two out and Hornby pitcher, Raeanne Chudleigh struck out the last batter to seal the win.

After three innings the Glen were winning two to nothing, with Hornby scoring four runs in the fourth. Glen was able to get one run across in the top of the fifth, load the bases and then held from getting any other runners

across home plate.

In the line-up for Glen Williams was: Jill Windsor, Mary Connelly, Alison McGill, Sheki McMILLAN, Sandra Weeks, Stephanie LaFlamme, Tracey Weeks, Julie Beecham, Jill McCurdy, Mandie Beecham, Julie Anderson, Stacey Hughes, Joanne Totten, Corina Stevens, Debbie Lawrence.

In the line-up for Hornby was: Janelle Lewis, Kathy Griffiths, Raeanne

Chudleigh, Heather Speck, Wendy Brunelle, Angela Andrews, Nicole Dupuis, Linda Waters, Karen Olsen, Kelly Stewart, Tish Wilson.

Game two: the excitement continued with Hornby picking up five runs in the first and Glen scoring three. After two innings, Hornby had built up a 9-4 lead, but the Glen started to close the gap and after three complete innings the score was 10-7

for Hornby. Each team scored four runs in the fourth and was held scoreless in the fifth inning to end the game 14-11.

Now the excitement of winning took over for Hornby and the Glen Williams team will be heard from next year in the Squirt Girls division, as they have nothing to be ashamed of by losing to the Hornby Squirt Girls.

Scoring for the Glen in game two was Sandra

Weeks, and Julie Beecham with two each, and single runs were scored by Alison McGill, Stacey Hughes, Jill McCurdy, Stephanie LaFlamme, Julie Anderson, Joanne Totten and Debbie Lawrence.

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