Summer Games track squad will have local flavor

By DAN RALPH

Herald Sports Editor The Ontario team taking part in next month's Canada Summer Games will have a Georgetown-Acton flavor.

Georgetown resident Bruce Andrews, who teaches at Acton High School, will be the middle and long distance coach for the Ontario track team. He will be responsible for the 800,

1,500, 3,000, 5,000 and 10,000 metre athletes. As well Andrews will assist the race-walking ath-

Andrews learned of the coaching vacancy on the team through an Ontario Truck and Field Association newsletter. The paper asked interested applicants to send in their resume, which Andrews did.

Andrews has coached

track as well as crossclub runners Doreen Uranick, George Gidman and Marla Brillinger. Andrews said the news

> of being selected as a team coach caught him by surprise initially. "I guess I was a little surprised because I had forgot all about it," he

said with a laugh. This year the Canada Games will be held in St. John's, New Brunswick.

The event itself will begin Aug. 10, and run for two weeks. The track competition will take place the first week of

"I applied because if you are going to coach the elite athletes, it's good to have the desire to go to a higher level. I don't think you can get the athletes there if you yourself aren't going to go along the same line,"

the Games.

This marks the first time Andrews has worked as a coach on a provincial team level. He's looking at going to

the Games with a busi-

ness-type attitude. good job, you should. spend the time with the athletes and take care of them Andrews said. "That's what you're go-

"I hope to gain experlence working with high level athletes at a large competition. One of the things that has hit me is that because these athletes are good, we think of them as being mature. "If you're going to don However, most of them

are just young kids. "I'd like to gain an understanding of how to prepare an athlete for national or international competition, the immed-

iate physical preparation and how they can deal with the pressure they will face. I'd like to learn how to balance out the feeling the athlete has from the time he leaves for a competition to when he gets there.

"Not only does the athlete have to cope with the race, but everything else (like travel lag and potential time loss). I would like to know more

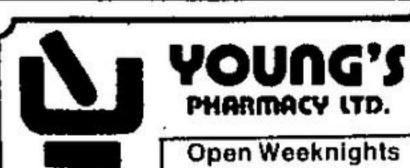
about how to help a person adjust."

As a coach, Andrews said because the time to work with the athletes involved in the Games is short, he will try to sit down with each individual prior. He said they will go over the training schedule, and discuss what the runner feels his strong points are and eventually come up with

a strategy for the race. "As a coach you must be an example and you

can't treat something like this as a holiday. However, I am excited to see what it is like to be part of something that is a national event," he said.

Andrews will attend a team training camp at York University before leaving with the squad for New Brunswick.



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Sign of the times hanging for ball team

TORONTO-A sign hangs at York University that has special significance to a select number of teenage baseball players.

The sign reads: August 10, 8 p.m. Canada versus ANYONE. It is in reference to next week's world youth baseball championships which will be held in Albany, New York. The above date and time are for the gold medal game.

The sign was written and posted by the Canadian team manager Jim Ridley. He adds there is no reason why it cannot happen.

"I don't fear any team," he said from Exhibition Stadium last week where the team is training. "I expect Talpae, Cuba and the United States to be the teams to bent, but our goal is to be in the gold medal game, and I don't think it's too far for us to reach.'

Two years ago Canada finished a three-way tle for the gold. But two round-robin tournament losses to the U.S. and Taiwan gave Canada a bronze. Last year inconsistent fielding left the

"I've got as good a defensive infield as I've ever had since I've been Invalved in the program, I'll tell you, working in this facility (Exhibition Stadium) is super because the kids become highly motivated playing in this park."



Canadian squad with a 3-6 mark in the 10-team tournament, which was played in Saskatchewan. Ridley has been manager of the national team the past two seasons, and feels this year's squad is a lot better defensive ball club.

"I've got as good a defensive infield as I've ever had since I've been involved in the program," the Stewarttown Public School teacher said. "I'll tell you, working in this facility (Exhibition Stadium) is super because the kids become highly motivated playing in this park."

Ridley began training camp about two weeks ago with 50 hopefuls. He has cut that number down to 25, and will reduce it further until he has 18 players plus pitchers.

As well as being responsible for the operation of the squad, Ridley and his coaches have had to take a lot of extra time looking after airport and train runs for incoming and departing players spend up two hours a night going through practice routines paperwork for passports and discussing what players have stood out.

"It's like we're business managers, general managers and coaches all wrapped into one," he said.

The players invited to the camp come from across Canada. Few know who they're competing against, but Ridley sald he has been mildly surprised with how the players have gotten along

"These guys have a strong team personality. They're starting to mold together and help one another. I'm very happy to see that."

One problem Ridley faced before camp opened was finding adequate right-handed batters. He said that problem will be solved. "We might have to sacrifice some defence,

but you give in one spot to get stronger in another. "I'm ready. I've received no evidence that suggests we can't finish first, second or third: When you get down to one game, anyone can beat anyone. I think our goals are real and attainable."

NOTES-The team opens play Aug. 3 against Australia in Cooperstown, the site of the Baseball Hall of Fame. All other games will be played at Heritage Park in Albany, New York.

Tennis squad brings home title



The Alcott junior boys tennis team is all smiles after winning the Intercounty title this weekend. Members of the winning team include: (front row) Hory Kennedy, Mark Shepherd, and Jay Anderson. Back row: Stephen Eastwood, Mike Harris, Don Hurley (coach) and captain Mike Hurley.

Alcott juniors all ull

The Gordon Alcott junlor boys tennis team ended the year in impressive fashion by claiming the Intercounty championship onthe weekend.

The Georgetown team won the 24-team, fourdivision championship tournament by defeating Milliken Mills from Markham 6-2 in the final.

Steve Eastwood split his under-15 singles match 3-6, 6-4. Eastwood played a strong game in the second set as he came from behind to notch the win for the split. The under-15 doubles team of Mark Harris and Dave Harris won their first set 7-6 before dropping a 6-1 decision to

also gain a split. Fortunately, the under-18 veteran players

come through as the team of Rory Kennedy and Jay Anderson won both their sets. The tandem whipped their opponents 6-1 in their first set, then won a 7-5 decision in the second.

Team captain Mike Hurley put the finishing touches on an undefeated season as he notched his 12th win of the year. Hurley won his first set 6-1, but traited 4-1 in his second when he reeled off five consecutive games with powerful serves for the6-4 win in the second set.

the squad will be doubles player Jay Anderson, Coach Don Hurley was

who will be too old for the proud of the club's ununder-18 age class. Howbeaten string throughout ever, the team will be the year. Hurley also requiring some more extended his thanks to Bobby Sun, Mike Lorito, under-15 players as those Mark Talbot and the with the team this year will be making the transother players who played ition to the higher age for the club throughout category. the season.

Many of this year's Next year the Alcott team will continue to team will move up to the play in the Ontario junior major division, which is tennis circuit, thus gainthe highest level of tening valuable experience nis play in juntor tennisfor next year's tennis team competition season. throughout Ontario: Hurley said while the upward move will result in a higher calibre of play,

As much as the win meant to his players, Hurley said the Alcott team's magnificent season was a great accomplishment for the development of junior tennis in Georgetown.

Competition fierce in summer hockey I'm just more concerned

By DAN RALPII Herald Sports Editor

Hather than spend their weekend time at the beach, two George-. town teenagers have been busy doing something more commonly done during the winter Don Cruise and Dave

Harris have spent most of their summer weekend time playing hockey. Not at a hockey camp, rather the two were invited to try out for the Central Ontario select minor bantam team, and made the final cut. About 80 players from as far away as Peterborough, Owen Sound and Huntsville were invited, to the team's camp, which was held in Woodville (which is near Lindsay) in early summer.

ainst other minor bant- ers this good." am select teams from Western Canada, the Up-

ited States as well as other groups in Ontario. The idea of summer select hockey is not a new idea, as the Central Ontario league (comprising of nine teams ranging from novice to minor bantam) has been in operation for the past 10 years.

However, Harris and Cruise are the first players from Georgetown to be invited and make such a team involved in this type of program.

Both players admited to first being surprised about having made the team's roster because of the calibre of talent present. However they both say they're glad to have been selected.

"The competition is really flerce," Cruise sald. "You don't get a Since then the team chance like this very has played some 32 ag- often to play with play-

"I was surprised to be invited," Harris added.

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"I thought I'd make the first few cuts, but wasn't positive I'd make the final. So far this season Cruise and Harris have

played in five tournaments all across Ontario. Their team has won two of them. The final tournament of the year will be played this weekend in Peterborough.

Being involved in the summer program has meant Cruise and Harris have played hockey year-round. Both say It has been a little tiring, but add it's a sacrifice they'd readily make again.

Team coach Bill Dunlop, who is also in charge of operations for the Central Ontario group, had good things to say on both players' progress.

"David is a good, steady hockey player who gives you a 100 per cent honest effort. He has the drive and desire and is an inspirational

"Donnle has put more points on the board with us now than he had probably all last winter. He has a lot of potential."

This is Dunlop's first year as director of the Central loop, having spent the past four years involved with the Northern-Lakeshore league which included centres like Oshawa to Trenton and as far north to Huntsville and Halibur-

Unlike the Ontario Minor Hockey Association setup during the winter, the summer leagues are not zoned, thus all- . owing boys from all adjoining centres a chance to try out and improve. Dunlop feels the zoning

situation hurts the good players.

"They are not pushed to develop," he said. "You put a good player with players his own level, he has to do his

"The OMHA has been approached (about dropping zoning), but won't move. It bothers me to see teams from the United States come up here and beat us hands

down. They have open

zones.

"When the boys go back to their teams lo the winter they are so far ahead they've got to come down to the level of their team. During the winter they are not play-

ing at the level they should be." Interest in the summer program has doubled in the Central league since last year Dunlop sald. This year alone over 800

players tried out for the

league's nine teams. He

said the players are charged \$200, once they make the team which includes Cooperalls, two

sweaters and a jacket.

The parents are told if

the team is looking for-

ward to the challenge.

The only player leaving

they can get two sponsors willing to pay \$100 for the sweaters, then the

\$200 cost is taken care of. "It costs around \$8,000

to run this, and we have

about 150 boys so I've

had to put a lot of my

own money in. However

about giving the boys a chance to get ice time, , good coaching and a chance to improve." The onus though is on

the players to make it to the practices and tournaments as no team buses are provided. During training camp the practices were held three times a week while after the final cuts the club met once a week because of the tourna-



PUTTING ON A SHOW

CITY-TV's Jim McKenny shows good form on this putt. Unfortunately the former Toronto Maple Leaf is thinking about pool, rather than golf. McKenny was in town Monday to take part in

the Le Studio golf tournament for the Mentally retarded. The event was held at Georgetown Golf and Country Club. See story and photo on C2. (Herald photo by Dan Ralph)



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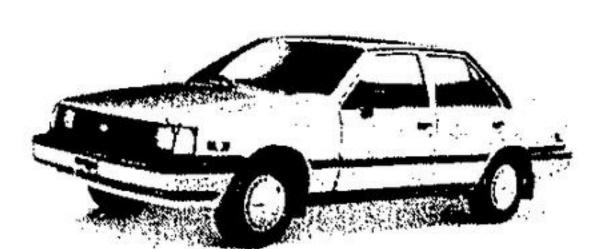
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