



Go fly a kite

Kite-flying was the order of the day at Park Public School on May 18 as grade three, four and five students participated in a friendly contest at the Fairgrounds. Award-winners gathered at the school following the high-flying competi-

tion and included (first row, left to right) Melissa Thompson, Patricia Cousins, Katie MacFarlane and Pam Bradbury. In the second row, Peter Johnson, Sarah Walker, Kerry Wiltshire, Hayley Brown, Derek Parker, Jeff Hewitt, Meg Whitton,

Thomas Arnold, Kate Carney and Amanda Long. In the back are Sarah Wall-Jene, Tina Quail, Shaun Eadie, Matthew Johnson, Darin Finlayson, Amy Walker, Allison MacFarlane, David Astrauskas, Nathaniel Johnston and Mark Bulligan.

Bulldogs put bite on Rebels

In baseball it's three strikes and you're out. The GDHS senior Rebels boys rugby team found out that the time-honored adage can also apply to rugby as they dropped a 16-11 decision to the Nelson Bulldogs last Thursday night in Burlington.

The Rebels squandered three consecutive penalty possessions on the Nelson three-metre line that would have provided them with a winning margin had they managed to score. "We had ample opportunities to win the game," said coach Bill Bingham. "In fact, we should have won the game."

Dave Presswood and John Newcomb scored tries for Georgetown with Trevor Harkley splitting the uprights for a three-point penalty kick conversion, to account for the GDHS scoring.

Rebels were up 11-10 and had an opportunity to put Nelson behind the eight ball when they were awarded a penalty on the Bulldogs' three-metre line. A bad tap by Georgetown forced a scrum and the Rebels were awarded a second chance to score

off a penalty. Bingham said sloppy passing ended that attempt and yet a third scrum was formed.

Nelson was penalized for the third straight time and Georgetown attempted to run the ball through the Bulldogs' defending line for the try but again came up empty.

Nelson, buoyed by their defensive stand and GDHS's miscues, roared back to start a play from their 30-metre line. A questionable play caught Georgetown flat-footed and the Bulldogs managed to punch the ball over for a try.

"It looked like they played the ball from the ground," explained Bingham, referring to a situation whereby a grounded player may not handle the ball. "But there was no call made by the official and our guys gave way."

Nelson scored under the posts and converted the try to command a 16-11 lead which they held until full time.

Nelson had opened the scoring in the contest with an early try before GDHS took the lead on Presswood's

unconverted try in the corner and Harkley's penalty kick from a difficult angle on the Nelson 25-metre line.

Nelson touched down a second try and added a convert to hold a 10-7 lead at the half.

Newcomb's try in the corner in the second half gave Rebels their short-lived 11-10 lead before the three-try penalty attempts sealed their fate.

Bingham gave Nelson full credit for their win. "If you make mistakes against a good team it will hurt you," lamented Bingham. "Nelson had a couple of really good athletes who made the difference."

Bingham was, however, satisfied with his team's efforts and is looking forward to the playoffs. "Overall it was a good game," he said.

Meanwhile, the Rebel junior squad finished its season on a low note, suffering a 24-0 whitewashing at the hands of Milton's E.C. Drury. The Rebel midgets were idle last week.

Redmen undaunted despite losses

Acton Redmen midget rugger faced a tough test last week and according to coach Martin Lewis they came out of it with flying colors.

Redmen played two men short on Thursday and absorbed a 23-6 pounding from White Oaks Wildcats after being edged 8-4 by the Oakville Trafalgar Red Devils in a hammer-and-tongue battle on May 17. The Wildcats and Red Devils hold the top two positions in the local midget rugby league and Lewis was pleased with the Acton effort in both games.

"It was a tough schedule," said Lewis. "Our boys did very well."

The Wildcats are the only club Acton hasn't beaten this season and their cause was not helped when they were able to field only 13 men due to injuries.

Despite the two-man disadvantage Acton gave White Oaks everything they could handle in the first half and were only two points behind, 8-6, at the break. "We gave them a really good match up to that point," said Lewis. "Then the roof caved in during the second half."

White Oaks finally took advantage of a two-man overlap and used it to run in 20 points. "They scored a lot,

understandably, in the second half," said Lewis.

Brad Thorpe, with a pair of penalty kicks, accounted for all the Acton scoring in the first half. "Brad's a very good kicker," said Lewis. "He kicked two very good penalties from about the 25 or 30 metre line."

A see-saw battle in Oakville saw the always-tough Red Devils hang on to subdue a stubborn Acton side. The Redmen had beaten O-T in their earlier encounter. "It was a very good rugby game," said Lewis.

Dan Argudin, playing in the centres, scored an opportunistic try for Acton, picking up a loose ball and beating three O-T defenders before reaching goal. "Dan's a very strong boy," said Lewis in praise of the solo scoring effort.

Meanwhile, Acton will finish third in the six-team midget group and will meet O-T in the first playoff round, says Lewis. "It will be a very interesting match," he said. The winner will probably draw White Oaks in the final and Lewis would dearly love to see an Acton-Wildcat finale.

"I'm really looking forward to another crack at White Oaks," he said. "They only beat us 8-3 in our first meeting with a healthy squad."

If we're healthy and get a few breaks we can give them a go."

Although last week's results left the Redmen with two more marks in the loss department Lewis said he was, "very pleased," with Acton's play. "We played good rugby, we're developing skills."

Awards banquet

YBC bowlers hit strikes

The YBC bowling season wrapped up on May 18 with the league's annual awards banquet at Georgetown Bowl where 1988's top local youth bowlers were honored for their progress on the lanes.

Jason Butler (plus 154), Nicki Verheul (plus 144) and Nils Varga (plus 117) finished one-two-three in the Peewee playoffs while the top three Smurfs included Sara Pegg (plus 198), Richard Gostlin (plus 163) and Ronny Laroque (plus 140).

League champs in the Smurf division were the Honey Nuts consisting of Bryan Foster, Paul Laroque, Matthew Walker, David King and Brendon Smithson.

High average for Peewee-Smurfs was Janice Somers with a 100 in the girls' division and Matt Walker with a 110 in the boys' category.

Lynn Moreland (364) and Paul Laroque (462) had the high triples while Melissa Lane (114) and Bryan Foster (171) took high single.

The aptly-named Top Ducks captured first spot overall in the Bantam league led by Julie Lounds, Robin Zander, Cindy Clarke, Hollie Cairns, Beth Ann Burgess and Louise Hatton, in the girls' division. Boys' champs were the Terminators, including Alain Laroque, Jeff Pringle, Chris Gostlin, Scott Bentley and Darryl Johnston.

Robin Zander took the girls' high average with a 157 and Ryan Martin (160) won for boys. Julie Lounds (599) and Geoffrey Beauparlant (587) had high triples. High single went to Kerry Wright (205) and David Leslie (238).

The Alley Cats ended up as playoff champs with a lineup of Melissa McGugan, Tanya Martin, Monica Beauparlant, Paula Mackie, Michelle Cowbrough and Anne Raymond.

Pinheads won the junior division league title and included Scott

Hobbs, Mark Reaume, Bonnie Schlosser, Sheri Pearson and Nick Hatton. No-Natives captured the playoff crown as Robert Harrison, Ryan Hutchins, Paul Burgess, Cheryl Rice, Terri Hunter and Michelle Butler led the charge.

Christine Lane took girls' high average with an even 200 and Scott Hobbs bowled a 198 for top score in the boys' group. Andrea McNelly at 685 and Robert Harrison with a 772 had high triples. High singles were recorded by Shari Loke (325) and Joey Robichaud (278).

Grand champions in the YBC senior division were the Scram.

They included Traci Peggie, Lon Moore, Tracy Weeks, Marc Bassett and Steven Hayden. The Bananas took the playoff trophy with Sandy Weeks, Kathy Miller, Robert Moore, David Ridley and Jeff Nipper.

Tracy Weeks bowled high average (232) for girls, Brian Bell (230) won for boys, Trina Bassett (954) took

top honors in girls' high triple and Chris Somers (647) was tops in the boys' category. Sandy Weeks (355) and Marc Bassett (339) bowled high singles.



Top bowlers

Happy Peewee-Smurf award-winners pictured at the annual YBC award banquet on May 18 included (left to right, front) Richard Gostlin, David King, Brendon Smithson, Sara Pegg, Ronny Laroque, Jason

Butler and Lynn Moreland. In the back are Janice Somers, Nicki Verheul, Matthew Walker, Bryan Foster, Paul Laroque, Nils Varga and Melissa Lane. (Herald photo)

Girls youth soccer kicks off

The Georgetown Youth Soccer Club Atom Girls league began play on May 16 with the Golden Lions playing the Maroon Monsters. Leigh Shillington and Danielle Denby both scored a goal and edged the Maroon Monsters by a score of 2-0. Noteworthy players for the Lions were N. Assenheim, R. Kitchen and K. Kerr. Players of note for the Maroon Monsters were Courtney O'Brien, Jennifer Sheppard and Kimberly Vagg.

In other action last Thursday evening the Golden Lions won their second game of the season by a score of 2-0 over the Dairy Queen Drifters. Danielle Denby and Tara Nord scored the goals for the Lion win. Notable players for the Dairy Queen Drifters were Rachel Bulkema, Linda Lacroix and Leanne Roffel. Special mention also goes out to Rene Kitchen, Danielle Denby and Tara Nord of the Lions.

Blue team of the Atom Girls league took on the Red Hot Timbits. The Blue squad edged the Timbits by a score of 2-1. Lisa Doyle and Cheryl Rivard scored the goals for the Blues. Valerie Hudec replied with one goal for the Timbits. Noteworthy players for the Blue team were Tanya Martin, Tara Schaefer and Monica Beauparlant. Players of note for the Timbits were Amanda Denvies, Valerie Hudec and Sarah McEachern.

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