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Terry Fox events raise \$25,000 locally

Over \$25,000 was raised through the efforts of about 200 Halton Hills citizens at last Sunday's local Terry Fox Run events.

For the second year in a row Acton's Terry Fox Run topped the Halton Hills list as about 150 participants turned up at AHS to run, jog, walk, ride or wheel their way around the school's track for a 10 km distance. Organizers reported that \$23,000 in donations and pledges had been reached by the end of the day with the complete total likely to hit \$25,000 after official tabulation.

A highlight of the day for Acton organizers and participants included the fact that the Acton run hit the \$100,000 mark in donations and pledges earned over the course of its eight-year history. "We were very pleased," said co-organizer Jon Hurst.

Acton easily surpassed its 1987 Terry Fox Run totals of \$14,000 raised and about 100 people participating.

In Georgetown, 43 runners and seven volunteers combined to raise \$1,301.20 during the course of the Terry Fox Run event held at the GDHS athletic track. Last year Georgetown's event raised about \$3,000 but 1988 co-organizer Martin Deeley said this year's event was deemed a success despite the drop in monies collected.

"The run was only begun to be organized in early August and so this is considered to be satisfactory," said Deeley. "An evaluation will be done and plans for next year's run will be started in a few months."

Deeley cited St. John's Ambulance for its medical supervision provided at GDHS during the run as well as the Georgetown McDonald's for supplying refreshments to participants.

The Georgetown Track Club assisted in the event as did Elnor Clarke, Derek Green, Barbara Johnson and John Murphy of the Canadian Cancer Society.

Funds raised through the annual Canada-wide Terry Fox Runs are used to finance ongoing cancer research.



Two-way terror

This pair of prospective GDHS junior Rebels took the meaning of the football expression "going both ways" literally as they performed strength exercises at a Georgetown practice session last week. The junior Rebs will participate in a pair of exhibition games before opening their 1988 regular season schedule on the road next Wednesday. The senior Rebs open their fall slate at home on Friday as they host the rival Milton Mustangs. (Herald photo)

Bragging rights denied as United loses Cup final

The Cinderella story ended abruptly for Georgetown United last Saturday night as the local senior soccer side was unable to coax one more winning chapter out of its Ontario Cup tale.

On a rain-soaked Civic Stadium pitch in Oshawa the Georgetown squad went down to a 2-0 defeat to FC Braga Arsenal in the 1988 Ontario Cup final. The loss snapped a six-game winning streak for Georgetown in the provincial tournament which had seen United gain entry into the final round as virtual unknowns.

"We just couldn't get anything going," lamented United coach Sam Inglis on Monday morning. "Our guys always think they can just turn it on when they need it but you can't always do that."

There were no miracles left for Georgetown on Saturday as wet and soggy weather took the steam out of the usually aggressive United counter-attack. "The weather conditions definitely favored Braga," said Inglis. "They seemed to be able to get their footing better than us."

Relying heavily upon the spectacular netminding of veteran keeper Ray Ellis, United managed to hold Braga at 0-0 until the final 20 minutes of the second half. A seemingly harmless Braga offensive maneuver ended in Braga's first and ultimately winning tally.

"Whoever scored first was going to win," said Inglis. "Ray was magnificent but we just couldn't get anything going." Braga added an insurance goal late in the game's waning minutes on a header from a free kick but by then the damage had already been done.

While crediting Braga for its win, Inglis acknowledged the fact he would dearly love a replay of last Saturday's match. "The best team won," he said. "But I made some mistakes. I should've made some changes earlier in the game. In retrospect, we had nothing in the middle of the park. I felt we should've come through on attack but we were too busy defending. I kept waiting for that big break."

Georgetown did have its opportunities to score, arguably the best being a break by Dean Nelson that ended in the United player being hauled down by a Braga defender. Speedy winger Donato Spinelli offered a sparkling crosskick with no United player in position to convert it. One United shot struck the crossbar with the

Braga goalkeeper hopelessly out of position.

Along with the veteran Ellis, who was probably the most outstanding athlete on the field, Spinelli, Nelson, Tony Hughes and Laurie Traynor were cited by Inglis as being key Georgetown performers in the game. "Tony gave his all," said Inglis. "Laurie kept his man outside and Donato had a few good runs. He showed Braga his speed."

While not overly critical of the officiating, Inglis did say he felt the referee had been "conned" on a few occasions during the match.

final analysis it was men vs boys," said Inglis. "Our mature guys played well but our younger guys may have been awed by the occasion." Eight of the 16 players on the United roster are teenagers. The youthful squad had surprised the Ontario soccer community by earning a spot in the annual cup final after knocking off such veteran powers as Hamilton Star and Sarnia Bluewater Blaze.

"For us to get to the Ontario Cup final was really something," admitted Inglis. "It's been quite an experience."



United they stand

Georgetown United captain Lee Stephens is surrounded by his teammates as he holds the Ontario Cup consolation trophy after the local

squad dropped a tough 2-0 decision to FC Braga Arsenal last Saturday night at Oshawa's Civic Stadium. (Herald photo)

"Carlisle's send-off was a joke," he said. Georgetown's Kevin Carlisle was sent off after coming into contact with a Braga player after already having received a yellow card. While Carlisle's indiscretion appeared harmless enough, the fouled Braga player writhed in apparent pain. With Georgetown pressing for the elusive equalizer late in the game several other Braga players feigned injury after brushing with United players.

However, a classy Inglis said the final outcome may have been a culmination of an age-old sports battle: youth vs experience. "In the

"What concerns me now is that we put this behind us and concentrate on finishing our Toronto and District League season," said Inglis. United faces Chinguacousy in a T and D Cup match tonight at Brampton's Victoria Park. Inglis said the Georgetown-based team must at least split the remainder of its schedule to ensure its place in the league's premier division next season.

NOTE: For more on the Ontario Cup final, see Alex Tough's column on page two.

GDHS football

Rebels tackle new season

On the eve of the 1988 Halton County high school football season it would appear that the Georgetown Rebel junior and senior teams are about as opposite as you can get.

While the senior version of the Rebs has been struggling to attract enough bodies to field a competitive team the biggest problem facing junior co-coach Bevin Clarke may be how to fit all of 50 promising players into the line-up.

"We should be competitive this season," says Clarke of his junior squad. "We've got about 45 to 50 kids out with a good nucleus of about 14 returning veterans. We have a lot of speed and size, and some pleasant additions."

While Clarke and co-coach Fred Kotani seem to have a bevy of promising youngsters on their hands the situation is exactly the opposite for senior coaches Rick Redshaw and Randy Mariangeli. The senior Rebs currently have between 24 and 27

athletes in camp and some recent practices have been cancelled due to insufficient numbers.

"It's an unenviable situation but we have to live with it," said a philosophical Mariangeli last week. "We have a lot of kids with after-school jobs. Last year we had over 30 players out for practices. What we need this year is a commitment from all our players."

Regular season action for Georgetown in Halton's Tier II league begins on Friday with the senior team hosting Milton. The junior Rebs will tackle a pair of exhibition tune-ups before opening their regular schedule at T.A. Blacklock in Oakville on Sept. 28. With the season ready to begin here's how the two Rebel squads are shaping up:

JUNIOR: The junior Rebs are building from a winning season in 1987 which saw them finish at 4-2 in regular season play before bowing out to arch-rival Milton in the Tier II semi-finals. Coaches Clarke, Kotani and Bob Kee have a returning nucleus of about 14 veterans and about 50 total players in camp.

Key returnees to the junior lineup include two-way man Wade Serjeantson who will lead the Rebels on offense at quarterback and provide solid experience on defence from his linebacker position. Halfback Trevor Elinesky is an intense player and flanker Jeff Deleurey could also be running out of the fullback spot for Georgetown in 1988.

Defensively the Rebs will rely heavily on the strength of Jason Moran, Chad Bailey and Jim Brown. Kevin Barrow and Mike Smith provide experience on the line and Kevin Cooper gives the Rebs speed and a reliable kicking boot.

A controlled scrimmage at Milton tomorrow night involving the other Tier II junior squads in Halton will give the Rebels coaching staff an ideal opportunity to assess its young talent. "We have some kids with a lot of promise," said Clarke. "For many of them Thursday will be their first taste of football and we want to look at as many kids as possible." While Clarke recognizes the ad-

vantages of attracting athletes to a winning team he's more interested in making football an enjoyable experience for his charges. "We had a rewarding season last year," he said. "It's a lot more fun winning but that's not the only reason we play. I would like to keep as many kids around as possible and give them a positive experience."

While Clarke feels Milton will provide Georgetown with its toughest opposition in 1988 his vision extends beyond the junior program and the upcoming season itself. Clarke would like to see the junior team provide a solid football foundation for future GDHS junior and senior squads.

"We'd like to establish some momentum and attract some new kids to football," he said.

SENIOR: Coming off a winless 1987 season is only one of the problems besetting Georgetown's senior Rebs this year, but co-coaches Randy Mariangeli and Rick Redshaw aren't ready to throw the towel in yet.

Despite a dearth of players at practically every position the Rebels do have some key returning personnel from 1987 and some rookie seniors as well.

Veteran Rob Gramada, who played linebacker last season, will lineup behind the centre this season as senior QB. Mariangeli says Gramada is Georgetown's most experienced player. Kirk Serjeantson, a two-way terror at linebacker and fullback, will likely be one of several Rebels to play both ways again this season.

A shortage of linemen places a lot of responsibility on the shoulders of veterans Mark Bergeron and Steve Froemmel who return to add valuable experience on the GDHS offensive line.

"It's tough to institute an offence without the personnel," he said. "Last year we ended up with half a playbook."

If the senior Rebs can overcome their manpower problems in 1988 Mariangeli may find half a playbook to be just dandy.

Football memories fall like leaves



Paul's call

By PAUL SVOBODA
 Herald Sports Editor

You can smell it in the air. Its odor is as distinct and as satisfying as burning autumn leaves.

It's football season. I sauntered across the street to catch a bit of the Rebels football practice the other night and darned if those old high school football memories didn't come pouring back, flooding the mind like a well-timed blitz.

Has it really been 13 years since yours truly donned the pads and hit the field as a 185-pound (soaking wet) defensive lineman?

Playing high school football, at least in your final year, was considered one of the rites of manhood back in 1975. It felt good to go home at night with sore legs and an aching head. It felt good to curse that hated cross-town school, right in front of your history teacher. And it felt good to see the entire school population lining the sidelines on Friday afternoon, even if they did see you miss a block.

The quarterback always seemed to be dating the prettiest girl in high school and it was like some sort of teenage men's club when you hung out in the halls with all your buddies, each decked out in his freshly-washed game jersey. Life was simply grand.

Talking with Rebel junior football coach Bevin Clarke the other day I realized that maybe that now-seemingly ancient line of thought may be outmoded. "When

I went to high school, football was it," said Clarke, placing just the correct amount of emphasis on the word "it."

Yeah, me too, I remembered. There was just nowhere you'd have rather been on those crisp, delicious fall afternoons than standing on that football field with your geography class buddies screaming, "Hey Svoboda! Hit somebody, you jerk!"

Of course, it was another story when you were shivering on the sidelines in some God-forsaken outpost of civilization like Madoc with a bunch of humungous farm boys belting the living crap out of you in 30-below weather.

Today, options abound for the high school student-athlete. Other sports with increasing popularity beckon. After-school jobs provide money. Football is no longer the valhalla it once was, it would seem.

What's the answer? How do you attract kids back to a sport once revered for its lessons in life and its inherent character-building qualities?

For one thing, you provide more coaches of the calibre of Bevin Clarke, Randy Mariangeli, Fred Kotani, Rick Redshaw and Bob Kee.

Clarke's Rebel junior program appears to be blossoming and his motivating style in practice is easily respected and enjoyed by his underlings.

Randy Mariangeli is a straight-shooter when talking about the manpower problems facing the senior team, but his devotion to the game and his athletes is obvious and genuine.

There are a lot of sports a kid can play for the rest of his life. High school football isn't one of them.

GBA calling all parents

By HAL RIDLEY
 Herald Special

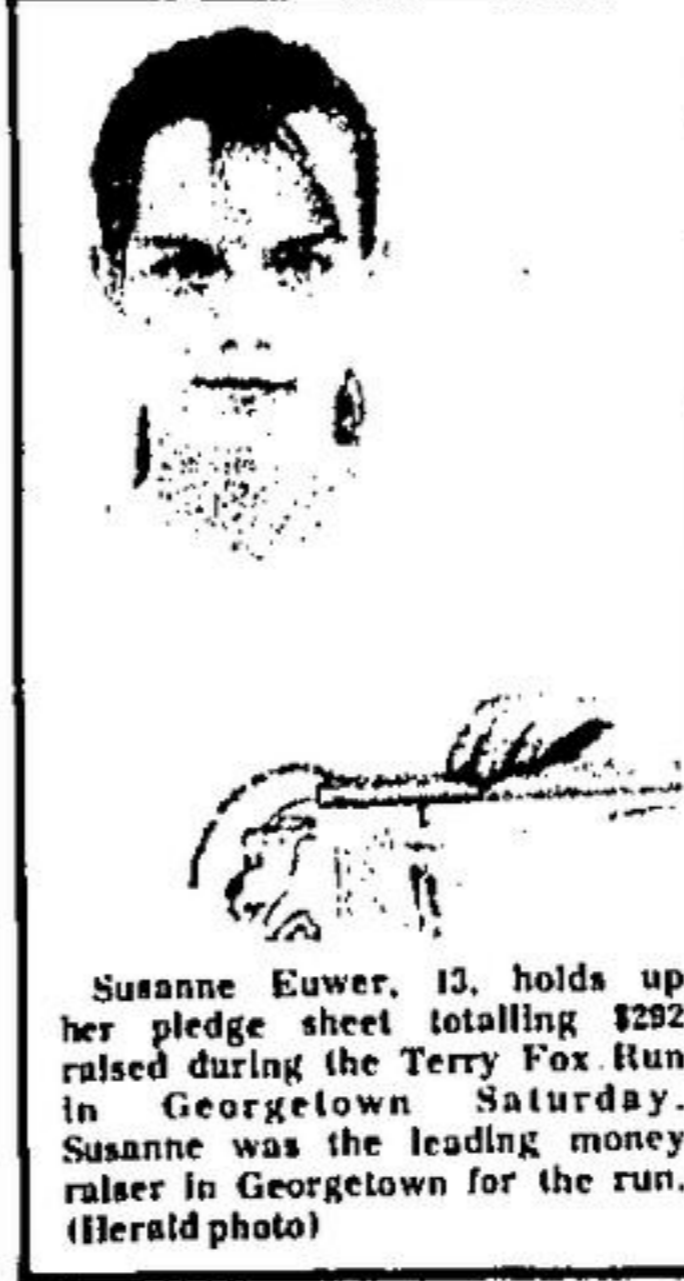
The Georgetown Baseball Association reminds all GBA parents and other interested persons that the annual general meeting will be held at Holy Cross School on Wednesday, Sept. 28 at 7:30 p.m.

Highlights of the meeting include a general review of the 1988 season, recommendations for the upcoming 1989 season, election of next year's executive and a presentation of a revised GBA committee structure.

A special added feature to the evening will be a presentation of appreciation awards to GBA coaches and other committee helpers. The coaches play a significant role in the GBA and spend many long hours with the players developing personal growth and baseball skills. As well, the committee structure is the backbone of our organization and without volunteers to perform smaller specific tasks, it would be impossible for us to offer baseball to the youth of our growing community.

There seems to be a high interest in the continuation of our baseball program as shown by the many volunteers who have already stepped forward to let their names stand for nomination or committee work. However, with our ever-growing youth baseball population, it is still necessary to have more persons with fresh ideas, step forward to fill the gaps necessary to meet the needs of our enthusiastic youngsters.

We appeal to all parents and other persons interested in youth baseball to attend this very important meeting.



Susanne Euwer, 13, holds up her pledge sheet totalling \$292 raised during the Terry Fox Run in Georgetown Saturday. Susanne was the leading money raiser in Georgetown for the run. (Herald photo)

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