

Southon leads women

Darts

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Some people read the column to find out what has gone before. Some people read because they find the column interesting. Some people purely to see if their name is included. Hopefully the column is mostly all of these items - newsworthy, interesting and naming names of a particular achievement or two.

It is not always possible to do everything all at once. Information is not always at hand, perhaps there are too many individual highlights to name all and sometimes I miss the odd moment. Sometimes a lack of space or time is the reason.

Last week I missed out the girls team achievement at the Legion zones. The girls, led by Monica Southon, won two and lost two in their round robin play, one of the wins coming over the George O'Neil team. One more win and they would have probably joined the male team of Beau Beaumont, Eric Fuller, Brian Hicks, Ron Scarlett and self this past weekend. They might have done better than we, as we failed to survive the first round, losing three and winning three in the effort. There is always next year!

Time Out I continue to lead the Monday night Halton "B" division of the Peel Region League. A repeat of the previous week's whitewash of McGibbon II, the ladies, takes the team further ahead with now a 50-point gap between first and second place. Again the girls played well in spite of the result. Beau Beaumont and I were the only game to go to the third game for the result, in the doubles. Kim Allen and Bonnie Schell taking the second game to tie at that stage. Schell shot 132 in that game to record the girls top score. 140s came from Beaumont, Joe Cairns, Pete Pickering and self.

Hollywood move into second place. They have the same points total as O'Tooles, (third spot), but have taken more points in head to head. Hollywood went down the Glen to defeat Kettle by 11-3. Greg Cummins and Joe Benoit were singles winners and Stu Engineer, David Ball, Ray Catney and "dummy" were team winners for Kettle. Hollywood's Bruce Hope topped two 140s and Ed Koumyounjian scored one 140 to lead the way in a solid win.

Meanwhile O'Tooles came one game short of retaining second place alone in taking 10 games to Time Out II's four games. Larry Vasey and John Colter won their singles and teamed for a doubles win, with Tony Marrows and Rick Fisher also doubles winners for II's only points. Vic Lovell joined the 180 club and shot 140 for a good effort. Helen Reid shot 135 and Kevin Baldwin shot 138 for O'Tooles in reply.

McGibbon I kept in the hunt with a steady win over Brackens by 10-4 away. Brackens three singles winners were Arnel Hache, Jamie Frank and Larry Melton, Greg Thoms and Earl Maltby doubled the other win. (I hear that two of the Maltby brothers shot back to back 180s on Friday - a new record, perhaps?). The division individual points leader, Gary Rodda, McGibbon I, shot 140 and won all three matches to retain top spot. Paul Kirby shot three 140s and Marty Wheeler stepped in with 134. With the singles going 3-3 at one stage it looked as though Brackens were going to put up a fight to the end. However the next two singles and first two doubles set McGibbon on the way to the comfortable win.

Industrial league leaders

squeaked by close challengers, Westenders, to increase their number of winning matches to 17, with two losses for the season to date. 5-4 is the result and it was an exciting match with incident and humor, not forgetting noise! John Mills and Ray Ackroyd each shot 140 and Derek Hardcastle 120 for Westenders. Beau Beaumont knocked 140, Ron Scarlett, three tons and Joe Cairns and Ray Inglis both hit 95. Second place, last week, Exports did not have a match scheduled and dropped to fourth place as a result. Moving in to second is the aforementioned Westenders, for the time being.

Ensigns are third following a 7-2 romp over Inter County. Roy Rudiger and Trevor Williams each fired in 123 and Ken Baker came in with 121 and 116. Bruce Brown finished on 90 to climax the third game. George O'Neil opened with 58 and Gerry WQallace closed 58 in the eighth game for County.

Meanwhile, High Rollers struggled against Panthers, taking only games seven and eight for their points. Panthers teamed up well in this match. Henry Graham opened with 106 and Marty Wall with 94. Greg Klepacki scored 125 and 139 supported by Luke Heikamp's 121. Graham had four starts and two closes and Heikamp weighed in with four starts and three closes. Golden Flights and Bulldogs had a close battle before 'dogs ran out by the odd game for the win. Al Murphy had two starts and a close, Laurie Hopkins had three starts and one close, Barry Sproule had three starts and Greg Deigle closed out the other two games.

Steep Rock and Gasketmen Cutters, with Acadian Pools put up big scoring wins to stride ahead at the top of the division II. Rock had a maximum win over Unknown as did Cutters over Bandits. Pools were one game less in beating Firemen. Marty Wheeler opened with 106 and scored 134. Ian McDonald shot 121 as did Gary Rodda, who also banged in a 140 and popped three starts. Jim Nicholson closed four and John Reyce closed three. Cutters' Bruce Stevens and Russ Curtis each shot a ton and Bruce Hope closed out 69 (lucky lad). Pools dropped only the last game to Firemen to prevent another maximum victory. Mike Pepper shot 180 and two tons as well as starting five and finishing three for the hot darts of the night. Gary Richardson had three opens and Mike Finn three closes.

Aces took a couple of games in the middle of the match to begin a minor revival before losing by three games to Independents. Peter Buckley opened with 140, John Burke with 146 and Dave Tomlinson with 100 in the match.

Power of Pain came through over recent fliers, Taxmen, by three games. Rob Poynter had three opens and four closes for a strong performance. Cam Levers began with 120 and Dave Chamberlain scored 138.

Georgetown bowlers still rolling

The final week of the Zone Championships of youth five-pin bowling was again accentuated by the achievements of Georgetown young bowlers.

There will be more winners going to the Provincials in Toronto on Mar. 19. The action on Saturday, Feb. 25 in Guelph was topped by the winning efforts of the Georgetown bantam boys team which blew away all competition. The team's score of 2506 was a margin of 211 over the nearest competitor, Streetsville, who had 2294 followed by Oakville with 2268.

The leader of the team was Martin Johnston who stole the show with scores of 240, 193 and 227. His supporting cast were Chris

Gostlin, Kevin Shapcott, Chris Wilkes and peewee bantam Matthew Walker. The team is confident of future efforts as they are coached by a winner also, Julie McCorry, a former national gold medal champion.

Sunday, Feb. 26 was the day dedicated to the top bowlers, the elite from 14 bowling centres in Central Ontario.

Competing in Bolton, the day started with the boys division. Georgetown again repeated with junior Joey Robichaud who rolled 754 for the zone championship. His closest rivals were Chris White of Guelph with 690 and Paul Tuckett of Bramalea with 687.

The Georgetown bantam boy,

Geoffrey Beuparlant, won a championship plaque for third place with a score of 482. This division was captured by Philip Withall with 553. This was followed by the local bantam girl also taking a third place plaque. Tanya Martin toppled the pins for 528, just one pin behind second place held by Tony Brake of Brampton. The eventual winner was Cussey Valance of Orangeville with 554.

The fine showing of all the singles was co-ordinated by supervisors Joan and George Archibald who have coached national medal winners and are holders in their own right of Master Bowler Rings.

The first major competitive attempts of the youngest Georgetown bantam girls team showed championship form for the future.

Coach Wendy Parent who has been in charge of many successful medal teams and Ontario Winter Games gold medalists has faith in this bantam team that captured third place honor plaques. These bowlers of the future are Lynn Dales, Lynn Moreland, Janice Somers, Melissa McGugan and Monica Beuparlant.

These young bowling achievers will be prepping for the Provincial Championships in Toronto and the awards presentation after. They can now expect it to be an all-day session when they leave Georgetown in the morning by special bus.

Stewarttown wins title

Jesse Ogden hooped a game-high 22 points to lead Stewarttown boys basketball team to the North Halton elementary schools Tier I championship with a 41-32 victory over Centennial Chargers on Feb. 24.

With the North Halton crown, Stewarttown now qualifies for a spot in the Halton elementary school semi-finals which are set for Mar. 7. Centennial, meanwhile, can still make the Halton cut if the Chargers can win their wild card game on Mar. 2.

On the girls side, Heather

Donker's game-high 14-point performance wasn't quite enough to lift Centennial girls to the North Halton title as they were edged in a close showdown by Sam Sherratt, 30-26.

Jen Apgar had eight points for Centennial and Mandy Stinson had four as the Chargers will now try for a wild card spot in the Halton County semi-finals. As in the boys section, the wild card game is slated for Mar. 2 with the county semi-finals set for Mar. 7.

In North Halton Tier II play, Steve Turkosz had 16 points in a losing cause as McKenzie-Smith fell by a 36-25 count to Sam Sherratt in the boys final.

Wayne Parent had four points for McKenzie-Smith with the Mustangs now hoping to gain entry into the Haltons with a win in the wild card playoff.

Mashinter nets two in opener

The Georgetown Star Fuels Minor Atoms have started their Tri-County playoff round with Burlington. Nothing to be ashamed of in the first game as the Fuelers were playing catch up and never caught up in a 4-3 loss.

Gary McNiven put out a good offensive effort to assist Jamie Briggs and Pete Mashinter on one of his two goals. Jamie scored on an end-to-end rush and stuff play.

Pete's first goal was assisted by Jamie and Darin Finlayson on a powerplay as the Fuelers came back to narrow the score to 3-2. The Goodhew-Hancock-Markham line had a couple of breakout rushes that almost tied it but Burlington pulled out in front again.

Then Pete got his second goal from right in front as Gary had set him up from behind the net. And then time ran out with the final at 4-3.

Even though Burlington won it, the Fuelers never quit. The rest of the series of games against Milton and Oakville should be tough going for the opposition if the boys continue to play as aggressively.

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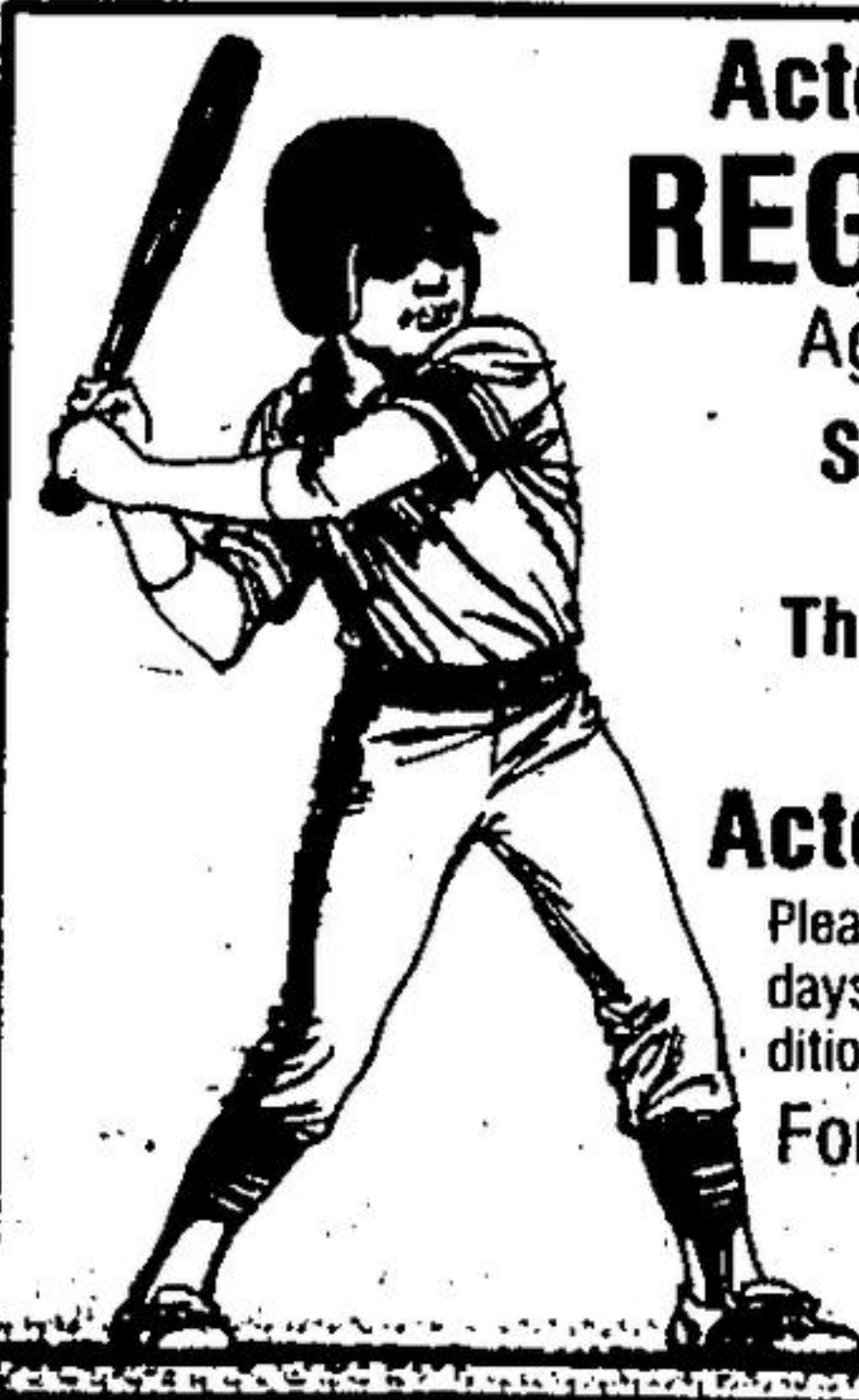
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