

Acton bantam girls make provincial cut

The Acton Bantam Girls Softball Team has been accepted into the Ontario Regional Tournament and the Rockwood Reps know why.

Rockwood absorbed a pair of recent drubbings from Acton as the North Halton-based girls pushed their overall season record to a spotless 8-0.

As a result of their unblemished slate, Acton will appear in the provincial regional tournament, set for Aug. 4-6.

In a two-game series with Rockwood two weeks ago, Acton whipped its opponent by a combined score of 38-20. A 13-8 Acton win on June 27 wrapped up the home-and-home tussle for the local girls after they opened the set with a big 25-12 victory.

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Kelly Ambrose and Deanna "Super Legs" Louth were the terrors of the basepaths for Acton with Ambrose making four out of five a steal attempts while Louth went a perfect 5-for-5.

Ambrose hit 2-for-3 and had three runs while Louth smacked a pair and had two runs. Leanne Prueter had three runs and a triple, Tracy Hagan had a double and a triple, peewee rep call-up Lisa Harlow was 1-for-1 and Heather Wilmott was solid on the mound.

Jennifer Lee, Lesley Einmann, Ann Lucas, Diane Walker, and peewee rep call-up Sherry Peacock

were all cited for strong play.

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Kelly Ambrose was Acton's big gun going 4-for-4 with four runs while stealing six times on six attempts. Ambrose also turned in some exceptional work in centre field.

Ann Lucas and Tracy Hagan each went 4-for-4 on the basepaths while Lucas had four runs, two hits and two RBIs and Hagan had six runs, two doubles and five RBIs.

Leanne Prueter had two hits, four RBIs and three steals and Heather Wilmott turned in a solid performance behind home plate, catching two steals and making two outs at home.

Alison Coe, another impressive Acton peewee rep call-up, was 4-for-4 at the plate with four hits and four runs while Christina White made three successful tags at second base. Deanna Louth showed some great hustle with three steals and Lesley Einmann also stole three bases.

Heather Wilmott matched her fine catching performance with the bat, nailing three hits and picking up a trio of RBIs. Jennifer Lee played well at first base.

Acton hosts Puslinch tonight before travelling to Cheltenham tomorrow.

This year's bantam squad is coached by John Kwiatkowski with assistance from Elmer Lucas and Linda Bottero.



Hoosiers hold their own but lose in late innings

The Halton Hills Firestone Hoosiers held their own for half the game, before bowing to Streetsville by a score of 13-7 in recent Peel-Halton Peewee girls softball play. The loss drops the Hoosiers' league record to three and four.

The Hoosiers started strongly, allowing only one run over the first three innings, while scoring three themselves. After retiring the opposition 1-2-3 in the top half, Firestone notched a pair of runs to grasp a quick 2-0 lead. Stacy Colarossi led off by reaching base on an error. One out later, Shannon Morris hit a solid single to right. Cleanup hitter Tammy Richard then hit a mammoth shot to right-centre that went for a two-RBI triple. After Sherie Peacock reached base on a dropped third strike, it looked like the locals would cash in even more runs. But a line shot screamer was snared by the second-baseman who tossed to first to double up the runner.

Firestone counted another run in the second. Lisa Harlow tripled to centre. Amy Korzack followed with a walk and stole second. On the throw to second, Harlow came home with the third run. But one out later history repeated itself, as the second-baseman caught a Colarossi fly and doubled up the runner at second.

The Hoosiers left the bases loaded in the third inning and had a runner thrown out at the plate on a

perfect peg from centre. It was 3-1 after three innings.

Streetsville tied it in the fourth, generating two runs on three singles (two of them bunts) and a triple. And they took the lead for good one inning later, parlaying a pair of singles and three errors into three runs. And in the sixth, three more errors by the Hoosiers contributed to four more runs.

The Hoosiers attempted a long come-back in the bottom of the seventh. Consecutive singles by Andrea Leeking, Morris and Richard loaded the bases. Peacock cashed one run on a groundout. Harlow and Shannon McAfie each singled to cash a runner, and a run scored on an error which allowed Heather Bailey to reach base. But that was all they could get, and the game ended at 13-7.

Richard and Morris shared the pitching duties, allowing seven earned runs on 10 hits and five walks, while striking out seven. Richard was tagged with the loss.

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Kerry Lewis, Scott Lightowers, Megan Lusby, Heather Macewan, Andrew McVeigh, Stephanie Perkins, Sacha Reid, Jenn Ryan, Carolyn Sewell, Kelly Trant, Jenni Williams, Louise Willms, Beth Young and Mike Zuraw. Absent from the photo were Casa Buckley, Jennifer Cave, Kim Daquano, Suzanne Euwens, Nancy Gilchrist, Julie Heideman, Michelle Hannah, Jenn Goodfellow, Debbie Knoepfli, Helen McLoughlin, Anne Ramsay, Jane Sewell and Chris Weldrick.

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