

Peewee House League

Yankees bounce A's 27-10 in back to back games

The Dave's Service Centre Yankees Peewee house league team took a pair of games from the A's last week, beating them by a combined 27-10 score.

In the first game, the Yankees had a big five run second inning, which started them on their way to winning 14-1.

Considering the Yankee defensive effort and the strong pitching from Kyle Springer, Chris Corney, Christian Royce, Wes Burke and Ryan Poyntz, the difference in scoring wasn't surprising, especially when they allowed only one hit.

Infielder Wes Burke helped out the defence, doing some pitching as well as picking up a sharp rap to second base and throwing out the runner at first.

The Yankee third basemen weren't idle either, with Kyle Springer and Brent Hutzal both picking off A's runners.

The bats also helped insure the win which included Chris Jamieson scoring a home run on what was originally a single, which was stretched out by a couple of A's errors.

Peewee, son of the team's sponsor, hit a triple, while Mike Downes managed a double to keep

the scoreboard clicking over.

In the game the next day, the A's didn't manage to get revenge, though they did put up more of a fight. It was a good opportunity to get even, since the Yankees only showed up with nine players.

Mike Downes lit up the A's pitcher with a grand slam homer in the third inning, which proved to be the margin of victory, as the Yankees won 13-9.

The same pitching crew as the day before came through again for the Yankees and hope to string together another victory in their next match.

Flag Football



Kicking off

MEZNIC ELECTRIC field goal kicker, Jeff Lockwood, shows fine form as holder Hal Hulme tees up the ball in Georgetown Men's Flag Football League action last Sunday. Meznic and the Oldtimers tied 15-15; Longhorns ran roughshod over Plus Welding 42-0; the Dawgs tore a strip off the Oldtimers 34-14 and Kaspers thumped M and M 38-12. Karry Kitchens defaulted their scheduled game against the Glen. League action resumes this Sunday, 8:45 a.m. at the GDHS Main Field. Longhorns lead the league by a six point margin over second place Dawgs. (Herald photo)

Purple plant plague poses problem for fishing, flora and fauna friends



RISKY BUSINESS
By Rob Risk

Do you like to go fishing? I like to occasionally, though I'm not a fanatic like some of my friends are - i.e. travelling 700 kilometers into northern Ontario or cutting holes through the ice in January.

I'm more the type who goes to the cottage, stops by the village variety store for some worms, another stop at the booze store and possibly a trip to the market for some fresh batteries to feed the radio. Once I grab the fishing rod and tackle, I'm pretty much set for the afternoon.

Considering how things are going in the fishing environment lately, I count myself lucky to have a cottage that's on a river instead of a lake or near a swampy area.

What I'm talking about is the growing threat of the purple plague (lythrum salicaria), a plant that is destroying fish and wildlife habitats across Ontario.

It's an attractive plant that has a three-foot stem of purple blooms throughout much of the summer. However, it loves the wetlands, dominating the space used by other plant life, eventually strangling them out of existence. To make things worse, its thick roots convert the wetlands to soil.

I call myself lucky, since the river makes it more difficult for this invader to take root and dominate the surrounding area.

with its presence, but the plant can grow just about anywhere. If you look, you might see them growing in fields or along the road.

While there are no records of its spread in Ontario, it's estimated that the U.S. loses 190,000 hectares of wetlands every year.

Once the other plant species are wiped out, the habitat for fish and other wildlife is destroyed, bringing fishing season in that area to a permanent halt.

What's even more alarming about this plant is that it produces 2.7 million airborne seeds in a lifetime and half of Ontario's wetlands have already been invaded.

Do you want something even more difficult to comprehend? Even though the Americans and Europeans are struggling to find a solution to this problem, the provincial government has no plans to deal with the threat.

You don't have to be a fisherman to appreciate what the purple plague could do to our beautiful countryside if something isn't done soon, especially if the government continues to do nothing.

If you'd like to know how you can help combat the problem or would like more information, contact the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters at (705) 748-6324.

BRIEFLY...

If you like wrestling, an all-star event is being held tomorrow (Sunday) at 8 p.m. at the Acton Arena. Featured is "Soulman" Rickey Johnson vs. TNT, lady wrestlers and even a wrestling bear. Tickets for children are \$7, ringside seats are \$10 and general is \$9. Tickets are available at the arena.



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