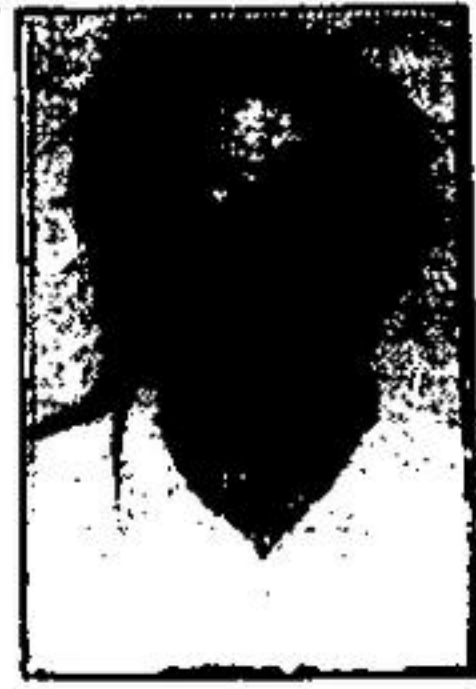


Soccer season's start a definite change of pace

Alex Tough



The typewriter was shocked to feel soccer being set up in the machine for the first time this year. One season ends, another begins, there is no respite. Yet the new season commences with a little controversy - what's new?

The soccer club held the traditional opening day on Saturday. It very nearly did not start. The Parks and Recreation department had originally given the permit to open and at the virtual last minute took it away. Representations from the club and another soccer personality had permission restored. However, the normal nightly play may not commence this week as planned as the department have still not (at time of writing) given allowance for play to commence at the usual time of the month as has happened for more years than I have been in town (16). Never mind that two other outdoor sports have begun and have two weeks of play under their belt.

After several years of more than co-operation with the authorities I hope that we are not in for more bouts of confrontation. Last minute approaches were being made in order to solve the problem, and hopefully in the game's favour. The season is short enough as it is and there is so much more positive matters to have attention.

With a little bit of luck there could be matches at Alcott, Cedarvale and Meadowglen in town and at McKenzie in Acton this evening (Wednesday).

Saturday was a glorious opening day, although not for players and referees perhaps. Ten minutes into games participants were looking for water, substitution or both due to the heat. It seemed like a sudden switch from snowshoes to sneakers and shorts. It is nice to renew acquaintances with the old timers and newcomers alike, and how some have grown in just six months or so it seems.

As always with a new season, I wonder if we shall see any future 'stars.' Over the pond in Europe the season is coming to an end. 1990 and the World Cup and all it's negative soccer is now a distant memory. Canada has already won at least one match on the Olympic trail, and with attacking soccer, thank goodness.

Diego "Hand of God" Maradona has been re-named in England as Diego "Nose of God" Maradona following the recent drug revelations and arrest. Always a gifted player, "Marijuana," I mean Maradona, always seemed to me to have a character flaw. Maybe too much was expected of him and he, unlike Pele, and others, could not live up to the level he should have and could have. Hints of Mafia money involvement does not help his image to be better and I am certain we have not heard the last of it all.

Fortunately, there are not too many scandals in the game, although there have been a few in recent years. The battling hooligans in England have died down and the great Liverpool are once again allowed in European and world competition.

The Inter County League has 16

teams in competition and for the first time, Georgetown had to turn away two possible entries due to lack of field time. One of the possibilities was composed mostly of former club house league players and it is indeed a shame that this had to happen. A couple of clubs also had to turn away some players and farm them to out of town teams for the chance to play.

In one way it is good to see so many want to continue after youth play is over. On the other

hand it is not good that we have facilities insufficient to accommodate them all.

Georgetown's Peel Halton League squad is shaping up and ready to play. The team is not yet settled in composition although the season begins soon. The lads play at Alcott on Friday evenings. The club also has the girls moving into an under 18 level and introduces a boys under 14 competitive team. It is encouraging to see a return to competitive play for this is how and where

players and coaches alike improve.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Joy Thompson, superintendent of recreation services for the Town of Halton Hills, said the permit for use of the soccer fields was not taken away. She said the reason the soccer organization didn't have the permit in hand was due to the department's printer being inoperative. In any event, Thompson stressed that use of the fields by the group would not have been prevented by town staff.



Soccer season underway

The Georgetown Youth Soccer Association got the season off on the right foot last Saturday at Cedarvale Park with exhibition matches scheduled throughout the day for teams in a number of divi-

sions. As witness the action in the photo above between two Pee Wee Division teams, local soccer enthusiasts can expect a season of thrills, spills and superb playmaking. (Herald photo by Colin Gibson)

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 WARD 4 / GUELPH STREET / McFARLANE DRIVE

Council for the Town of Halton Hills will conduct a Public Meeting to examine and discuss a proposed amendment to Zoning By-law 57-91 to permit a commercial plaza development.

The subject property is located on the northwest corner of Guelph Street (Highway No. 7) and McFarlane Drive in Georgetown, with the property being described as Part of Lots 13 and 14, Concession 10, Town of Halton Hills (Georgetown).

Further information is available in the Planning Department.
 ALL INTERESTED CITIZENS ARE WELCOME

Time: 7:10 p.m.
 Date: Tuesday, May 21, 1991
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 1 Halton Hills Drive,
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COURTESY NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING
 WARD 2 / FOURTH LINE / 15 SIDEROAD

General Committee for the Town of Halton Hills will conduct a Public Meeting to examine and discuss a proposed amendment to the Halton Hills Official Plan and Esqueing Zoning By-law 74-51 to permit a light industrial undertaking including warehousing, open storage and office use.

The property is located on the Fourth Line, south of 15 Sideroad.
 Further information is available in the Planning Department.
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