

# Cedarvale vandals warned of consequences

I'm not sure if its the warmer than usual summer weather we've been having, but something has been bringing out the worst in people who visit Cedarvale Park at night.

Apparently, one of the soccer nets at Cedarvale was cut to pieces sometime during the weekend, which will cost the club about \$100 to replace. What makes the situation worse is that this wasn't the first time the nets have been either stolen or damaged beyond repair. The grand total? So far (just halfway through the soccer season) two have been stolen and three have been destroyed.

All three of the most recent incidents have resulted in the nets being destroyed because the Georgetown Minor Soccer League has been securing the nets with wire, making it a lot of trouble for any thieves to undo. I

have to wonder what use anyone aside from the soccer group would have for the nets. On the other hand, anyone bubble-brained enough to take them would probably think they look cool hanging on their wall.

As the situation stands now, the Georgetown Minor Soccer Club is in a bind. The field is used by them at least four days per week, with two rep teams absolutely needing properly secured goal areas. Since the nets are just barely large enough to fit, approximately two hours are needed to string them up, which is why they have been left up overnight. Since the club is a volunteer organization, it's understandable that the members don't have enough time to get out early enough ahead of the games to put them up.

Whenever the nets are shredded, the club has to cough up \$200



**Risky Business**  
by  
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per set, so far costing them \$500 this year. The executive has been looking for some time for oversized nets that can be easily draped over the bars, but has had no luck so far. There is one solution that the Halton Regional Police Service has kindly provided: community service.

It's a fantastic idea. Instead of just trying to extract damages from the culprit who enjoys damaging property, an accommodating judge can order the offender to perform 100 or so hours to make amends. That would certainly solve the soccer club's problems about who would be putting up and taking down the nets for the rest of the summer. As a rule, the Herald doesn't usually print the names of those charged by the police, but when these particular culprits are caught, I have no doubt that an exception could be made.

While on the subject of Cedarvale Park, here's a newsflash for those who have been using it as a place to booze it up, often leaving their empties strewn all over the field. As of July, the fine for having or consuming alcohol beverages in a public place has

risen from \$78 to \$103.75. Anyone found in a car with open liquor can be fined \$178.75. And just so you know, the police have been keeping tabs on Cedarvale and have plainclothes officers making periodic checks on the area, most notably at night from Thursday to Saturday.

#### Raves and Raspberries:

Raspberries to the Toronto Blue Jays for leaving me with nothing worth watching on television Friday and Sunday. After the first inning, even the bible thumper shows started to look good. Raves to the Canadian Football League (especially the Argos) for creating more interest in what's happening on the field this year. Correct me if I'm wrong, but the quality of the game seems to have risen as well (aside from the Hamilton Tiger Cats of course).

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## Dawgs battle Meznic for Flag Football win

Meznic Electric and Dawgs provided the most offense as well as the closest scoring game in Georgetown Men's Flag Football League play at Georgetown District High School on Sunday, resulting in a 29-25 win for Dawgs.

Both teams moved the ball up and down the field a good deal, with Meznic's Gary Lockwood opening the scoring with a touchdown, followed by two singles from his brother Ken. Dawgs came back with a touchdown by Alain Pelland. Even though Gary Lockwood and Ken teamed up for seven more points, a single from Frank Bruno, six from Pat McKinnon and a two point convert by Linus Stasiulis knotted things up 15-15 at the half.

Meznic again hit the scoreboard first to lead things off in the second half when Stu Lunn

got a major. Dawgs' Dave Clemens struck for his first of two touchdowns to keep things tied, with Bruno adding the single to go ahead. Meznic's Rob Spiteri booted a single to tie it 22-22, while teammate Ken Lockwood chipped in a field goal to take the lead. With time running down, Clemens came through with six more points to earn the win for Dawgs, while Bruno kicked the convert to make the final 29-25.

In other games, M and M completely dominated Moldmasters, winning 43-0.

There were no scoresheets available for the Plus Welding - Oldtimers game, but Welding was on the short end of the stick, losing 22-7. The other game finished as a 30-17 victory for Longhorns over Glen, lead by kicker Dave Patterson, who put three extra points and a field goal on the board.



**Racing home**

An Optimist Club player comes home safe just before a Kendale defender can get his glove on the ball during the Halton Hills Slow Pitch League Tournament at the Fairgrounds Saturday. The tour-

namment raised \$1,200, which went to the Muscular Dystrophy Association and the Love In Christ Food Bank. (Herald photo by Lisa Boonstoppel-Pot)



## Hockey registration

Ron Wagner promised his son Kevin would be more enthusiastic about hockey when he actually steps onto the ice this season. Kevin, who just moved up to Novice, is looking forward to playing in the older age group. Many other locals were at Alcott Arena, registering in the Georgetown Minor Hockey Association on Thursday, with another sign-up this Thursday from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. (Herald photo)

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### Darts meetings

Attention Darts enthusiasts! The Region of Halton Darts League and the Industrial League are having their pre-season captains meetings later this month in preparation for another successful year.

The Halton league, which plays on Mondays in various pubs around Georgetown will be held August 20, 7:30 p.m. at the Copper Kettle. The Industrial League, which plays at the Georgetown Legion, will be meeting August 28, 8:00 p.m. at the Legion.

### Hockey league

The Georgetown Non-Contact Hockey League is expanding from eight teams to 10 this year. With enough players for nine teams, the league is looking for about 25 more people over the age

of 30 to join its ranks. For more information, call league president Dale Avery at 877-8912.

### University track duo

Two former Georgetown District High School students have joined forces to help boost the West Virginia University track and field team this year.

Bob Donker, currently attending the university while majoring in business, was a part of the team that placed third in the Ivy League Championships, the largest conference in the United States with 90 schools. He is joined by his old classmate Sean Cleary, who has just transferred his physical education major from Central Oregon College.

Both Donker and Cleary said West Virginia has done well in the field events, but is looking to the Georgetown natives to score more points in the long distance races, such as the 1500 metre,

5000 metre and the mile. The Georgetown duo will also be on the cross country team.

### Sixth in squash

Georgetown District High School student Melanie Jans returned Sunday from the Women's World Squash Championships in Bergen, Norway, helping Canada place sixth overall.

The championship ran from July 29 to August 10, with the first week of play being amongst the individual participants. Jans said she defeated her first two opponents 3-0, but lost in the third round to an Australian, finishing "somewhere between ninth and 16th" since exact finishes in the lower placings were not kept.

Jans will continue to play on both the junior and senior Canadian squads this year, as she begins her final year at GDHS. Her first two major tournaments will be in Toronto in October - the Canadian Open and the Judy Travis International Open.