

SPORTS & LEISURE

Armed with confidence, Anderson earns stripes

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So far, so good, as far as local resident Adam Anderson's first few appearances with Baseball Canada's Junior National Team is concerned.

The 16-year-old lefthanded pitcher is the second-youngest player on the under-18 boys' squad, yet he's impressed Canadian head coach Greg Hamilton with his work on the mound during recent outings in the Dominican Republic and Cuba.

Anderson was the only Canuck hurler not to surrender a run in two appearances for the JNT at the Cuba Summer Series, which was shortened to five games after four other contests were rained out.

The only game Canada won in the series was saved by Anderson when he got the call to make a surprise appearance in relief in the 10th inning of the series finale, a 9-7 victory over Cuba.

The 5-foot-11, 200-lb. Anderson picked

off a runner at second base before getting the final out with a bases-loaded strikeout, earning a celebratory group hug from teammates. He started another game and tossed three scoreless innings before a thunderstorm washed out the contest with Canada leading 2-0.

In total for the Cuban trip against its under-20 team, Anderson threw four innings, struck out three, walked one, beamed another and allowed no runs and just two hits.

"That last game against Cuba, I think that's the most excited I've ever been in my life," said the Grade 12 Christ the King Secondary School student.

"I'm usually a starter, so coming in for my first save like that, you're just trying to take advantage of the situation. Normally I do a long warmup, so to get thrown in like that was pretty intense. I'm glad things worked out and it's a great feeling that (Hamilton) had the confidence in me to put me out there in that role."

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Georgetown's Adam Anderson has enjoyed some good outings for Canada's Junior National Team in recent games in the Caribbean, where he was used as both a starter and in relief. The 16-year-old hopes that his efforts will earn him an invitation to the next national team camp, to be held in Cary, N.C. in September. Photo by Bernie Hann



Hands-on approach to hockey camps

Former Georgetown Jr. A Raider captain Evan Zych (right) and Burlington Cougar grad Brent Vandenburg will oversee hockey camps in Milton in August. The camps will have all-day classes for players ages 6-8 and 9-10 in the first session Aug. 2-5 and for 11-12 and 13-14 age groups during the second week on Aug. 8-12. The respective cost for each week is \$399 and \$499 plus HST. The camp will feature two off- and two on-ice sessions each day, lunch included, with the accent on fun while learning. For more information on the camp, visit www.handsonhockey.com.

Photo by Michael Ivanin

Open berth eludes Greenwell

An even-par round of 72 in the qualifying round on Monday was an excellent score, but not good enough to earn Georgetown's Robbie Greenwell a spot in this week's Canadian Open in B.C.

The 25-year-old Club at North Halton member needed to shoot 67 or lower at the Morgan Creek Golf Course in South Surrey, B.C. earlier this week in order to get one of only four qualifying berths for the Canadian Open, which begins today (Thursday) at the Shaughnessy Golf & Country Club in Vancouver.

Fifty golfers from around the world reached the final qualifying stage, with Greenwell tying for 21st place.

The University of Memphis sports

management grad has had some decent results recently on the Canadian Tour, finishing in a tie for 13th last week at the Players Cup event in Winnipeg after rounds of 70-71-71-66 to earn just over \$3,500.

He also placed in a tie for 13th at the ATB Financial Classic in Calgary earlier in the month.

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Rounds of 84-80-76 propelled Georgetown's Jamison Cass into fourth place in the boys' 15-19 division at the Canadian Junior Golf Association's Eastern Canadian Championship at the Lakeridge Links course in Whitby.

Another local golfer, Jeff Beedham, was 12th after shooting 85-79-83.



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