



Record field for Le Tour de Terra Cotta

The seventh-annual Le Tour de Terra Cotta had its biggest field so far with 510 riders competing in five different events on the Simcoe Day holiday. The feature 104-km elite race is the largest non-Ontario Cup event in the province sanctioned by the Ontario Cycling Association, with a total prize purse of \$10,000. Queensville's Ed Veal won the elite title in a time of 2:33:25, nosing out runner-up Ryan du Toit by less than a second. Hamilton's Sue Palmer-Komar was the first woman to cross the finish line in 2:37:30. Julie Rossall of Ollie's Cycle & Ski in Georgetown placed first in her age group for the 52km adult race, while Duncan Mounsey topped the men's 70+ division. Local resident Patrick Gray was third in the under-10 youth race.

Photo by John Bachmann

Tide teams battle for OMFL titles

The North Halton Crimson Tide will have strong representation in the Ontario Minor Football League championships this weekend as both the bantam and junior varsity squads advanced to the title game after semifinal wins last weekend.

The bantams built a seemingly insurmountable 38-6 lead over the visiting Mississauga Warriors behind three touchdowns by quarterback Tanner Cadwallader, who also kicked five converts. However, the Warriors fought their way back into the contest with several quick scores in the second half. The Tide stopped Mississauga's final possession as time expired to hold on for a 38-34 victory in front of a full house at Georgetown's Kiwanis Field.

Michael Turner and Davis Rapagna both rushed for TDs and Marceillo Imbiscuso was credited with a safety.

The junior varsity Tide's path to the championship was slightly more difficult, having to travel to Tottenham Sunday to take on the 8-1 TNT Express.

The Tide had revenge in mind after dropping a regular-season contest to the Express in June. They would not be denied on this day. Haydn Gaskill-Cadwallader wore down the Express defence with tough inside runs, adding a key second-half touchdown.

Quarterback Daniel Bateman threw two touchdown strikes, one requiring a brilliant catch by wide receiver Jordan Naraine. Running back/safety Brandon Gordon scored the deciding touchdown and intercepted a pass with one minute left in the fourth quarter to seal the 28-21 victory for North Halton.

The varsity Crimson Tide played a tough Hamilton squad at Ivor Wynne Stadium Sunday and fell 27-10 in a spirited affair.

Both the bantam and junior varsity championship games will be played this weekend at Centennial Stadium in Etobicoke. The JV Tide faces off against the Hamilton Steelers Saturday at 2 p.m., while the bantams also drew the Steelers in their division with the game slated for Sunday at noon.

Aces wild at North Halton Sunday

Golfers at the Club at North Halton were hungry for holes-in-one during the club championships last weekend, as no fewer than three aces were recorded in just one day.

Mark Smith sunk his tee shot on the 4th hole using a 7-iron on Sunday and Donna Jackson scored a one on the 9th hole with an 8-iron.

Glen Gordon completed the treble with an ace on the 13th using a 5-iron. There were three other holes-in-one

at North Halton during the month of July.

Thirteen-year-old Gray Potter dropped in his tee shot with an 8-iron on the 4th hole, while club assistant pro Andy MacMillan took down the 17th hole using his 8-iron. Jason Anslow recorded an ace on the 15th hole with an 8-iron.

See next week's *Independent & Free Press* for results from North Halton's club championships.

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