



Golf tourney prize winner

Georgetown's Ellen Norton claimed one of the top prizes offered in this year's 14th annual Bill Smith Golf Tournament held earlier this month. Mrs. Norton won a trip for two anywhere Canadian Airlines flies in North America at the golf tournament, and

also was given \$1,000 in spending money by tournament director Bill Smith. This year's tournament raised \$22,100 for cancer research. Mrs. Norton is leaning towards flying to Disney World sometime this fall.

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## Inconsistency hurts Hoosiers at tournament

The Firestone Halton Hills Hoosiers again showed inconsistency at the Burlington Bantam Girls Softball Tournament. The team performed well against the top clubs, but let down against lesser ones. As a result, Firestone posted a one-win three-loss record for the competition.

Their first game was on Friday evening against St. Catharines. As the visitors, Firestone struck quickly for two runs in the first inning. Successive walks to Shannon Morris and Kelly Ambrose set the stage for Tracy Hagan, who cashed both runners with a double.

After St. Catharines tied it in their half, Firestone took the lead in the top of the second, on Deanna Louth's first home run of the year. It was 3-2.

The opposition rallied for four runs in the bottom of the third, to take a 6-3 lead. The Hoosiers got one back in the fourth, when Amy Cooper walked and Amy Korzack

pinch-ran for her and scored on a stolen base and two errors.

However St. Catharines put it away with two runs in the bottom of the fourth, to make the final score 8-4. Morris was tagged with the loss, allowing five earned runs in only two and one third innings of work.

On Saturday, the Hoosiers had three games. Their morning game was against North Bay. Once again, this was a team that they should be able to handle. The North Bay pitching was much slower than anything the team has seen to date. However, the Firestone batters consistently failed to make solid contact, and the team fell by a score of 11-3.

The run-scorers for Firestone were Andrea Leeking, Cooper, and Denise Hannah. Ambrose took the loss, allowing four earned runs over three innings.

The Saturday afternoon game had the Hoosiers playing against Cawthra Panthers. Against this top-caliber team, Firestone fell behind 4-0 early, only to make a spirited comeback in the top of the fifth.

Sherie Peacock led off with a wrong-field double to right. Louth gained base on an error and stole second. Hannah grounded out to drive in one run, and Korzack hit a sacrifice fly to drive in the second. Keri Vandevalk worked a walk, and Lisa Harlow gained base on an error. On a three and two pitch, Morris belted a double over the left-fielder's head to cash both runners and tie the score.

The game remained tied until the bottom of the last inning, when Cawthra manufactured a run to win the game, 5-4. Although giving up only one run over four innings, Ambrose was charged with the loss.

For their dinner-time match, the Hoosiers met up with the strong Haldimand team. Continuing their good play in the previous game, the Hoosiers jumped into a quick 2-0 lead in the bottom of the first. Successive singles by Morris, Ambrose and Hagan produced one run, with the other scored on an error.

Haldimand scored four runs in the second to gain the lead, 4-2. But Firestone came right back. Vandevalk led off with a walk. Morris lined a triple to the gap in right-centre to cut their lead in half. Ambrose then singled Morris home and the game was tied. One out later, Tammy Richard doubled home the go-ahead run. Hoosiers led 5-4.

Firestone added an insurance marker one inning later to make it 6-4, when Korzack gained base on an error, stole second, and was driven home by Morris' third hit of the game.

The final score was 6-4. Ambrose picked up the victory, in relief of Richard, allowing no runs over three innings.

The Firestone squad now has a week off, before participating in yet another tournament, this one in Fergus.



### Loose ball

North Halton Rugby Football Club player Rob Paul scoops up the loose ball during play last weekend between the host North Halton squad and the visiting team from Stoney Creek. Stoney Creek took

both ends of Saturday's match, downing the first North Halton team 21-14, then claiming an 8-4 win over the second team.

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