

Ed Paterson Sr. tournament welcomes 1994

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1994 opens with the Ed Paterson, Sr. Memorial Tourney, Saturday, at the Georgetown Legion from 9 a.m. onwards. More than half of the available 64 places for doubles entries are already taken.

Players are due in from all over the province and some great darts should be on view. Registration opens first thing and closes at 9:50 a.m. Price of entry is \$35 per double. The vent is in aid of the Heart and Stroke Foundation and is a very worthy cause. Players and spectators alike are welcome, as well as your dollars, so please support. In addition, this year there is an evening dance from 8 p.m. until 1 a.m. at \$5 per person, with all

Darts

proceeds of dance and darts to the Foundation.

On Sunday at the George and Dragon is the second round of Darts Ontario qualifying from 11 a.m. This is for mixed doubles (male and female) and singles. Local player, Paul Kirby, is the director for the day. Hopefully, there will be a few more out than in the first round. Points are at stake leading to the main rounds at the provincial and national championships. If nothing else, a good time may be had by all.

The Halton league closed down for a two week break and resumes next Monday. Legion Three leads Brackys Boys by four points, the gap

between them having narrowed considerably in the last three weeks. This should ensure more than a little interest in the run in to the finish. Lurking in the wings for any slip-ups are Legion Four, McGibbon and Charleys One.

Leading the individual stats is Paul Kirby with 137 points. The nearest challenger is Pete Pickering with 123 points. Dave Nicholls is the only other player with more than 100 points, with 107. Bruce Hope, Neil Olmstead, Jeff Henderson, Mike Pepper, Dave Scutt, Kent Davis are the other in the leading nine places, tied for 10th are Erwin See and self - for the moment. Darlene Wheeler, Kim Smid and Diana Zawacki are the leading girls from 31st, 40th and 44th places. Paul Kirby and Ian McDonald both have

three 180s to lead that category. Brian Ward heads the final finishes with 155. Jeff Henderson has six high finishes altogether, the highest being 143. Legion Three and Brackys Boys each have four players who have achieved the finish list.

Industrial league results are: Dream Team 9 - Firemen 0; Hotshots 5 - Hustlers 4; Gasketman Cutters 8 - Aces 1; Westenders 6 - Ensigns 3; Steeprock 6 - Independents 3; Panthers 5 - Acadian Pools 4; Bullsitters 9 - Bandits 0. Bandits were unable to put a side to the board and lost by default.

Dream Team handed out a lesson in finishing to the available Firemen in their match. Hotshots were hot and out-hustled their more illustrious opponents. Gasketman produced form to trump Aces. Westenders lowered Ensigns' flag on this occasion. Panthers just sunk the Pools and no more. There you have it!

Panthers and Aces each had four players which enabled every set to go with the three player format. The "cats" purred their way to a three-set lead to open the match. Pools refused to be entirely dampened and won the 4th set. Panthers took the next two and Pools stomped all over the "cats" in the closing three sets to make the match a lot closer. Paul Kavanagh opened six supported by Al Gardner's closing three. Mike Pepper opened four and Chris Corbett opened three in opposition. Henry Graham finished 101, scored 125 and Chris Styles scored 137 in the match.

In other matches, Dennis Thorogood and Todd Axford scored maximums. Ron Vallance scored 165 to lead the other high scoring. Shawn Warwick scored a 112 open, 140 high and 124 finish in the same set! Other 140s were Gord Bottoms, Bruce Hope and self. Stan Rhynold had the high close with 120. Ron Scarlett had opens of 108 and 102 to no avail.

Good darting for all, except when in opposition to me, of course, for 1994.



more pressure around the Barrie net. The plan did not work and a Barrie player was able to cut through the Hurricane defence and score the final goal.

Both goals in this game, scored by Todd Gilmore, warranted his outstanding player status at the end of the tournament. Hurricane defence player Danny Syvert and goalie Ian Boiceau were also named outstanding players.

Hurricanes lose heartbreaker

One win, two losses and an exciting semi-final game was not enough to boost the Flux Cored AAA Halton Hurricanes to victory during the Milton Beaver Tournament held Dec. 26-30.

The first game against a Barrie team ended in a 7-2 loss for the Hurricanes, who were lacking jump on the puck. Hurricane scorers were Todd Gilmore and Adam Kemp. Jason Russell provided an assist.

The second game, against Streetsville, was more successful for the Hurricanes. Todd Gilmore scored again, as did Andy Alarie. The Hurricanes played more

aggressively during this game, but the strong goal-tending of the Streetsville team kept their loss at a marginal 2-1 for the Hurricanes.

Todd Gilmore scored the only goal for the Hurricanes during the third game against Peterborough, assisted by Jason Russell and Danny Powers. The Peterborough team displayed stronger skating and scoring, and gained six goals.

The Flux Cored crew showed its strength during the semi-final game against Barrie. The score was tied at 2-2 until one minute before the end. The Hurricanes pulled their goalie and put

An end of an era

Greenwood Raceway hosted its final horse race on New Year's Eve marking the end of an era in Canadian harness racing that included such champion horsemen as Keith Waples, Ron Feagan and equine athletes like Niatross and Camfella.

For 39 years, harness rac-

ing has operated at Greenwood. The record attendance stands at a crowd of 18,389 who saw Hambletonian winner Speedy Crown in 1972. The record for wagering stands at \$3,024,630 on Boxing Day, 1988. The fastest horses to grace the 5/8's mile oval were Odds Against and

Staying Together, who clocked 1:50.4 miles. In 1991, Dave Wall guided Odds Against to his record in a leg of The Molson Export Pacing Series. This year, Hall of Famer Bill O'Donnell guided Staying Together to his impressive mile in the same event, enroute to his victory in The Canadian Pacing Derby, Canada's oldest harness stakes event.

The 1993 record books close with Doug Brown taking leading driving honors in both wins and money, notching 357 wins and driving horses to purse earnings in excess of \$3,960,000.

Bill Robinson once again dominated the trainers charts sending 182 winners post-ward and training horses to over \$3 million in purse earnings.

Friday's 10 race matinee harness racing program attracted 7,281 fans who wagered \$1,447,406.

Steve Condren and pacer Kirk Henley will go down in the history books as the final winners at Greenwood as they combined for a 1:58.1 victory in the \$6,000 event.

OJC harness racing made its move and opened at Woodbine on New Year's Day for a 54 date race meet. The races will be conducted on Canada's first 7/8's mile oval on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights starting at 7:30 p.m. with matinee programs on Saturdays and Sundays at 1 p.m.

Harness racing now at Woodbine

Woodbine's inaugural card of harness racing was an unqualified success on opening day, Jan. 1, 1994.

The 11-race matinee program attracted 12,578 fans who wagered \$2,293,872, a record handle for New Year's Day at all OJC tracks, and the first \$2 million dollar plus handle day since The North America Cup on June 26.

"We're very pleased with today's results; the general feeling within the horsemen's community is very positive; they're tickled pink with today's results and very impressed with the condition of the 7/8's mile track."

Following opening ceremonies that featured Ron Waples and Sandy Hawley, members of Canada's Sports Hall of Fame, cutting the official ribbon to represent the finish line, fans enjoyed an impressive card of harness racing.

Roger Mayotte guided favorite Boastful to a nose 1:57.3 victory over Feree Hanover in the first race at Woodbine on Saturday afternoon to go down in the archives as harness racing's inaugural winner at Woodbine.

"It's great to be the first one (driver) in the winner's circle on such an important day," reflected Mayotte.

Proof positive of the great track surface was a dazzling 1:51.3 mile in the feature event of the day, the \$75,000 Gold Cup Invitation Pace. With Bill Gale driving, Arrive At Five from the Bill Robinson stable cruised to a 10-and-a-half length victory. It was one of three wins on the afternoon program for Gale.

"I'm impressed with that mile," admitted Gale, "I didn't know how fast we'd go; I knew no one was close to us but it was hard to judge the speed on the first day here."

Racing continues at Woodbine at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and 1 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays through to March 17.

Hockey an escape

You would have had to excuse Hamilton Kilty B's head coach Glenn Walsh if the Ontario Hockey Association Junior "A" Showcase tournament in Newmarket (held over the holidays and won by the Kiltys with a 9-5 victory over host Newmarket 87s) wasn't his only concern.

Walsh and his wife had their new-born baby girl kidnapped from Joseph Brant Hospital in Burlington. She was recovered by police 11 hours later in a hotel room.

Walsh says getting back behind the bench was very therapeutic for him, as the near-tragic story has been covered extensively by the media.

"When I got here (to the tournament) and I was behind the bench, it really didn't cross my mind," he said. "But when I finished, of course I start thinking about it."

Many of the players on the Kilty B's consider Walsh more than just a coach. He's a good friend to a number of players and many were there for him the night of the abduction.

"The team was in complete shock when we heard," said winger Matt Turek. "We really felt for him but I think he handled it much better than most people would."

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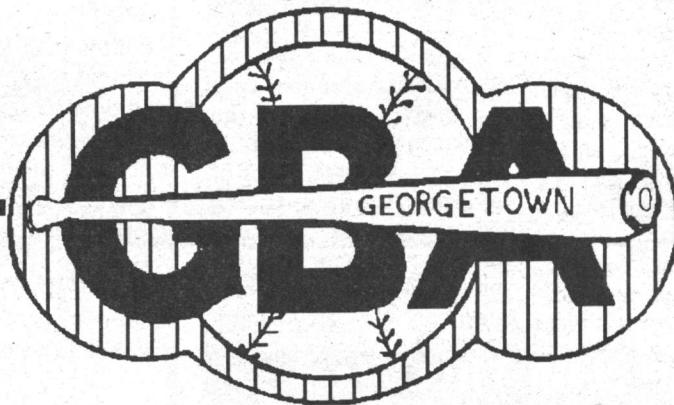
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