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The Acton Rams lacrosse teams honoured players at a banquet last Thursday at the Legion. Earning the most sportsmanlike trophies for their teams were, from left, Ben Williams (peewee), Greg Henry (tyke) and Brett Manes (novice). (Karen Wetmore photo)

Rockwood No-Stars are champs twice in a row

Special to The Tanner

The Rockwood Ladies No-Stars fastball team have proven they are unbeatable! After completing their regular season play with an amazing 12 wins, the local ladies captured the league championship with some determined wins in the year-end tournament in Brookville.

The ladies showed no mercy as they won all seven of their playoff games on their determined journey for the championship. Rockwood's winning ways started with 30-7 and 20-3 wins over Freulton A and Brookville respectively. Their next victim was Millgrove, which they won by only a slight 14-12 margin in a very exciting match.

The No-Stars then travelled to Jerseyville and came away with an 11-3 win. Next victim was Freulton B. They had a strong night at the plate and consistent defensive play resulted in a 15-9 victory in this contest. Home runs were recorded by Carol Death, Jan Airdrie, Susie Pasloske and Linda Earle.

The year-end tournament in Brookville on August 25 opened with an afternoon

game in Westover. Their determination was rewarded with a 10-5 win to take them into the final championship game versus Millgrove.

Rockwood was now sitting with 17 wins in their 1996 season and playoff games. An impressive record by anyone's standards, but still not good enough for the No-Stars. They needed one more victory to conquer the challenge they were so determined to repeat.

"We have our record to uphold, we are not going to stop until we've gone all the way again this year. And we are going to do it - we know we can!" explained pitcher Lori Savage.

The final game versus Millgrove was exciting, with the No-Stars capturing the championship with a 7-3 win, thanks to home runs from Death and Pasloske. The Rockwood Ladies No-Stars captured the 1996 Funtimers Ladies Championship! Celebrations were in order as the victory was savoured by the veterans and rookies alike.

The No-Stars always have an internal "fun" competition to name the "home run

queen" for their team. This year's winner, for the second year in row, was Susie Pasloske, who tallied up 14 home runs, including one grand slam.

Rookie Carolyn Davies came in second with five dingers, while Airdrie, Death and Laurie Leighton evened out the slammer with three apiece. Many thanks to the pitchers for the year: Savage, Airdrie, Death and Leighton, with a one game "out of retirement" showing by Earle.

Manager Bonnie Hamilton summed up the season this way: "A tremendously superb effort was extended to both Coach Dot Polo and myself to win every game this season. Oh, what a feeling to be league champions once again. Many thanks to all the ladies for such a successful year."

The No-Stars would also like to thank Coach Dot Polo and Manager Bonnie Hamilton for the time, effort and dedication this year. As well, special thanks go out to their umpires and an extra special thank you to all their dedicated fans, who supported them through the season.

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The Acton Mosquito squad came out swinging at the OBA "C" division championship tourney in Cobourg August 31 with a 19-5 victory over Val Caron.

Brock Spear pitched the winner with help from call-up player Tyler Holmes who clenched the save for the reps. Spear also led the team at the plate with two RBIs and four

runs scored.

Troy Ethier, Greg Cole, Kyle Winters, Wes Kentner, Tyler Holmes, Peter Finnie and Paul Vidic each scored twice while Matt Bronizewski rounded up the scoring with one run scored and one batted in.

Game two against Kincardine was a tighter affair. The score was a

level 6-6 at the end of three innings as Kincardine took the plate. They punched in three runs to go up 9-6 in the fourth as Acton was unable to answer back in their half of the inning. Each team added a run in the fifth, but Kincardine held on for the 10-7 victory.

In game three Acton faced a very good Dorchester team. Too many

Acton errors and the offensively and defensively sound Dorchester squad spoiled Acton's chance to remain in tournament play. Two losses resulted in elimination.

Matt Dayman scored the only Acton run in this 11-1 tilt with his great base-running abilities.

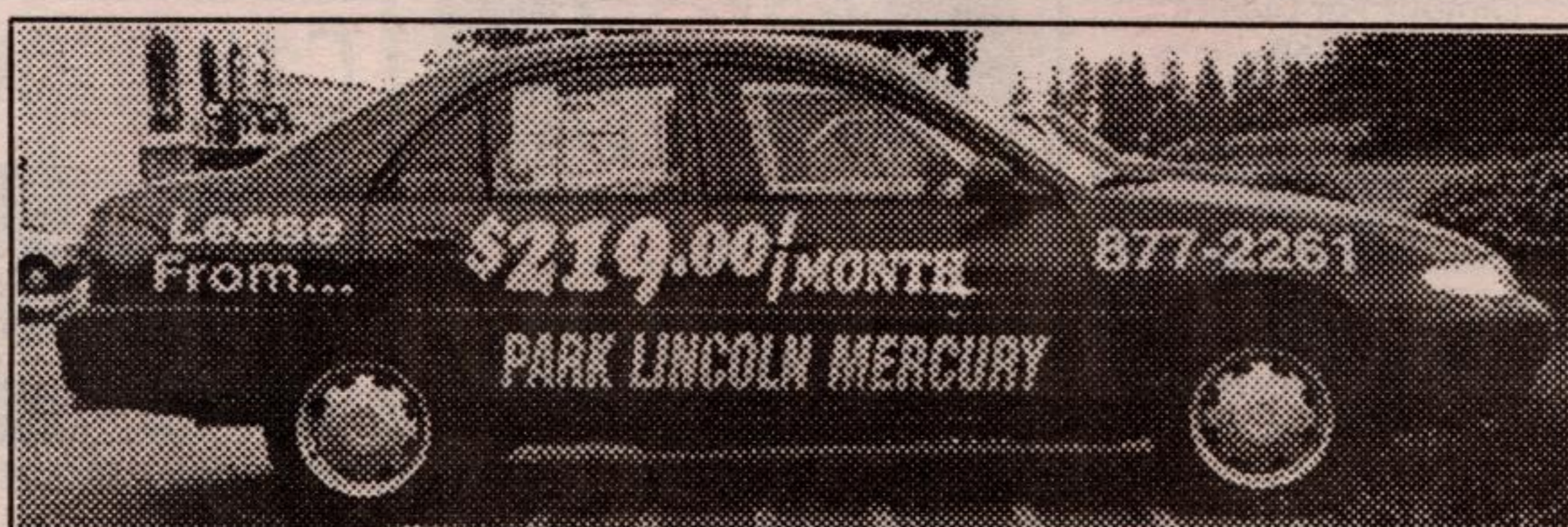
The coaching staff wishes to thank call-up players Holmes,

Robbie Rolfe, Adam Burgess and Mike Kuppier for their support.

A special thanks from manager Bill Clark also goes out to coaches Brad Wells and Dave Dayman who told their players that, "You have to have commitment and want to practice to get better at this game."

Clark also thanked *The Tanner* "for the great write-ups all year."

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