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**Soccer Success:** The Acton Soccer Club celebrated its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary and a very successful season with a video dance on Saturday at the Legion. Setting the tone for the night were, left to right, sitting, Gil Douglas and Delores Gallagher, Standing, left to right, Wendy Norman, Debbie Lindsay, Fiona Hess and Bill Curry, - Frances Niblock photo

## Club celebrates 30 years

By FRANCES NIBLOCK  
 The New Tanner

Soccer lover and former Acton resident Colin Ager would be proud. The soccer club he began 30 years ago has grown into a vibrant, well-equipped club with approximately 480 players – the majority under nine-years-old – and a dedicated coaching staff of 48.

The Acton Soccer Club celebrated three decades of operation with a video dance on Saturday at the Legion and on Sunday the championship games for each of the older divisions were played at McKenzie-Smith Bennett.

"The Club has been steadily growing over the past 10 years – partially due to our very active fund raising which allowed us to buy better equipment and offer our coaches training sessions," said Club secretary Anne Stewart in an interview on Saturday.

Stewart, first joined the Club 25 years ago as a parent of a player, said they were able to inject some life into the Club through the money raised at the Milton bingo.

"We've been able to hold clinics for our young referees

and we encourage the players who are over 13 to join the referees association and they ref the younger kids and help keep them interested," Stewart said.

Looking back over the years Stewart said a major change occurred in 1978 when girls were allowed to join the Club. Girls make up approximately one-third of the Club's members this year.

"We fought for about two years to get the girls to play. It was the old boys' club and there was no room on the soccer field for females until Richard

Kilpatrick, who had two sons playing and a daughter who wanted to, helped us convince the executive to allow the girls to join," Stewart recalled.

Girls and boys play together on the Under-7 developmental teams and older girls play in the G.I.R.L.S. – for Girls In Rural League Soccer – association against teams from surrounding communities including Brampton and Grand Valley.

Stewart expects to match this season's success next year with generous sponsors, dedicated coaches and enthusiastic parents and players.



**CHASE THAT BALL!:** Acton Cleaners' Tyler Veness chases the ball out-of-bounds during the Under-13 match at Cup Day at McKenzie-Smith-Bennett School. - Ellen Piel photo

## Another championship for Rockwood No-Stars

The Rockwood No Stars of the Ladies Good Time Baseball League battled to a fourth consecutive championship during a fastball tournament recently in Freelon and coach Dot Polo is understandably very proud.

"The last game was a total team effort – everyone worked together for the win after we were down 5-0 in the third," Polo said in an interview on Sunday.

The No Stars rallied for six runs in each of the next two innings took the final 16-6.

Polo said all it took for the turnaround was "a little coaxing and coaching."

"I try not to hoot and holler anymore – I'm too old for it," Polo said, noting that the over-35 No Stars ladies team has belonged to the Good Time league for 14 years.

"The most amazing part is that we've won the championship four times in a row – everyone is out to get us because no one else in the league has done it. Many have won it three times. But we're the first to win it four years in a row," Polo said. The No Stars wrap up their successful season this weekend with a round of golf, a potluck super and awards night.



**QUAD CHAMPS:** The Rockwood No Stars of the Good Time Ladies' Fastball league captured the league championship for the fourth consecutive year during a tournament in Freelon recently. Front, left to right: Bonnie Hamilton (assistant captain), Carol Death (pitcher), Brenda Farlow, Rose Griffiths, Laurie Laughton and Sue Legge. Middle: Mary Anne, Lori Savage. Back, left to right: Marcie Diamond, Dot Polo (coach), Lisa Steduto, Bev Armstrong, Linda Barron, Leanne Smith, Carolyn Davies and Holly Colquhoun. - Submitted photo

### Lose anything at camp?

Did you lose anything at the Recreation and Parks camps this summer? If so, the department may have it! The Recreation and Parks Department has articles left behind from all of its Acton and Georgetown camp sites.

Please visit the Civic Centre, downstairs in Recreation and Parks, to check the lost and found. The deadline for viewing items is Friday, October 2. After this date, all items will be donated to local agencies.

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