

Bantam Girls play well but lose 14-8 to Drayton

By Kelly Foreman

The Galvcast Bantam Girls played another great game of softball on July 20 against Drayton and just lost a 14-8 decision.

The first inning had a nice fly catch by Hayley and two strikeouts by Ashley. At bat Normandy had a great hit followed by a walk for Hayley followed by a good try by Kim.

In the second inning Hayley had another fly catch and Normandy had a great tag out at home plate. Again up at bat Deirdre and Jen had great hits and a good try by Kayla.

The third inning Ashley pitched another strike out. Swinging the bat Ashley and Hayley had great hits and Kim took a hit for a walk. Alyssa, our recruited player from the

stands, took a hit and a walk and went on the injured list. But Katelynn and Amber finally arrived after a long journey to Drayton and joined the team. And Katelynn got a nice hit.

Fourth inning at bat saw some good hitting by Normandy, Ashley, Jen, and Katelynn. Great swings by Amber, Kim, Kayla and Deirdre.

The fifth and open inning saw another strike out by Ashley. And the play of the game was the fly ball catch by Amber who then made a double play at first base with Jen!!! Fifth inning at bat saw lots of walks by Normandy, Hayley, Ashley and Deirdre. Great tries at bat for Kayla and Jen.

The final score was 14 - 8 for Drayton.



ON THE ATTACK: Caitlin McNamara gets ready to boot the ball to the striker at a recent Under 12 soccer game at the Elizabeth Drive field. - Ellen Phiehl photo

Girls Soccer

Acton 2 scores 6-0 win over Acton 1

Nicole Pitre and Kim Trumpa shared the shut-out in a 6-0 victory for Acton 2 (Outdoor Power Equipment) over rival Acton 1 (Denny's Insur-

ance) in Girls under 6 soccer at the high school grounds on July 22. The goal scoring was taken care of by Lindsay Atkinson with 3, Summer

Giometelo with 2 and a single from Cailyn McGiloway. The Acton 2 team maintained their league lead with 27 points on a 9-1 record.

Campbellville victims of KFC bats

The KFC Mosquitos won their sixth game in a row, beating Campbellville 10-3 on July 21.

KFC used five different pitchers in the game. Roger Kirkness pitched two innings, allowing no runs on

two hits and no walks. Carter Ebbinge and Walter Kirkness each threw a scoreless inning, Kirkness struck out three in his; neither allowed a hit.

Travis Brown allowed a run in the first, Jesse

Spurrell allowed two in the second, while striking out three.

Roger Kirkness and Carter Ebbinge each went three for four at the plate. Travis Brown tripled and drove in three runs.

Nellis squeezes past KFC in Acton Mosquito Showdown

Nellis Construction defeated KFC 18-17 in a dramatic comeback to tie the in-town Mosquito season series at a game each.

Nellis scored six runs in the bottom of the last inning to come back from five runs down. Brandon Lockyer started for Nellis and pitched three innings, allowing eleven runs on seven hits with four strikeouts. Jeff Longstreet pitched the final three, allowing only six runs on four hits with five strikeouts.

Longstreet also drove in the winning run for Nellis, his double scored Jasson Lockyer, who had walked. Longstreet was three for four in the game and scored three runs. Jesse Harris scored four runs and stole five bases. Jasson Lockyer walked three times and scored on all three. Luc Ballentine was two for three and also scored three runs.

With KFC having locked up a play-off spot, it was an opportunity for the players to play positions they

had not previously played. David Bickers pitched two and a third innings, allowing three runs on three hits with three strikeouts. Bradley Reynolds pitched two innings, allowing six runs on three hits with two strikeouts. Dylan Bickers pitched one plus innings, allowing eight runs on two hits with two strikeouts.

Jesse Spurrell went four for four for KFC, with two doubles and a three run home run. Travis Brown scored four runs. Dylan Bickers, Carter Ebbinge, and David Bickers each had two hits, Grasshopper Harold Kirkness had three walks.

Bradley Reynolds and Dylan Bickers both made good plays while playing second base, Travis Brown made a great catch at third base.

KFC is now in third place, one game behind Kilbride and Greenville. Nellis is in fourth place, three and a half games behind KFC, and two and a half games ahead of Campbellville. KFC play their final two games of the season next week, at home on Tuesday, August 3, and away on Thursday. Schedules are at www.actonminorball.com.



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SOCCER REPORT

Under 9
Peter Lemisky Dentistry-3
Randals Truck & Trailer
Repair- 0

For Peter Lemisky Dentistry- Megan Adema (G); Zach Kroezen (A), Matt Doherty (G), Julie Holmes (A).
Blasing Hill Emu Farm -5
Tuitman's Garden Centre-0

For Blasing Hill Emu Farm- Natalie Shortt (G); Alex Cardoso (A), Alex Cardoso (G); Evan Bhattcharya(A), Eric Vlastic (G); Samantha McCarthy (A), Natalie Shortt (G) Taylor Wint (A), Eric Vlastic (G); Lisa Fatrdla(A).

Prosperity One -3
Leathertown Lumber-2
For Prosperity One- Hayden Weston (G); Christine Grieg (A), Jacob Bernacki (G); Ashley Lindo (A), Hayden Weston (G); Ryan Alcorn (A)

Otten Heritage Contracting -5
Vistors- 12
For Otten Heritage Contracting- Angus Agnew (G); Chris Giordano (A), Brett Banks (G); Maryn Alberts (A), Luke Otten (G); Shannon Taylor (A), Mikala Parr (G); Callum

Bowles (A), Tawnie Snow (G); Kevin Giordano (A)

Squirts take Elora

Acton Squirt girls came out to play Monday night against Elora, bringing home a 23-4 win.

Desiray Ebbinge once again led the way getting 13 strikeouts of a possible 15 outs. Bats were working overtime starting with Danielle Spear getting a single, Ebbinge a double and triple.

Katelynn Robinson got a really hard triple. Ashley Stokman had a single and a fly ball that was caught. Carli Vickery hammered a triple and lined a ball back at the pitcher for a single. Chelsea George also hit a single and a double. Katrina Harding, who was on fire that night, got a single and a double. Lindsay

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Nellis edge

Milton 13-12

By Cathy Ballentine

The Nellis Construction boys Acton II played Milton II at home on Monday, July 19, winning a close game, 13-12.

Both teams made the game interesting and exciting. Mason Overland, Kyle Linnard both scored two runs each.

Luc Ballentine brought in three runs for the team, not to mention T.J. Baker, Jeff Longstreet, Zack Seguin along with Jesse Harns and Jeff Laing. All had one run each. Carter Ebbinge and Brandon Lockyer each scored a run and an impressive RBI.

Mike Forbes showed a great eye, scoring a single in the bottom of the third.

Vet Clinic drops HEADS but lose to Grand Valley

By Ian Watson

Last week was a busy one for the Acton Vet Clinic team in Under-14 Boys action, with two games in four days.

On Monday, July 19, the Vet Clinic team played at the Elizabeth Drive field for the first time this season. Acton had 13 players, including a call-up from the Under-12 league, and faced 10 players on the HEADS team. Although 10 players is shorthanded, it allows a team to play in the same positions for the whole game and to develop an understanding, although that team will tend to tire more quickly.

The first half started with a tentative few minutes for Acton, and HEADS took advantage by surprising the Acton defence with some quick moves and taking an early 1-0 lead. Acton withstood some more pressure, in large part due to an excellent defensive display and some lucky bounces, before starting to feed the ball to their energetic forwards. The HEADS goalie handled

some hot shots, before Zack Woolford tied the game with a fine individual effort.

The rest of the first half was excellent, play moving from end to end, and eventually Gordon McKeon took advantage of a loose ball to score for a 2-1 lead to Acton. The joy was short-lived, however, as HEADS made some excellent passing manouvers and tied the game at 2-2 just before half time.

In the second half, the extra man advantage for Acton started to pay off as HEADS began to tire. Acton stormed into a 5-2 lead through two excellent goals by Nick Eagan (one a blistering high shot, the other a deft header) and a second goal for Zack Woolford. HEADS ensured that the end of the game would be tense by sneaking a low, slow shot past the tireless Connor Tonkin in the Acton goal to make the final score 5-3.

Outplayed by Valley

On Thursday 22 July, Acton Vet Clinic travelled to unbeaten, league-leading Grand Valley, and were outplayed by the better team. Grand Valley took

an early 3-0 lead, and Acton were unlucky not to score any goals in the rest of an action-packed first half.

The teams changed ends, and again Grand Valley found some quick goals, taking a 5-0 lead despite some very good play by the Acton defence and Michael Hendry in goal. Acton then found their scoring touch, with a superb cross by Zack Woolford being blasted home by a charging Connor Tonkin. The Acton section of the crowd now came to life and the players responded by piling on the pressure.

Acton were unlucky to miss a penalty, but then Greg Wells bundled home a Woolford free kick to give the scoreline some more balance. Unfortunately, piling on the offence can leave the defence exposed, and that's what happened to allow the hosts a sixth goal to finish the scoring.

A defeat for the plucky boys from Acton, but a huge improvement on the 8-0 soccer lesson the Grand Valley supplied when the teams met earlier in the season at MSB.