

# Game and Fish



By Arn Coulson

Chinook Salmon fishermen are having their day at the mouth of the Bronte Creek. The huge fish are right out from the harbor and for about a mile in every direction, and a few are starting up the creek.

The fish are turning a darker color already and the jaw has a definite hook. By the time these fish get to Zimmerman and Lowville they will be quite useless for table use. When preparing these fish to eat, be sure to cut all of the belly flesh off. This is where the highest concentration of contamination is lodged.

These warm fall days bring out our harmless snakes. They love to sun themselves and soak up the sun before they hibernate for the winter. Please do not kill them, as they are harmless and become more scarce each year.

I'm not a snake lover and don't mind admitting they seem repulsive. But I don't kill them.

Snakes do little to help their own image as they do not chirp, bark or quack—they hiss. They do not walk, fly, run, hop or crawl—they slither. There have only been two known deaths from snake bites in the last quarter century and that was from lack of attention and both victims had had breathing problems all their lives.

Although the total number of deer in Ontario is declining, there are areas in the province where herds are on the increase.

In Prince Edward County, apple growers find deer a growing nuisance and are searching for some method of control.

Unhunted for generations, the deer wander boldly into orchards within a few hundred yards of men and tractors. The farmers do not begrudge the deer a few bushels of apples they eat in the fall. But damage done to the trees in the spring is a different matter.

Donald Bonter has 120 acres of apple trees. He had 475 trees out of a block of 500 sustain damages when the deer chewed all the small branches off, resulting in heavy losses.

Imagine industry or labor receiving that kind of blow and sitting back and taking it. The farmer did not get one cent of compensation, furthermore, if he shot one deer he would be fined heavily.

There must be an answer.

About 350 deer were killed by automobiles in the Cambridge and Halton areas last year, resulting in high financial costs for car owners and insurance companies. Flamboro Township has requested a resident gun hunting season on deer once again. We doubt they'll get it.

We love deer and wildlife, but we still think a good crop should be harvested.

## Brookville midget ORSA champs

Brookville midget girls were led by pitcher Jackie Dennis to shut out Port Burwell to win the Ontario Rural Softball Association championships 8-0 in Port Burwell.

Brookville took the best of three game series in two straight, after sending Port Burwell home with a 9-3 loss earlier.

In semi-final play the Brookville girls had to defeat Port Stanley which took the full three games. Port Stanley edged a narrow 3-2 win in game one, Brookville came back to win in Port Stanley 3-2 and continued to win, beating

## Milton Stakes offers \$43,000

Entries and post positions for the Milton Pacing Stakes will be drawn tomorrow morning (Thursday) at Mohawk Raceway in Campbellville.

Milton Mayor Don Gordon will present the stakes trophy to the owners of the winning horse on Sunday evening. The Milton Stakes will have a purse of \$43,000 with eight starters.

Nutritionists tell us that skipping breakfast is not a wise habit because the body needs to be refuelled for the day's activities. Studies have shown that people who skip breakfast are less efficient

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# Merchants bow to Leafs in Halton baseball final

By Peter McCusker

Milton Merchants can pack away their ball gloves for another season, as they fell two games straight to the powerful Leaside Leafs in the Halton County Baseball League finals this week.

At home on Saturday afternoon in Brian Best Park the Merchants displayed a valiant effort, coming within reach of the Leaf tally twice and tying the game in the fourth inning 3-3, but the Leafs were just too good a team for Milton and won 12-8.

Catcher Ray Tonelli counted three of Merchants' runs and Wade Bekar counted two. Don Hearn, Andy Hull and Norm Mowbray all crossed home plate.

Hap Perrott pitched for the Merchants and was relieved in the seventh inning by Roger Clement.

Leaside started the first inning with Barry Smith taking a base on Ken Armstrong's error at third base. Kevin Hunt cracked a homer to give the Leafs a 2-0 lead chalking a pair of RBI's.

Dave Peyman, Leaside

## Grue Shell back with opener win

Club Claire bounced the new Georgetown entry in the White Oaks Hockey League 14-1 Sunday at Milton Memorial Arena. Schroeder Construction beat the Charles Hotel of Milton 5-1 and at Laurier Ave. Milton Sports Centre, Grue Shell defeated Russell Towing in a hard fought 5-4 battle.

Jim Court led the way with four goals and an assist while brother Rick grabbed the other Schroeder tally and two assists in their romp over the Charles.

Kevin O'Neill, the other linemate, garnered three assists. Dave Heipel and Rusty Chapman also netted assists.

Don Hearn fired the lone marker for the Charles Hotel with Gary Hudson assisting.

At Laurier, Brian Watson fired two goals and an assist for the winners and linemate Brian Murray had three assists. Keith Mitchie, Gene Holdridge and Tom Tracey all chipped in with single markers and Mel Shulist and John Jensen had assists.

Terry Adam counted two goals for Russell with Dennis Fowler and Dave Blaty notching a goal and an assist each. Glenn Austin had two assists and Tom Richards, Terry Budd, and Ray Chisholm single points.

## Big tourney

Milton Lawn Bowling Club hosted a big tournament Saturday with entries from Grimsby, Tottenham, Toronto, Weston and Galt on hand vying for prizes.

High three-game winner of the day was Allan Cranston's rink from Tottenham, with Gordon McIntosh of Milton second high three-game winner.

High two-game winner was E. Bullen, Tottenham and second high in the two-game list was Jack Elliot, Milton. Highest one-game win went to John McLean, Oakville.

## BOWLING

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Greenhouse 10, Sutherland Waterproofing 9, Flyers 8.

**HIGH AVERAGES** Primo Rigo 250, Paul Parnell 245.

**HIGH SINGLE** flat Paul Parnell 329.

**HIGH TRIPLE** flat, Primo Rigo 803 and high triple with handicap Bill Deforest 808.

**LOWVILLE** September 29

Ladies' high single Marlene Morton 285-258-219; ladies' high triple Marlene Morton 761; men's high single Dave Oldroyd 244; men's high triple, Ed Morrison 649.

Other top singles Marg Cragg, 253-249-238, Wendy Vitelli 243, Dave Cheals 241, Richard Grimes 230, Lisa Morton 229, 208.

Other top triples Marg Cragg 740, Lisa Morton 634, Dave Cheals 617, Jack King 583, Dave Oldroyd 579.

Who Cares won 7 for 12, Born Losers 5 for 10, Whisky Sneakers 7 for 9, Seven-ups 5 for 7, Farmer Jack's 2 for 7, Bill's Raiders 0 for 4, Fireballs 2 for 4, Mean Machine 0 for 3.

In the final inning the Leafs added three runs for a dozen while Milton managed to have Bekar and Tonelli score after receiving walks. Gerry Connell recorded the RBI's.

The first game of the series was a Thursday evening. Merchants were felled in a 17-5 drub.

Coach John "Huck" Kelman said the team went to Leaside with a short roster. Wayne Marchand was the losing pitcher but it was a close ball game, 4-3 in the seventh inning.

"The next thing we knew after a few hits and a couple of errors it was 11-3, then they stomped us," Kelman told The Champion.

A junior, Dave Turner, relieved Marchand on the mound and in the final inning Rick McTrach took his inning of the year on the mound.

Following Saturday's loss Kelman said the players were "Sort of let down, but sort of glad it was over."

Looking at the club briefly, Kelman said there are a few junior players coming up to the team next year but the club needs pitching.

"We've got the second best hitting team in the league, next to Leaside," Kelman said and added they were a far second. But pitching seems to be what the Merchant executive is also after.

Coach Kelman had his skis out on Monday, cleaning and waxing, and a passing thought was that he may be sticking to fastball next year.

shortstop, followed suit with home run in the third inning for a 3-0 score. Merchants held the Leafs scoreless in the second and fourth innings.

In the fourth inning Milton bats came alive with Andy Hull hitting a double. Wade Bekar followed with a walk and Ray Tonelli grabbed a base and an RBI on an error to Leaside's left fielder Steve Tait. Tait failed to make a routine fly out catch.

Loris Faggion hit a single and Ken Armstrong doubled to knock in the Milton runs. The game was tied at 3-3.

Merchants kept up defensive fielding and shut out Leafs in the fifth inning, but in the sixth inning Milton ran into trouble.

Trouble started with Peyman's double and Kevin Hunt reached first on Tonelli's error. Bill Weeden singled and the pack came scurrying home with Terry Lithcow's homer. Leafs took an 8-3 lead in the seventh inning with Jim Eliopoulos' home run which was almost grabbed by Faggion in left field.

The Leafs added another in the eighth.

Ray Tonelli restarted the Milton hope machine with the double in the bottom of the seventh inning. Faggion and Gerry Connell popped up for two outs and Norm Mowbray followed with a base on balls.

Don Hearn came through with a double and Rick "Skip" McTrach singled to knock in Hearn. Merchants were still in the game with a 9-6 score.

## Sabres open with victory

Action Sabres opened their 1978-79 season last Friday in Oakville and came away 6-3 winners.

Mark Schinkel led the Action scoring with two goals. Jeff Shields, Paul Salvisburg, Kelly Shaw and Bob Allsop added singles.

Action has a busy week ahead playing three times.

# BRAVO

*Congratulations to Omagh Midget Boys' Halton Rural fastball win over Lowville boys in Hornby Tuesday evening. Pitcher Don Martin contributed another great pitching performance and also scored a run. Martin is this week's Milton Sports star for his achievements this season and in the recent Ray's Texaco Tournament.*

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