

Cinderella team is going to the final

By STEVE LEACHMAN
How's this for a script—a team struggles through a 17-game schedule with two lonely wins and a tie, a predictable two points most games for their opposition, but suddenly becomes a team of destiny, defeats heavily favored teams in playoff rounds and finds themselves playing for the league championship.
It sounds unlikely but it's happened as Halton Pool and Patio upset Re/Max Realty in the Milton Flag Football League semifinals to earn a berth in the championship.
Halton Pool and Patio downed Re/Max, the team that had finished first over the regular season with a 14-3 record, 46-20. The pool people will face the Charles Hotel for the title this weekend. The Charles finished second over the season (9-8) and defeated a stubborn Bruce Hood Travel team 27-14 in the other Saturday semifinal.
In the Halton Pool victory quarterback Mike Kindy wasn't bothered by the windy weather as he threw for touchdowns in all four quarters. Jim Monaghan and Mike St. John led the way with two touchdowns each while Paul Jarvie, Ron Flint and Jim McAlinden each added single majors. Mike St. John also came through with two two-point conversions and Peter Hoffman and Bryan McPhail each added interceptions.
Re/Max touchdowns came from

quarterback Ray Deleagarde, Dave Spencer and Bob Haston with Deleagarde adding two converts. Gary Kennedy added one interception as the usually high-scoring Re/Max team, which also sports a tough defence, had their first really off day of the season.
In the other semifinal game the Charles Hotel came up with two fourth-quarter touchdowns to secure the victory over Hood Travel. Charles pivot Kevin Prendergast found his pay-off receiver Dennis Gluck for two touchdowns and Rob Scott and Terry Houghton for one each. Don Campbell added three converts.
After a second play of the game slip sent Hood quarterback Jon Suzuki to the hospital for his annual playoff game injury (ankle), Dave Murray filled in and tossed first-half strikes to Lee Fairbanks and Kerry Duggan, both converted by John Matwijczyn. But the Hood team was unable to connect in the second half and this proved to be the difference in the game.
Quotes from the games: Halton Pool's Paul Jarvie: "Tell 'em all the Jarv's got one more game in him." Jim Monaghan: "As long as the ball hits me in the glasses, I know I can catch it." Mike Hobson: "I am now the consummate team player, as long as they throw me the ball."
The Charles Hotel's Randy Johnson: "Jon Suzuki is definitely the Mr. October of our league. Too bad



Re/Max player Bill Gustaw goes for a Halton Pools player's flags Saturday but the Re/Max defence couldn't hold back the Halton Pools tide. Halton Pools will meet the Charles Hotel for all the marbles on the weekend.

Photo by ROB KELLY

the league ends in September. Kevin Prendergast: "Before these Halton guys become Cinderella they've got to beat me, the Wicked Witch of the West."

Fearless Final Prediction: Make Halton Pools the sentimental favourites to win. Everyone loves a rags-to-riches story. The Charles

Hotel defence can give up a lot of points but usually the offence scores more. Look for a high-scoring game if the weather is good. The Poolmen

should feel no pressure, they weren't even supposed to be here. They'll be loose. Take the Charles Hotel, however, to a slim five points.



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Future uncertain for Mohawks

Campbellville Mohawks ended their baseball season abruptly in St. Catharines last week as Metros swept them in a best-of-three playoff series. Campbellville had lost the first game 10-5 in Campbellville Park but nobody on the local senior baseball squad was prepared for what happened in St. Catharines.
Metros shut Campbellville out 10-0 behind the powerhouse pitching of Chris Dennison. Dennison, in this

game as close to overwhelming as anyone anywhere in the league has been this year, threw 24 strikeouts and allowed but one Campbellville hit (Steve Smith, a single) in the second and deciding contest.
Campbellville coach Ray Evans knew that Metros were going to throw their ace in the second game, he had said as much in private misgivings after the first loss. But even he was surprised at the lopsided outcome.

He was throwing heat," Evans said. He took 24 players, the entire Mohawk compliment, to St. Catharines for the deciding game and gave Dennison his full due for the win. It wasn't as if Campbellville didn't try, Evans pointed out. "These guys have their pride too."
That season-ending setback aside the future is uncertain for Mohawks. Evans knows it and team representative Bill Dennis, who has coached

and acts for Mohawks at league meetings, knows it too.
"I hope like hell we can continue to have a ball team here but we have no minor system," Dennis said. "I'm concerned. I think we all are. We have our work cut out for us. We're depending on the guys who are playing here now."
Dennis steadfastly refuses to attempt to make inroads into the Milton minor ball system, despite the fact that Campbellville is legally a part of Milton and an easy case could be made for Milton young players to be Campbellville players. "In my opinion the juveniles (the Magna International Milton juveniles) are Milton's juveniles, (that is the Royal City Realty senior team's picks). If those people want to come here, okay, but we won't recruit them. We've got to make our own way."

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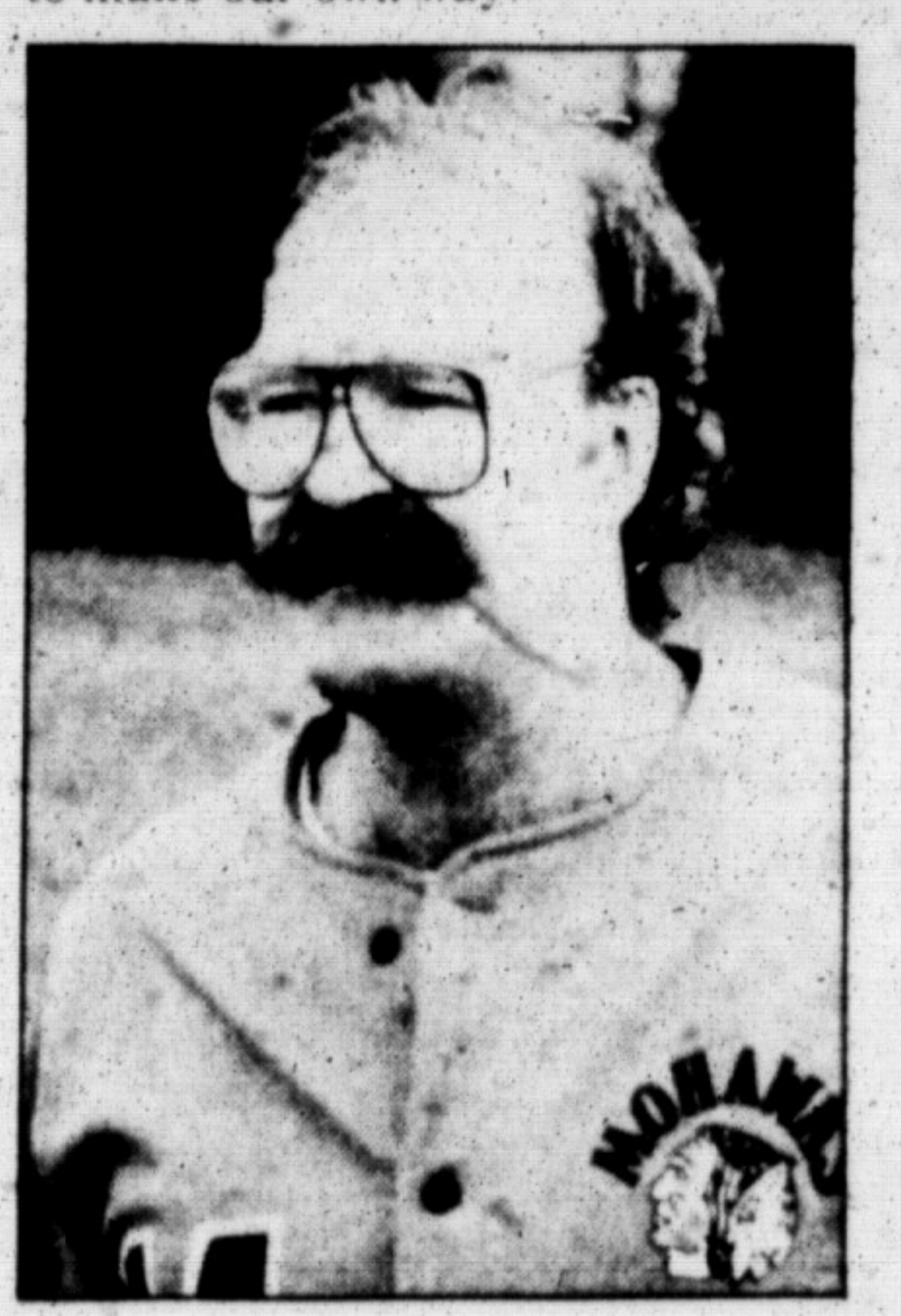
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Ray Evans

Evans made it plain on the weekend that he has no plans to coach at Campbellville again next year, though he is leaving the playing option open. But Dennis, who doesn't always agree with Evans, gave him full marks for handling a tough job.
"He did a good job in a very tough year," Evans said. "We didn't have the money to pay someone to do what he did."
Evans ran make-out practices in public parks and at the old park infield in Campbellville while Mohawks awaited the finish of their new park on Reid Sideroad. It opened in June and Mohawks were forced to schedule most of their early season as away games.
"Next year has got to be easier," Dennis said. "Whoever coaches will at least have a park to work with right from the start. Ray took on a real tough job."
Evans said what Campbellville needs most is another strong starting pitcher to compliment Hap Perrott.
Mohawks finished the season just above 500 average ball, all told. They won 20 of 39 games and held a 12-12 record in the central league.
Mohawks played host for the league-ending tournament on the weekend at Campbellville Park. St. Catharines took the league title, beating Burlington Brants 23-2 in the final.

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