

Milton bidding for Olympic Games?

If I were Paul Henderson, chairman of the Toronto Olympic Organizing Committee, I would start looking over my shoulder.

It has come to the attention of this reporter, in his never-ending quest for blockbuster news coupled with responsible journalism, that Milton has joined Toronto, Athens, Atlanta, Belgrade, Manchester and Melbourne for the right to hold the 1996 Olympics.

In fact, it's MFFL president Gary Lesnicki and the league executive who are spearheading the whole operation -- with the full approval and backing of Milton town council. Here in an exclusive (and mercifully short) interview, some of the major points are discussed.

J.M.: Gary, I must first commend you on this bold endeavour, however, I'm sure most Miltonians are concerned with the tax dollars needed to fund the Games.

G.L.: Taxpayers shouldn't worry. The beauty of this plan is that certain MFFL players will be donating their time and their residences for the greater cause. For example, Marc LaFleur will be hosting all the field



Flag Football
with JIM MONAGHAN

hockey games while Warren Churchman is in charge of the equestrian events at his place. Gary Kennedy has agreed to hold all the swimming contests, though diving is still a problem to be solved.

J.M.: It sounds like you've done your homework.

G.L.: Thanks to the help of former MFFL great, Jon Suzuki, we were able to get the inside scoop at the Soeul Olympics and his scouting report is very thorough.

J.M.: But why the MFFL involvement?

G.L.: Well, as anyone knows, our league is gifted with some of the world's best athletes and what better showcase than the Olympics.

J.M.: As a parting note, have you any pre-games favourites from the MFFL to win gold?

G.L.: Three sure winners in my mind are: Ken Gommerman in weightlifting, Werner Mikolet in sumo wrestling and Kim Bishop in the broad jump.

Re/Max 23

Yorkwoods Motors 22

This match had a little bit of everything to make it your classic nail-biter: an early 15-point lead by the Realtors; a valiant comeback by the Motormen and last minute heroics by Re/Max pivots Kevin Prendergast and Jimmy Simpson.

To start, Re/Max went with Simpson in the quarterbacking spot and he was brilliant as he connected with Prendergast and Warren Churchman for fourchdowns, kicked two converts and had a punt single.

However, Yorkwood QB Rick Goodings finally answered the bell in the second half as he stormed back to perform some of his own magic. He fired two touchdown passes to Mike St. John and a major and a pair of two-point converts to Jerry Creighton.

But with time running out, sore-armed Prendergast subbed for

Simpson and found L. Bears in the Yorkwoods end zone to narrow the gap. Simpson then went to work with his reliable tow and not only made good on the tying point after, but also picked up a single (and the winning margin) on the ensuing kickoff.

Bruce Hood 19

The Dickens 8

For the Travellers to record this victory, they had to overcome two major hurdles. To date, no MFFL team in regular season play has solved The Dickens puzzle and generally, few squads ever win when they are intercepted six times.

The game opened with a bit of controversy as the referees would not allow the Dickens quarterbacking tandem, of John Grochot and Ray Delegrade, to use their non-official Wilson football instead of the MFFL sanctioned JV-5 football.

Apparently this tactic worked for the Travellers, however Restaurateur receiver Bryan McPhail didn't necessarily agree.

"We could've used a Nerf ball and still lost, we were that brutal," he

said after the game.

And that about sums up The Dickens plight as their only points came via a Grochot return of an interception and a two-point convert to Mark Redrup. Their only other highlights were pickoffs by Redrup, Delegrade, Randy Sleightholm, and a pair by Werner Mikolet.

For the now solidly-entrenched-in-second-place Travellers, Rob Scott had a strong game as he threw touchdown passes to Dominic Lepre, Brian Furze and Hector Campbell. Irwin Truck, after last week's perfect game, fell back to the league standard and was good on one conversion. Rich Oleka and Hector Campbell aided the cause with interceptions.

P.S. It has come to my attention, I owe Dickens pivot John Grochot a big, Steve Martin-like, "Excuuuse meeee!" as he was the quarterback of record, for their June 14th victory over Fat Freddy's.

Halton Pool 41

Fat Freddy's 19

Halton Pool, riding the crest of a modest two-game winning streak, has moved from out of the basement of the MFFL into a tie with Yorkwoods for third place.

They did it with both a solid offensive and defensive effort as they had three interceptions, six touchdowns and a fumble recovery against the floundering Fatmen.

For Fat Freddy's, QB Mike Kindy, under pressure all evening, could only crack the Halton defence three times as he found future MFFL Hall of Famers Dan McManus, Kerry Duggan and Peter Daly in the Poolmen endzone. Duggan also chipped in with a successful extra point.

Meanwhile, the Pool People were provided with key defensive gems like Dave Sweetland's pick-off of a Kindy offering for six points, a Sweetland fumble recovery for another score and two big interceptions by Dave Murray to stall Fatmen drives.

Offensively, Halton Pool pivot Scott MacCallum had a string of outings as he played bombs away to Jeff Corey, Chris Black and twice to Larry Beaulieu. MacCallum was also good on five of six conversion attempts (eat your heart out, Irwin).



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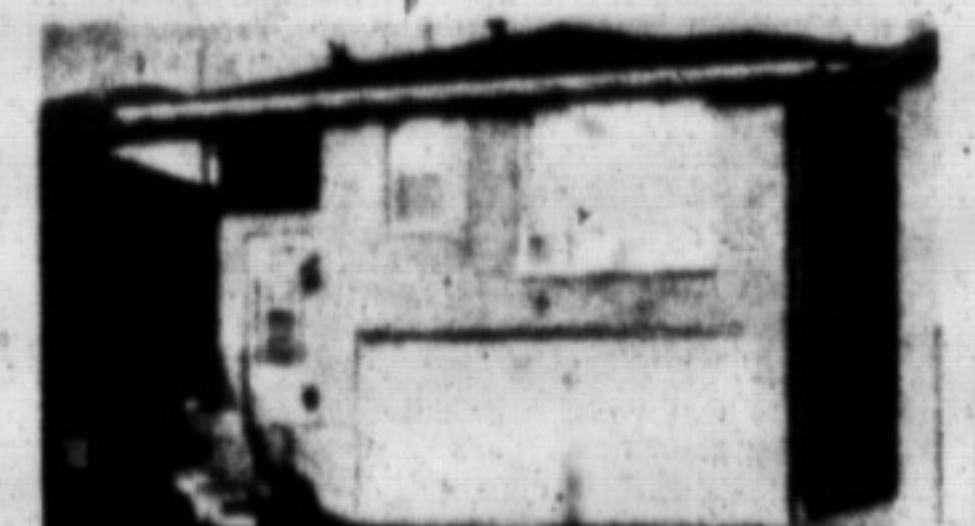
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