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Milton Red Sox catcher Doug Dunn has just taken the throw and is about to lay a tag on Sheridan first baseman Blake Balazovic, who is cut down at the plate on a fielder's choice throw from Milton second

baseman Doug Davidson. The action took place in Saturday's game at Brian Best Park. The home side took the loss, 15-11.

Photo by JOHN WARREN

Milton Red Sox off to slow start

By BRAD REAUME

Milton HJM Red Sox lost a pair of games this weekend, 15-11 to Sheridan Royals on Saturday and then 3-1 to Streetsville Sunday. Both games were at Brian Best Park.

Despite being behind early in the game against Sheridan on a two run first inning homer, Milton narrowed the lead to one and grabbed a big lead with a second inning grand slam by shortstop John Blasko, who had eight RBIs on the day. The former Milton junior managed a three run shot in the seventh and walked with the bases loaded.

"I told him to enjoy it, because you don't have days like that very often," said Red Sox manager Glen Turner. "He played a creditable shortstop too in his first game as a senior."

Turner added that he couldn't remember the last time someone had a game like that. "I've seen players get three home runs in a game a few times but they didn't account for eight RBIs."

Sheridan came back with a pair of runs in the third inning to put the score at 5-4 Milton, and then they added three more marks in the fourth to take a 7-5 lead. Milton managed to tie it with two in the home half of the fourth but four runs in both the sixth and eighth innings put it away for the Royals.

The next day the Red Sox hit the field again in a rain delayed game against Streetsville. Streetsville hit the scoreboard early when they cashed a leadoff double in the second inning.

They managed a pair of runs for a 3-0 lead in the fifth when errors and passed balls conspired to score the number one and two hitters, Tony Debariolo and Morgan Gidge.

Milton's Red Sox managed a run in the sixth on an RBI single by first baseman Rick McTrach to score Steve May, who walked. Streetsville pitcher Greg Kaluzk scattered six hits in picking up the win while Milton starter Al Dairou went four and a third in the loss. Only one of the three runs charged to Dairou was earned. Paul McCutcheon pitched a clean three and two thirds to keep it close for Milton.

"We've got to put the young guys in there and get them some experience," said Turner, who is carrying six former Milton juniors.

"I'm not disappointed though, we've been in every game," said Turner referring to the season opener, also against Sheridan, which resulted in an 11-10 loss for the Red Sox.

Turner says he has been moving his players around to get a good look at them. The rainy month has cost them a lot of practice time. "Some of the teams can get access to their field whenever they want, so the rain isn't as bad for them," he noted.

The Red Sox have a good mix between the young and the old, Turner says, but it will take time before they start to play as a team. Some players are nursing early season injuries. John Turner has a pulled groin, Sean Davidson has complained about a sore arm and a number of other players have minor aches and pains associated with the lack of practice.

Milton's next game is tonight (Wednesday) at Nelson Park in Burlington.

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Do well in Charleston

Springers celebrate a successful month

May has been a busy and successful month for the Milton Springers Gymnastics Club.

It began with the club's top competitors going to the provincial championships and the Northern Classic. With barely enough time to congratulate themselves on some solid performances, the Springers made their international debut in South Carolina. They were hosted by the Upstate Gymnastic Club in Pendleton, a team which was in Milton last year.

The girls were treated to a mule and buggy ride through Charleston, a weekend visit to Edisto Beach, a tour through the mountains and a number of social events. They also found time to compete in their chosen sport.

The American team was much larger than the Milton contingent but the travellers held their own and came home tired but more experienced with a number of new skills.

Generally the team members paid their own way but costs were defrayed by a generous dona-

tion from Karmax Heavy Stamping and an anonymous sponsor. The Springers welcomed the support.

Springer coach Janet Campbell and Barbara Wood, a former Springer club president and present National Coaching Certification Program coordinator for the central region and judge, accompanied the team to Pendleton.

The week was not over yet as the Springers hosted their first Tinies Competition, a meet for the youngest group of pre-competitives. They competed among themselves for the experience. Alissa Adams placed first overall, Shannon Gwillan second, Fiona Silcock third and Gairon Sparks-Austin fourth.

The older pre-competitives took part in the Burlington Spring Cup on Sunday. It was an enormous three-day event with more than 200 gymnasts from across the province and the United States.

In the Pre-Comp I group, Megan Anderson

placed fifth on vault and eighth on floor while teammate Jill MacSween came seventh on floor and tenth overall. In Pre-Comp II the team placed fifth with Shawna Turner placing first on vault, Lori Cyr seventh on beam, Stephanie Scarpino eighth on vault and bars and Nancy Coffen fifth on vault, eighth on floor and eighth overall.

The season for the Springers is not over yet. Last minute practice for the Gymstrada at Bishop Reding Roman Catholic Secondary School on June 8 is underway after completion of this week's Advanced Recreational Meet. The Springers will wrap up the season June 25 with their Awards Banquet.

In a related development, parents of the girls have elected a new club executive with Frank Scapino as president, Karen Anderson first vice-president, Mary McSween second vice-president, and returning members Ted Chlisczyk as treasurer, Sharon Coffen as registrar, Mary Young as secretary and Barb Chlisczyk as member at large.

Won twice easily

Guzman qualifies for OFSAA finals

Jennifer Guzman ran virtually unopposed at the South Regional track and field meet last Thursday at McMaster University, according to E.C. Drury High School track coach Doug Mohun.

Guzman won both the 1,500 and 3,000 metre races handily, paving the way for her third consecutive appearance at the OFSAA (Ontario Federation of Schools Athletics Association) Track and Field Championships, this year in Sudbury.

"Jennifer's father (Omar) is her full time coach," said Mohun.

"He puts her through some demanding workouts and they really paid off this year, especially in the area of speed."

Drury's other qualifier for OFSAA

is Jeff Belford, who won his heat in the combined midget/junior 300 metre hurdles in 41.8 seconds.

Belford finished fourth overall and will be competing at OFSAA for his second time.

Three other Drury athletes attended Thursday's Regional but could not quite grasp the fourth place finish required to qualify for OFSAA.

Brent Collver came close with a personal best throw of 36.94 metres in the junior boys discus but he finished fifth.

Hugh Clarke and Catherine Tonner competed in the high jump but just could not find the spring to qualify.

Triple-A hockey Hurricanes looking for coaches, sponsors

Triple-A rep hockey is a go in Milton and surrounding area for next season according to Wayne Pries, chairman of the committee looking at the issue.

Eleven teams will be created from the minor novice category all the way through to juvenile. At present none of the coaching positions have been committed. Those interested should contact Pries at 877-8592 or mail a resume detailing experience and team preference to 16 Fagan Drive, Georgetown, Ontario L7G 4P3.

Tryouts are scheduled for August or September in Milton and Georgetown, where the teams will be centered. The teams will all be called Halton Hurricanes. There is a need for sponsors according to Pries, and interested parties can call him for information.

The new Triple-A zone includes Orangeville, Erin, Hillsburgh, Georgetown, Acton and Flamborough as well as Milton. The Ontario Minor Hockey Association is moving towards a regional approach to Triple-A hockey in those areas where population would normally be too small for a single community to support it. In the past only those communities with 120,000 people or overwhelming success at lower levels of play have been awarded Triple-A teams.