

# Willard Rath rings up second cycle of the season

Bousfield Auto has finally found the key to victory. It's easy. Just make sure the other team only has eight players like Goliger's Travel did when the two teams matched up last week.

The Goli Bears held an early 5-3 lead before Bousfield's Larry Bates hit a grand slam home run. After three innings the teams were tied at seven. After seven they were tied at 10. In the top of the seventh the Autoworkers scored four times which was enough for a 14-10 win. Benny Ercolani and Larry Bates paved the way for Bousfield with four hits each. Jim Crutcher and Vic Wilyman each had three. For the losers, Willard Rath had another awesome night at the plate. He banged out his second cycle of the season as well as scoring four times and driving in three.

Bousfield Auto weren't as fortunate in an earlier game against Milton Colour and Sound when enough of their players showed up.

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The Sounders scored 10 runs in the top of the first, but the Autoworkers roared back with five of their own in the bottom of the inning on eight straight hits. A grand slam by Pat Thompson of Milton Colour and Sound in the third broke the backs of the Autoworkers, and the Sounders went on to win 20-14. Helping out Thompson was Paul O'Meara who went 4-for-4.

The Sounders were right back at it the next night taking on the Milton Legion. The Legionnaires made it close against one of the league's premier teams with four runs in the bottom of the ninth but still ended up on the short end of a 12-9 score. Pat Thompson continued his hot hitting going 4-for-4, with help

from Terry Morgan and Mike Boughton who each had three hits.

St. Clair Paint and Paper managed to win the most lop-sided game of the week when they rolled over Canadian Pacific Foresters by a score of 28-13. It wouldn't have even been that close if the Foresters hadn't scored nine times in the bottom of the eighth. Jim Wedgewood led the Painters with a 4-for-5 night, which included a triple and four runs scored. Brian Hall added a three run inside the park home run and five other players had threehits each.

The Foresters fared better against Fat Freddy's. The Fat Ones took a 9-7 lead in the top of the eighth but Canadian Pacific Foresters rallied for six in the bottom half of the inning to win 13-9. Bob Comport had the heavy timber for the Foresters with five hits in five trips to the plate. Bill Roberts, Bruce Marsh and Ray Grisold (home run) each had three safeties. For the losers,

the hot Donny Simpson went 5-for-5 and Bob Rosellesmacked a home run.

Fat Freddy's almost staged a comeback of their own when they went up against Halton Pool and Spa. Down by 16-7 in the top of the ninth they crossed the plate seven times to make it 16-14. With runners at second and third with two out they had a chance to tie, but a ground ball ended the threat. Chris Heath hit a cycle for the winners and had five hits in total. Steve Smith and Pete Predko also had five hits. Brian May had a home run for the losers.

Bruce Hood Travel fell behind the Key Centres by a score of 10-2 but fought back to make it 10-9 thanks to seven runs in the seventh inning. It wasn't enough, however, as they lost by a 14-9 score. Barry Fletcher had a home run in a perfect 4-for-4 night at the plate. Randy Howse was 5-for-5 and Ian Grant added a three-run homer.

In last week's other game, The Dickens Restaurant and Re/Max ended up in a 5-5 tie. Both team reps agreed it was just like kissing your sister. Brian Gildea led the Realtors going 3-for-4 and Bob Radbourne went 4-for-4 for The Dickens.

**HOLLYWOOD'S SPOT-LIGHT:** This is for Willard Rath, who had his second cycle of the season this week. First, let me apologize for intentionally walking you. But, when you're trying to win only your third game of the season, the last thing we wanted to do was give you a chance to put your team ahead with another of your monster home runs. Under the circumstances, in another contest, I would do exactly the same thing. Secondly, I want you to know that I think you probably played the best game defensively that I have seen in years. Keep up the good work, Willard.

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## Red Sox add another victory

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The fifth the Red Sox added four more runs, the big blast coming off the bat of Doug Dunn who \_\_\_\_\_ (smacked, cracked, shellacked) a three run homer for his team-leading fourth of the season.

John Turner led the 15-hit Red Sox attack with three safeties. Dunn, Davidson, Hyatt, Casarin and Blasko each had two. The defensive play of the game went to McCutcheon in right field when he made \_\_\_\_\_ (a diving catch of a hard hit Brampton ball; a diving catch when he dropped his hot dog; a dive into the pool after the game.)

Fortunately for the Twins, the Central Ontario Baseball Association has a mercy rule that stops the game if a team is winning by at least 10 runs after seven innings. If not for that, the score could have been \_\_\_\_\_ (30-3; 14-13; really, really high).

Manager, Glenn Turner isn't quite sure what has led to the dramatic turnaround by the Red Sox: "We've always had good pitching. It's never let us down," he said. One factor he mentions is having Brent Currie behind the plate on a regular basis. "He's classified by many to be the best in the league." With him in the game it allows Turner to keep the other guys at their proper positions by not having to juggle everyone around.

Turner said he never doubted that this was a good team, a sentiment probably felt by most of the players. "They thought winning was a given. They're taking it more seriously now."

Davidson echoes those sentiments: "We're getting used to winning. We're starting to expect it of ourselves, and anything less is unacceptable."

Unfortunately, things didn't go the way of the H.J.M. Insurance Red Sox when they went on the road Monday night. They were \_\_\_\_\_ (clobbered; slobbered on; beaten kind of badly by) the league leading Erindale Cardinals by an 8-1 score. Erindale took an early 4-0 lead but Milton threatened to get it all back in the third. Tim Blackadar led off the inning with a walk. Blasko followed with a single, and Rick McTrach followed with another one to drive home Blackadar.

With runners at first and second and nobody out, Turner had the runners going on a hit and run with Davidson at the plate. He smashed one down the third base line which would have meant two more runs had the Erindale third baseman not moved over toward the bag when the runner broke for third and made a back-handed stab of the liner. Then he threw to second to get Blasko who couldn't get back and McTrach who was standing on the bag. Bang. Triple Play!

Next home game is Saturday at Brian Best Park when they take on the Burlington \_\_\_\_\_ (Brants; Bunnies; Billy Goats) at 1:30 p.m.

### MILTON MEN'S 3-PITCH LEAGUE

#### DIVISION A

TEAM	GP	W	L	T	Pt
Xebec	17	14	2	1	29
Ryan's Express	18	14	4	0	28
Gorud	18	5	11	2	12
Racers Edge	19	4	13	2	10
Subway	17	4	12	1	9

#### DIVISION B

Moviola	15	10	3	2	22
Milton/GT	16	8	5	3	19
Pro Sport	18	7	10	1	15
Dickens	15	5	8	2	12
Fat Freddy's	17	5	10	2	12

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