

## Knock off The Charles

# Dickens takes aim at the top

By JON SUZUKI

It took 10 games, but finally The Charles Hotel's dream of an undefeated season came to an abrupt halt as The Dickens crushed the league leaders 40-21 Tuesday in Milton Flag Football action at Milton District High School.

Exploding to an early halftime lead of 27-14, Campbell's offence seemed to move at will as Meyers, Bakes, Edmundson and Goodings scored on methodical touchdown drives.

Bakes and Edmundson added another pair of majors in the second half to complete the scoring. I don't know what Sandy Aquilanti had given Fred Bakes before the game (steak or a promise) but time after time, Bakes' gazelle leaping catches and fleetfooted runs frustrated the Charles defence.

The league introduces a minimum age this year but after this performance maybe we should look at maximum age so guys like Fred don't overshadow us younger fellas.

By the way, Charles did manage to score three touchdowns as Harrison tossed TD strikes to Gluck, Lasswell and Young.

The second game of the week turned out to be another exciting one as Sargent Farms upset Halton Pools 35-27.

Halton dominated the first half as Suzuki hit Sleightholm for three touchdowns to open a 20-6 lead. However, Andre St. John began to find the mark and Sargent stormed back in the second half to outscore Halton by 22 points.

Doug Ranch had a pair of TD's for the winners and Whiting, Herbert and Kendrick added other majors. Randy Sleightholm added his fourth touchdown of the night to complete Halton's scoring.

I must point out at this time that there was an error made in last week's article where it was noted that Andre St. John had quarterbacked Sargent in one of the games last week but this reporter was informed by Sandy Aquilanti that he would like to set the record straight and that he was responsible for quarterbacking both Sargent losses. Commendable, I must say!

Banvil's quarterback Ray Delegarde must have read the paper last week as Ban-

vil trounced Remax Realty 47-13. Mike Hobson led the assault with three touchdowns (one on an interception) and other majors going to Holstein, Moran, Fairbanks and Simpson.

Dave Murray, whose team had a very trying evening, found Don Brand and Kerry Dugon in the end zone for Remax's only touchdowns.

With two-thirds of the season completed, the race has begun to tighten up as four teams are within six points of one another. Dickens, with their fine performance this week, seems to be in a position to hold on to one of two playoff spots but Banvil, Sargent and Halton Pools are very close contenders.

For the final five games, "Carnak the Magnificent" will come out of retirement and will soothsaying the scores of the upcoming weeks' actions. Carnak's predictions are as follows: Dickens over Remax by 10 points, Halton by two over Banvil and Sargent frustrates the Charles by one.

Notes: It has been noticed that there hasn't been much fan participation this year. Blame it on new teams or other priorities such as lawn bowling but what-

ever the reason, we have to encourage more fan support.

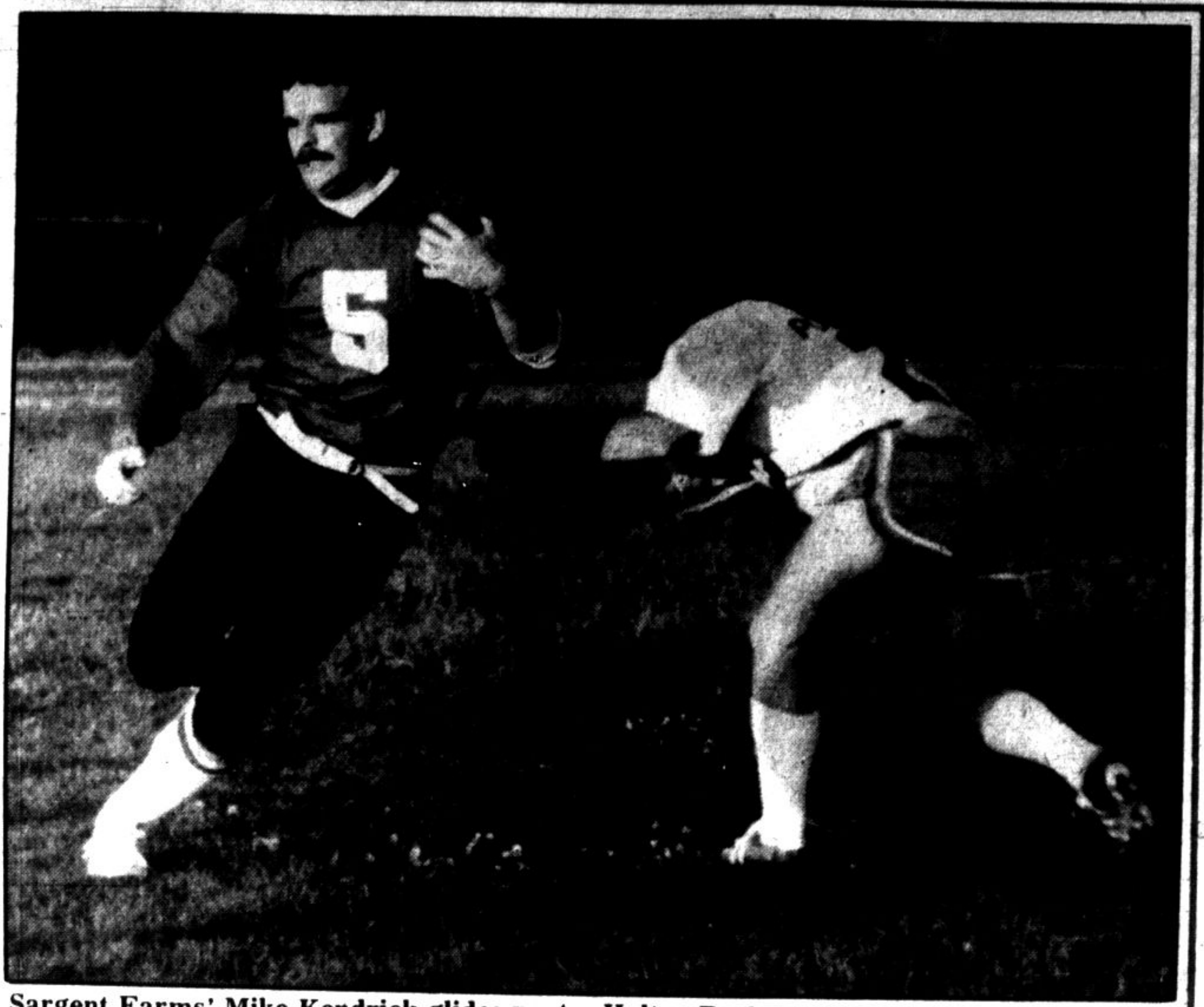
Beginning this week, each spectator will receive a season's pass to Gary Kennedy's pool. I'm not telling the address but it's somewhere over on White Ave. between 503 and 507.

Also, we are having a corn roast Aug. 25 and this wind-up "do" at the end of the regular season should be quite a party. Those interested should contact their team rep for details. Miller Up Close and Personal

This week we take a look at one of our mainstays in our league. Being one of our premier defensive players, Rich Hierman was always likened to a favourite TV personality, Richy Cunningham.

Those who know Rich, realize that only similar character traits that our Rich possesses are name and good looks only. Good looks were acquired when he got his hair curled.

On the more serious side, Rich has always given 100 per cent of his efforts to whatever team he has played for and in doing so has commanded respect from his teammates and opponents.



Sargent Farms' Mike Kendrick glides past a Halton Pools' defender on his way to big gain last week. Sargent knocked off Halton Pools to get back on track.



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# Champion Sports

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# Royals back in top form

A combination of pitching and hitting woes which have plagued Milton Royal City Royals for a brief stretch in early July appear to have subsided.

Royals won two of three last week to get back into the race in Halton Senior Baseball League action. The good outings improve the club's mark over the last five games to 4-1.

## Complete games help Mohawks to perfect week

Getting three shining pitching performances, Campbellville Mohawks picked up two wins and a tie in Halton Senior Baseball League action last week.

Although two games went into extra innings, Mohawks' starter in each of the three games went the distance. It was a good thing, too. Mohawks played Friday, Saturday and Sunday last week which could have been potentially disastrous for its bullpen.

Mohawks began the week with a 3-3 10-inning tie with Thorold in the Niagara District city. The game will be replayed in its entirety at a later date.

The club followed it up with a 20-4 shellacking against Welland Saturday at Campbellville before nipping Burlington 2-1 in 13 innings at Campbellville Sunday.

The victory over Burlington Brants was especially satisfying for Mohawks. Brants are first-place leaders in the league with a 12-4 record.

The winning run came from an unusual source. Scott Gadd, who pitched two days earlier against Thorold, played the full game at first base. With two out in the 13th inning, Gadd powered a home run over the fence to give Mohawks the margin of victory.

The blast made a winner out of Rick Mitchell. The 31-year-old righthander went the distance. After giving up a homer and three hits in the first inning, Mitchell settled down and allowed just seven hits the rest of the way. He also didn't permit a walk in the game and threw 170 pitches making his right arm among the most tired in Halton Region this week.

After Burlington's Scott Duffield hit a solo homer in the first inning, Mohawks waited until the bottom of the eighth to tie the score. After Hap Perrott walked, he moved up when Joe Schouten was hit by a pitch and scored on Ray Evans' double.

Mohawks managed but six hits in the game with no player getting more than one.

Against Welland, Mohawks' bats exploded for 22 hits with every player in the starting lineup getting at least two hits. Perrott went the distance on the mound allowing just two earned runs and six hits.

The hitting hero for Mohawks was catcher Tim Roberts who reached base in each of his six plate appearances. Roberts went four-for-four officially, scored five runs, hit a homer and finished with six runs batted in.

Perrott helped his own cause with four singles and three RBIs while Paul Elliott included a homer among his two hits and drove home three runs. Evans scored four runs while Steve Smith had three hits and two RBIs. Bill Dennis, Schouten, Mitchell, Evans and Elliott had two hits each.

In the surfeit-shortened 10-inning 3-3 tie with Thorold, Mohawks benefitted from a complete game by Gadd who allowed nine hits.

The teams were tied 1-1 after eight innings. Mohawks jumped ahead when Schouten doubled and scored on a two-out error. However, in the bottom of the ninth, Thorold strung together a single and a double without any outs to knot the score once again.

In the 10th inning, Paul Ridley, Bill Dennis and Smith each singled to send Mohawks back into a one-run lead. However, in the bottom of the 10th, Thorold got a single and the runner scored on an error.

The game was curfewed and will be replayed later in the season.

Mohawks have three games this week. On Wednesday the club travels to Burlington. Cambridge Rangers and Dundas Chiefs are the opposition at Campbellville ball park Saturday and Sunday respectively. Both games are 2:30 p.m. starts.



## High stepping

Showing fine ball control, a player with Can. Business Machines handles the ball with his feet in a house-league mosquito game Wednesday at E.C. Drury School. For all the results in minor sports, turn to pages B2 and B4.

## Tennis club ready for top juniors

By MARK DAKE

Pro. Milton Tennis Club

If your backhand needs work or you'd just like to get out and see some top-calibre tennis, then you won't have far to travel.

During the week of Aug. 6-11, the Milton Tennis Club will host the boys and girls under 16 and under 18 age group events for the Ontario Junior Open Tennis Championships. This tournament is one of Canada's premier tennis attractions featuring the country's top three or four juniors from each province.

Ontario will be represented in under-18 play by the province's three top juniors, No. 1 ranked Andrew Sznajder, second-ranked Richard Robinson of Toronto and third-ranked Mark Greenan of Guelph.

Sznajder was ranked second nationally in under-18 play in 1983 while Greenan was eighth and Robinson 10th.

Sznajder and Robinson, both 17, are members of the 1984 Canadian junior team which recently returned from two months of competition in Europe and South America. The players competed in the junior Italian, French and Wimbledon championships and Sznajder won a major tournament, the Astrid Bowl, in Belgium. He is ranked 15th in the world.

Also competing on the team and at the Ontario Open are 15-year old Kathy Sips, of Toronto, the nation's top-ranked under-14 girl in 1983.

All four players are competing this week in the national closed championships for men and women in Ottawa.

Immediately following the Ontario Open, most players will take part in the national junior championships Aug. 13-18.

Both singles and doubles events will be played here and the draw for singles is limited to 32 entrants so the field will be extremely tough.

Play begins at 9 a.m. Aug. 6 and continues each day until Saturday with all finals. Play ends around 6 p.m. each day. There is no admission charge and spectators are welcomed. The club is at 670 Childs Drive, about 300 metres east of Ontario St.

# Frankel back on top again

By LARRY MCGREGOR

Either Cheers can't stand prosperity, or Frankel Steel is not quite ready to share its perch on top of the heap of the Milton Men's O.V. Slo-pitch League.

At least, that's how it appears after last week's action whereby Frankel regained sole possession of first place thanks to a convincing win, in combination with a sloppy loss by the Cheers brigade.

The Steelers opened the week against a rather punchless St. Clair Paint and Paper crew, downing the paper hangers 17-7.

Lorne Greenwood led the rejuvenated Frankel attack, banging out four hits in four trips to the plate. Cy Murphy, Norm Stutt, Colin Price, and Bill Tyas added enough additional power to ensure the win, as each hit safely three times. Mr. Murphy took advantage of the short right field porch at Brian Bert and included a homer among his safeties.

For the Paint & Paper people, Ron Hudd's three-hit performance was as good as it got, while Mario Ricci and Mike Barbetta also hit safely a couple of times.

Dickens Restaurant, coming off a poor effort in their previous outing, put it together and surprised Halton Alarm, 19-17. Playing short-handed throughout the game, the Dick obviously came up with one of their more inspired efforts of the year. Unfortunately, as often happens in games involving the Dick, individual stats were not available at press time.

For the Alarmers, Doug Craven had a perfect night at the plate, going five-for-five, while Jim Wedgewood, Al Zikman, and Sweet-Foot Richardson also hit well in a losing effort.

D&S Signs, fighting to avoid sole occupation of the basement, knocked off Cheers Restaurant 31-30, in a game that could be described as anything but a classic.

In a contest that featured more errors than hits, Rob Gilroy was the big gun for D&S, hitting safely five times. Ray Carey and Pete Crewson added four safeties ieece, with Carey's total including a round-tripper. "Sandrot" Aquilanti had the GWRBI, hitting a soft liner over a drawn-in infield!

Terry Rowley and Al Bryant were the best of the bunch for Cheers, combining for eight hits.

St. Clair, looking to rebound from their earlier loss, unfortunately dropped their second consecutive 17-7 game, this time to Halton Alarm. Playing with only eight men probably didn't help the St. Clair cause!

Dan Davis, Jim Wedgewood, and Al Zikman all had four-hit outings for the Alarmers, while Fred Masse, Brent McArthur, and Bob Kolbus each added three more.

Dave Adams, Bats Batanoff, and Brain Johnson all reached base three times for the Paint people.

The week's final contest between Remax Realty and Milton Colour and Sound was

rained out.

## Diamond Dust

In this week's feature, we take a close look at one of the gentle giants of our League, Jim Warren. Although you may not have noticed, Jim is ever mindful of his youthful appearance, so we tracked him down as he was heading into a tanning salon in Oakville.

YHR: Why is it that the big guys, such as yourself, are usually the most mild-mannered?

Jim: Blow it out your ear! I ain't got time for this. I gotta catch a few rays!

YHR: Sorry Jim, we won't take long—just a couple of quick questions.

Jim: Must be a slow week! Nobody else you can bug? My schedule doesn't allow for conversations with turkeys like you!

YHR: Uh... just wondered how your new book on Slo-pitch in Milton is coming along. Will it be a real expose, or are you trying to keep your friends?

Jim: Friends? Who needs 'em? I'll write whatever I feel like writing. I want to sell copies, not keep friends!

YHR: That should be easy! Don't you think there are too many books by athletes such as yourself on the market now?

Jim: There are lots of books, but none like mine. Where else can you read about road trips to Omagh, Monday night at the Legion, or my personal favourite, sex and the Slo-pitcher! It's gonna be a real blockbuster!

## Tyke selects tourney champ

The Milton Optimist tyke select team captured a well deserved tournament championship in Mississauga on the weekend, winning all three games against top clubs.

Saturday morning's game was a tight battle with Clarkson. Both teams played superb defensive ball resulting in a scoreless tie going into the final inning.

However, Milton's offensive explosion in the top of the sixth began when Billy King's triple brought in Robbie Bednarski. A bunt by David Dermo and a base hit by Sean Graham paid off in runs when Marc Lawrence hit a double. Craig Holloway's triple brought Lawrence in giving Milton a five-run lead.

During Clarkson's last inning attempt, David Marshall helped preserve Milton's shutout by catching a long fly in right field. After this initial 5-0 defeat by Milton, the Clarkson club went on to win the consolation championship.

Milton returned to the park Sunday morning to face a determined Burlington team which scored an early two runs. Holloway converted a walk into a scoring run by stealing home base to make the score 2-1, as it remained until the final inning.

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