

In flag football action

Charles first but Dickens charging

By JON SUZUKI

Just one placing changed as the Milton Flag Football League completed regular-season play last week at Milton District High School.

The order of finish is: The Charles first with The Dickens in hot pursuit. Banvil Fans ended on a high note as the club posted a solid win over Remax Realty to hold onto third spot. Sargent Farms and Halton Pools battled in the final game with Sargent coming from behind to win 39-38 and win fourth position ahead of Halton Pools. Remax, which was looking forward to the playoffs may have a change of heart as the club lost to Banvil and finished sixth.

Although last week's games meant very little, it was important for all the teams to establish their "mind" superiority over their rivals.

The Charles, who played like they were playing out the string, were upset by the Dickens 31-27. Could be a little trouble if these two teams meet in the final because the Dickens strongly believe after their last two wins over the Chuck they have the better team.

Fred Bakes, vocal leader of The Dickens, led the

Dickens with two touchdowns. Myers, Goodings and Simpson rounded out the scoring as Hector Campbell says "we're ready for the playoffs."

Charles offence produced very little as they managed only 27 points, far below their season averages. Dennis Gluck had two majors with singles going to Young and Lasswell.

The second game of the week featured a playoff preview as Sargent frustrated Halton by a 39-38 score.

Sargent started well as they reeled off two quick touchdowns by Wayne St. John and Warner Mikoleit to take an early 13-0 lead. Halton battled back late in the first quarter and second quarter with the half ending 25-20 for Sargent.

The teams went back and forth for the rest of game and with only one play left in the game and Sargent behind by six points, an interference call on Halton, gave Andre St. John a second chance to pull this out. St. John capitalized and threw a TD strike to Howard Mott and then Mike Kendrick calmly kicked the winning point with the aid of several flashlights.

Randy Sleightholm and Gary Kennedy had two majors each for Halton with other touchdowns by Bob Ellison (his first career TD, almost as good as his hat trick) and Brian McPhail. Sargent's other TDs were by Mike Kendrick with two, Doug Ranch and Howard Mott.

The final game of the season was another playoff preview with Banvil rolling over Remax 45-27. Ray Dejarde not only passed for seven touchdowns but also had three big interceptions. Moran and Houghton had two apiece for Banvil with others to Fairbanks (haven't heard his name lately, must have been on holidays), Holson, and Perverseff.

Dave Murray found Gary Lesnicki and Dave Spencer in the end zone but it's going to be a tough chore for Remax to upset this team in the upcoming playoffs.

The playoff picture is as follows: On Sept. 8th, Banvil will play Remax and Sargent will host Halton Pools. The Dickens and Charles will await the winners on Sept. 15. The final game will be played Sept. 22. Times for the games will be given later.

Miller Up Close And Personal
We wish to extend our sincere wishes for long happiness to Dave Murray and his fiancée Cathy Prior, as they are to be married Friday. Good luck!

Notes: On a more serious note, it was indeed disappointing at the turnout at the corn roast Saturday night. For those who attended, I know they all enjoyed themselves.

Thanks to Kevin Fretz and Jim Monaghan for their time and efforts in putting this night together. A lot of hard work goes on during the season by a number of people to ensure that everyone has fun and that our league is first class. I hope that we all show our appreciation by attending the final dance Sept. 22.

When I said our league was first class it was shown on Sunday, as a team that was sent to Hamilton to represent our league in a game against a top local team came through with flying colours. Kevin Prendergast and company destroyed Hamilton by a score of 69-27. Our thanks to Brian Mortemer and Bob Tunman who gave up their Sunday to referee this match.

Steamers invite 13 to training

Milton Jr. B Steamers have completed their midget camp and invited 13 midgets to the regular junior camp which begins next Tuesday.

While 13 have been invited, only 12 will attend. Darren Shaw, late of Milton's major midgets and St. Michael's minor midgets, declined the offer and has signed a major midget card with St. Clair Shores, Michigan.

Meanwhile, those slated to attend the camp are Pat Butler, Scott Hilson, Alex Giannuzzi, Geoff Pollen, Wayne Rivers and Rob Wilson of minor-midget age, and Mike Doiron, Tom Hill, Ed Morgan, Steve Scannell, Chris Turner and John Blasko of major-midget age.

Steamer coach Gary Hudson put close to 60 players through the paces at the camp which was met as a strong success by Steamer management.

The club has also been busy and has signed six veterans to cards for the coming year.

They are: Claude Bertrand, a defenceman, who with three years remaining promises to be a key on the blue line (he was voted the club's top defenceman); Bob Landry, the team's MVP, top point-getter and top goal scorer last year; Bob Mills, the most veteran of Milton juniors who is entering his fourth campaign in Milton, also was most popular player among the players and the team's captain; Mark Haskett, most improved player last year and just in his second year; Randy Heggie, the winner of the Ted Hood Memorial last year; and Jeff Martin, another veteran entering his fourth year although he still has one year remaining.

Mohawks hosting OBA championships

Baseball parks in Milton and Campbellville will be busy this weekend when Campbellville Mohawks host the 'C' Division championship tournament for the Ontario Baseball Association.

Action will run at both parks Saturday with games scheduled for 9 a.m., noon and 3 p.m. Mohawks will be out in force to claim the title or at least do better than its 2-2 records in its last two OBA tournaments in 1981 and 1982.

First-round match-ups will pit Stayner against the winner of Oakville-Walsingham; Kincardine against Ottawa; and Campbellville against Wallaceburg at 9 a.m. at Campbellville.

Action will continue Sunday and Monday at Campbellville. Should rain intercede on the weekend, the tourney will pick up some games at Brian Best Park.

The tourney is a double-knockout affair. The title game is slated for 10 a.m. Monday with the second game (if necessary) following at 2:30 p.m.

Bantam girls softball

Optis rally for Halton title

Milton Optimists capped an exciting playoff tournament by turning back Lowville 12-11 in extra innings to capture the championship of the Halton Rural Girls Softball League for the bantam division. The playoff title came just five days after Milton had turned back Cheltenham 10-8 to finish the regular season with a 16-4 record atop the league.

The playoff format featured three well-played close games. In the opener Friday, Milton began its trend of coming from behind by beating Lowville 8-6. In the semi-finals, Milton rallied for four runs in the fifth inning for a 4-2 win over Cheltenham before capping the weekend with the extra-inning win over Lowville in the final.

In the first playoff game against Lowville, Milton began slowly trailing 4-0 in the first inning. In the fifth inning, Milton found themselves behind the eight-ball 5-0.

However, not all was lost for Milton as in their half of the fifth, Krista Marx cracked a bases-loaded triple to turn the tide and send Milton on their way to the 8-6 win. Tammy Boughton earned the win for Milton getting seven strikeouts while Jodi Thompson, who pitched and hit well, was the loser.

In the second game, Milton again found themselves trailing 2-0 in the second inning but mounted a four-run fifth inning to hold on to a 4-2 win. Lisa Pedula recovered from a shaky first inning to throw six strong innings and earn the win.

Pedula and Marx paced Milton with two singles each while Myrna Newman and Erin Gauthier added one single each.

In the championship game, Pedula drove home Boughton from first base with a triple in the eighth inning to provide the margin of difference and give Milton the 12-11 win over Lowville.

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No — the Shopsy's runner isn't trying to hide. Actually, he's stealing third base in the peewee final. In the game, Tann fell behind 6-1 before rallying in the late innings to win the title in an upset.

Minor ball finals close in tyke and peewee

Milton Minor Baseball held its Championship Day for the three older divisions—tyke, peewee and bantam—Saturday afternoon at Rotary Park.

Two weeks earlier championships in the three T-Ball divisions were held as a result, MMBA wrapped up its house-league season last weekend.

All three divisions had spent the previous two weeks competing in a series of playdowns with four survivors remaining by Saturday morning.

In each division, semi-finals were held in the morning prior to the final games in the afternoon.

Here is a rundown of the championship games in each division (all semi-final games can be found on page B2):

Tyke

The two finalists, Don Knight Insurance and Creative Memorials had each registered a win over the other during the season to set up the rubber match in the final.

Billy King started again for Knight's and struck out the first two men in order. Craig Halloway came up and hit a double. The next batter, Alex Pyle drove in Craig with a single. Shawn Graham drove in Pyle with a hard hit double but was thrown out trying to reach third.

Knight's took the lead 3-2 in their half. Billy King reached base on an error, Mike Kleyn walked and Jeff McKenzie blasted a three-run homer to clear the bases.

King started off the third with a double, Kleyn drew another walk and McKenzie drove them home again with a hard-hit single to centre field. Derek McCluskey hit a single and managed to get to third but he was thrown out trying to steal home on a nice try by Pyle. After three innings it was 7-2 for Knights.

Creative come out in the fourth fired up. Darren Wiseman hit a single, Chad Wrigglesworth advanced him with another single and Holloway blasted a three-run shot to clear the bases. Pyle drew a walk and stole second. Graham drove him home with a single and Chris Heipel reached first on an error. Graham and Heipel were driven home by Colin Adams and the score stood 8-7 for Creative.

Knights went down in order in the fourth thanks to some excellent pitching by Graham and David Marshall matched him by getting Creative down in order in their half of the fifth.

Enter Billy King. Ian Marshall had struck out and Creative decided to walk King. They let a pitch get too close and Billy blasted a solo shot to tie the game 8-8. Both teams left runners stranded in the sixth and again we had extra innings.

In Knight's half of the seventh, Ian Marshall drew a walk, King was walked intentionally and again, having probably his best game of the year, McKenzie drove both runners home. McKenzie was driven home on a



Although the Milton Transmission third-base man looks considerably out of position, the reason is that the ball struck the back of the St. Clair runner. St. Clair won the bantam final easily.

sacrifice by Richard Pollard and Knight's were up 11-8.

Creative didn't quit. Wiseman reached first with a single and Wrigglesworth drew a walk. Wiseman was thrown out trying to steal third. Now there were two out. Holloway drew another walk and was followed by Pyle who also walked.

Graham was next and he smashed a two-run double and advanced Pyle to third. Sean Gale came up next. He drilled a hard line shot right back into the pitcher's glove and the game ended 11-10—great game by both sides.

Peewee

In one of the most entertaining games of the day, John Tann won the peewee championship with a comeback behind 8-7 victory over Shopsy's.

Tann took a 1-0 lead on a double by Mike Gilroy and scoring on a wild throw to third.

But Shopsy's came back with six runs in the second inning on singles by Robbie Del Papa and Todd McLead and a double by Brett Akey.

The score remained 6-1 for Shopsy's going into the fifth inning when Tann scored six runs. Andrews walked, followed by singles from Rideout, Illes, Chegwin and Randall with the bases loaded and the score 6-5 for Shopsy's. Robert Deraiche delivered the key blow, a double scoring two runs putting Tann ahead to stay.

Each team scored another run in the sixth inning. Tann, who finished sixth in the regular season, won the championship.

Bantam

The MMBA bantam division championship trophy will be proudly displayed by

sponsor Brian Budworth of St. Clair Paint and Wallpaper who won 17-4.

Mr. Budworth said he "couldn't be more pleased" with the performance of his team Saturday. In fact anyone who was fortunate enough to attend the bantam championship tourney at Rotary Park Saturday saw some great baseball.

In the Championship game between Milton Transmission and St. Clair, Milton Transmission scored three runs in the top of the first inning on a lead-off double by Mike Brooks, a walk to Kevin Riley and RBI singles to Grant Meredith and Craig Ryan.

But for the rest of the game, it was all St. Clair, scoring two in the first on Jeff Zammit's single and Mike Budworth's second home run.

St. Clair's steamroller offence then took over scoring six runs in the second on singles to Tyler Caldwell and Brad Deakin, walks to Alan Hutchinson, Dan Hiltz and Jason Campbell, and a double to Jasper Martin.

In the third, St. Clair added four more on six straight singles by Budworth, Bryan Lemon, Mark Simpson, Kevin Campbell, Caldwell and Deakin.

The score after four innings was 12-3 for St. Clair, but the St. Clair bats were still hot and in the home half of the fifth they padded their lead with five more runs.

Budworth got things rolling with a double then Lemon tripled, followed by singles to Simpson, Kevin Campbell, and Caldwell.

Milton Transmission added a lone run in the sixth on a triple by Doug Wardle and a sacrifice by Brooks.

Congratulations to St. Clair Paint & Wallpaper Players and coaches (Cliff Caldwell, Mal Campbell and Dave Hiltz) and thanks to all bantam players and coaches for the 1984 season.