



Hamming it up

Some of the Midland minor hockey league's players wanted their pictures taken while they waited in line for their trophies at last Wednesday's minor hockey banquet. The banquet was sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of

the Minor Hockey League and saw approximately 1,200 boys and their fathers dine on fried chicken as they met to honour those who did well in the league this past season.

Staff photo



Coach of the year

Rick Emerson, a coach in the Midland Minor Hockey Association's house league division, was named coach of the year at the association's awards banquet held last Wednesday evening

at the Midland Arena Gardens. He is shown above on the right, receiving the trophy from radio CKMP's Jim Armstrong.

Staff photo

In minor lacrosse action

Tykes lose 9-2 to Alliston

In Midland minor lacrosse action last week the Kinsmen Tykes dropped a 9-2 decision to Alliston, with inexperience the telling factor for Midland.

For the Tykes, it was Brian Crawford scoring in the first period and Donald Seeman getting one past the goalie in the second.

The Tykes take on Barrie tonight at 7 p.m. at the arena.

Also last week, OK Johnson Juveniles bowed out to a Base Borden squad by a 3-1 score. The Juveniles played again last night at East Gwillimbury, but no score was available at press time.

Tonight at the arena, the Civitan Bantams host Orillia at 8:00 p.m. The Kinsmen Tykes take on Orillia at 8 p.m.

Tomorrow night the Civitan Peeewees travel to Base Borden for a match at 7 p.m. and the Civitan Bantams play at East Gwillimbury. At 8 p.m. tomorrow night at the

arena, the Bell Tel Midgets host Stayner, and at 9, OK Johnson Juveniles take on a

Barrie squad. Next Tuesday night at 7 p.m. the Kinsmen Tykes play Barrie.

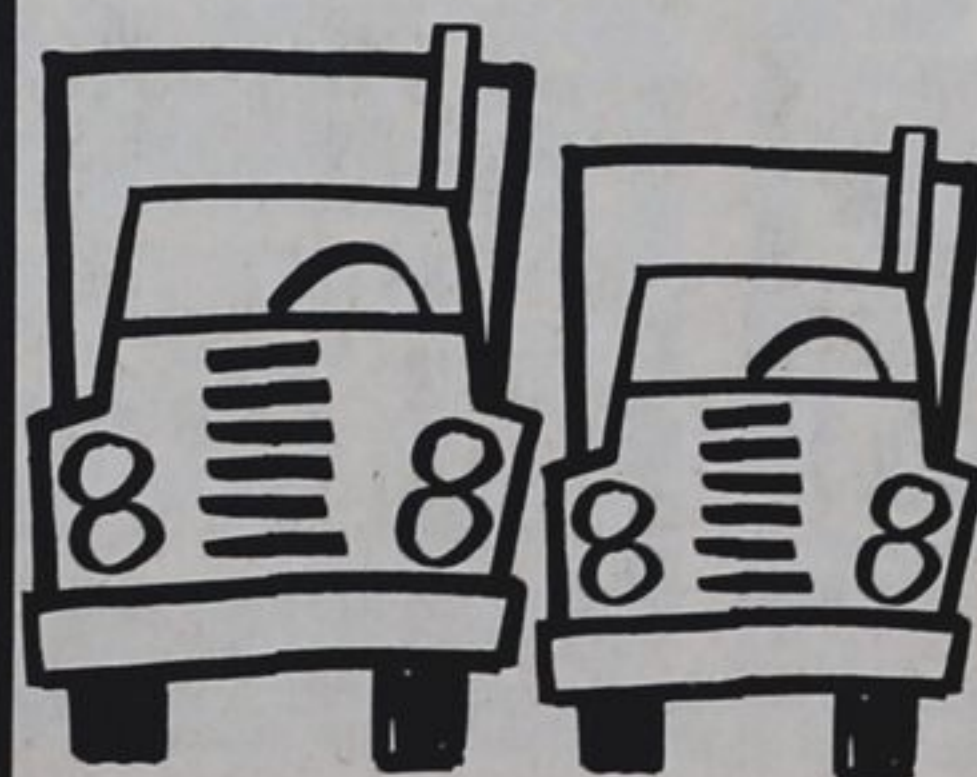
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Monster 29 lb, 2oz rainbow caught at Wasaga Beach

by Tom McAuley, staff writer

For Wasaga Beach Fire Chief Russell Kenwell, last Tuesday was a very unusual day — no there wasn't fire — Chief Kenwell went out pickering fishing in the Nottawasaga River and came home with a new Ontario record for rainbow trout.

The monster fish weighed an enormous 29 pounds 2 ounces, eclipsing the previous record set last year at 22 pounds, 4 ounces.

"It was a weird day," explained Mr. Kenwell, "I went out about 5:30 after eating supper to fish for pickeral at the mouth of the river. I caught one pickeral of around two pounds and then I caught a seagull."

Mr. Kenwell said he caught the seagull when the bird was swooping down to feed on a school of alewife near the surface of the water.

"The bird hit my line and tied sort of a half loop around one of his wings. It wasn't injured though, and we let it go."

When the rainbow struck his five inch black and white Rapala lure at 6:30, Mr. Kenwell said at first he thought it was a snag.

"After that I didn't know what it was. The fish fought well, but it never surfaced so we could get a look at it."

Mr. Kenwell fishing from a boat, right where the river empties into Nottawasaga Bay, said the fish was netted after about a 20 minute fight.

"When I saw the fish, I thought it would go about 20 pounds, but I had no idea that it would set a record."

The fish was taken to the Wasaga Marine for initial weighing, then on Wednesday morning, was taken to where it was officially weighed on the government licensed scales.

Ironically it was the

first rainbow of the season for Chief Kenwell, who wouldn't say exactly how long he has been fishing in the Wasaga Beach area, but stated he used to get heck from his dad for fishing for suckers all the time.

"I have been fishing since the season opened for rainbow, and never caught any, until I went pickeral fishing Tuesday night," he marvelled.

Understandably the record fish will be entered in a couple of contests. At the moment, Mr. Kenwell is planning on entering the fish in the Molson and Ontario Fishermen and Hunter contest.

He is also going to take a look at other contests the fish might be eligible for. Included in the possibilities is the annual Field and Stream Magazine contest in the

United States and Canada. The fish won't be eaten. "I have donated it

to the Chamber of Commerce," said Mr. Kenwell, "so they can have it

stuffed and displayed."

Larry Chomiak, at the time of his record breaking catch.



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