

Fin, Fur and Feather

by Bryan Berriault

For those of you who follow the records, the Brown Trout record was broken on March 4th 1977. Robert Bringham of LaVerne California now holds the all-tackle world record. The fish weighed in at 33 pounds 10 ounces and was caught in Utah. The Brown Trout was taken on a Countdown Rapala adding another feather in the caps of the fine Normark Products.

The ministry of natural Resources has been sending out pamphlets on smelt fishing in Lake Simcoe. Smelts are becoming a problem in Lake Simcoe. Right off the top of my head I can think of a cure that would benefit both fishermen and the ministry as well. Stock Coho. But since the Ministry does not see fit to do this maybe we should give them a hand and pick up a few smelts for them. By the time the paper hits the streets the smelts should be running good. Try Lake Simcoe or Parry Sound, they would be your best bets.

Walleye fishing at Port Severn hasn't been too hot lately. The fish started spawning last Thursday so a few more fish should be taken as the walleye leave their spawning grounds. Most of the fishermen are using Rapalas, weighted, so they stay close to the bottom or live minnows also fished on the bottom.

If Harold Barbour kept a log of every foot he has drifted a line in a river or stream he would surely be able to drift around the world with the amount of miles he has acquired. The fearless mailman would shudder at some of the weather Harold has fished in. Neither rain nor snow could stop Harold from wetting a line when the rainbows are on the move.

When I asked Harold what he thought was the single most important thing contributing to his success he said "Work at it. You've got to work hard and learn from your mistakes. You can't go for a picnic and expect to catch fish. You've got to know the fish and what they are doing there. When you think you know everything start over because you've only scraped the surface. No matter how long you fish those darn trout will always do something you don't expect. It is hard to tell someone how to fish because something that has worked for me may not always work for him. The basics don't really change much but when the rough edges start to disappear each fisherman has his or her own characteristics they put into the sport.

In the bigger rivers rainbows will tend to hit the bait with everything they have but once in a while you get the ones that will just pick up the bait without even as much as a touch or telltale tremble of the line. When this happens only experience can help. Make sure your equipment is in tip top shape. It's a shame to fish all day and, when you finally get a fish on, lose him because your line is frayed or rotten.

There is no way I'm going out on a limb and predict a river to catch your rainbows but I feel there may not be too much success in the Sturgeon because of low water and not too many fish being able to get over the railway obstacle. Below this point is sanctuary and does not open until May 14th. The Coldwater river may be the best bet for our area with reports of plenty of fish making their way up the river. The Collingwood, Meaford, Thornbury and Owen Sound rivers have been boasting of a mother load of fish. This could be worth the trip if you can get standing room on the bank. No matter where you go there is going to be plenty of fishermen so make up your mind that you are as good as they are. Good Luck and good fishing.



Silver Stick champions

Parry Sound Juvenile Hockey Tournament champions and Oro Silver Stick Tournament champions, the Penetanguishene juveniles posed for their official team photograph on Sunday. From left to right are (front) Max Cowan (manager), Ray Cote, Grant Quesnelle, Mike Orser, Dave Dupuis, Greg Arbour, Pat Duquette,

Ken Marchildon; (back) Marshall Lesperance, Ken Cowan, Aime Gignac, Marc DeCourcy, Martin Quigley, Paul Lefave, Larry Cowan, John St. Amant, Tim Adams (trainer) and Peter Dubeau (coach).

Staff photo

P.S.S. teams sweep top spots in badminton preliminaries

Students from five divisions of the Penetanguishene Secondary School swept all badminton tournament held at P.S.S. last Thursday.



A mighty smash

Chris Robitaille, of the P.S.S. mixed doubles badminton team takes a swipe at the birdie in last Thursday's tournament at the high school. He and his

partner Karen Yule won the tournament to insure themselves a spot in tomorrow's G.B.S.S.A. finals. Staff photo

The double knockout tournament was held to determine who would go on to compete in the G.B.S.S.A. final tournament tomorrow.

Teams from P.S.S., Midland Secondary School, Park Collegiate, Orillia District Collegiate and Vocational Institute, and Brock Collegiate took part in last Thursday's tournament, and competitors from as far away

as Richmond Hill and Huntsville will be in attendance this Thursday.

Competitors who finished either first or second in last week's action will be eligible to compete tomorrow.

Frank Berdan of P.S.S. took the top spot in boys' singles, as he defeated Mike Timpano of O.D.C.V.I. 15-1, 15-4 in the final set.

In boys' doubles, the

P.S.S. team of Bob Harrison and Mike Berdan and Paul Timpano of O.D.C.V.I. with scores of 15-10 and 15-10.

Sally Lichtenberg of P.S.S. took the girls' singles event, defeating Janet Belcourt, also of P.S.S. by scores of 11-0, 11-4, while the team of Mary Sue Beatty and Sue Maracle, of P.S.S., downed Susan Gauthier and Cathy Rintoul, of

M.S.S., with scores of 15-2 and 15-8 in the finals of the girls' doubles event.

In mixed doubles, the P.S.S. team of Karen Yule and Chris Robitaille came out on top as they downed the O.D.C.V.I.

team of Sean Wilson and Cathy Jones 15-7, 15-7 in the finals.

Tomorrow's tournament will be held at P.S.S. and M.S.S., with the finals in all events being played at P.S.S. in the afternoon.

Recreation Scene



by Ron Marchildon
Penetanguishene recreation coordinator

A few things have come up over the past few weeks which I would like to make you aware of. The minor softball association (if it can be called that) will be sending children around from door to door selling six-packs of Lifesavers. This is a fund raising project for minor ball and your support would be greatly appreciated.

I have booked a softball exhibition game for July 9, 1977 at 8 p.m. which will feature the Philadelphia Hobo's billed as the clowns of softball. This group will be playing at the exhibition in Toronto this year so I am sure that they will put on a good show. Keep watching for dates that advanced tickets will be put on sale.

Coming back to minor softball again, I must apologize for not being at the meeting on April 7. I am afraid I got caught in a snow storm returning from the Toronto Blue Jays opener. I still desperately need coaches, umpires, etc. for both boys and girls house leagues. If you are at all interested in helping (for six weeks) please call me at the Municipal Office at 549-7453. If I am not there please leave your name and phone number and I will gladly return your call.

I would like anyone who wishes to use McGuire Park or any park during the course of the summer for a game, practice, etc. to see me or drop into the Municipal Office and obtain a permit. This is a must for all teams using all diamonds. Without a permit you do not have the right to use the facilities. Your cooperation in this matter would be appreciated. There may be a small charge for the use of the facilities.

They'll go on to the finals

A number of P.S.S. badminton teams made the cut Thursday to win the right to take part in tomorrow's G.B.S.S.A. finals. Here are some of them. In the front row, from the left, are Sue Maracle, Karen Yule and Sally Lichtenberg. In the back row are Bob Harrison, Frank Berdan, Mike Berdan and Mary Sue Beatty. Staff photo

Eight teams entered

Fastball season approaching

The Toronto Blue Jays may be well into their season already, but it will be some time yet before the teams of the Georgian Bay Fastball League take to the diamond.

At a meeting Monday night the fees were

collected from the teams to pay for such things as balls, umpires and the ball park lights.

Eight teams have entered, many of them the same as last year. Entered in the league this year are the Garrisons, Olympia Sports, Ken's

Esso, Caswells Antiques, Hotel Brule (formerly the Hydro team), Expos, the Juniors (formerly the Juveniles) and a team from Midland.

The schedule is not out yet, but the games will be played on Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and

Wednesday nights, and all games will be played at the McGuire Park diamond. Because of the new lighting, two games will be played each night.

The season opener will take place on May 23.

Ringette Association receives grant

The Penetanguishene Ringette Association was one of six projects in Simcoe County chosen last week to receive grants from the proceeds of the Ontario Lottery.

The grant, in the amount of \$842, is to be used for the purchase of coaches panels, protective equipment and rings.

The other grants, handed out to projects in Glencairn, Essa, Bradford, Barrie and Nottawa, ranged in size from \$3,000 to \$121. The total amount of the six grants comes to \$6,324.

To date in 1977, the Ministry of Culture and Recreation has allotted \$22.1 million to more than 1,305 groups and projects across the province.

Midland Golf and Country Club

Eager Beaver kicks off golf season

by Alex Lapere

With the arrival of spring, Midland Golf and Country Club is preparing for a busy season in 1977. Season statements from secretary-treasurer Bill Hack and a letter of costs and fee structures should explain the financial picture for this coming season. A few early birds have been out, snow and all, to swing out the kinks from a long snowy winter.

Pro Les Marselle is back at his old stand looking fit after an extended vacation with wife Alma in Florida.

Greenskeeper Jim Bath and company are hard at work with the cleaning up operation which will be set back due to the early shut down caused by snow last fall.

Bill Howard will again take care of our need for food and drink when the club house opens about May 1. Chairman Murray Yorke informs me that the first

official event will be the "Eager Beaver" to be played May 8. Let's have lots of entries. Ladies Section will hold its spring meeting May 12, with its first event, Scramble, May 17. This year's captain is E. O'Shaunessy.

Our complete program of events for 1977 is now in the printer's hands and hopefully it will be out at the pro shop early in May.

To cover this early period, the following are the May events.

Men's Eager Beaver	Sunday, May 8	9:00 a.m.
Ladies Opening Meeting Luncheon	Thursday, May 12	10:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.
	Saturday, May 14	8:00 p.m.
T.T.C. Foreman Opening party (all members)		

Ladies Scramble	Tuesday, May 17	
Mixed Two Ball	Sunday, May 22	1:00 p.m.
First round Eclectic CLGA	Tuesday, May 24	
Men's Night	Wednesday, May 25	5:30 p.m.
Mixed Two Ball	Friday, May 27	6:00 p.m.
Brooklea at Midland	Saturday, May 28	11:30 a.m.
Four Ball Best Ball	Sunday, May 29	9:00 a.m.
Second round Eclectic CLGA	Tuesday, May 31	
Please pass on any club information to Alex Lapere. See you on No. 1 tee.		

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Badminton

Competitors from Penetanguishene Secondary School, as well as students from as far away as Richmond Hill and Huntsville, will take part in the Georgian Bay Secondary Schools Association badminton finals. The competition will take place tomorrow in the gymnasium at P.S.S.

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