At McGuire Park

Pickering team captures tournament championship

It was a great weekend Pickering Glass baseball team as they captured the top honors in the third

Invitational Fastball Tournament.

Pickering gave up only two runs in their four games in the twelve-team

tournament, those coming from Lercar

Pickering coach Frank Construction in the final Murphy, a Midland native, said he was a little surprised his team glided to the championship with

> "I've seen some of these teams play before, and I know that they

as well as they usually do," he said after being handed the \$200 first prize for his club.

such relative ease. weather and the tournament turned out to be a lot of fun for the guys." Turnout for the com-

petition was good on Sunday, the final day, but not quite as well as expected Friday night or Saturday.

"It's great to be back in the area, we had great absolutely no problem with spectators as is sometimes the case when an out-of-town club beats out the local favourites. Caswell's Antiques 3-0.

"MacGuire Park is a very good ball park, and the people here are mild in their heckling compared to other places

Murphy said there was we've played," he said. Pickering defeated Lercar 5-2 in the final game. In preliminary contests, they downed

Wyebridge A's 11-0 and Lercar 4-0 in a semi-final match-up.

Other teams in the tournament were Christian Island Islanders, Athenian Raiders, Olympia Sports, Midland Twin Lakes, Duntroon, Perkinsfield, Hillsdale, Wyebridge and Victoria

Brule Hotel tightens grip on first place-rolls over Islanders 9-0

Games rained out on walked, Bob Morasse for Brule fans, going the the occasion to increase their hold on first place.

The Brule team trounced the Christian Island Islanders 9-0. giving the Brule a total of 16 points with seven wins, one loss and two ties. The Islanders added the loss to their string, and they are last in the division with five points.

the Brule offense, as Brule batters swatted a total of 14 balls as compared to Islanders two hits. Brule batters went to work in the opening inning, chalking up three points as John Dion

Monday June 12 were singled and Bob Lapham played last week in the doubled to bring both League, and the Brule Trudeau added to the Hotel took advantage of score by singling and bringing Lapham home.

> The fourth inning came in handy for Brule players as they blasted in another four runs making the score 7-0 in the fourth inning. Lenny Desjardins doubled, Morasse singled allowing Desjardins to score and Trudeau walked

Ken Davidson then hit Hitting was the key to an RBI single along with Dave Stainton to add to the score. Brule batters also scored two in the fifth inning thanks to Roger Ladouceur's double and Dion's triple.

Bob Lapham put on an impressive pitching show

distance for the win and

Lapham now has an excellent seasonal record, pitching four games and winning

Penetang Expos 8 Caswell's Antiques 2

In the second raincheque game, Penetang Expos continued their winning streak and moving into third place in the standings. Expos have a fourfour record with two ties and a total of 10 points for the season.

Expos wasted no time getting on the scoreboard. and they led Caswell's Antiques 2-0 in the top of

the first inning. John Moreau walked to get on base and Larry Leroux advanced him to second base while getting on base himself with a single. Both those runners came home after Rick Moreau hit a timely triple with

Pete Arbour kept things tight for Caswell's as he scored also in the first Arbour scored after Murray Cooper singled and Expos committed an

two men out.

Expos also scored one run in the second inning, thanks to Burke Thompson who hit a single and then went on to score. Two more runs helped the Expos cause in the fourth inning when John Norton tripled and Caswell's

committed an error

allowing runners to cross the plate.

Caswell's got their only Desroches doubled and scored after another

Murray Cooper single. Three more points in the final inning closed the door for Expos. Larry Leroux and Rick Moreau both singled to get on base and both scored on Lloyd Leroux's triple. Leroux also went on to score on Norton's single.

Expos's out-hit Caswell's 12-7, and they committed one less error during the game. Larry Marchand pitched all seven innings for Penetanguishene, giving up 7 hits, two walks and striking out three batters.

Canoeists

Fastball Tournament Sunday at McGuire Park. Glass baseball team strike a winning Members of the pose after capturing the third annual Penetanguishene Invitational Errors kill Islanders in 14-1 loss

Champs at last

Seven errors hurt the Christian Island Islanders when they lost 14-1 to Lercar Construction in Georgian Bay Fastball last week. As well as being hurt by errors, the Islanders couldn't mount an offensive attack, getting only two hits in the game as compared to Lercar's 10 hits.

only one unearned run. saw one more Lercar Robillard struck out four and walked three while giving up only two hits.

Lercar is now in second place behind the Brule Hotel, with six wins two losses, one tie and 13

Lercar took a 2-0 lead in the first inning thanks to Alvin Robillard was the Ken Edgar and Alvin successful Lercar pit- Robillard. Both hit home cher, playing all seven runs in the space of one

In the fourth inning, Ken Edgar doubled and went on to score to make

Staff photo

Christian Island 0. The Islanders got their single point in the fifth inning when Arnold Jamieson crossed the plate after a Lercar error.

The game fell apart for Islanders in the fifth inning when Lercar scored 10 runs all in the same inning. Gord Dusome, Kevin Timmons and Desroches are singled. Waxy Gregoire doubled and three walks were issued. Island defenders also committed five errors in that inning

Caswell's Antiques 2, Olympia Sports 7

In the second game that evening Olympia Sports moved into a fourth place tie with Caswell's Antiques when they defeated Caswell's 7-2. Both Olympia and Caswell's have eight points total, but Caswell's has three wins, four losses and two ties as compared to Olympia's four wins six losses and no ties.

In a game that was closer than the score indicates, the key was errors. Caswell's committed four errors while Olympia committed only

Peter Arbour doubled in the first inning, and went on to score for Caswell's after Art Desroches hit a single.

Olympia Sports remained scoreless until the third inning, when they took a 4-1 lead. Paul Sauve led off with a single and Ozzie Marion reached base on Caswell's error. Dennis O'Leary then singled, allowing Sauve to score and Bob Moreau tripled clearing the bases. Moreau went on to score.

The final Caswell run came in the fifth when Ron Blanchard doubled and later scored on a sacrifice fly by Murray Cooper. Olympia drove on to the

final inning when they scored three more runs. Marion singled, Ben Pauze was hit by a ball and Bob Moreau scored both plus himself when his long fly was misplayed for a four base Bob Moreau went the

distance on the mound for the winners, allowing only six base runners on five hits and a walk, while he struck out three to gain his second win of the season against two losses.



STROKE

Linda Ruddick of Orillia helped husband Mike stroke to held the lead all the way to take first prize in the the lead after about three-quarters of a mile into

Farmer Pete challenges Ivan the Terrible to try to take him from behind in the final bout of Saturday's wrestling card at Midland Arena. Farmer Pete won the match in front of 233 spectators, who also saw Vic

Sunday's Coldwater Great Canoe Races. Ruddicks

DeCarlo beat Bob Marcus, The General stop Rick Moreau, Chris Tolos thump Billy Redlions and, in the feature event, The Masked Avenger upset Bobo Brazil.

river More than 200 spectators followed 23 pairs of canoeists 8 1/2 miles down the North River in Sun-

race on

day's first annual Coldwater Lions Club Great Canoe Race. Linda and Mike Ruddock of Orillia were first to cross the finish line, located adjacent the Coldwater Home Hardware, in one hour, 17 minutes. The Ruddocks

won a \$639 chestnut canoe

donated by Ackland Industries. Placing second for a pair of paddles from Viking Marina were Barrie's Jim Hobbs and George Drought. The runners-up had entered the race with the intention of using a racing canoe, but were told to find a regular craft in the interests of fairness to other competitors.

Paddling in third were Rick Schell and Tony Vanderwal, both of Coldwater, who took the final prize of a pair of life jackets donated by Coldwater Home Hardware.

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All entrants were required to wear life jackets, and no one was hurt during the course despite the stormy launching which saw all 46 competitors take off running with their canoes in a shotgun start at Laughlin Falls, five miles north east of Coldwater.

The first of three portages along the route was about 50 yards from the start, a hurdle which proved to be the downfall

of the ill-prepared. For both entrants and spectators -who shuttled from bridge to bridge to follow the action-a barbecue was held at Coldwater Fair Grounds

following the event Rick Oliver, Lions Club member who came up with the idea two months ago, was very pleased with the turnout and the enthusiastic attitude of participants

"People are getting into more recreational activities these days, and 1 suggested this competition as an annual event," Oliver said.

"Everybody is enjoying themselves, and everybody has a shot at first place. The response has been so good, it may be a two-day event next year; we're learning from this one, and it's going to get bigger and better," he said!

innings and allowing inning. The second inning Lercar dumps Brule Hotel

Lercar Construction, last year's championship Georgian Bay Fastball team, won a surprise victory over the powerful Brule Hotel team last week. The win put Lercar in a good position, with 13 points-just three behind the first place Brule club.

Despite the 6-1 score, the game was close as statistics prove. Both teams had six hits, and neither committed an error, but superior base running for Lercar made the difference.

Lercar took a 2-1 lead in the first inning, thanks to a single from Ken Edgar and a walk for Alvin Robillard. Rick Anderson then hit an RBI single and Gord Dusome hit a sacrifice fly to raise the Brule runners managed

to get one man over the plate in the same inning. John Dion and Ed Trudeau singled, and Dave Stainton walked. Dion then scored when Roger Ladouceur reached base on a fielders choice.

Kevin Timmons walked for Lercar in the second inning. He then went on to score on a single by Ken Edgar. Three more Lerear runs in the sixth inning put the game away. Gord Dusome was hit by a pitch, Tony Forget walked along with

Ken Edgar. Kevin Timmons and Louis Belcourt then singled to score the base runners Tony Forget went all

seven innings on the mound for Lercar. He allowed six hits and two walks and gained his third win of the season. Penetang Expos 9,

Olympia Sports 6 The Penetang Expos continued their winning streak in the second game

that evening, defeating Olympia Sports 9-6. The Expos committed one more error than Olympia did-the secret was in the hitting battle. Expos hit 16 balls compared to

Olympia's seven. Expos came out of the dugout for the first inning, and promptly scored seven runs to take

a 7-0 lead.

Balls flew all over the park in that inning, as Wayne Dion, Larry Leroux, Lloyd Leroux and Burke Thompson and John Moreau all hit singles. Combined with three Olympia errors, Expos took a commanding lead early in the

The 7-0 lead was shortlived however as Olympia brought five runners home in their first inning to tighten the score to two runs. Ben Pauze, Ron Desroches singled while Dennis O'Leary walked and Bob Bald was hit by an Expos pitch. Bob Dion did clean up duty, hitting a home run to left-centre field emptying the bases and putting the game in a different perspective.

Olympia tightened the gap to one run in the fourth inning when Ozzie Marion doubled and went

The fifth inning proved a death-blow for Olympia, as Expos brought two men home. Wayne Dion walked, and John Moreau, Larry Leroux, Mike Brophy and Al St. Amant all singled.

Despite a valiant effort, the sixth and seventh innings were scoreless, and Expos chalked up another win. Wayne Dion went the distance pitching for Expos, and Jamie Dahmer stayed on the mound for seven innings for Olympia

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player cross home, in the score after Mike Dubeau of Fred singled and the Island team committed an error

the score Lercar 4

Garry Forbes

Just ask Red

The General sat at his timers' table looking very anxious indeed

A realization crossed his face as he looked at his watch and grasped the microphone. "Ten minutes.

The General was anxious because in the second round of Saturday's wrestling card at Midland Arena, he broke open the skull of local grappler Rick Moreau.

Of course, the 233 paid customers weren't too anxious: a guy got his head opened, so what's wrong with that? After all, two hovering brutes had entered

the ring and a super-duper "Midland Death Match" had ensued, complete with strangleholds, rope-bounces, body-crushes, scissorlocks and, yes, cranium cranks. What is wrong with that is this type of

wrestling exhibition is certainly not in-

tended to be anything more than light

comedy. You wouldn't know it by listening to some of the more vocal in the audience, but Moreau's injury is something akin to Red Skelton breaking both legs in an aborted pratfall. I didn't see the bout, thank you, and don't know exactly how The General exposed to light the underside of Moreau's probably not-

into a meeting with the ring-post by The General I had doubted the reality of the injury, but apparently it was not an illusion-Moreau was treated for his cut at the Arena's St

so-tender scalp. Moreau says he was forced

John's Ambulance set up. Judging by the rather silly masks of seriousness on most of the faces in the crowd, they weren't too concerned that someone was actually injured in the comedic production. Probably the only ones in the building whose concern was genuine were the performers themselves.

thus had to keep tabs until the last midget was dropped to the canvas in mock agony. But he did leave the scene of the crime quickly, stopping only to remind people to pick up their autographed glossies of Bobo Brazil before shuttling off to check the condition of his associate

The General was in charge of the show, and

Turned out Moreau was okay it's not too likely anyone could suffer any serious bodily harm unless their timing was away off. Just ask Red Skelton.