

Dock Lunch tourney provides dramatic conclusions

by
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The third annual Dock Lunch Ladies Fastball

Tournament took place on Saturday, with eight teams battling for the championship.

At the end of the day, Penetang R & R Sports took the consolation championship and

Sinton Bus Lines from Craighurst took the championship.

In the consolation game, Penetang held a 7-4 lead after six innings of play, however, Moose Flames from Orillia scored three runs in the top half of the seventh to tie the score.

Penetang failed to score in the bottom of the seventh and it forced the game into extra innings.

The score remained tied in the eighth, however, in the bottom of the ninth, Penetang finally scored the winning run.

Two base runners were on and there was one out.

Laurie Watson hit the first pitch thrown to her and in came Trudi Fontaine with the winning run and an 8-7 victory.

Watson was selected the game's MVP for her team and she was the winning pitcher, coming in relief for Donna Pilon.

In the championship contest, an excellent comeback by Craighurst gave them an 8-7 victory over the Toronto A's.

Craighurst scored five times in the sixth inning, after trailing Toronto throughout the game.

Marilyn Sheppard was the winning pitcher and she won the MVP for Craighurst, while Judy Reed took the MVP honours for Toronto.

Craighurst defeated Penetang in the first game of the day, 4-3.

Penetang advanced to the consolation round, as they manhandled the Georgian Bay All Stars 11-1.

At the conclusion of the consolation championship game, Penetang R & R Sports

announced that Donna Pilon was selected as their Most Valuable Player for the season.



Craighurst crowned champs!

Penetang coach Ernie Dubeau, left, presents the captains of Sinton Bus Lines of Craighurst with the Dock Lunch championship trophy, on Saturday. Craighurst put on a

dramatic sixth inning comeback to defeat Toronto A's 8-7. Penetang R & R Sports won the consolation final by the same score, over Orillia.

Firebirds in semi's

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Midland Stoneleigh Firebirds showed the rest of the Simcoe Rural Fastball League teams that they will be strong playoff contenders, like they usually are.

Firebirds shutout Hillsdale Hustlers 5-0 last Thursday night in Midland, and they won the best-of-three quarterfinal series two games to none.

Midland will now meet Phelpston Phillies in the semi-finals.

The other semi-final match-up has Caswell A's up against the upstart Elmvale Mets.

In last Thursday's encounter, Wayne King smashed out a two run homer and Bruce Guthrie sparkled on the mound for Midland. Firebirds took the season series with Phelpston, scoring a 1-0 victory and both teams knotted at 1-1.

The first game of the series will go Thursday night in Midland, with a 7:30 p.m. start.

Caswell's will now advance to the semi-finals against Elmvale Mets.

That series will also begin Thursday night.

Rookies rebound

by
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On Thursday night in Ladies Powderpuff action, Solid Gold came up with a big 15-8 win over the Blue Mystics.

A home run by Penny Beck put the Mystics in the lead in the first inning. However, a series of home runs by Jo Gorthy, Alice Sauve and Lisel Seeman put the Gold's right in the game and they eventually went on to pick up the win.

On Diamond "A" the D & M Rookies got back on track after their first loss last week and defeated Navel Force 14-12.

The Navel Force put up a strong battle with a home run by Julie Desjardine and triples by Sandy Merkley and Pat Robitaille.

However, the Rookies bats were also hot and they managed to pick up the win with triples from Ev, Cathy and Marilyn.



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