Sports Scene

Cameron breaks own record in MPTT marathon

The Fourth Annual Meatland Midland Penetang Tiny Tay Half Marathon took place Sunday under warm temperatures and sunny skies.

The course record of one hour 22 minutes and four seconds was eclipsed by nearly six minutes by the previous record holder.

Evan Cameron, originally from Scotland, and currently employed by Ernst Leitz Canada set the new record in a time of 1:16:16 beating the record he set last year.

Mark Taylor finished second with a time of 1:24:43, about eight minutes faster than his fifth place, 1986 finish.

In 1985, Taylor also finished second in 1:25:31. Victoria Harbour's David Shaw crossed the line in third spot at 1:30:31. Cameron Perry finished fourth five minutes and 11 seconds behind Shaw.

Dr. Josef Dolezel captured the Masters Division with a clocking of 1:25:08, eight minutes better than his last year's time.

The 46-year old medical doctor was presented with a silver trophy for being 'four times a winner'. Paul Devillers captured second place with a time of 1:28:57. Nigel Ward-Paige of Barrie finished 34 seconds behind Dolezel.

The oldest runner, 52 year-old Marvin Hebner picked up fourth in a time of 1:41:42. Janice Holmes of Penetanguishene won the ladies division in 1:52:33, beating out Cathy Varney by close to six minutes.

Kathleen Robertson was third with a time of 2:01:33. Shani McArthur of Wyebridge and Sandra Chapman of Midland, both 16, tied for fourth in 2:11:59.

There were three no shows in the original field of 41. Only one person did not finish.

Marathon organizer and sponsor, Paul Noack of Meatland was impressed with the quality of the race and the excellent times the runners recorded.

Paul reports there were no incidents or pro-

blems and lauded the local police forces for their assistance along with St. John Ambulance.

The winners in each division were

presented with \$50 in steak for first place, \$25 worth of steak for coming in second, \$10 of steak for third and a half case of oranges, courtesy Borsa's for a fourth place finish.

Cameron, a former Scottish Marathon champion, picked up \$100 worth of steak as he accepted the challenge of beating his own record.

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Winning Smiles

Evan Cameron left and Mark Taylor pose after just running the Meatland Midland Penetang Tiny Tay Half Marathon Sunday

afternoon in record time. Evan, the reigning champion, broke his own record by nearly

six minutes. Taylor finished in second place, knocking eight minutes off his time last year.

Sportsbeat

By David Gravelle

It's transition time in the sports world. The curling season has just finished, albeit a little late this year; the hockey playoffs are underway; and, the boys of summer are now on the field with pennant dreams dancing in their heads.

There's really no major issue in sports today to write about, except maybe the allegations of biased judging in the recent Hagler-Leonard fight. But, that story has been exhausted; therefore, today we'll take a look at the various major and minor events in our sportsworld.

CURLING

"There are winners, and there are losers..." that would probably be the best way to describe the performance of the Russ Howard rink last week at the national curling trials for the 1988 Calgary Olympics. Russ Howard and his team finished in a tie at 4-3 in the final playoff spot. That was an accomplishment in itself with the field they were competing against.

Howard then lost in a sudden death game to Ed Werenich of Scarborough. The man most hated locally in fact did not beat our hometown hero. Skip Russ Howard beat himself. He wasn't as sharp as usual, and was unable to get that extra break when necessary.

Werenich then went on to lose to Ed Lukowich who then defeated first place finisher Pat Ryan in the battle of Alberta. Lukowich, along with Linda Moore of Vancouver, will represent the red and white at the February Olympics.

The Howard rink-Brian Orser reception is all set for Wednesday night. The gala hosted by the Town of Penetanguishene is sold out at about 700. It should be a great night.

BASEBALL

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Turning

baseball...

geez I haven't put that on paper since I was doing radio sports two years ago in London, Ont. The Toronto Blue Jays have been disappointing thus far after all those built up winter expectations. Then again people picked Cleveland to win this year and the Milwaukee Brewers to finish last. The Brewers have only lost one game so far while the Jays are struggling to stay above the .500 level.

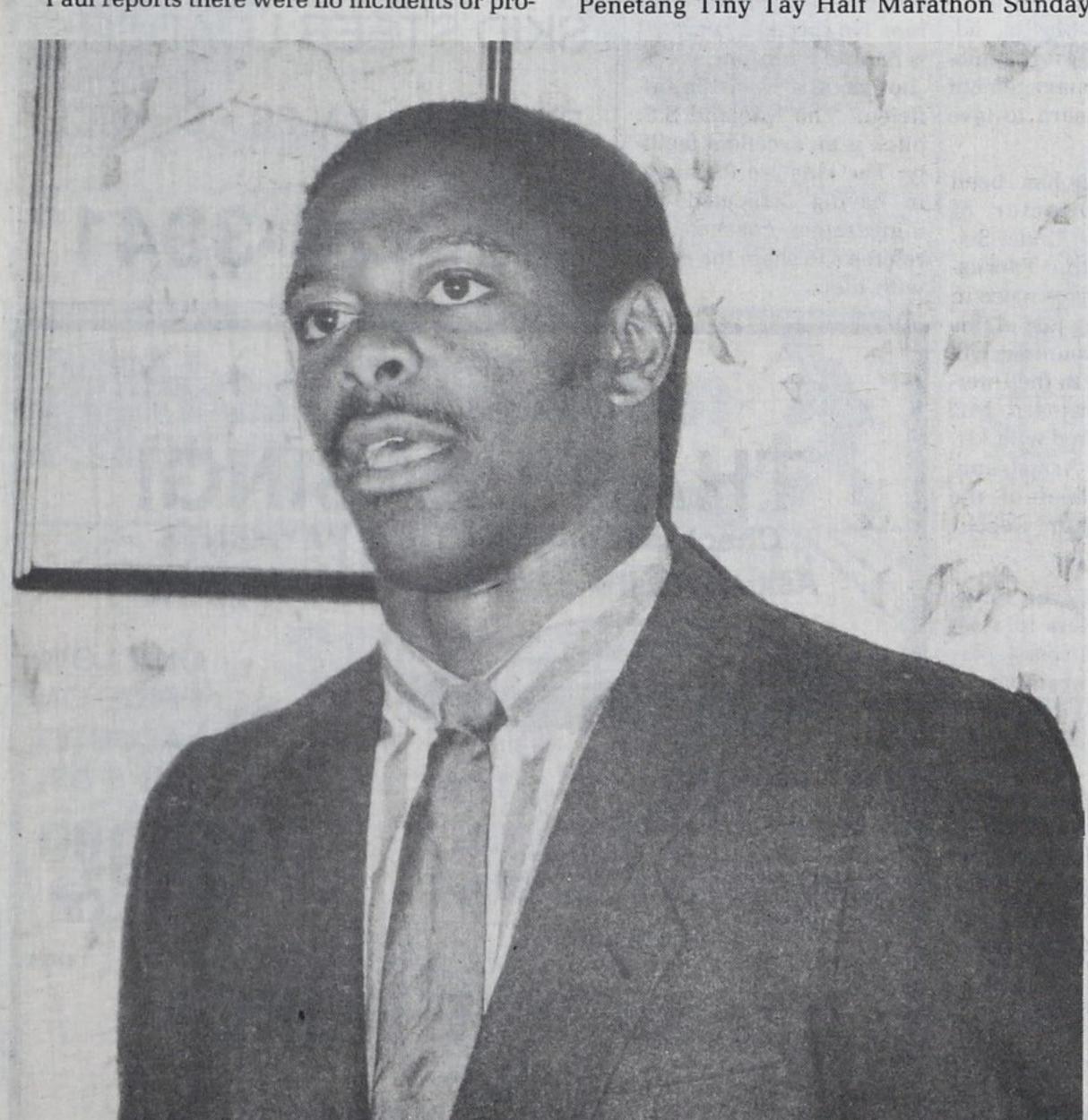
Over the past few weeks, and for the next few at least the National Hockey League playoffs will be in charge of the tube. We've been lucky with the Toronto Maple Leafs winning and providing some exciting hockey.

But, to analyze the Leafs current success further I ask this: What did the Leafs accomplish after a successful playoff season last year? Nothing is the answer. This year they waited until the last week of the regular schedule to wrap up a playoff spot in a league which accepts less than mediocre teams into post-season play.

On paper the Leafs look good, maybe even great, and are playing the way they can in this series against Detroit. But, if they continue to win it will still be a letdown come October when the buds start their 80 game schedule with the bleak outlook of trying to make the playoffs by the skin of their teeth once again.

For you Montreal Canadiens fans who've been frustrated at not being able to watch the Quebec series on television I leave you with the following quote. It was said at the breakfast table by my Dad. He said, "It's pretty bad when two breweries cannot get along, (Molson and Carling are involved in high level battles over the TV rights to the series) "it makes me so mad, we should all stop drinking beer." Good luck!!

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Another game

Grey Cup winning Hamilton Tiger Cat defensive halfback Mark Streeter was underwhelmed after his team won the Grey Cup. The Lord allowed him to be a member of a Grey Cup team to show him that a champion-ship game wasn't much different than any

other football game. Knowing that Jesus died for his sins is the most important thing in his life, he told an audience at an Alliance Church-organized men's breakfast, Saturday in the Granada Inn.