

Sports Scene

Second of six events

Wye Heritage hosts tourney

Wye Heritage Marina was the site on the weekend of the \$40,000 Penetang-Midland OV Pro Bass Open fishing tournament.

The tourney was the second of six events this season. The next event will be held in Orillia August 6-7. The finals will be held September 3-5 at Wye Heritage Marina.

In last weekend's event, 150 two man teams competed for cash and prizes as they earned valuable points in the race to the OV Pro Bass Classic which will be also held at Wye bHeritage.

Each team weighed in their six biggest bass of the day, over two days. The team with the highest total wins. First place is worth \$10,000 with cash and prizes being awarded to 15th place.

Some of the top professional fishermen in Canada and the United States were in attendance on the weekend.

The well known fisherman, Henry Waschuk, ex Hamilton Tiger Cat, with his Television partner, Italo Labignan won over \$1200 for the biggest catch of the day on Saturday. Their catch weighed in at four and

three quarter pounds.

The overall winners were Bob And Wayne Izumi with a grand total weight of 33.95 pounds. The second place team of Bob Walton and Phil Seon were well behind with 29.15 pounds, one fish under their limit.

The top 40 professional Bass anglers will be competing September 3-5 for over \$80,000 in cash and prizes. Hailed as the Tournament of Champions, one angler will walk away with the coveted title Canadian Champion Bass Angler and along with it, the OV Pro Bass Classic Rig which consists of a Chevrolet S-10 Blazer 4x4 with new 4.3 litre engine and a fully rigged Ranger 354V/Mariner 150 Magnum II prize boat. The Classic Rig coupled with \$5000 cash amounts to a first prize of \$60,000.

Product displays and demonstrations from leading marine and fishing manufacturers along with on the water fishing seminars will take place daily.

There will be fishing and casting contests with lots of prizes to be given away.

The OV Pro Bass Classic is being filmed by

the CBC for showing in February. The Admission is free.

Sponsors of the event included Ranger Boats, Mariner Outboards, GM Parts,

Shimano, Flambeau, Berkley Trilene, General Motors Trucks, Outdoor Canada Magazine, Formula Sparkscale, Buoy O Boy, OV and Wye Heritage Marina.



Tourney action

This Barrie Peewee lays down a bunt Sunday afternoon in a semi-final match-up against Midland in the MMBA tournament.

Barrie won the match with a narrow 3-2 margin and advanced to the consolation finals losing to Wexford 5-4.

Midland Peewee team runner up

Midland Minor Baseball hosted its Third Annual Peewee Baseball Tournament on the weekend.

Markdale, Milton, Newmarket and Waterloo were the four division winners with Midland, Barrie, Wexford and Collingwood the runners-up.

Milton topped Markdale 5-1 in one semi-final contest while Newmarket downed Waterloo 8-1. Newmarket had no trouble with Milton in the Championship tilt winning 10-0.

Newmarket went through the tourney

undefeated to maintain an undefeated season to date. In their first game, Newmarket blanked North Bay 4-0 and then edged East Toronto 7-5. Wexford fell 5-4 allowing Newmarket free passage to the semi-finals.

Milton dumped Midland 12-2 and whitewashed North Toronto 10-0. Sunday morning they edged Flesherton 11-10.

On the Consolation side, Midland was nipped 3-2 by Barrie. The local lads nearly pulled it out in the seventh when they had the bases loaded but were unable to cash a run. Wexford stopped Collingwood 5-2 in the



Big winner

Bob Izumi receives his cheque for winning the OV Pro Bass Tournament on the weekend at Wye Heritage Marina. Bob teamed with his brother Wayne to take the top prize over 149

other entrants from all over North America. The finals will be held at Wye Heriatge early in September.

other Consolation semi-final before squeaking past Barrie 5-4.

The Midland-Flesherton game was called after three innings with Midland ahead 11-4. Flesherton pulled off the field in the fourth due to a disagreement. Midland scored three times in the first, five times in the second and added three more in the third. They also had a runner in and one on when Flesherton packed it in.

Sunday morning, North Toronto scored in the second frame to take a 1-0 lead, but Midland replied in the third on a walk, a

sacrifice and a triple. The winning run came in the eighth on a passed ball.

Brian Duval, who scored both Midland's runs, was the winning pitcher allowing seven base hits.

The tourney was another success story for Midland Minor Baseball. President Marjorie Downs and Convenor Brian Leary were kept busy hopping around to the four diamonds. Reports from the organizers state that the umpiring was more than satisfactory for the entire tourney.