

DISTRICT SPORT NEWS

SPORT SPOTS

by Ron Craine

There is a big new sign at the corner of Yonge St. and Elgin Mills Sideroad informing one and all that the new Richmond Hill Curling Rink is located just 200 yds. east of Yonge Street. From advance publicity and from conversation with interested curlers we gather that this is going to be as fine a curling set-up as can be found in these parts.

Curling is a sport that has always held quite an attraction for yours truly, although the truth of the matter is that I don't know too much about it. One of the attractions is the fact that say what you will it is a very colorful spectacle and all participants seem to get a tremendous charge out of it.

Another attractive thing about this curling bit is the appeal it seems to have for players of all ages. High school lads seem to get just as much fun out of the stone and broom bit as do their grandfathers and grandmothers. Out in Western Canada particularly, bonspiels for high schools are a large part of the school sports programme.

The senior set seem to thrive on the game. The mother of a good friend of ours was curling well past the age of three score and ten, and seemed capable of holding her own with much younger competition. The thing that appealed to her most was the social life, as according to this dear soul, curlers really seem to enjoy a better than average type of companionship. Whole families can compete together, either as a family rink or against each other and although competition may be fierce and sometimes feelings run high, nobody ever gets carried away to the fist swinging stage.

The rink is just nicely started at present but it is expected that all will be in readiness for a roaring season of curling. If anyone would like further information on the rink or just how one goes about joining the Curling Club, Dalton Hicks at Turner 4-1764 has most of the answers. Memberships are available and it just might be what you and your family have been looking for, so call Dal. and get the information you want first hand. You won't be sorry you did.

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For the first time in a good many years no T.H.L. hockey will be played in the local arena. This year the whole set up is going to be on a purely Richmond Hill basis and with 31 teams going at it, the schedule will be crowded indeed.

To help defray expenses, parents who attend the Saturday afternoon games are going to be charged a nominal admission fee. Hockey is a big thing in the lives of the kids so when the time comes, don't forget to come out and root for your boy and for his team. Nothing will please a boy more than to have parental interest demonstrated and to perform well in front of Mom and Dad.

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The Richmond Hill and District Intermediate Softball League finals between Lake Wilcox and Wimbridge Cleaners got the second game of the series off at King City on Thursday night. The Lake Wilcox team carried on right where they left off in Richmond Hill on Tuesday night and handed the Cleaner team their second loss by a 13-7 count.

With Lake Wilcox having a two game lead, it gives them a good stranglehold on the championship. As far as the league executive is concerned, this is not an official series, so just what the outcome of the whole thing will be remains to be seen.

The Minor Softball League finals are now under way and once again we would urge that as many parents as possible plan to attend the games. Maybe it won't be world's series calibre ball, but it is just as important to the youngsters involved.

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4th Annual Open Tues. At Dufferin

The 64 men and women who qualified September 2nd, at Dufferin Fairways, will tee off Tuesday night September 8th at 7 p.m. in the 4th Annual Open, match play, miniature golf tournament, for the Toronto & District Championships, at the Dufferin Fairways miniature golf course, Dufferin St. at No. 7 Highway.

487 entries were received this year for the event, which is considered the major miniature golf tournament of the season.

\$500 in cash and merchandise prizes are awarded the eight best players.

The public is invited to come out and see the top miniature golfers in action. There is no admission charge.

Only 7 At Meeting Finish Year In Black - Redeem Debentures

The annual meeting of the Richmond Hill Arena Association was held in the Council Chambers at the Town Hall on Wednesday evening, August 26. The heavy rain storm that preceded the meeting was possibly responsible for the small attendance as only seven people turned out for the meeting.

Those present at the meeting were Mrs. Rita Hall, Mr. Bill Hall, Mr. Elgin Barrow, Mr. Allan Bales, Mr. Dalton Hicks, Mr. Norm Stevenson and Mr. L. H. Sims. The meeting was opened by Mr. Barrow at 8:20 p.m. as he welcomed all those present.

The first order of business was the reading of the previous meeting minutes by the secretary, Mr. Dalton Hicks. The minutes were adopted as read on a motion by Mr. Stevenson seconded by Mrs. Hall.

A maintenance report was given by Mr. Bill Hall. Mr. Hall reported that the arena seats and the interior of the arena had been painted with a fire retardant paint and that additional fire extinguishers have been added. The front of the arena has been resingled and a new fire escape built. All those present expressed their satisfaction with the improved appearance of the front of the building.

The interior of the building has been generally refurbished and the snack bar enlarged. The association received a grant from the town and it is hoped that an oil heating system can be installed, it is also planned to re-paint the roof and to fix up the west wall of the arena to give the side of the building the same smart appearance as the front.

Mr. Elgin Barrow reported on the personnel employed by the arena board. Mr. Jim Ley, Mr. Don McFee and Mr. Dugald McLean were highly complimented and commended for the splendid job done during the past season. Mrs. Eileen Lee was highly commended for her efforts and it was reported that due to her efforts snack bar profits had shown a very considerable increase.

Mr. Jimmy Ley will not be with the association during the coming season as he has accepted other employment. On a suggestion by Mr. Stevenson the secretary was directed to send a letter of thanks for services rendered to Mr. Ley.

New Manager
Mr. Wilson "Bill" Walder has been hired as arena manager with Joe Minchella as maintenance man. Mr. Walder comes to Richmond Hill with a wealth of experience as he formerly was associated with the Thorncrest Village Community Centre.

Earns Profit
It was pointed out by Mr. Barrow that the local arena is the

Ball Game Results

Chicago Cubs 9
Los Angeles Dodgers 2
The Chicago kids were just too hot to handle in this game as they exploded with six big runs in the fourth inning. Peter Gates pitched a steady game for the Cubs but all the team played well behind him. Bob Ritchie gave Peter a big target to shoot at and picked off two numbers on timely throws to second base.

American League Semi-Final
Washington 14 - Kansas City 9
The Athletics handed the Washington boys an early lead in the first two innings via the walk route. The Athletics then rallied and were steadily whittling away at the lead when the last inning sounded the curfew bell.

R. Allen was a one man gang for Washington as he pitched, hit, and fielded his team to victory. Mr. Allen had some very fine support from Messrs. Minchella, Polard and Brown as this Washington club really plays like a team. **Wimbridge Cleaners 14**
Lake Wilcox 6
Down two games to nothing in the Intermediate League final series, Wimbridge Cleaners clawed out a deserved win over the powerful hitting Lake Wilcox team. Big Bill Whitehead pitched all the way for Wimbridge and in the seventh inning rapped out a homer with one abroad to add two big runs to the tally.

The Wimbridge outfield covered themselves with glory on at least 2 occasions by making sensational catches on balls labelled homerun. Don MacMillan smashed a long drive to deep center in the fourth inning that center fielder Tony Hunter grabbed as it was going over the fence. Sonny Needham fell victim to some fielding magic on the part of Wimbridge left fielder, Connie Mason, in the ninth. The ball was going good and almost gone when Mason made a terrific one hand stab to mare the catch for the out.

Tommy Biso started on the mound for the Lake and was playing a nice game until three hits in a row in the seventh inning saw Jon Bunn come on in relief.

The series now stands with Lake Wilcox having won two and Wimbridge Cleaners one game. This was something of an upset win as the cleaners have been cousins for the Lakers in the two previous meetings.

Summary: Winning Pitcher: Bill Whitehead.
Losing Pitcher Tom Biso (Jon Bunn)
Wimbridge Cleaners: Runs, 14, Hits, 12, Errors, 6, Homeruns, 1, (Whitehead)
Lake Wilcox: Runs, 6, Hits, 12, Errors 9.

STOUFFVILLE — The Canadian International Gladiolus competition was held in Stouffville Arena last week. Rev. D. Sargent of Altona had 17 prize-winners out of 20 entries.

Minor Softball League

The scheduling committee knocked heads on Friday night and came up with a revised schedule. All games now go at 8:30 p.m. with no double headers in the semi-final series.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Series "A" Semi-Final
All games at 6:30 p.m.
Walter Scott School
September 1 — St. Louis vs Milwaukee
September 2 — St. Louis vs Milwaukee
September 8 — St. Louis vs Milwaukee
Series "B" Semi-Final
August 31 — Walter Scott School
Los Angeles vs Chicago
September 2 — MacKillop Sch.
Los Angeles vs Chicago
September 8 — MacKillop Sch.
Los Angeles vs Chicago
Game Time 6:30 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Series "A" Semi-Final
All games 6:30 p.m. at Beverley Acres
September 2 — Cleveland vs Boston
September 3 — Cleveland vs Boston
September 8 — Cleveland vs Boston
Series "B" Semi-Final
Aug. 31 MacKillop School — Kansas City vs Washington
Sept. 2 — Walter Scott Sch. —

Large Field To Race \$2,555. Lab'r. Day Purse

The hottest cars and drivers racing anywhere will gather at Pincrest Speedway on Labour Day, Monday, September 7th to race for the 75 lap International Stock Car Championship for super modifieds. The wide open rule will apply and it will bring a wide variety of hand made racing cars with "No Limit" on motors of any kind. A large field of American cars and drivers will be on hand as well as cars from Western Ontario, who have been racing wide open for over two years. The top C.N.E. cars and drivers also will compete.

Pincrest's Jim Hallahan will be on hand to defend his new crown. It will take all his years of racing skill to compete with the competition as he will be racing against cars with over twice the power.

Twenty five cars will race the 75 lap Championship, with \$1,000.00 going to the driver who picks up the checkered flag, the American drivers being favoured.

Time trial will be held for all cars to determine starting positions and they will start at 12:30 p.m. the first of 8 events start at 2 p.m. sharp.

Local Football Season Opens Saturday

The local entry in the Intermediate Division of the Metro Rugby Union opens in the town park this Saturday at twelve noon sharp. Last year they opened against the same club, Toronto East-Enders, who are out to avenge an 8-7 defeat at the hands of the local crew last year.

Coaches Bill Points and Del Madely are very high on this year's team and feel that they have a real contender. The boys have been working hard and by all indications are all set to render a better than good account of themselves.

Bill Points gave a rundown on some of his players and the roster sounds impressive.

DAVE SIMPSON is a fast hard charging end, who really puts a big rush on any passer.

KEN BROOKS, This is Ken's first year with the team but he gives promise of being a good offensive guard.

RAY SNIDER, Ray is a small, fast, offensive tackle, who makes up with desire for lack of size.

MIKE BUTT, Mike is a rugged, heads up defensive tackle, who can really make things rough for the opposition.

IAN MCINTOSH, Ian is a good, fast split T quarterback who is not only a good passer but a good runner on the option play.

JOHN FAVERY, John plays either quarter or wingback and although he only goes at 140 lbs. provides plenty of action.

TOMMY BARTLETT, Tommy is a first year line man who should do well as the season progresses.

BILL "RED" DUNN, Red is a good halfback and a good all-round football player.

CHARLIE DUNN, Charlie is the second part of the Dunn Brother act and is a very good centre line backer who almost smells a play before it has time to develop.

JIMMY GILLESPIE, Jimmy is a lineman in his first year. The coaches expect big things of this boy.

DICK CARR, This is Dick's first year and he is a big, rugged willing centre man.

TOM HEALEY, Tom is a big, fast, hard charging end, who puts a big rush on the passer.

JOE MARTIN, Joe has a good

Organize New Richmond Hill Hockey Association

The Little N.H.L. and the Minor Hockey League have joined forces and the new set-up is known as the Richmond Hill Hockey Association. This year the R.H.H.A. will have 31 teams ready to swing into action by November 1.

The younger set will be playing in four groupings. The Junior "A" League is for boys eight to nine years old, while the American Hockey League looks after the 10 and 11 year olds. The Little N.H.L. will be for boys 12 to 13 years, with the Minor League taking care of the over thirtens.

There will also be a Bantam, Midget and Juvenile Team, which during the year will play in the North York League and then move into the Ontario Minor Hockey Association playdowns.

Registration forms for ALL groups may be picked up at the Arena Box Office after September 8. Registration will take place at the arena on two Saturday afternoons, September 19 and 26, and no registration will be accepted without a birth certificate.

Owing to the increase in the arena budget and due to the fact that no T.H.L. hockey will be played in Richmond Hill this year, there will be a registration fee of \$5.00 per player. In addition both players and spectators will pay an admission of 25c. Season tickets worth \$5.00 may be purchased and are good for admission on Monday, Thursday and Friday nights, as well as Saturday afternoons.

The kids are all going to be insured and get more ice time per game and will play two 20-minute periods. Four more games have been added to the season's schedule. All in all it sounds as if young hockey enthusiasts are going to have a good season for not too much outlay.

Anyone wishing further information can contact the following people:
Junior 'A' League - Lorne Prosser A.H.L. - Eric Charity
Little N.H.L. - Bob Jackson
Minor Hockey - Barry Brent O.M.H.A. - Wick Mills

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