

# SPORT SPOTS

by Ron Craine

This correspondent must offer humble apologies to a fine group of athletes and sportsmen in the Richmond Hill District. The Richmond Hill Senior Hockey League has not received the recognition that it is entitled to and the only defence that can possibly be offered for the oversight is lack of time.

In some small way maybe this column will serve to atone for past misdeeds and rectify any errors or omissions.

This league is in its fifth year of operation and is firmly entrenched as far as hockey leagues go. All games are played on Tuesday nights at Richmond Hill Arena where for the small sum of 25c you can see two spirited hockey games and also win some good door prizes.

At the present time, admissions paid do not begin to cover expenses and each player puts more than a dollar a night into the kitty. They don't get a chance at the door prizes either!

All players in the league must live north of Sheppard Avenue and south of Aurora. There are some really fine hockey players to be found in this area.

The Allencourt Shopping Centre team boasts such fine players as Frank and Charlie Mashinter, Matt Kinnari, Norm Roberts and Jim Wells, all of whom played with last year's Ontario Rural Intermediate "C" champions, Bond Head.

Pop's Restaurant has Ron Hodgson, who also played with the Bond Head team last year.

Craigie's Men's Wear have three players from the 56-57 O.H.A. Champion Aurora Belairs — Phil Nicholas, Johnny Drummond, and Dale Watt. Ex-Stouffville Clipper Stan Thornington adds power to the Craigie line-up.

Stephenson Construction has another ex-Clipper, Johnny Guy, who can really play a dazzling game of hockey as well as having several graduates from the Richmond Hill Junior "C" team.

Al. White, proprietor of Al's Cycle and Sport has donated a trophy to be presented to the leading scorer of the league while Vern. Dynes of Dynes Jewellers has a trophy for the most sportsmanlike player.

On Tuesday, December 22nd, an all star team picked from the leading players in the Richmond Hill Senior League will play Ken Avarells Woodbridge Dodgers, highly touted Junior "B" Team, now playing in the Metro League. This game should be a honey and remember there will be door prizes too. Mark this one in your book for sure.

A lot of local softball talent can be seen in action in the shiny game. Dynes Jewellers softball players are out in force — Lorne McLean, Moe Williamson, Tony Centa, while Wimbridge softball players Jack Hurst and Matt Kinnari also figure prominently in the action. Wilcox Lake is represented by Bill Degeer and Sonny and Dennis Needham. Vellore has Frank Mashinter and Stan Foster skating like crazy while Richvale is represented by Stan Thornington.

All action in these games is fast and furious, so keep Tuesday night free and hold out an extra quarter for your admission. Could be you'll become an addict.

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Richmond Hill Redmen, the local O.B.A. entry have been searching for a coach and, as usually happens, found one on their own doorstep. Bruce Murray, unsuccessful council candidate this year in Richmond Hill, is a big, big boy, who has played on Dominion Championship teams and done some coaching with fair success, has made contact with the Redmen and everyone is happy. It may be a little late this year, but next year should tell a different story.

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Just found out that the All-Star Woodbridge Hockey game on December 22nd, is in aid of the Tely Milk Fund. Give yourself a treat, see a good hockey game and help a worthy charity.

# DISTRICT SPORT NEWS

## Richmond Hill Loses A Close Basketball Game

Unicorns 42 Richmond Hill Redmen 41

The Port Credit Unicorns literally pulled the win out of the fire in the final second of play. The basketball played, was a free wheeling game, with one team going ahead only to have the other team cash the equalizer.

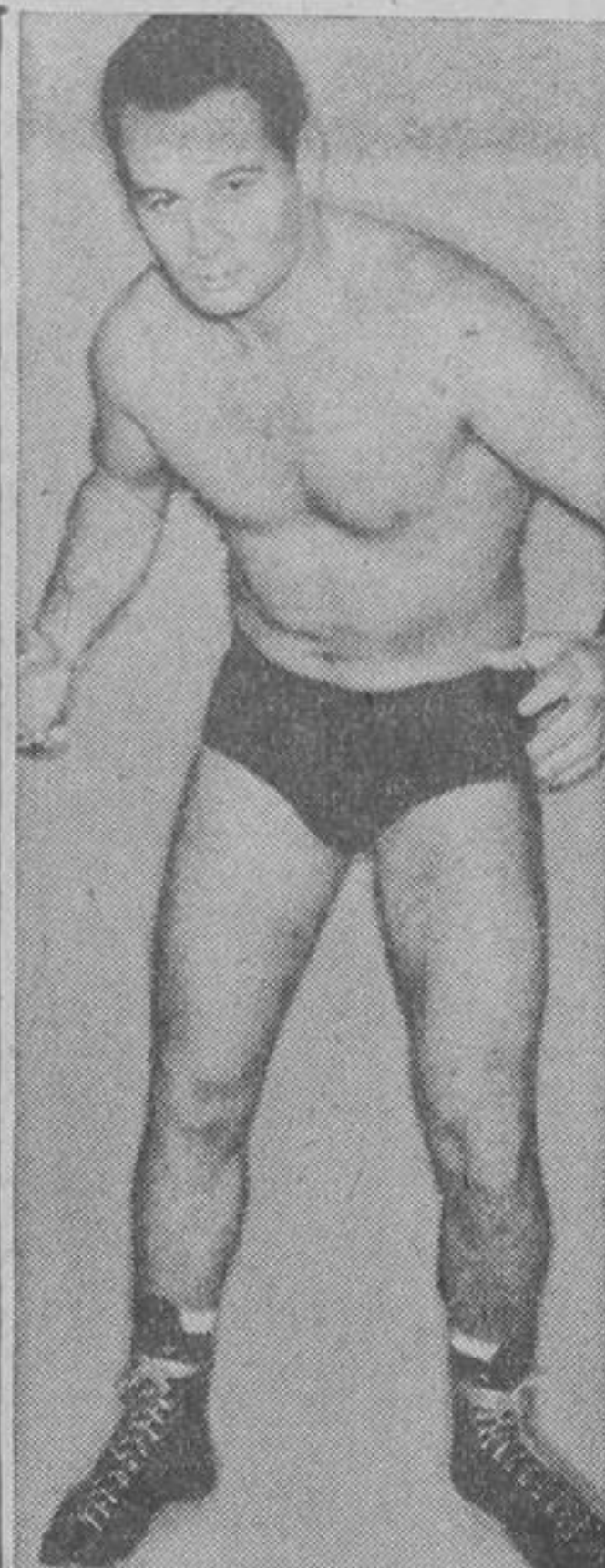
Richmond Hill Redmen had a twelve to four lead at the end of the quarter while at the half the Port Credit squad enjoyed a twenty-four to twenty-three lead.

The lead went back and forth in the last half and the score was tied forty-one all with thirty five seconds to go. Unicorns gained possession of the ball and proceeded to play out

the clock. With five seconds to go Unicorns shot for the basket and missed. Everyone went up for the rebound which was recovered by the Unicorns. The referee ruled a foul against the Redmen and awarded the fouled Unicorn two free shots.

With regulation time already run out the first foul shot was taken and missed. While silence reigned and hearts beat faster the Unicorn shooter lined-up-shot and scored the one point needed to win the game. Sort of a Frank Merriwell finish.

High scorers for the game were Clark Dedlow of the Redmen with seventeen points while the Unicorn high scorers were Whitehead with fifteen and Hrynewich with twenty-one.



**GORI MANGOTICH**  
Sensational light heavyweight, who will appear at Thornhill Market, Tuesday, December 22.

## Squirt Hockey Team Organized

Mr. Reg. Acomb of Uplands Golf Course is the sponsor of a newly formed squirt hockey team. In case you didn't know, squirts are boys under 10 years of age as of August first.

The team is to be known as the Richmond Hill Putters and will have snappy green and white uniforms. They will not be playing in a regular league this year but will confine activities to exhibition games and tournament play.

Earl Methe will be coaching the team and outstanding players will be drawn from the Jr. "A" house league ranks, the whole hockey operation is getting to be just like topsy — it won't stop growing! Richmond Hill Arena must be one of Ontario's biggest hockey factories.

## League Standing

MINOR HOCKEY LEAGUE				
Week Ending December 12, 1959	P	W	L	T Pt.
<b>JUNIOR A</b>				
Biltmores	7	6	0	13
Tiger Cubs	7	4	2	9
Tee Pees	7	3	4	6
Petes	7	1	3	5
Marlboros	7	1	3	5
Flyers	7	1	5	1
<b>A.H.L.</b>				
Bears	7	5	2	10
Barons	7	5	2	10
St. Mike's	7	4	3	8
Canadiens	7	3	2	6
Reds	7	3	4	6
Bisons	7	1	6	2
<b>N.H.L.</b>				
Bruins	7	5	0	12
Wings	7	5	2	10
Leafs	7	5	2	10
Americans	7	4	3	8
Canadiens	7	2	4	6
Hawks	7	2	3	6
Rangers	7	1	4	2
Maroons	7	0	7	0

## Hockey Results

Friday, December 11 —

R. H. Juniors 6, Allston 3

Bobby King came up with the hat trick for Wick Mills' Juniors as he scored one half of his team's goals. Brian Atkinson picked up an assist on King's first goal while Bob scored the second goal on a solo effort. Pal Greenfield was given an assist on King's third goal.

The line of Rushlow, Pipher and Atkins proved to be a real scoring machine as Pipher scored assisted by Atkinson. Atkinson scored with Pipher and Rushlow assisting and then switched around as Rushlow scored from Pipher and Atkinson.

Only eight players plus an extra goal tender showed up for the game as a dance at Thornhill High School proved to be an attraction for a lot of would-be hockey players. The boys that did turn out for the game all had to do double duty and how well they performed is shown by their win over a fully manned club.

Monday, December 14 —

R. H. Juniors 20, Queensville 2

A badly outclassed and outmanned Queensville team suffered a humiliating defeat by a team that had every advantage on its side. There is as yet no ice available in Queensville and practice sessions just aren't available to the team. Equipment is also a major problem as they have no sponsor to pick up the tab for them. Most of the players on the team are still eligible for midget competition and the old saw of sending a boy to do a man's work still applies.

Mike directed his own team from the bench, as Doc Atkinson was unable to attend the game, and saw his cats get some big fat scoring points.

Brian Atkinson potted four goals and picked up four assists as line mate Jim Rushlow got three goals and four assists. The third member of the high scoring trio, Gord. Pipher hit for two goals and three assists. Bobby King scored two goals and picked up two assists and John Lightfoot banged in two goals and picked up one assist. Scoring averages were really juicy after the smoke had settled.

It won't always be this easy as Queensville are obviously over-matched in the juvenile ranks and other teams in the league provide really rugged opposition. For the sake of the team it is to be hoped that no more school dances are allowed to conflict with the hockey schedule.

Newmarket 6 - R. H. Bantams 1

The Richmond Hill Bantam team were handed their first defeat of the young season by a hungry Newmarket team. The Newmarket players outskated, outshot and out-manoeuvred the local club and virtually kept them handcuffed.

The only bright spots in the

game for the Richmond Hill Bantams were the outstanding defensive work of Mike Howard and the aggressive play of forward Jackie Dubkowski. For the best part of the game, Richmond Hill was completely outclassed in all departments, and seemed to flounder helplessly at times.

A shake-up practice was held on Sunday morning and five players were cut from the Bantam roster. Only 12 players will be carried. Two complete forward lines, three defence players, a goalkeeper, and two alternates.

Coaches Jimmy Pollard and Les. Markle are attempting to separate the hockey players from the group and produce a winning combination.

Blueliners 3 Newmarket 3

For two periods last Thursday night the Richmond Hill midget Blueliners looked like a big league outfit, as they played clean fast hockey and then blew a 3 to 0 lead to wind up with a tie, and they were lucky to get that.

For the first two periods as stated above they played well with all three lines backcheck-like fiends, they tied the powerful Newmarket up in their own end after time and gave goalie Don Laurie a shut out up until the end of the second stanza. Coach Red Garner put Dave Sims in the net and the p.o. fell in. Newmarket scored three goals in less than 3 minutes to tie it up and were pressing hard at the closing whistle. In all fairness to Sims he had no chance on a couple of the shots, and the team let down at the end. Scorers for Richmond Hill were as follows, Jim Briden from Hooper, Johnny Grieves from Denny Richardson, and Richardson from Tom Rylands. For Newmarket Mike Walton turned the hat trick with three quick ones in almost as many minutes.

Blueliners 6 Unionville 0

Richmond Hill's Blueliners sponsored by Ted Terry of the Blueline hockey laces, tore into the Unionville midget team last Friday at the Crosby Memorial arena and shredded them piece by piece. The Unionville club help up for only one period and then "Fireball" Bruce Walker slapped it the first one on an assist by Rod Kelson and followed it by two more, to bring his total to three. Then Jim Briden popped one in with big "Moose" Ted Tomlin drilling one in from the point, and to round out the score for the locals Paul Reynolds got a nice one on assist from lankey Ian Ross. The blueliners played well all round, with the defense headed by Ritchie Elliott and Paul Hackett turning back the discouraged Unionville outfit time after time. Don Laurie played heads up hockey in the net for the Hill team and got his first shut out of the young season.

Quality Utilities Reds 4 Deciantis & Rice Bisons 1

Brian Haviland, Bob McArthur, Bowen and Moffats, all shared goal getting honours for the Reds. Bisons' lone goal was scored by Geoff Toogood while Harold Briden played well.

Holiday Fuels Leafs 3 Firefighters Canadiens 1

Terry Rogerson, Don Gibson and John Higgins produced the Leaf goals while Andrew Lewis picked up two assists. George Lusignan scored the Canadian goal on a fast breakaway to beat Leaf goal keeper Doug Bursey, who performed brilliantly, making many good stops.

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## Richmond Hill Minor Hockey League

JUNIOR "A" Consumers' Gas Marlboros 1 Rumble's Petes 0

Wayne O'Brien scored the lone goal of the game as the two teams seemed to be very evenly matched. Team mate Mike Parrot played well for the Marlies' while Chris Moffat was the outstanding performer for the Petes.

Don Thurston Tee Pees 6 Victoria Orange Lodge Flyers 4

Scoring was shared by several members of the victorious Tee Pees team. Dave Hiley potted three goals while Chris Dunlop notched a pair. Duane Reid scored a goal while assists went to Jim Ross and Dave Scrimger. Gary Churcher fired three goals for the Flyers, while Bob Hutchinson scored the other Flyer tally, assisted by David Lund.

Mills & Hadwin Biltmores 1 Paris Electric Tiger Cubs 0

Doug Meyers, Bilt's goal tender, earned a well deserved shut-out as Dave Brodick fired the winning counter assisted by Wayne Harrington. Rod Loftus and Ken Chapman played solid hockey for the Tabbies.

Al's Cycle & Sport Bears 4 Sup. Sand & Gravel Canadiens 2

Bobby Patfield scored twice for the Bears and was also credited with an assist. Goals were also scored by Ian McAllister and Bob Stephens while Rod Chapman gathered two assists. Bruce Johnson and Richard Matthews scored for Canadiens while Albert Windrum was given an assist.

Young's Service St. St. Mike's 4 Loren Gordon Barons 0

Mike Engler, Howard Cazaly and John Ross were the St. Mike goal getters while Pat Madden registered an assist. Ron Ley in the St. Mike goal was outstanding. Ted Wilder played well for Barons in a losing cause.

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## Exhibition Hockey

WOODBRIDGE DODGERS METRO JR. "B" VS RICHMOND HILL MERCANTILE ALL STARS RICHMOND HILL ARENA TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22 AT 8:30 P.M.

Proceeds for Tely Milk Ship, Tely Veterans' Cheer

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ARENA ATTRACTIONS

Skating Holiday Schedule

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17 — 4 to 5:30 — Skating School Children — 25c

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19 — 8 to 10 p.m. — Public Skating

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21 — 4 to 5:30 p.m. — Skating School Children..

DECEMBER 23 AND 24 — 2 to 4 p.m. — Public Skating

CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY

DECEMBER 26 — 8 to 10 p.m. — Public Skating

DECEMBER 28, 29, 30, 31 — 2 to 4 p.m. — Public Skating

CLOSED NEW YEAR'S DAY

JANUARY 2 — 8 to 10 p.m. — Public Skating

ICE TIME AVAILABLE

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Everyone has his own special way of making Christmas a warm and meaningful season. Taking the family to church... trimming the tree the night before... singing carols before a cozy fireplace. We hope yours is a happy Christmas and a safe one, too. When you drive, be careful... everybody's looking forward to a wonderful holiday. Merry Christmas.

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**TAG - TEAM MATCH**  
Thornhill Market  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22  
8:45 p.m.  
2 Out of 3 Falls or 60 Mins.  
**ORLANDO and OSBORNE VS MANGOTICH and FOSTER**  
Joe Greenfield VS Lenny Hewitt  
Pal Greenfield VS Ken Monckton  
Grant Wylder VS Freddy Labelle

## R. Hill Mercantile Hockey League

Tuesday, December 15 —

1st Game — Allencourt Centre 3 Craigies 6

Craigies led by Stan Thornington's three goals defeated Allencourt to move into undisputed possession of first place. Allencourt, in a mid-season slump, lost their second straight game as they were outfigured for the puck in almost every skirmish. Dave McGuey, Gord Ecclestone and Jeff Jones scored the others for the winners. All their players seemed to be moving at full speed. For the losers, goal tender Don McMillan played an outstanding game, and without his tremendous play, the score would have been in double figures. Matt Kinnari, Norm Roberts and Moe Williamson scored for the out-hustled losers.

2nd Game — Pops Restaurant 5, Stephenson's 5

Pops fought back from a four to two deficit to tie with Stephenson's. The way these two improved teams played, show how well balanced the league is. No team in the league has any definite edge over the other teams as happened earlier in the season. Graham Chapman was the top man for Stephenson's with three goals and an assist. Tom Byberg and Duke Knox scored the others. Jim Stunden and Jim Neal scored two each for Pops. Dalt Hicks scored the other.

Scoring

	G	A	Pt.
Kinnari, Allencourt	16	13	29
Wells, Allencourt	9	12	21
Roberts, Allencourt	10	10	20
Thornington, Craigies	10	10	20
Drummond, Craigies	6	7	13
Jones, Craigies	4	6	10
Foster, Allencourt	4	6	10
Paterson, Craigies	5	4	9
Knox, Stephenson's	5	3	8
Carey, Allencourt	2	6	8

RICHMOND HILL SENIOR LEAGUE SCHEDULE 1959-1960

January 5 — 8:00 Pop's Restaurant vs Craigies

9:30 Allencourt vs Stephenson's

January 12 — 8:00 Pop's Restaurant vs Allencourt

9:30 Craigies vs Stephenson's

January 19 — 8:00 Stephenson's vs Pop's Rest.

9:30 Craigies vs Allencourt

January 26 — 8:00 Stephenson's vs Allencourt

9:30 Craigies vs Pop's Restaurant

February 2 — 8:00 Stephenson's vs Craigies

9:30 Allencourt vs Pop's Restaurant

February 9 — 8:00 Allencourt vs Craigies

9:30 Pop's Rest. vs Stephenson's

February 16 — 8:00 Pop's Restaurant vs Craigies

9:30 Allencourt vs Stephenson's

## Tag Team Match Feature Next Week's Wrestling

An interesting tag team match has been signed by matchmaker Joe Greenfield for next Tuesday, December 22 at the Thornhill raffle palace. Those two ring generals Gori Mangotich and Billy Foster have teamed up to take on Aledo Orlando, who recently regained the middle-weight title and Wildcat Osborne of Willowdale. Here we have four of the top lighter weight grapplers to test each other in a two out of three falls or 60 minute time limit match. Orlando and Mangotich well known to the fans had a Johnny go last week and they can start right in again this Tuesday along with their respective partners who also have no love for one another. Foster and Orlando are bitter enemies and although the Slav Mangotich has no bitter feelings about either Osborne or the Italian wrestler he will be trying just as hard as the rugged Foster to come out on top. This corner will go along with the

fans on this one and pick the duo of Orlando and Osborne to take the decision.

In an interesting semi-final Grant Wylder erstwhile referee will tackle flashy Freddy Labelle again. These two boys had a sensational match a few weeks ago and many of the fans have asked to see them go again. This one should be fast and clean with plenty of holds and blocks to please the critical ones, who like the cleaner type wrestling.

One of the preliminaries "Scissors" Joe Greenfield himself will test the ability of Leaping Len Hewitt. Greenfield lost to Mangotich a few weeks ago and has been smarting ever since and wants a rematch and the only way to get it, even if he is the matchmaker is to beat a few boys first, (if he can).

Pat Greenfield, Joe's younger brother and a fast improving welterweight will wrestle with Kenny Monckton in the opening match.

## Richmond Hill High School Sport News

Both the Junior and Senior basketball teams opened their schedule last week against Markham. The junior team was defeated 39-34 while the senior team redeemed the school's athletic reputation by downing Markham 49-31.

The junior team was suffering from newness. Besides the game being relatively unfamiliar to most of the players, the coach, Jim Harrison, is new to the team and has not yet had time to assess the ability of individual performers.

The team seemed to be suffering first game jitters as they missed their first 12 scoring opportunities. Experience will take care of the jitter department and mentor Jim Harrison should have a fine contender going for him.

The senior squad showed to advantage and were good value for their win. Despite having many new basketball players on the roster the team playing a man to man defence completely blanketed the Markham team for as long as three minutes at a time.

High scorer for the senior team was Bob Lake with 19 points, as the Markham quintet seemed unable to contain Rapid Robert. Coach Babcock feels that Lake's point production should be in the neighbourhood of 20 points per game. Fancy neighbourhood!

A group of wrestling hopefuls visited a wrestling clinic at Winston Churchill School this week. Wayne Richardson, Vic Suzuki, Dave Matsunaga, Brian Atkinson and Bob Mounsey got themselves some first class experience for the wrestling season now opening up.

Wrestling meets will be held through January and February on a home and home basis with Burlington, Whitby, East Haldon and Northview Heights Collegiate. Tournaments will also be held at Guelph, University of Western Ontario and Peterborough.

The Georgian Bay wrestling championships will be held at Richmond Hill High School on February 20. Some of these wrestling nights will be held as part of the program of an athletic night. These nights will be open to the public for a very nominal charge and sound like they should provide worthwhile entertainment. Plan to attend at least one of these nights, won't you?

## Badminton Club Begin Operations

The Badminton Club resumed operations on Wednesday, December ninth after a three week period of enforced idleness as the High School gymnasium was unavailable. The evening was a successful one as a large number of Badminton enthusiasts were on hand for the evening play.

The Badminton Club is going to affiliate with the Recreation Committee and it is felt that this move will put the club on a firmer foundation and give it some official recognition.

The holiday season will cut into the Club's activities as the high school gymnasium will not be open over the holidays. There will be no play on the following nights so Badminton players please note these dates — Dec. 23, 1959, Dec. 30, 1959, January 13, 1960. Play will be available on all other Wednesday nights.

The projected tennis club has not made too much progress as yet as land negotiations have to be completely re-opened. With several new members on council, committees will have to be reformed and it seems highly unlikely that any action will be possible before the finance committee holds its budget meeting in March. It is just possible, that if time were seized firmly by the forelock, a start could be made and tennis could be going by September. Only time will tell.