



# SPORT SPOTS

BY RON CRAINE

Lacrosse seems to be catching on as a big sports attraction in Richmond Hill. Every Thursday night sees a few more spectators than the week before and from comments heard everyone seems to be enjoying the spectacle.

And a spectacle this game can certainly be. Some of the checks handed out draw groans of vicarious anguish from the crowd and they wince in sympathy with the checked player. How these boys can be knocked sprawling on that cement floor and not have the knee caps torn loose is beyond us. On top of which, most of the players scorn the use of knee pads.

This is a game that goes one step beyond and separates the men from the men. Lots of stamina is needed to keep up the pace in an enclosed arena on a warm summer night, but the players all seem to have the necessary get up and go.

The oldest player on the team is the ageless Shorthy Brae, who like Jack Benny, is 39 years old. Or is it 38 going on 39? Shorthy has a lot of lacrosse moxie in his head and isn't having too much of a struggle to keep up with the younger players. Keep up? This fellow is one of the team's leading scorers. Not bad for a fellow 38 — going on 39 — just like Jack Benny.

If you have not yet seen a game why not have a look see one of these Thursday nights? You might even become an addict.

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One of Richmond Hill High School's better young athletes ran into a serious injury last week. Roy Finlayson broke his arm very badly in a pre-game warm-up with the Midget Softball Team, the Richmond Hill Vees.

Roy was attempting to hurdle the centre field fence to retrieve a ball when his hand slipped on the fence rail and he fell heavily on his arm, sustaining a compound fracture. He was admitted to Branson Hospital and had to spend a few days there until the swelling subsided enough for the arm to be set.

Last fall Roy filled in as quarterback on the junior football team when Bruce Walker, the regular quarterback, broke his ankle. Roy did a very fine job and was also a standout on the basketball team.

We sincerely hope that Roy heals quickly and will soon be none the worse for wear and tear. It's a rough way to start the summer holidays but by September he should be as good as new. Here's wishing you a speedy recovery, from all your friends, Roy.

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Another district athlete sidelined by ill health is Billy Bowen, Dynes Jewellers pitching ace. Bill contracted pneumonia and to top it off is having a bout with pleurisy as well. A lot of people are pulling for Bill and are hoping for the day when he is fit to toe the rubber again. Don't be too long away, Bill, but in the meantime take good care of yourself and come back when you're fully recovered.

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Cochrane is having a centennial summer this year and over the July 1st holiday weekend, Dynes Jewellers are going up to participate in the two day softball tournament. The junket will take them to Kirkland Lake where the party will stay at Chez Centa, and then drive on to Cochrane, about an hour and a half drive from Kirkland Lake. Safe journey to the team and lots of luck in the tournament.

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The York Central Anglers and Hunters Association held their recent graduation in Hunter Safety Training last Friday night at the Municipal Hall. Those who attended the course received their Safe Hunter Ontario badges and have now qualified to apply for a resident hunting licence.

This year in order to obtain a resident licence it is necessary to have held a licence before or IT IS ABSOLUTELY MANDATORY TO HAVE TAKEN AND PASSED THIS HUNTERS' SAFETY COURSE. When the hunting season opens this year YOU could be refused a licence. Why not play safe and enquire at the police station, in the Municipal Hall, just when and where the next course goes on. Come early and avoid disappointment when it comes round to the hunting season.

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The tennis courts are shaping up nicely as construction is well under way and it shouldn't be too long before the Wimbledon of the North gets into action. In addition to the work on the courts, the baseball field has had new fences added in right field, additional lights added and needed repairs and extensions made to the backstop. Progress may be slow, but it is steady.

## Local Zeros Drop Another Game

Orillia 17 - Zeros 9

The Richmond Hill Zeros seem to be having some difficulty finding their way in the lacrosse as Orillia really poured on the steam to double the score on the local team. The Town and Country sponsored Zeros are coming up with some great efforts early in the game but seem to fade badly toward the end of the third period.

Fleming Grant There were some silver linings in the game however. Don Flem-

ing, a shifty, nifty stick handler broke in twice to score his first two goals of the season. Don is just beginning to come into his own and should make things hot for rival goaltenders before the season is through. Old reliable Shorthy Brae again proved his worth to the club as the old warrior notched two more goals in the game to be one of the leading scorers.

Roy Fox scored twice as he continues to pile up a good scoring record, while Don Currie, Billy Foster and Charles Mashinter picked up a goal apiece. This game proved to be Charlie Mashinter's farewell to the team as he has now retired from active competition.

# DISTRICT SPORT NEWS

## Bradford Wins 7-5

# Snap Wimbridge Winning Streak At Five Games

Bradford Merchants snapped the Wimbridge Cleaners winning streak at five games by dumping the Cleaners 7-5 in Richmond Hill on Tuesday, June 22. It was the first loss in six starts for the Wimbridge aggregation and gave the Merchants a two and two record for the season.

### Roberts In Early Trouble

Norm Roberts, on the mound for the Cleaners was in trouble right from the first inning. Bradford hitters were winding up and getting solid wood on the ball only to have some sensational fielding rob them of certain hits. Roberts walked lead-off batter Bob Folles and sacrifices by Larry Edney and Ted Vanderpol sent Folles to third base. A single by Dave Harvey scored Folles to give Bradford an early lead.

The lead-off man for Bradford in the second inning was pitcher Bob Armstrong. He lined a rising shot over third base only to be robbed of what looked like an extra-base blow, as Ken Roberts made a sensational one-hand grab of the smoking liner to come to brother Norm's rescue.

The second Bradford run came in the third inning. First baseman Colin Jack was hit by a wild pitch and drew a pass to first base. Folles singled to move Jack to third and he came in to score as Vanderpol was safe on an error.

The first Wimbridge Cleaner run was scored in the bottom of the fourth inning. Stan Foster was put on first as a result of being hit by an inside pitch. Tony Hunter clouted a sharp single to advance Foster to third base. Pitcher Norm Roberts hoisted a long one to centre field and Foster was able to centre field and Foster was able to score easily after the catch.

The seventh inning was a free scoring gain for both teams. Steve Varga singled for Bradford and moved to second on a single by Colin Jack. Ted Vanderpol was safe on an error as Varga came in to score as Harvey fled out to centre field. Frank Loney rapped out a single to score Vanderpol as Bradford went ahead 5 to 1.

Wimbridge Rally The bottom half of the seventh inning saw the Wimbridge team come roaring back into contention

as they started in three runs. Jim Gregory started out with a single and was moved to second as Len McLean rapped out a single to match Matt Kinnari's hit for the third successive hit to load the bases with none out. Gregory scored on a sacrifice by Ken Roberts and McLean scored on a single by Bill Degeer. Tony Hunter singled to score Kinnari while Degeer was out trying to reach third base on the single. This ended the inning and the Cleaner rally.

**Bradford Moves Ahead** The eighth inning saw Bradford pile in two more runs as a single by Ted Vasey and a single plus an error to Steve Varga completed the Bradford scoring.

With Vasey on first, Varga drilled a hot grounder into centre field, Wimbridge centre field ace, Tony Hunter moved in on what appeared to be a routine single only to have the ball get behind him as Vasey and Varga scored easily.

The Cleaners notched their last run in the bottom of the ninth inning as Ken Roberts singled. He moved to second on Degeer's sacrifice and came on to score as Stan Foster singled. The side was shortstop to first to end the game Bradford 7 - Wimbridge Cleaners 5.

Pitcher Bob Armstrong allowed 11 hits over the nine inning distance and gave up three walks. Norm Roberts was knocked over nine hits, gave up 3 walks and still lost the game. Errors were the contributing factor as Bradford made one miscue while the Cleaners bobbled three.

Summary	R	H	E
Bradford Merchants	7	9	1
Wimbridge Cleaners	5	11	3

Winning Pitcher: Bob Armstrong.  
Losing Pitcher: Norm Roberts.  
Plate Umpire: Ron Bailey.  
Base Umpire: Bill Pollard.

## Vees Lose Early Lead North York Lions 7-2

North York Lions, the team experts figure to take all the marbles in the Willowdale Softball League Midget Division, showed part of the reason why last Wednesday night as they extended their season record to three wins and a tie in four games by whipping the Richmond Hill Vees 13-9.

Trailing 7-2 after three innings to the Vees the Lions scored three in the fourth, five in the fifth and three in the eighth to win. Despite the early lead by Richmond Hill there was very little doubt in any of the fans' minds that the Lions would sooner or later outscore the Vees.

Richmond Hill lost this game on costly errors but their inability to score runners once they are on bases seems to be a very weak point of the club. The loss was the third in a row for the Vees.

In the fourth inning, Dave Grant, the Vees' starter began to tire and after he loaded the bases on a pair of singles and a walk, Camself, the Lions' catcher lifted what should have been the third out of the inning, into right field but Bishop let the ball drop in front of him for a three base error after he booted it around.

In the top of the fifth inning, Patfield led off with another home run over the left field fence to make it 8-5 for the Vees. That run only seemed to make the Lions more hungry as they blew the game wide open with five runs in their half of the fifth. Trotter singled, Kress walked and Foster got a life on an error by

Howlett, the Vees' new third baseman, Corless then doubled all the runners home to tie the game at 8-8. Camself tripled and scored on a sacrifice to make it 10-8 and give the Lions a lead they never relinquished. They added three runs in the bottom of the eighth on an error by Patfield, two walks and a pair of singles.

The Vees loaded the bases in the top of the ninth with none out, but managed to get only one run out of it to end the game for the night.

**Grant Notes** Grant had to go the distance despite the fact he tired badly in the fifth inning, there were no other pitchers on hand! - - - Vees had the Lions' hurler on the ropes time and again but failed to get a clutch hit - - - Patfield's pair of home runs were his second and third of the year and all have been against the North York Lions - - - the game was played at Northview Heights Collegiate and it was reported that the Vees' injured hurler, Roy Finlayson, watched the game via field-glasses, from his room at the Branson Hospital - - - a small riot developed after the game between Jr. Richardson and Ken Camself of the Lions - - - both players got a couple of good "haysmakers" in - before they were separated - - -

NORTH YORK MIDGET LEAGUE STANDINGS				
	P	W	L	7 Pt
North York Lions	4	3	0	17
North York Op.	4	1	2	13
Richmond Hill	4	1	3	0
North York Kins.	4	0	4	0

## District Athletes Winners Track Meet

The Eastern Canadian Track Championship were held at Civic Stadium in Hamilton last Saturday. According to reports the track itself was in excellent condition but despite the sunny weather temperatures remained on the low side. Competitors were forced to run into a stiff head wind which slowed times down considerably.

**Marian Munroe** Marian Munroe won the 80 metre hurdles in a very fine race that extended the local loss to the limit. Marian did not fare as well in the 220 yard event as she picked up a fourth place finish.

**Cliff Nuttall** Cliff Nuttall of Thornhill won his hurdle heat but was forced to retire from the meet to get

treatment for a foot injury. Cliff has contracted a case of blood poisoning in one foot that is giving him a little trouble.

**Bob Patterson** Thornhill's Bob Patterson breezed home with a win in the 100 metre event with a fine time of 11.1 seconds. Running into a head wind as he was the time represents a very fine effort.

**John Passmore** John Passmore of Richmond Hill did not fare too well in the meet as John is still suffering from a leg injury suffered early in May. John pulled a leg muscle very badly in his lead leg over the hurdles and while the leg is hampered his normal running it hampers his performance to no small extent in the hurdles events.

## Franklin's Defeat Dynes Close 5-4

Franklin's Men's Wear won their first game of the North York League season on Tuesday June 22, as they downed Dynes Jewellers 5-4 at Lions Park. The Franklin team have appeared to have a winning potential from the start of the year and were just not to be denied.

The Jewellers got off to a snappy start in the first inning as Jack Dunn pounded out his first home run of the year from Brian Gillespie on the track. From the point on the Franklin team seemed to forge steadily ahead while Jeweller errors helped their opponents' cause considerably.

Jack "The Garbage Man" Castucci was on the mound for Dynes and pitched a sound game. Ron Cox, the winning pitcher for Franklins, got tremendous support defensively from his team mates as they stifled Jeweller bids for hits.

## Norm Stunden Comes Close To No Hitter

Norm Stunden outfoxed Wimbridge hopefuls as he handcuffed all attempts at the plate. The only hit was a weak one off the bat of Wimbridge Cleaners' Ken Roberts to mar what might well have been the first no-hitter of the season.

The Aurora Club handed Wimbridge their second loss in as many starts as the York-Simcoe League was tightening up. Teams that seemed weak the first time around are now coming into their own and from here on in the league should prove to be very interesting.

## Minor League Softball Results

Minor softball seems to be in a mild state of muddle at this moment so that results of games are not too clear cut. One thing that would be of tremendous value would be for coaches to put down their players names carefully in the score books, taking pains to spell the names correctly and to see that first names are also used. Playing positions would also be of great value. Of the games played during the week of June 20th to 24th only three results are available.

**Senators 7** Al Patterson pitched a fine game for the Yankees and got support from Clay Chapman who hit safely three times. Chris Coughlin pitched well for the

Senators and played a good game of ball.

**Indians 27** Bob Poleselo, Ken Crook, Jim Dent and Martin Loftus were four good reasons why the Indians swamped the hapless Tigers. The Indian team hit well and their fielding was strong while their opponents seemed weak in all departments.

**Red Wings 35** Jim Barth was the young man who wielded the big bat for the red hot Red Wings. Jim poked out three good hits to contribute to the one-sided win. Pitcher Mark Dobbs picked up 3 hits for the losing Leaf organization.

## Richmond Hill Has Four Golf Pros

Golfing and statistics go hand in hand and to these sportsmen it will be of interest to know that Richmond Hill's four golf professionals are each 44 years of age on the average, have each been pros for 21 years and have each averaged two and one-half holes-in-one. These averages were arrived at by totalling the four pros' ages, their number of years in the profession, and the holes-in-one and dividing each total by four.

Included in the Richmond Hill pro roster, along with George Clifton, 43, of 50 Harding Blvd., are Bob Lamb of 309 Skopit Road, his assistant Mr. Howard Kelly of 52 Benson Avenue and Frank Mann, 122 Palmer Avenue.

### Golfing Family

Bob Lamb, born in Scotland where he got into the golf game at the age of eight as a caddy, came to Canada in 1929 and until 1939 was assistant pro at Toronto's Uplands Golf. Bob has the distinction of coming from a golfing family. The pro at Uplands was his brother William. Now 58, William is winding up his 27th season as pro at the Lambton Golf Club, also in Toronto. Another brother, Charles, now retired, completed a long and distinguished pro career in Kentucky.

To get back to Bob, following a five-year stint in the army he was pro at the Waterloo Golf Club. Galt two seasons before going to the Summit Golf Club. He is now competing his 13th season there. He is married to the former Lorraine Orvis of Shelbourne, Ontario and the father of three children, 12-year-old Beth, seven-year-old Mary, and a son, Wib, five.

Bob's assistant, Howard Kelly, although only 20 now, has already spent four years as assistant pro. He started out at the Lakeview Golf Club, Toronto and three years ago joined Bob Lamb. Howard is married to the former Elsie Bakowky of Toronto and is not unmindful of the fact that his ten-week-old son might be just the right kind of material that could follow in his father's footsteps.

Bob Lamb, by the by, has chalked up four holes-in-one. Two were achieved at Uplands, one at the Summit Golf Club and one on the Waterloo greens.

**Comes From Ottawa** Frank Mann, 45, completing his first season at the Thornhill Ladies Golf Club is into his 26th season as a pro. He and his family came to the Hill last January from Ottawa where he spent two years at the McKeller Golf Club. Prior to that he wracked up 21 years at the Tecumseh Golf Club, also in the Ottawa area. He started out as a pro at the now defunct Willowdale Golf Club. The present Aquin Hotel in Willowdale is the site of the old clubhouse.

Frank got a hole-in-one at the Tecumseh Golf Club and another at the McKeller Golf Club. Of particular interest to track men and football fans is the fact that his son Tom, now 21, and assistant pro at Jasper, Alberta, was an outstanding runner and pigskin man. Two years ago Tom copped the Eastern Canadian College championship in the 100-yard and the 220-yard events. The year before that the brawny youngster finished second to the great Russ Jackson of McMaster University in the scoring race in Intermediate Intercollegiate Football Union. This year he started out as assistant golf pro under his father at the Thornhill Ladies Golf Club before leaving for the west and will be coming back

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