

# DISTRICT SPORT NEWS

## HIGH SCHOOL SPORT NEWS

**Thornhill High**  
Thornhill High has never, by the wildest stretch of the imagination, been a contender for gymnastic honours. All this could suddenly change due to a terrific interest in gymnastics displayed by the student body in recent days.

It all began when a four man team from Thornhill took part in an open gymnastic meet at Woodbridge. The team gained valuable experience but managed to finish as lowest team. Whether or not the defeat rankled in the breasts of Thornhill students is not known. What is known, however, is the fact that the gym and gym apparatus has never

been busier. Each night, as soon as school is over, some 100 to 150 students, both boys and girls wend their many ways to the gym and work out for about two hours on every conceivable type of gym apparatus. So let everyone beware. Thornhill seems to be making an ultra strong bid for gymnastic prowess. The future contenders are going about things in a manner that could spell success for the school in a new field of athletic endeavour.

**Bayview High**  
Bayview High hosted the G.B.S.S.A. gymnastic meet last Saturday and was visited by teams from Richmond Hill, Markham,

Woodbridge and Newmarket. Unfortunately for the Markham Team their entry was not received in time for the meet and although they took part in the events they were not eligible for team standings or individual placements.

Richmond Hill dominated the meet and made a clean sweep of the grade championship. Individual performances were marked on a basis of 40 pts. equalling a perfect score and results were:

Grade 9 championship went to Jack Cringan, Richmond Hill, 26 pts.; Grade 10 championship to Brian Clough 27.5 pts. Grade 11 championship, Bob Owen 31; and Grade 12 to John Clement 30.5 pts., all of Richmond Hill.

Richmond Hill captured team honours with an aggregate total of 222.5 points, with Woodbridge second with 207.8 points. In third place was the Newmarket Team with 98.7 points. Markham actually scored 179.8 points but were not eligible to be ranked in the standings.

In senior intramural volleyball the Red and Green teams are tied with one round yet to play. Grade 9 and 10 volleyball will get under way this week.

**Richmond Hill**  
The big news from Richmond Hill this week was the clean sweep they made of the team and individual championships in the G.B.S.S.A. grade gymnastic meet. Congratulations are in order for coach Jim Harrison and to champions John Cringan, Brian Clough, Bob Owen and John Clement. They gave a superlative performance.

The students at Richmond Hill High School are arranging their own intramural floor hockey tournament. They schedule, convene and referee the games. The old adage that he who helps himself receives help in return was never more true. A teenager (I'm told this is a nasty word) is a very responsible person indeed when given real responsibility with intelligent guidance.

## Parks Board Member Stan Ransom Is Third Generation To Barber

They say if you look hard enough you'll find that as a general rule you don't have to look very hard or very long. Stan Ransom, 'The Hill's' genial barber, holds to the general rule, but because familiarity breeds forgetfulness of facts where one's neighbour is concerned, it might not be generally realized that Stan is a third-generation barber, that the business was established 75 years ago by grandfather Moses Ransom, to be followed by Stan Senior and now Stan Junior. Stan Junior has been clipping hair for the past 12 years. Nor is it generally known that counting extra barbers employed over the years, the Ransoms have operated a barbering centre for 95 years in terms of barber-time, and finally, in this clipper-and-scissor period approximately 300,000 have been shorn of their locks and trimmed. This isn't counting the thousands of faces that have been shaved. Without wishing to be facetious, it may well be said that the Ransoms have had a hairy old time of things since 1886.

Grandfather Moses barbered for 42 years, Stan's father for some 30 years and Stan, as already mentioned, started his tonsorial career 12 years ago.

**Sports**  
In sports circles, Stan is well known, particularly in softball circles. A third baseman, he was with the Richmond Hill Dynes Jeweller Team which copped the Central Ontario Senior Championship in 1958 and North York

Senior Championship last year. Stan is also interested in hockey and lacrosse but emphasis has been on softball. He recently added to his indoor sports interest, he said, by taking chess.

**Parks Member**  
This type of background can be expected to have some bearing on his new phase of community effort in his capacity as a member of the newly organized Town Parks Board.



STAN RANSOM  
Local Sports Star

Generally speaking the Hill's park situation isn't good," he told 'The Liberal'. "We have one area (the town park) capable of accommodating any sport including baseball if the players can be trained not to bat too hard. Otherwise it is too small for that game." He is interested in the town-owned land on Crosby Ave. a five-acre parcel which, pending levelling and sodding operations could provide all-sports facilities. He said: "We have to remember that soccer, handball, softball and football, and rugger this year, present problems. In order to work out a suitable schedule for our various sports we're going to need new and larger recreational grounds."

He feels that the board should have some say in regulating vehicle speeds in and near parks. He is lead to this belief personally witnessing an overall disregard of safe speeds by drivers who motor in, to and around the town park. As to spending money on parks, he assumes that the board, which meets once a month, will work out budget requirements and present them to town council. At the moment council is opposed to a by-law setting up operations of the new parks board which would give the board power to make by-laws, and objects as well to voting one mill of the tax rate to the parks guardians. But Stan is nothing if not philosophic and feels things will work out. The growing pressure of sports needs alone, he says, will make itself felt.

**Double Wedding**  
Another interesting feature about this handsome young Ransom is the fact that Stan married Betty Maltby of Richmond Hill and Betty's brother Harold married Stan's sister Helen. Yes, it was a double wedding. Stan's other sister, another Betty, is now Mrs. William Moore of Youngstown, Ohio. Stan and his wife are the parents of four children, Sharon, 7, Danny, 5, Billy 3 and Betty Jr. 1.

Serving with Stan on the new Parks Board are Russell Tilt, Bill Ruttle, Norman Brown and Alan Smyth. Councillor Al White and Deputy-reeve John Bradstock represent the town.

Grandfather Moses incidentally came from King Township while on Stan's great-grandmother's side the Ransoms lay claim to good Pennsylvania Dutch blood.

Anyone who wants a haircut or wishes to lodge a beef or constructive criticism relative to the park situation, or anyone interested in sports, or those preferring to discuss the finer points of chess, could do much worse than drop in for a chat with and a clip from Stan Ransom.



## BOWLING NOTES

**Richmond 10-Pin Mixed League**  
Turner Taxi has jumped into first spot as the Hackies now have 9 1/2 points. Marple Real Estate and Bunston Carpentry have a little duel going with each team claiming 7 points. Richmond Hill Hardware are clawing away at the leaders with 6 1/2 pts., Pirri's Fruit Market, Richmond Theatre and Sterling Packers are tied with 5 point counts. Rose Gardens have chalked up only 3 pts.

High single game went to Mel Bunston of Pirri's with a fat 210. Gary Champ of Sterling Packers rolled high three with 536 (202). Ed Patterson of Turner Taxi had a 520 (202). Walter Bettridge of the Taximen had a 505 (200).

For the ladies it was Liz McCullough of Marples with a three of 442. Sandy Richards of the Hardware team, racked up a 429 while Marlon Blanchard of Turner Taxi tossed a 170 to take high single honours.

present time amounts to \$21.00.

**Eastiders**  
Bill Jones was high man on the totem pole as he rolled a 772 and had 331 and 284 singles in the process. Don Howson 676 (258), Jeanne Forrester 643 (267), Jeanne Richardson 626, Jack Harcourt 624 (253), Ron Ribbons 628, Tom Madill 615 (251), Lillian Mayor 613 and Bob Steven 608 (265) were other high scorers.

**Thursday Afternoon League**  
Gertrude Bradley 615 (254) and Muriel Steven 615 were tied for high three honours. Jean Smith rolled a 607 with a high single of 238. High single games were rolled by Madeline Nichols 232, Gerry Stewart 232, Sonia Graeden 224, Ida Madill 223 and Pat Mercer 222. Winner of the cup and saucer award for her high triple of the previous week was Jean Smith.

**A.B.C. Major**  
Tim Saul grabbed off high honours and was acclaimed King of the Week with his high three of 870. Members of the Court were Bill Martin 762, Henry Natale 760, Bill Bowen 737, Arne Skretberg 723 and Harold "Windy" Howlett 722.

Bimbo Paolone continues to hold high average honours as he trundles along at a 242 clip. Arne Skretberg is averaging 236 pins per game while Tim Saul and Henry Knuckey are pacing each other at the 234 level. Norm Thomas is bowling along at 228 and Bill Jackson is close on his heels with 227.

**Allencourt Major**  
Hughes Shell Service are leading the third series with 32 points while A.B.C. No. 3 are at 28 pts. Dynes Jewellers have notched 27 pts., Richmond Hill Auto Wreckers 24 pts., Dan's Esso Service 22, Hall's Fuel Oil 20, Allencourt Lanes 18, Seeburgs 17, Mills 11, and Allencourt Pharmacy 10 pts.

High average honours are held by Jack McAuley with 236 pins while second honours belong to Stan Shadoff with a 229 average.

High three scores were Stan Shadoff 811, Les Smith 779, Roy Russell 778, Jack McAuley 776, Bill Jones 768, Jack Shadoff 749, Al Richardson 733, John Allen 706 and D. Bartlett 701.

**All Star Bowling**  
Champion of the current crop in the Allencourt All Star Men's Bowling, Vic Bernard put his title on the line last Sunday afternoon. Winner of the qualifying round was Jack Stanway. Jack strung together a 348 game, a 337 and a 225 to finish with a very fancy 910 for the three games.

Due to previous commitments on the part of challenger Vic Bernard, the five game duel did not get under way until 6 p.m. Ex-champion Jack Stanway resumed wearing the champion's mantle as he outrolled Vic Bernard 1222 to 1210 for the series.

During the preliminary game Jack Stanway seemed to be in for one of those "hot" days and the tournament results bore him out. It will be interesting to see if Mr. Stanway can retain his title as some very prominent names in the bowling world are rolling in the qualifying rounds these days.

**60 Ball Tournament**  
The 60 Ball Tournament is really catching on at A.B.C. Bowl as some 51 hopefuls told the rubber on Saturday afternoon. Top spot went to Pete Pacitto with 858, second place Arni Gagliolone and Norm Heintzman third at 823. A new feature of the tournament is the six strike jackpot which goes to anyone stringing six hits in a row. The pot at the

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## David Long Extols Mighty Maple Leafs In Verse

From now until the end of the regular N.H.L. hockey games there's going to be a lot of praying, nail biting, moans and groans and every other form of hope-anxiety which is the usual form of spectator exercise for the millions who follow hockey. Twelve-year-old David Long, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Long of 156 Church St. S., Richmond Hill, has given voice to his admiration for the Maple Leafs in a 14-stanza poem. Accompanied by friend Steve Brown, also 12, and like him a Grade 6 student at St. McConaghy Public School, he delivered the poem to "The Liberal". He assumed, correctly, that this bit of immortality was the just due of his favourite team. If the Leafs justify even half the admiration expressed by this work there is no question about them topping the mighty Caandians for the Stanley Cup.

**HURRAY FOR THE LEAFS**  
By David Long

Number One is Bowers,  
The goalie for the Leafs,  
There is also Maniogo  
Who might be in for keeps.

Number Four is Kelly,  
Who sets up Mahovovich a lot;  
Number Seven is Horton,  
Who a lot of goals has got.

Duff, who is about the smallest,  
Is not very rough,  
But Armstrong who is about the tallest,  
Of injuries has had enough.

Number 11 is Nevin,  
The first rookie on my list,  
He is out with Mahovovich  
Who is leading all the rest.

## Bob Goldham To Be Guest At Friday Night Hockey Games

Bob Goldham - ex leaf and Detroit Red Wing defense ace will be the guest of honour at a special hockey night at Richmond Hill Arena to be held Friday evening March 17. Goldham is well remembered for his ability to smother shots from opposing forwards, and when he was patrolling on right defense it was as if Detroit had two goalkeepers on the ice at the same time.

The squirt age types open the program at 7:00 p.m. as the Putters go against a team from Keelsdale. Two mite games follow from 8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. and if you've ever seen anything cuter than these tads in action

## Former N.H.L. Star Roy Conacher To Referee Game On March 29

Roy Conacher, former famous (Robbins' Rangers) or C.J.R.H. (Happy Assassins). There is no admission. Both squads are reported in conscientious training for the noble event. Members of the Rangers have been noticed briskly limbering their leg muscles while hurrying out for coffee while the Assassins lineup have cut down on cigars by reducing their nicotine intake two fags per day. Local would-be spectator interest is rising. Five and ten cents bets, it is said, are being made with reckless abandon. No odds are being given either way.

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Carl E. Hill, M.D., M.O.H.

## Orange Home Six Enjoy Chance At Hockey Game

Glen Phillips, chairman of the Orange Home Committee of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, and Gary Blackburn, a fellow who really likes kids, arranged a hockey game for the boys of the Orange Home. The game was played against the Bisons, coached by Gord Pipher, and the Arena was fairly jumping with enthusiasm.

The Orange Home Team was piloted by Glen "Punch" Phillips and he did a more than creditable job with his young team. The Bisons, a more inexperienced team were hard pressed to win the game by a 2-1 score.

Richard de Graft, in goal for the Home was fabulous as he made save after save. According to Gary Blackburn the boys were so enthusiastic about this game that Richard was forced into practicing at every available opportunity. Ron Keslick scored the tally for the Orange Home Team as Bob Corbett and Steve Brown fired the Bison goals.

The game was controlled by Gary Blackburn "the honest arbiter" as he was making like Eddie Powers throughout the piece. Always knew there was real ham in Gary somewhere.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wright of 30 Harding Boulevard treated the Home team to sandwiches and soft drinks after the game. The venture was such a great success that it is hoped that other teams will make arrangements to play the Orange Home Team.

Messrs. Phillips and Blackburn, are to be heartily congratulated for their work and interest with these children. Children who have far less privileges than you or mine.

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