



SPORT SPOTS

BY RON CRAINE

The shrill scream of rubber tortured beyond belief, the snarl of motors as drivers frantically try to avoid the inevitable crash...

And then the word is passed along, both drivers unhurt although it is necessary to pull the two vehicles apart by using tow trucks.

That the drivers are hale and fit after the collision is not as happenstance as it may at first appear.

Each and every car is equipped with a safety belt that holds the driver firmly in place.

The results speak for themselves. A pile-up like this would normally strew the pavement with passengers as doors flew open and unseated bodies obeyed the laws of motion...

After seeing what seat belts can do to protect a human body when violent crashes occur, it's a wonder that the motoring public does not scream and clamour for belts to be standard manufacturers' equipment.

Stock racing cars have come a long, long way from the early days. Any resemblance between these bombs and the family hack begins and stops with the fact that each has four wheels.

When a stock jockey puts down his foot, tires yell a protest and the reworked chariot virtually goes into orbit.

Tires don't even look like tires anymore. Everyone is using racing slicks and the tires on the family sedan wouldn't take the punishment for two laps.

With all these modern improvements, stock cars are turning in faster and faster performances and driver skills are increasing right along with improved car performances.

Today's drivers are professional drivers in the true sense of the word. To the uninitiated it may appear that these drivers are reckless and foolhardy but the opposite is true.

Yes, stock car races are noisy and there is a burnt oil and burnt rubber smell in the air.

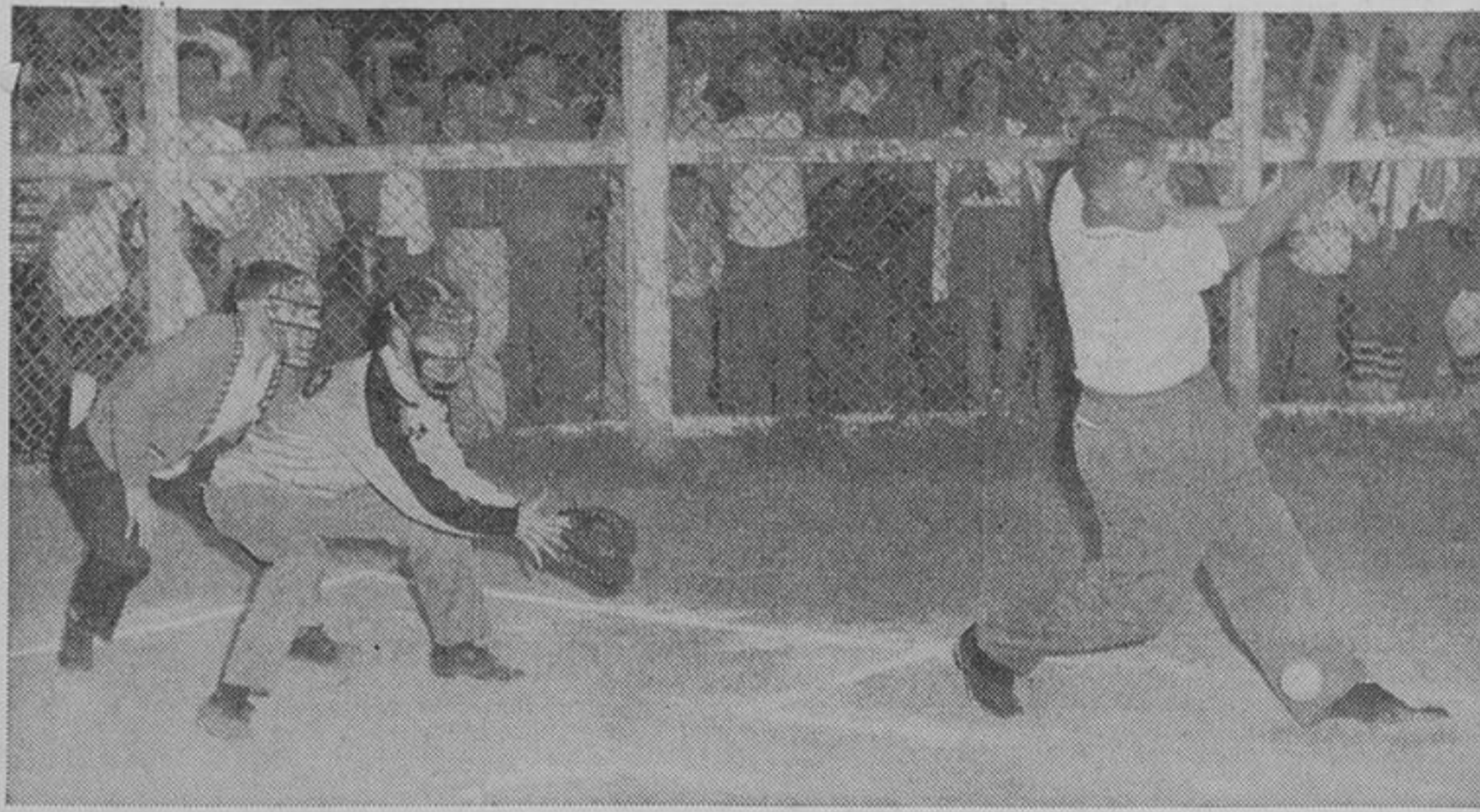
Sterling Moss, the greatest race driver in the world today, said recently that the threat of death is what makes motor racing worthwhile for a driver.

If you enjoy motor racing with a touch of adventure in it, why not go out to Pinecrest some evening and see what they have to offer?

Several Richmond Hill men are driving at Pinecrest and many business enterprises in and around Richmond Hill are sponsoring cars.

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Maybe He Should Have Kicked It!



If you look closely, you'll see that the white spot at the ankle of wild-swinging "Big Stuke" is a softball. The former Argonaut star, Annis Stukis, a place-kicking specialist, must have left his keen eye at home last week when he was a member of the CFTO team which played a CJRH team in the town park as part of the successful Sports Parade event.

Richmond Hill Track & Field Meet

Walter Scott Public School Win Police Championship Award For Second Year

- A powerful track and field team from Walter Scott Public School won the Richmond Hill Police Championship Award for the second straight year on Monday, June 26th. The occasion was the Richmond Hill Track and Field Meet, with representation from all public schools in town.

Good Weather - Good Crowds - Good Displays Quality Doubtful, Enthusiasm High As Softball Winds Up Sports Parade

By RON CRAINE The weather man gave his blessing and the fourth annual Sports Day Parade was held last Wednesday evening. The parade, postponed for one week due to inclement weather, lost nothing by the delay and was enjoyed by large numbers of Richmond Hill citizens.

Second prize was won by the Richmond Heights Merchants Association for a float decorated in green and white and carrying members of the Richmond Heights Merchants Ladies Softball team.

Many people lined Yonge St. as the parade came down the route, led by the Leaside Lions Marching Band. This colourful aggregation of young bandmen set the keynote for the rest of the parade and were met with enthusiastic applause the whole length of the route.

Richmond Hill Majorettes preceded the Richmond Hill Police Band as the band made its first public appearance. In their smart uniforms and with their shako-type hats, the Police Band will prove to be a very valuable asset to any function in the district.

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As the parade entered the town park, floats were drawn up onto the main softball diamonds to give people in the park a stand a view of the entire parade.

Lloyd "Mickey" Smith, president of the Richmond Hill Ball Association, was introduced by Jack Seaton. Mr. Smith welcomed everyone to the celebration and explained that monies realized from the event would all go to support minor ball in the Town of Richmond Hill.

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Richmond Heights Girls Defeat E. York Kiwanis By Twelve To Nine Tally

To cap softball activity on Sports Parade Day, the Richmond Heights Ladies defeated East York Kiwanis, 12-9, in the nightcap feature. Largest crowd of the season was on hand to watch the local lasses win in the East York Ladies Softball League fixture.

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Featured game of the evening was a softball game between the "Really Happy Assassins" of C.J.R.H. and the CFTO Nine. As a softball game in itself, it was not the best ever seen, but players of both teams are to be heartily thanked for their co-operation.

Charlie Burns was to have umpired the game along with Maxie Schiff. Neither gentleman was able to be present, and in their absence, Bunny Morganson stepped into the breach as base umpire. Phil Hammond, a local boy who was playing minor ball only two years ago, went in to umpire behind the plate.

In the first inning of the game the CJRH crew took a one-run lead as Stew Coxford came in to score on a double hit by Howard Bennett. CFTO racked up four runs in the third inning as Don Davis, Annis Stukis, Johnny Esaw and John Spalding came pounding across the plate.

CJRH came back to score three more runs in the bottom of the third inning and both teams were blanked in the fourth as the game ended in a four-to-four tie. A coin was tossed to see who won the priceless trophy and Stew Coxford outcalled Johnny Esaw to win for CJRH.

Presentations of the trophy was made to Mr. Coxford by Harold Van Dyke. A popular feature with the large crowd in attendance was the exhibition of cheer-leading by the groups from Thornhill, Richmond Hill and Bayview High Schools.

Richmond Hill had three girls on hand, Thornhill had 3 and Bayview 4. The girls showed just how they cheer their school teams on to victory, and how so few pretty girls can generate so much noise and enthusiasm is past all understanding.

The evening drew to a close with lucky number tickets being drawn for some fine prizes. First prize is an original landscape painted by Mr. John Allen of the

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