

DISTRICT SPORT NEWS



SPORT SPOTS

BY RON CRAINE

Slice it thick or slice it thin — you've got to admit that, as a rule, people are nicer than almost anybody. This fact was brought home forcibly to a Richmond Hill group just one week ago.

Eleanor McLeod, skating professional of the Richmond Hill Figure Skating Club, has planned a large production number for the upcoming skating carnival. The number has a Robin Hood theme and both choreography and costumes are well past the planning stage. Everything seemed to be progressing smoothly until a big obstacle loomed on the horizon.

No matter where Miss McLeod and other interested parties tried, a record of the Robin Hood theme was just not available. Every music store in this and the Metro area was polled. The result always came out the same. No go.

Radio stations were phoned and record libraries were checked. Still no go. Choreography and costumes seemed to be in for a drastic change. In desperation, several radio stations were contacted and an appeal made to listeners to see if a recording could be located. Still no luck!

A week ago Saturday CFGM put out an appeal for the record. Within a few minutes a lady living in East Toronto contacted the local radio station to say that she had a perfectly good Robin Hood recording.

A safari was made to the home of Mrs. Cahill at Danforth Rd. and Birchmount Ave. and a mint condition record was donated. Now the skating club carnival plans are firmly jelled and all concerned are breathing a whole lot easier.

Like all stories there has to be a kicker and this one is no exception. Mrs. Cahill was listening to CFGM, heard the appeal but missed one thing, the telephone number to call. Being a resourceful soul she called the number of a radio station she did know, CHUM.

Yep! You guessed it! She asked them for the number to call to reach CFGM. The number was given, albeit a little reluctantly, and all was serene. Both radio stations deserve a big thank you, CFGM for broadcasting the appeal and CHUM for knowing and giving out the phone number of a rival station. All of which seems to prove that people are pretty darn nice!

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A show with a very simple format was produced on Wednesday of last week at Richmond Hill Arena. Despite the modest, unassuming program, a crowd of 700 people were entertained in high style for two hours of fast paced fun. The occasion was a hockey benefit night staged to raise funds for the Richmond Hill March of Dimes. If you missed it then you missed the best night at the arena in a long, long time. If you saw the show then you'll know what we mean.

First on the agenda was an action-packed game with the nurses from Branson Hospital pitted against the lady teachers of the Richmond Hill school system. The nurses proved to be as adept at stick handling as they are at handling swabs, and walloped the teachers four to nil, as they say in Blackpool.

Amid shouts of girlish (ghoulis???) glee the nurses proceeded to dissect the defensive strategy employed by the fair pedagogues of Richmond Hill. Time after time they lanced in on the hapless teacher goal and only careless shot-making stopped the score from mounting higher.

The distaff hockey game was far from a powder puff affair. When bodies collided with the boards you'd only to shut your eyes and it sounded like Shack hitting Howe or Fontinato hitting Howe — or vice versa. In other words the ladies put on a show that packed a lot of crowd appeal. But honestly now, do you think the N.H.L. clubs will ever switch over to figure skates?

Those arch rivals, Bayview and Richmond Hill High Schools followed the ladies with a broom ball game. Broom ball can be a hilariously funny game at any time but, combine it with the most outlandish garb ever worn by mortal man, and you've got a three-ring circus.

Old hats, old skirts, sweaters and (pardon the blush) old girdles — or is it foundation garments? — were the order of the night. Attics, basements and very old and ancient trunks must have been well raided to supply the costumes.

Bayview finally won the contest?? by a 2-1 count as Tex Patfield dropped in a looper from the right side that baffled everyone. As they left the ice the kids were roundly cheered for the show — and Shipstad and Johnson never provided a better one!

Final game of the night saw Branson Hospital doctors go against the gendarmerie of Richmond Hill. The doctors won by a 6-3 score without either Drs. Kildare or Casey being able to take part.

These doctors are a cagey lot and seemed to toy with the local law. Wayne Jackson, goalkeeper for the Richmond Hill juvenile team was pressed into service in the police net. He had enough rubber thrown at him to provide a set of snow tires for every car in the neighbourhood. A doctor later diagnosed his condition as shell shock!

Police Chief Robert Robbins did a Goldham act on defence — stopped five shots and has all the bruises to prove it. Ted McBrien of the local constabulary stopped a shot with his forearm in the opening minutes of the game and was forced to retire. Just like Gilbert said to Sullivan (Ed Sullivan??) "A policeman's lot is not a happy one."

Despite the cold night, the crowd was pleased and enthusiastic with the fast-moving show. A very, very worthy cause received a boost and a lot of people went home with happy grins.

Nurses, teachers, high school students, doctors and policemen deserve a big vote of thanks for their efforts on behalf of the March of Dimes. It's a worthy cause and these good people were very worthy of representing the cause. The night also proved that a fast paced show with sincere performers doesn't have to be an elaborate thing. This is one show that would only have suffered if anyone had tried to improve it in any way. Here's hoping that there'll be more of them to come.

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS NEWS

Thornhill
All three Thornhill boys' basketball teams were in action against Richmond Hill last week. To the chagrin of the Hill teams, Thornhill won all three games.

Dale Crouter led Thornhill Middlets to a 35-10 win and Thornhill Juniors won by a 60-49 count. Roger Brain hooped 20 points in the junior cause, Paul Rivers 19 and Jim Kellam 15.

Barry Andrews was the top man in the senior contest as he scored 22 points. Bob Howes was almost completely handcuffed in this game and was finally forced to bow out via the personal foul route.

Bayview
Bayview's Senior Basketball Team did not see action last week as Stouffville cancelled out of a scheduled league game.

The junior team played their best game of the season against Bradford as they downed the Celery Kings 60-22. Bruce Morton notched 19 points to be the leading scorer and Jim Bradley hit for 17 points.

Saturday morning basketball action saw the Globetrotters win two from the Celtics by scores of 16-9 and 12-7.

On the intramural scene the junior basketball championship went to grade 10C and D's green team as they defeated grade 9E and F 16-12. In senior volleyball competition the red team is enjoying a slim lead.

Still with intramural sports the girls' junior basketball series saw black defeat green 5-3 while in the senior section green turned the tables defeating black 12-6.

Intramural gymnastics com-

petitions for the girls get started on February 26th.

Richmond Hill
All was not completely black and bleak on the boys' basketball front last week. Despite the junior, senior and mid-level losses to Thornhill, each team redeemed some measure of honour by defeating teams from Aurora.

Richmond Hill Middlets downed Aurora 24-10, the juniors defeated Aurora 32-30 after leading 24-8 at the half, while the seniors, led by Bill Turner, won 72-44. So it isn't all bad.

The girls' senior and junior basketball teams were in action against Thornhill last week. Thornhill Junior defeated the Hill Juniors 24-20 at Thornhill and then were defeated 26-23 at Richmond Hill. Richmond Hill Seniors won both games 52-6 and 28-5.

Don't forget the Phys. Ed. Follies tomorrow night at Richmond Hill. Admission is 50c with tickets available at the door. This is real family type entertainment so bring the kids along for a real treat.

The senior girls basketball team have been continuing their fabulous playing. They have not lost a game yet. On January 23 they defeated Agincourt 28-16. On January 25th they defeated Aurora 30-9. Then again on February 1st they defeated Brampton 37-25, followed on February 6th the defeat of Thornhill 50-6. Then again on February 8th they defeated Thornhill again 21-5. The juniors, not quite keeping up to a perfect record, tied the game with Agincourt 29 all and eked out a 20-18 win against Thornhill.

MINOR HOCKEY RESULTS

BY BOB ROSS JR.

SQUIRT LEAGUE
Teepees (Macdougall Motors) 2 Royals (Gormley Sand & Gravel) 1

Again this week the squirt league scores are low and close, which I think makes for good hockey. John Ranier and Chris Campbell with an assist from Brian Gilpin scored for the Teepees. Brian Tierney assist by Bruno Steiger scored the lone goal for the Royals. Squirt league goal tending was good this week.

Tiger Cubs (Wilson-Niblett Motors) 2 Biltmores 1
This game made history in the squirt league when Goalie Paul Lorion stopped a penalty shot. This was the first time a penalty shot had been called in this league. Rod Waters and Stacey Richards scored the lone goal for the Cubs with assists by Brad Edwards. Biltmores lone goal was by Steve Brown. Pat Madaleno played a fine game.

Mariboros (Consumers' Gas) 2 Jr. Canadiens (Sunnybrook Club) 1
The Habs were good this game but just didn't make it. Henry Gibson and Hal Murphy scored for the Marlies with Allan Lewis assisted by John Bromley doing the honors for the Habs.

Flyers (Victoria Lodge) 2 Petes 1
Excellent goal tending in this game. Rick Montgomery scored both goals for the Flyers with an assist from Jim Turner. Petes played well with Harry Bryan getting their lone tally.

PEE WEE LEAGUE
Americans (Street Const.) 4 Red Wings (Jas. MacKay & Sons) 1
Clarence Dukeshire scored two goals with Barry Clattenburg and Roy McBrien getting singles. Gerald Frisque broke a shutout by scoring Reds lone goal.

Bears 2 St. Mikes (Young's Service Station) 1
John Peck for St. Mikes played well scoring St. Mikes' lone goal. Jim Hemphill and Earl Smith tallied for Bears with assists from Steve Mackenzie and Bill Wright.

Bisons (Deciantis & Rice) 3 Aces (Mills Roses) 0
Ian Oliver played well, getting two assists. Mike Turner scored two goals and John Cottrell one for the winning Bisons. Steve Brown had another shutout.

St. Mikes (Young's Service Station) 6 Barons (Loren Gordon) 3
Dennis Tomcheski for Barons got a hat trick, good work Dennis. St. Mikes goals were Barney Corliss two goals, Wilson Ross two goals, and a single each for Bob Cowan and John Mashinter.

Maple Leafs (Halliday Fuels) 7 Maroons 1
Maroons' Steven Black assisted by Alan More broke a real shutout with Leafs, scoring seven goals. A hat trick each for

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Blueliners Drop Uxbridge By 7-4

Ted Terry's midget Blueliners journeyed to Uxbridge last Saturday afternoon to take on the highly touted St. John's Middlets. The Hill boys came out with a 7 to 4 decision over the Uxbridge Team after three full periods of hockey. The locals jumped into a 4 to 0 lead before the game was ten minutes old, but started to let down when they were ahead.

Well the Uxbridge Team had no intention of letting down and they pushed two fast ones past Bob Ritchie in the Richmond Hill net. However before the game was over the Terryman had popped in three more, to overshadow the other two scores by Uxbridge. Paul Jackson was the big gun for Richmond Hill as he scored three times with Peter Hiscott, Jack Dubowski and Frankie Perri getting the other. Bruce Sim got a beautiful goal in the second period, this one passed right through the netting but was disallowed by the referee.

Hunting Charges Draw Heavy Fine

Despite the fact that he claimed he was unaware he was hunting illegally, an R.R. No. 1 Milliken resident, Ludomir Mikucki, pleaded guilty to three charges under the Game and Fisheries Act in Richmond Hill Magistrate's Court last Friday.

The accused was charged with hunting pheasants out of season, hunting without a licence and hunting with a shotgun capable of holding more cartridges than the law allows.

Mikucki was convicted on all three charges and fined a total of \$85 plus costs by Deputy Magistrate R. G. Pearce.

In his statement to the court, Mikucki said that he did not know he was breaking the law, but evidence against him indicated that he tried to conceal his weapon and a pheasant which he had shot when he was approached by a police officer.

Swing-along Team Enjoys Busy Week

The squirt-age Swing-along hockey club has had a very busy week. They defeated Bradford 13-1, won over Brampton 9-2. They lost a 4-2 game to the Bert Robinson Atoms from Keele-dale Arena to round out the week.

Last Saturday the team was taken to Toronto for jacket-fitting. Coaches Earl Methé and Jack Shropshire had the young players selling draw tickets to purchase their own jackets. And they did such a good job that they should look pretty sharp and feel proud of their brand new jackets!

The team has been entered in the King Clancy series of the T.H.L. and both coaches are looking forward to some really good games for their young team.

Bantam Fliers Draw With Newmarket 1-1

John Bookalam pulled the trigger on pass from Doug Acomb to give the Flyers an early first period lead. The game was a fast, wide open game with both teams surging from one end of the ice to the other.

The single goal lead stood up until Newmarket slapped in the tying goal with 30 seconds left in the game. Bobby Safruk played a very strong game in the Flyer net.

This was the opening of the O.M.H.A. playdowns and features a round robin series with Richmond Hill, Aurora and Newmarket fighting it out to advance in the championship round.

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CURLING

ST. VALENTINE'S SPIEL BIG SUCCESS
Things were really jumping at the Richmond Hill Curling Club on February 9 and 10th, when the annual St. Valentine's Mixed Spiel was held. Forty teams played 3-6 end games to decide the short game champions - the last draw starting at midnight on Saturday. Prize winners received good loot in the form of shirts, brooms and spoons.

The five top draws represented in the five draws were as follows: 6:00 p.m. draw, skip Paul Street with Betty and Vernon Garlick and Mary McDougall; 7:30 p.m. draw skipped by Bob Taylor with wife Joan and Doris and Ken Dargavil; 9:00 p.m. - Sam Sutherland's curling with his wife and Bonnie and Frank Forbes; 10:30 p.m. draw skipped by Cliff Brown with Marg Brown and Marg and Don Bernhard - and finally the night fighters led by skip Jim Grainger with wife Jessie and Fred and Jean Hopkins. Other winning rinks to take home prizes were skipped by the following Hill curlers: John Perry, John McDougall, Ed Hay, Clare Dickglehutt, Doc "Al" Smith, Dick Miller, Ross Kerwin, Morley Hall, Bill Boone and Harvey Collard.

The whole "do" was ably topped off by Ross Clark's instrumental group version of the four lads who concentrated on a lively dance tempo that more than held its own against the

stiff competition of Art Gibson's hi-fi and the TV hockey game.

The next junior mixed spiel is scheduled for March 3rd starting 9:00 a.m. sharp. Two games to be played and first 48 names submitted will be accepted. Call Carole Harley (TU. 4-3271) and get your name in prior to the February 23rd closing date. Lots of prizes, lunch and two games of curling — with only 75c entry fee per person.

In The House
Richmond Hill "pick up" rink picks up trophy in Bay of Quinte spiel (Trenton & Belleville) - winning seven of the ten games played recently. Skip Floyd Perdue apparently had his hands full with his rink of Ted Edwards, Chuck Marple and Paul Street who must have played pretty well at that — don't you think? Good going!

Ladies Curling (By Ruth Chandler)
A Richmond Hill rink was successful in winning the trophy at the Boulevard Curling Club's annual open bonspiel on February 5.

The rink composed of Mae Ashkanase, Maisie Gibson, Peggy Austin and Ruth Chandler compiled a score of 37 points for three wins.

Dot Wilson and her rink of June Morgan, Jean MacLaren and Nancy Butler won third prize in a six year filly bonspiel at Dixie Curling Club on February 8.



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Chidley 631 (262), and Joe Jeffs 621 (226). Ron Ribbons tallied 620 (214), Stan Shadoff 603 (233) and Al McLeod 601 (213).

Eight teams have a fighting chance to capture first place honours in the third series. Braves and Orioles have 26 points each, Dodgers 25 points, Senators 23 and Red Sox 22. The Cubs and Cardinals are all square at the 21 point level while the Tigers are scrapping along with 19 points.

Thursday Afternoon League

Ellen Barrett posted a 735 (292) count to lead the closest competition by 90 points. Sonia Graden scored 645 (272) and Bev. Brocklehurst 632 (231). Jean Smith counted 628 (284). Pat Jordan 622 (243), Audrey Harris 604 (256), Ida Madill 600 (244) and Mary O'Rourke 600 (238).

Dot Webster had a single game of 235, Joyce Cottrell 228, Marion Strugnell 227 and Norman Clouston 220. Hilda Ludlow hit for 215 in one game, Connie Snaith 213, Gerry Stewart 207 and Dorothy Garnett 202.

As the third series draws to a close six teams have a chance to cop top honours. Lucky Strikes lead with 26 points, Speedballs 22 points, Hot Rods, Head Pins, Bombers and Alley Cats have 21 points each.

Bowl O' Fun
The Bowl O' Fun tournament is a brand new event which gets under way at Allencourt Lanes this week. Any bowler who bowls in a league at Allencourt Lanes will be eligible to enter and compete for a fantastic prize.

Entry fee to the tourney is \$2.50. The winner will be the man or woman who improves his or her average the greatest amount over the next six week period. This means that the finest and poorest bowlers in any league have an equal chance. In fact the odds are all started in favour of the poorer bowlers.

There will be no extra charges for bowling after the \$2.50 entry fee is paid. All average results will be based on performance in regular league bowling.

The prize? A two week all expense-paid holiday for two. The winner will be flown to Copenhagen, Paris, Geneva, London and Edinburgh in a Scandinavian Air Lines DC8. All hotel and other expenses will be paid and it's entirely possible that the winner will also receive a little cash spending money. Sounds like a good deal so get your entry in early and away you'll go to the land of Hans Christian Andersen if you win. A real fairy tale holiday!!!

World's Bantam Bowling Championships
Entries from Ottawa, Aylmer, Quebec, and other Canadian cities are pouring into Allencourt Lanes for the Bantam Championships on April 29th. Numerous entries have been received from Toronto bowling houses and out in Edmonton the Foresters are attempting to raise money to send five teams to the Richmond Hill tourney.

A team of duck-pin bowlers from East Hartford, Connecticut is making the junket with indications that a team from Boston may also be present. It is still possible that a team from East Kilbride, Scotland, will be flown over to take part in the championships.

Action will start at 8 p.m. on the morning of April 28th at Allencourt Lanes and will continue until champions are declared in all categories. It promises to be a big day in Richmond Hill, so mark the date, April 28, on your personal calendar right now.

R.H. 10-Pin Mixed League
Thomson's Sunoco are the league leaders with 29 points followed by Bunston Carpenter with 26 and Turner Taxi at the 25 point level. G and G H-Hopes have scored 24 points as Guarnaccio Ltd. and Rose Gardens own 23 points. CFGM-1310 and Professional Bowling Services are tied with 17 points as Rumble Transport and Thrifty Shoppers have 13 points in their favour.

Ted Wilson and Ben Pignatelli each have 171 totals in the average race with Garret "Big Daddy" Richardson and Ed Patterson close back with 169. Pam Graham has the high average amongst the fair sex at 161 followed by Edna Maybury with 155. Emily Grimes has a 147 average and Sandy Richards 143.

Leading lady on the play last week was Pam Gaham at 543 (208). Iris Scammell rolled 537 (176), Sandy Richards 452 (162), Polly Duffert 434 (147) and Edna Maybury 430 (156).

George Bunston was top dog amongst the men with a 566 (214) total. Ben Pignatelli hit for 561 (225). Gary Wise 531 (198), Len Moss Jr. 522 (207), and Ted Wilson 519 (176).

Army, Navy, Air Force League
Vic Piirto led the entire league with a 677 (281) total. Fran Stanway was in second place with 652 (243), followed by Ida Tinkler 645 (247). Ella Turnbull came up with 631 (240), Jim Murphy 624 (238), Cec. Turnbull 610 (249) and Fred Tinkler 601 (249).

Eastiders
Jeanne Richardson was head of the distaff section with a 649 (261) total. In second place was Pat Jones 627 (268) followed by Chris Ribbons 624 (270).

Jack Harcourt paced the men with 696 (285), followed by Jack Thomson 667 (258). Bill Jones carded a 665 (266) total. Art McGeachie 663 (229), Pat Jones 661 (277) and Jeff Royston 652 (265). Wilf Allen had a 645 (325), John Allen 632 (242), Les

98 Deer Killed By Cars In '61

Fish and Wildlife staff have reported that some 130 deer kills occurred, in the Lake Simcoe District, other than by legal means during 1961. Ninety-eight of these kills were caused by vehicles on highways. Most of the kills occurred in Simcoe County, followed by Peel and Ontario, Caledon Township, in Peel County, reports the greatest vehicle kill with Reach and Pickering Townships, in Ontario County, a close second.

J. S. Dorland of the Fish and Wildlife Staff at Maple said that an increase in the number of deer killed by vehicles, as compared to the previous year, has occurred in the townships of Toronto and Scarborough, both of which are well populated and built up industrially. None of these townships have had an open season for deer in some years.

Dogs running deer accounted for 8 kills, known poachers-15, and 9 of the animals were killed by trains and other miscellaneous causes.

The reports would appear to indicate a gradual increase in deer density and southward movement of the animals, particularly in the central and southwest portions of the district.

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