

SPORT SPOTS

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What with Canadian track and field athletes knocking off sixty-three medals at the Pan-American Games and girls heading a discus farther than most men it's been a mighty confusing period in the history of sport. A little of this confusion crept into local track and field circles.

A Thornhill Secondary School hurdles relay team recently took part in the Hamilton Relays. Being faster than most off the mark the Thornhill quartet won the feature event of the meet and were rewarded with the Fred Marshall Memorial Challenge Trophy. A nice wee bauble to add to any collection of hardware!

This was on a Saturday. By Monday evening Thornhill track mentors realized that they had committed a small sin. One winner was ineligible by reason of being over the age limit. Meet rules were somewhat ambiguous and it was only by reading the small print that the error was detected.

Within a few minutes of the discovery of the unintentional faux pas, a telephone call was made to Hamilton explaining the circumstances. Now some jeweller is hard at work engraving Wood-bridge on the ironware — not Thornhill.

So it's definitely been a zany period and turned out to be a bit of a heart breaker for the Thornhill school. They do have one consolation. The team did win the actual event even if it will never be shown that way on the record books. Small consolation indeed but just wait until next year and watch the Thornhill team go!

FIREWORKS DISPLAY

For those of you who are interested in a safe and sane firework demonstration and also interested in giving a youth organization a boost — the Ninth Richmond Hill Cub Pack has the answer.

Being the newest cub pack in the area the members of the ninth are interested in raising a bit of loot to come and go on. They have chosen a novel way of accomplishing their ends and performing a bit of a public service at the same time.

On Monday, May 20th, the ninth cub pack will stage a firework display at Walter Scott Public School. The school is located at Markham Rd. and Sussex Ave. in Richmond Hill and the big show will start at approximately 9:00 p.m.

Instead of burning up those crisp new bills on the front or back lawn why not send a contribution to the ninth cub pack and his yourself and family over to the school? Then all the kids will need are a couple of sparklers — dear old Dad doesn't get burned fingers and a bunch of cubs will be eternally grateful.

All contributions can be sent to Mr. Pete Dawson at 4 Fauna Ave., Richmond Hill, or you can arrange to have your contribution picked up by calling TU. 4-2746. If it's only a nice clear night on May 20th the cubs have got it made — we hope!

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Injured Athlete Gets A Lift

Two stalwart members of Bayview Secondary School track and field team carry injured, but grinning, Harton Amos from the field on a stretcher. Nineteen-year-old Harton, a Grade 13 student, spiked himself with his track shoes as he tried to clear the pole vault bar at the 10 feet 10 inches mark in last week's field day at Bayview.

6th Annual Sportsmans Parade

Members of the sports day parade committee are well into the final planning of the sixth parade and celebration. As in former years any and all profits realized from the venture will go to aid the cause of minor soft ball in Richmond Hill.

Just six years ago the first parade had some 250 marchers participating. It has now grown to the point where some 1500 people take part in the parade. As an event it is unique

and there are not too many Ontario centres that celebrate an occasion of this kind. Fame of the parade has spread to surrounding points and float chairman Fred Gardiner has had offers of floats from several distant points.

The parade is for and about the advancement of minor softball. Fittingly enough the highlight is always a featured softball game at the Richmond Hill Town Park. This year the NHL All-Stars will do

battle with Dynes Jewellers as the final event of the evening. Several of this year's Stanley Cup champions make up the NHL roster while Ray Judd, possibly the best pitcher to come into Richmond Hill in many a moon, will be on the mound for the Jewellers. The piece de resistance will be good but the prelude to the game will have much to offer.

Colorful floats, marching bands and majorettes, Rose Queen aspirants and hun-

dreds of youthful sports enthusiasts will come gaily down Yonge Street and enter the Town Park. For sheer color and excitement this is the event of the year in Richmond Hill! This is a family deal with the heavy accent on youth.

Keep June 19th an open date on your personal calendar. If you have friends for whom you'd like to show off a wee bit then invite them up for the celebration. This will be one evening they'll remember for a long, long time!

PICKERING: Pickering Township Council heard a protest by R. G. Roy against welfare administration and asked for the dismissal of administrator A. W. Cane.

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Teams Meet In Exhibition Game

Kent Clothes and Dynes Jewellers will get together to play an exhibition softball

Water Safety Programme Needs Money

Needed - a service club with \$500 and a man or woman with special interest in water safety. Richmond Hill Red Cross Water Safety Chairman Jack Passmore this week is scouting for a local service club to sponsor a Red Cross learn-to-swim program this summer. "The cost would not exceed \$500", he said.

"We also need a man or woman to act as chairman of the activity. A background of swimming experience is desirable but by no means absolutely necessary. We need a person who believes strongly in the importance of water safety and who is willing to work hard to promote this program in the Richmond Hill district," he said.

Any service club and individual interested or who would like additional information is asked to contact either Red Cross branch President William Hamilton, 71 Yongehurst Avenue, TU. 4-2452 or Mr. Jack Passmore at TU. 4-1534.

Soccer Patterns Shape Up Early

Five games were played in the soccer loop last Saturday and patterns are starting to emerge already. The inexperienced Etobicoke Seconds went down to a crushing 12-0 defeat before a powerful Barrie team. Barrie has a lot of football moxie and are possibly one of the strongest teams in the league this year.

Aurora Firsts nipped Maple by a 2-1 score in their game while Richmond Hill and Uxbridge sawed off with a 2-2 tie. Midland clobbered Aurora Seconds to the tune of 8-2 while Etobicoke Firsts were convincing in a 5-3 win over Orillia.

game at the town park this Thursday night. The teams will switch batteries for the game with Jerry Case and Larry Cuio of Kent Clothes pitching to their team members. Ray Judd and Bill Jackson will be attempting to dazzle their teammates on the Jeweller team. Game time is slated for 8:00 p.m. and should be a real preview for both clubs.

Kent Clothes, a junior club entered in the North York Major Softball League will open their league schedule on May 22nd at home. The following night they are due to show in Galt for a league tilt there. The North York set up promises

a really interesting brand of softball with entries in from Streetsville and Galt to round out a 7 team league. Russ Cripps has his Jeweller team hard at work for their league opening in the Metro Major Fastball League. Meanwhile his players are giving instruction to the younger Kent Clothes team and local softball seems to have become a highly co-operative affair.

Vern Dynes has often wished out loud for the source of local softball loyalty. A close liaison between the senior and junior clubs can only bode well for the continued success of Dynes teams of the future.



Good Form At Track Meet

Fifteen-year-old Margaret Beers displays good form as she clears the pole in the running broad jump at Bayview Secondary School's field day.

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