

... SPORT SPOTS ...

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ers and from fans — they expect it, that's part of the game. But when the joshing becomes vicious abuse it's time to draw the line. Players can be taken care of, but spectators are something else again. The loudest and foulest pop-off character at a ball game who gives the umpire the worst time seldom waits until the end of the game. He figures he knows more than that so and so blind man behind the plate and wants those around him to know what a big man he is. If he was half the man he pretends to be he'd be in there handling the game but one thing stops him — lack of intestinal fortitude (no guts)!

Want to be an umpire in junior, intermediate and senior ball? Take a look next time you go to a game and see what umpires have to contend with. Players get the applause and the plaudits for their fine work but any ball game is only as good as the umpiring. That's why our vote for some of nature's noblemen are the men in blue who, for the most part, are competent and courageous officials!

MR. SOCCER

The name Stanley Matthews won't mean too much to the average Canadian sports bug. Mention the name to anyone from the British Isles and they know you're talking about Mr. Soccer. They've talked about "iron men" in many a sport but compared to Matthews' record they fall into insignificance.

This man is the best known and quite possibly the best soccer player in the world today. With him the impossible has become the commonplace and his cups and medals would go a long way to stocking a good sized jewellery store. He shows no signs of quitting or fading and why should he? He was only 48 years old last February and has spent only 32 years in top flight soccer competition.

Mr. Matthews came to Canada two years ago and was invited to pay a visit to the Orange Home soccer team. He was good enough to put himself out to give the kids a big thrill and proved to be every bit as gracious as he is skillful.

The next time a discussion about rugged athletes comes up, remember the name Stanley Matthews, all five feet, nine inches and 162 lbs. of rugged 48 year old iron man. And remember that while you're discussing he's still playing and advancing toward a spritely forty-nine!

TRACK STARS IN ACTION

If you're interested in track and field and want to see big name stars in action then the Toronto International Games at Varsity Stadium on June 25th are for you. Action gets under way at 7 p.m. so you can work as usual on Tuesday and still get there in plenty of time.

All proceeds from the meet will be going for charitable work and you'll be seeing North America's best in their favourite events. Bill Crothers and Bruce Kidd will be there along with Abbie Hoffman and the incredible Nancy McRedie.

You don't have to scurry to the big town for tickets. Tickets and a seating plan are available at Kent Clothes on Levedale Road and cost \$2.50 to \$3.50 each. Pick your seating spot by a quick easy visit to Kent Clothes and see the best this continent has to offer in the track and field line.

Safety Do's And Don'ts Ensure Happy Holidays

With the advent of warm sunny weather, many people are already using beach areas and swimming facilities and making plans for summer vacations.

Provincial park superintendents are again stressing the importance of water safety, pointing out the hazards which exist in using water wings, inner tubes and air mattresses, which are better left at home. These swimming aids are particularly dangerous for children, for, as so often happens, a slight breeze can take the child out into deep water and into difficulties.

Also, parents should be careful to watch young children, at all times. It is very easy, in large crowds, for tiny tots to get separated from adults, getting out into deep water or darting in front of cars. Always BE ALERT to the safety rules for swimming for young and old alike.

Safety when boating is also A MUST for happy accident-free holidays, in any of the attractive lakes and waterways in Ontario. Some of the most important rules are as follows:

Make sure your boat, motor and all equipment are in seaworthy condition and use the right boat for your particular purpose.

Match your motor to your boat - don't overpower or underpower - observe information on the recommendation plate for maximum horse power and load.

Be sure that your boat is properly equipped with Government approved life jackets for each passenger, paddles or oars, bailing bucket or hand pump, anchor and line, fire extinguisher and required navigation lights.

Don't stand up in the boat or change seats in open water.

Watch weather and at the first indication of bad weather go ashore or seek sheltered water immediately.

Always operate your boat in a common sense manner with care and courtesy towards all others on the water.

Know and observe Government regulations and "rules of the road". If you are uncertain, write to any organization dispensing this information.

There are several very good booklets and pamphlets on water safety, one of which entitled "Safety Afloat", issued by the Department of Transport, Ottawa, covers the DO'S AND DON'TS and many other matters of interest to the small boat owner.

Remember to have a happy holiday, drive carefully and avoid any carelessness with fire by carefully extinguishing any campfires or smoking materials.

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Red Arbour and I decided to spend a week fishing some of the more remote sections of Algonquin Park.

May 19-KNEEKNOCKER HILL
We drove east from Kearney down a backroad that twisted along the banks of the Magnetawan River. This is a mighty interesting stretch of water and it required a great deal of self discipline to pass many of the rapids and riffles without stopping to wet a line.

Our trip commenced with a portage into the Pine River. It was raining steadily as we started in with the first load and it didn't ease up all day.

This is one of the roughest portages I have ever made. It entails 3 1/2 miles of sloshing through mud and water and climbing up hills and over deadfalls. About half way into the river there is a high, mud-covered hill that rises at a 45 degree angle.

Part way up the hill was a punt that some optimistic souls had at one time attempted to portage into the river; but had finally given up on and had left it there to rot away.

By the time we reached the summit with about 100 pounds on our backs we felt like we had scaled Everest. As Red crawled over the brow he muttered (among other things) "I hereby claim this g.d. mountain for Russia and it shall henceforth be known as Sneeknocker Hill".

We completed our last trip cold, wet and exhausted well after dark. We hurriedly erected our tent and collapsed in our sleeping bags. No insomnia problems that night.

May 20 - MORE RAIN
It was several hours after the first grey of dawn when we staggered stiffly into the daylight and surveyed the crudest pitched tent I have seen for some time.

We fished Tim Lake briefly with no success although we did pick up several speckled trout from a pool below the dam where Tim Lake empties into the Tim River.

We made the short portage around the dam and then pushed on downstream. The Tim River snakes its way through miles of tag alder swamps until it flows into Roseberry Lake where we pitched a tight camp on the former site of a ranger's cabin.

After a hearty meal of trout we hit the sack and soon drifted off. We were serenaded to sleep by the howls of wolves somewhere in the black hills across the lake.

May 21 - AND MORE
We spent the day fishing Rosebery Lake and Longbow Lake which adjoins it. Fishing was very spotty and up until late afternoon we had just caught a few spees up to 1 1/4 pounds.

We were trolling the shoreline at one end of the lake when we spotted a doe standing on the shore not 70 feet from us observing us curiously.

I left Red in camp later that day and went out trolling by myself. It was while I was out on the lake that the severest storm of the trip hit us. The lake was churned to a froth in minutes and the downpour was so heavy visibility was cut to 150 feet. It was during the middle of this I hooked and landed the first lake trout of the trip: a three pounder taken on a Williams Wabber.

May 22 - PLUSH LODGINGS
We started the day with a 200 yard portage from Rosebery Lake to the Tim River. Here we found evidence of an old homestead. The log house and barn had long since tumbled down and the rust encrusted plough lay in the centre of a pitiful little patch of a field where it had been left. What a heartbreaking struggle some poor soul must have had.

We fished several good sets of rapids on our way downstream ending up with enough fish for the pan that night. Lunch was bread, cold meat, cheese and a chocolate bar, which we ate en route thereby not losing any valuable travelling or fishing time.

We found an old log cabin on a portage just at nightfall. What a treat to be able to sleep indoors on a bitterly cold night like this one. We noticed names and dates carved on the walls dating back to 1929. After a cribbage game and a nightcap it's off to bed.

May 23 - WINTER AGAIN
What a shock! The ground was covered with snow and it was cold! We almost welcomed the four portages we had to make that day as an opportunity to warm up.

We caught quite a few spees in the Tim that day although nothing too large. They seemed to hit Panther Martin and Mepps spitters the best. We also found the Cybel good in shallow fast water.

The Tim eventually found its way down to Longer Lake where we took 4 lake trout on a slow troll. We also caught several fish that had us baffled. They ranged up to 18 inches in length and resembled an overgrown common shiner. I have since found out these are called Fallfish.

We portaged from Longer Lake into Big Trout Lake where we pitched camp on a beautiful campsite overlooking the lake. The snow was still on the ground, but tomorrow promised to be warmer.

May 24-Meeting a Missile Man
We decided to fish Big Trout Lake today. The weather was beautiful for a change. Trolling past an island we discovered that we didn't have the lake to ourselves.

Meeting Al Wickman of Tampa, Florida was a pleasure. He was spending his two week vacation canoeing by himself through Algonquin Park. Al works at Cape Canaveral and had seen the launching of astronaut Cooper the previous week. He then flew to Toronto and travelled by bus to Huntsville where he was picked up by Algonquin Outfitters who completely outfitted him for his trip.

Fishing was terrific for Red and I as we picked up our count of lakerees up to 7 1/2 pounds as well as several spees up to 3 pounds in weight.

Big Trout Lake is a beautiful body of water and would be a grand spot to spend a few days. We arrive back at camp at nightfall with a bit of a sunburn, but rested and happy.

May 25 - THE OTTERSLEDGES
Otterslide Creek was a bit of a chore with five portages up to 600 yards in length. We met a party coming in with their gear packed in garbage pails. Now I've seen it all!

We ended up at nightfall in Little Otterslide Lake at a beautiful island campsite. We sat around until midnight enjoying a cigar and our last night in the park. The sunset was gorgeous.

May 26 - IT'S ALL OVER
We portaged 900 yards into Burnt Island Lake. From there it was a short lift into Baby Joe Lake and a 600 yard portage from Baby Joe into Little Joe. Another couple of hours saw us at the Canoe Lake Landing and homeward bound. The end of a wonderful trip.

Juvenile Softball

On Monday, June 3rd this year the juvenile section of the Richmond Hill Minor Ball Association opened their current season. Four teams are operating in this group, Bork Jewellers, Bayview Plaza B.A., Reid's Auto Body and the Liberal. Juvenile softball players range in age from 16 to 18 years and are out to give the game their best shot.

From early appearances Bayview B.A. and the Liberal would seem to be the teams to beat. Both clubs seem to have just a little more polish and finesse than the other two teams but with playing experience the others are bound to improve greatly.

Proof that the Juvenile program produces players capable of going on to a higher class of softball is bound up in Kent Clothes third sacker Bob Finnegan.

Finnegan was a juvenile last year and was able to move easily into junior ranks with Kents. He plays the position as if he owned third base.

Many of the juvenile players this year show up well already and would be capable of moving up next year. Capable young pitchers and catchers are very noticeable with candidates for better things seen at every position.

The future of softball in Richmond Hill would seem to be assured for many years to come with such a supply of talent on the way up. Games are played as doubleheaders at the Town Park every Monday night starting at 6.45 p.m. They play a fast and free-wheeling type of game with great spectator appeal.

Head for the park, take a look and see if you don't agree.

Crashes Mark Program At Pincrest Speedway

Jerry Watson took his first 1963 feature victory at Pincrest Speedway stock car races Saturday, emerging from the season's crashing program.

Harold Fagan of Willowdale was again a prime factor in deciding the feature win between Jerry Watson and Jim Hallahan. Fagan caused one restart after he spun out on the race's third lap. Placed last in the 15-car field for the restart, Fagan protested vigorously, to no avail. From the 13th to the 15th lap, however, he was able to effectively block the leaders trying to get by him. On the 15th, Watson and he started bumping and the resultant chain-reaction pileup sidelined seven cars, including a shook-up but uninjured Fagan, sitting in the infield to which No. 54 had bounced.

Watson was in front of Hallahan by a quarter-lap at the 20th-lap finish. Nick Rampling was seven lengths behind Hallahan.

Jack McDougall, fourth in the feature, has yet to win any sort of race among the 12 he has started. But the Toronto driver leads the points standing with 35. George Rueffer was kept off the scoresheet by a balky carburetor and dropped to second, with 34 points. Watson has 33, Hallahan 32, Frank Blaker 30, Nick Rampling 26 and Bob Watson, Jerry's brother, has 25.

Richmond Hill's Bill Britton seemed headed for a good night, but bad luck continued to dog him. He broke an axle in the second heat, but managed to fix it and win the Last Chance race. However, he was finished when he crashed the wall in the feature's first pile-up.

Jo Cresswell won her first feature, by a quarter-lap over Bernice Schell. Roseanne Lough was third. Diane Roseover and Pat Howes are tied for the points lead with 11. Jo and Lorraine Hallahan are third, a point back.

The season's first wreck'em assault is scheduled as an added feature of this Saturday's 10-race card and already has 18 entries.

Tips For Umpires

By Don Pilcher

Today or tomorrow you may be taking your first game, so now is the time to decide what kind of umpire you are going to be. You can be the kind that is admired and respected, or the kind that is greeted by a remark like "Oh no, not this guy to take our big game."

What kind of umpire do you want to be?

To help you decide, I'm going to list some of the rules that make good umpires. Cut these rules out, and read them occasionally. Later, see if you can add a few new rules to the list. Here then is my idea of the ten rules to make a good umpire.

1. I will not stop trying to learn.
2. I will call the plays as I see them, not as I want to see them.
3. I will listen to those who offer constructive criticism.
4. I will try to make sure that 18 boys enjoy each game.
5. I will call all of the rules all of the time.
6. I will never ridicule a player, coach, or co-umpire.
7. I will follow them in mind, and follow them in games. They will make for good officiating by you, good softball by the players, and good fun for the fans.

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Kents Win Disputed Game 6-4

North York Juniors proved to be a cantankerous and argumentative softball team as they played against Kent Clothes on June 4. Up until the sixth inning it was a fair ball game with the Clothiers leading by a 6-4 score. Larry Mann the North York hurler touched off a rhabarb by stalking off the mound on a disputed call by plate umpire Ron Bailey. By the time the noise and the fury had subsided the game was awarded to Kents with Paul Godfrey, North York manager, indicating the lodging of a protest to the league.

Mann's temper had been flaring up throughout the game as he emulated the best traditions of the prima donna. Red Bowen of Kent Clothes finally snapped Mann's emotional control by belting a home run into right field. As he started to pitch to the next batter he got what he thought was a bad call, tossed his glove to the ground and started to leave the game. Plate umpire Bailey waved him goodbye and the storm broke.

Within seconds members of the North York team had surrounded Umpire Bailey screaming imprecations at him and generally making life miserable. Bailey took the only course open to him and gave the team two minutes to return to the bench. The warning was ignored and when the indicated time had run out the game was awarded to Kents.

As far as local fans were concerned they were thoroughly disgusted with the actions of the North York team. In all fairness to the Clothier squad they stayed clear of the altercation and deserved the best of any official decision that it was necessary to make. If the North York team does not see fit to abide by the recognized rules of the game and to flout even the common laws of decent conduct then they have no place in this league. They have a team capable of playing good softball and it is to be hoped that they change their mode of conduct and become a credit instead of a disgrace to the league.

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