

# Battered Golf Club Leads To Greater Things

If a 15-year-old youth hadn't stumbled upon a battered golf club lying in a vacant field he might not today be one of Ontario's most promising young juvenile golfers.

His name is John Bookalam of 111 Eva Hill Crescent.

John is quite modest about his achievements in his still very youthful golf world to date. But the facts show he was only one of two juveniles to make this year's Ontario junior golfing squad which has just returned from a jaunt to British Columbia and mortal combat with eight other top Canadian junior clubs.

But it is no secret that John

would prefer to forget about the whole thing.

"We didn't do so good," is the way he puts it. He was right.

John's group finished seventh in the eight-team competition which saw British Columbia end up in the winner's circle.

"We didn't play very good," admits John, but adds that "the course was unfamiliar and it was one of the toughest ones I've come across. You had to drive straight down the middle or you'd be in a trap or in the trees."

John himself managed to shoot an 82 and 87 over the 70-par course.

"Not too good," he says sadly.

But good or not, John earlier proved himself a golfer with prospects of a good future when he shot himself onto the junior squad in competition with some of Ontario's best junior and juvenile golfing stars.

In order to represent Ontario in the Canadian Junior Championships in Victoria, John was required to compete in a 36-hole medal play in July at the Aurora Highlands Golf Club—his home club, incidentally.

He came through in fine fashion with a 73 and 77 to catch onto fourth spot on the team.

John's still-fledgling career received its start one day a few years ago when he came across the abandoned golf club while walking through a field with his brother.

"My brother started golfing," he said, "and so did I. We just used the one club for quite a while."

The golfing bug bit John and it wasn't too long before he found a job caddying and had himself a set of clubs instead of just the one.

He is a member at the Aurora Highlands Club and, between caddying, gets in as many golf "games as I can. There's only one way to learn and that is to play, play, play."

John's not just playing for fun.

"I hope to turn professional some day," he said. "I would like to make a career of it, if I can."

One of John's biggest thrills to date, of course, was placing on the Ontario junior squad this year after just missing out in 1962.

But strangely enough, he's not exactly thrilled to death about coming through with a hole-in-one effort on August 26, 1962, at the Aurora fairways.

"It's a matter of luck," he philo-

sophized, "and most full-time golfers treat it that way. They don't get too excited."

John's particular "hole-in-one" came on the 18th hole and was a 135-yard drive.

"I hit it beyond the pin," he recalls, "and it had a back-spin to it. It spun back and into the hole."

Just like that.

As for his immediate golfing future, John doesn't know.

He's too busy shaking his head about the British Columbia setback and saying something like: "I don't know what happened."

## SPORT SPOTS

BY RON CRAINE



### FOOTBALL SEASON IS HERE AGAIN!

It's that time of the year again! The Ex. is just a memory and mothers are smiling now that the kindergarten and up set have returned to school. Around the houses only the voices of the very young are heard—older brothers and sisters are getting an education drilled into their tender young heads.

For high school students this is the very best time of the year. Veterans of one or two years in a secondary school are busy renewing acquaintanceships that dissolved back in June. They're just that much older and wiser than they were last year - at least that's how the script is supposed to read! New-comers are busily exploring their new surroundings and, although they'll never admit it, just a little overawed by it all. But the big deal for them is the fact that for the first time in their school career they are being treated like adults. It's a heady feeling or don't you remember?

But, best of all from everyone's point of view, it's the season for high school football. As anyone can readily tell you - this is THE big event of the year.

Sure the football players are all rugged stalwarts ready to do or die for the honour of the school. Everyone knows that coaches have polished and refined their play repertoires until every move is a masterly stroke while cheerleaders and majorettes are ready to turn themselves inside out in an effort to urge the team on to even greater efforts. There's a feeling of excitement around any high school at this time of the year that can't be duplicated anywhere else in this world! It's downright wonderful, that's what it is!

Wonderful as it all may be there's something else available at a secondary school that is even more important. The chance of a good basic education. All high school sports are fun, there's no denying that. Just as long as every student who participates in them realizes that sports are just the meringue on the pie and that the real thing is the education itself then everything will come out right. Don't ever let being a real whiz at any sport or game ever cloud the issue - it's the knowledge you gain at school that pays off - and pays off for the rest of your life.

However, all work and no play is not a good thing, either. Everyone has to have some relaxation

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## Registrations For R.H.M.H.A. This Saturday

It's that time of year again! This Saturday the Richmond Hill Minor Hockey Association will be holding a registration day at the Scout Hall next to the arena in the Richmond Hill Town Park.

All age groups can register on this date. For those who are unable to make this Saturday date an additional registration will be held on September 21 at the same location.

Applications are expected to be very heavy. If your son intends to play hockey this year make sure he gets his application in as early as possible. Otherwise he could be in for a big disappointment.

### Richmond Hill Youth Bronze Medal Winner

An 18-year-old Richmond Hill youth, Gary Kozak of 18th Avenue, copped a bronze medal for finishing third in the javelin throwing competition recently held at the Provincial Senior Track and Field Championships in Hamilton.

Gary's prowess with the javelin on behalf of his North York Track and Field Club team was even more noteworthy because he entered the competition after a period of inactivity and with practically no preparation.

"I just wanted to see what I could do," was Gary's comment. His javelin throw soared 183 feet.

North York Coach Sy Mah had this to say: "Gary was throwing over 190 feet in practice which might have been good enough to win first place. But I think he lost his edge while waiting around for his event which was badly behind schedule."

"However we were very pleased with his performance. He has shown that he has good reflexes. A good conditioning program this winter and Gary will be bringing home plenty of medals and trophies to Richmond Hill next summer."



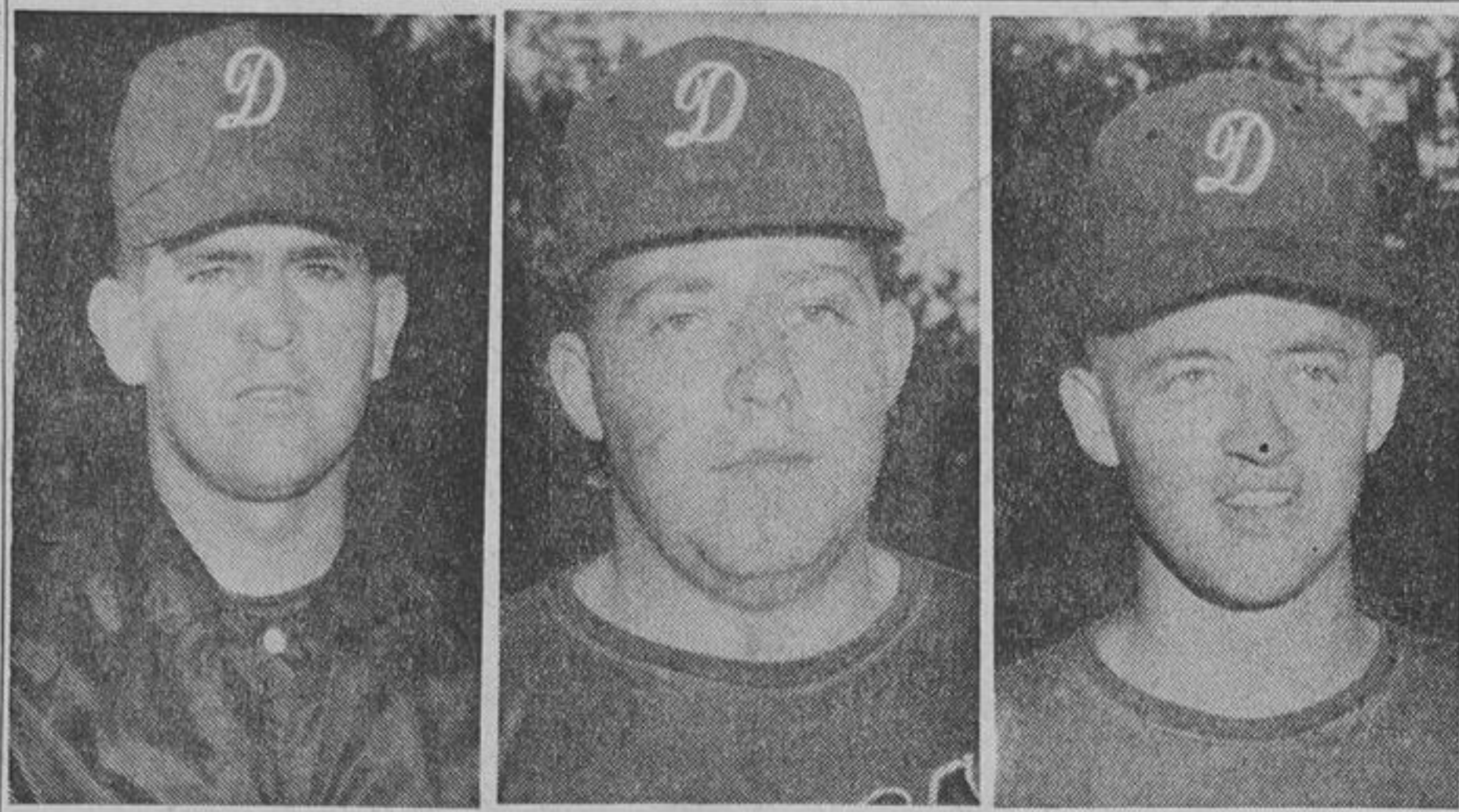
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RAY JUDD Struck Out 4 Batters

KEN COULTRES 5 Hits Including Home Run

NEB GAYMAN Had 2 Hits In Series

## Next Stop Peterborough For Dynes

Dynes Jewellers ended O.A.S.A. for the Owen Sound entry last week as they defeated them in two straight games. On Wednesday of last week the Jewellers bussed to Owen Sound and came home with a 1-0 10 inning victory under their belts. Last Saturday the Jewellers shelled Owen Sound 6-0 in the second game of the series at Richmond Hill.

This moves the Jewellers into the quarter finals of the O.A.S.A. intermediate "A" playdowns. This Saturday the Jewellers open the next series in Peterborough - erstwhile stamping ground of Jeweller pitcher, Ray Judd. On Thursday night of this week the green and white team will host Aurora in the opening game of the Metro Major Baseball League semi-final series.

Ray Judd was nicked for two hits in the tilt at Owen Sound as he struck out 23. The Jewellers collected six hits but they were scattered and at the end of nine innings a scoreless ball game was on the books. Two Owen Sound errors accounted for the Jeweller run in

the tenth. Gary Smith got on the base paths as the result of an error. An error on a ball hit to right field by catcher Ken Coultres brought Smith home with the winning run.

Second Game

A large crowd turned out to see the second game in Richmond Hill. They came expecting to see a real battle but Owen Sound rolled over and played dead for the Jewellers. With two men out in the first inning Ray Judd singled, moved to third on a single by Neb Gayman and scored on a single off the bat of Frank Hughes. This was the indicator that there was more to come.

Dynes added two more runs in the second inning. Moe Williamson opened with a single to centre field. Larry Lapierre playing the deep garden for Owen Sound had trouble finding the handle and Williamson cantered to third. A home run blast to deep centre by Ken Coultres and the Jewellers led 3-0 at the end of two innings.

Just to be consistent Ray Judd pounded out another

single in the third and moved to third as Neb Gayman doubled. A single by Stan Thornington scored Judd and Gayman to jump the Jeweller lead to 5-0 at the end of three. The final Jeweller run was scored in the fourth inning. Bill Robson singled and scored on a ball hit to centre field by Gayman. Lapierre had to move to his left for the hard hit ball only to have it hit his glove and spin away. It just wasn't an Owen Sound night!

Dynes Jewellers tagged Owen Sound starter Bill Underwood for 10 hits. Judd, Gayman and Coultres had two each with Robson, Thornington, Williamson and Hughes collecting singles.

Underwood was relieved in the seventh by Ed. Bussey. Between them they accounted for eight strikeouts with Underwood picking up six of them. All 10 Jeweller hits were off Underwood.

Ray Judd struck out 18 and was tagged for two singles. Both hits belonged to Owen Sound catcher Bob Paddon.

## Markham To Investigate Request For Drag-Strip

A few Markham Township Councillors are wondering if it is possible to be "so old" you didn't know what dragstripping is all about.

They gained this impression after hearing a letter from an applicant requesting the township to allow a "drag-strip" course to be located on Lot 19 of the 9th line road, three miles north of Highway 7.

At one juncture the letter pointed out that dragstripping was a "new sport in Canada and very few elderly people knew about it."

"What's he mean some of us old people don't understand dragstripping?" commented Deputy Reeve Charles Hooper in a facetious vein. "I didn't think anyone was that old."

Councillor Allan Sumner commented in like manner that he "drag-stripped along 401 every morning."

Markham Township has a by-law prohibiting the racing of motor vehicles or motorcycles. The letter acknowledged the bylaw but asked concessions be made in this particular case.

Councillor Sumner suggested drag-stripping was not racing.

It's based on a straight speed take-off," he said, "and isn't a race between two vehicles."

Some councillors wondered if two vehicles didn't manage to "turn it into a race."

Councillor Charles Hooper reported a 50-acre area was available and it was proposed to complement the drag strip with a grand-stand, concession stand, and a parking area.

The strip would be used once a week to begin with and twice

## York County To Hold Deer Shoot September 14, 15

York County Bowmen will hold a "deer shoot" September 14 and 15.

On Saturday a 28 target animal round will be featured with a charge of \$1 for seniors and 50 cents for juniors. Registration is from 12 noon to 2 p.m. A barbecue will be held around 6 p.m., and a dance begins at 8:30 p.m.

On Sunday a 56 target deer shoot will be held at \$2 for seniors and \$1 for juniors. Registration is from 9 to 10 a.m.

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