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Sport Spots

BY RON CRAINE



IT REFUSED TO DIE

This is the story of a hockey league that refused to die. On many an occasion during the last nine years the league has been all but technically dead but in the face of frustrating odds, has always managed to survive. Incredibly enough the league has never expanded to include teams from Toronto right on up to Keswick. Financially the league has never been abundantly healthy but determination, inventiveness and the willingness of players to dig into their own pockets have kept it alive despite everything.

This is the tenth season of operation for the Richmond Hill Senior Hockey League and it now boasts nine teams. Back in 1955 when the league was born there were only four teams from the Richmond Hill district. Entries this year come from Toronto, Thornhill, Keswick, Newmarket, Bradford, Downsview and North York. Richmond Hill is represented in the league by Richmond Hill Dynes, a well-known name in the local sporting world.

In the 1958-59 season it was a Dynes team that won the Town and Country Trophy, emblematic of a first place finish at the end of the regular schedule. The same team then entered the playoffs and won the Tip Top Trophy for winning the series to become the only team in the history of the league to win both awards in one season.

Styles of play have changed a great deal over the years. In the beginning the league featured wide open, fast, no-quarter hockey. Body checking was fierce and tempers flared to produce some real rhubarbs. Some players suffered injuries that they could ill afford and out of necessity international hockey rules were adopted. This wise move attracted players who didn't greatly appreciate the blood and thunder until today over 140 players perform on the nine teams in the league.

Regardless of ability each player on every team is expected to bear his fair share of operating expenses. For some reason the league has never been a big spectator attraction despite the quality of the product offered. If it weren't for player contributions it couldn't possibly survive and give every evidence of flourishing as it is this season.

Despite league financial problems members have always been conscious of the still more pressing needs of other groups. They have played benefit games for the heart fund, March of Dimes and Branson Hospital to name just a few of the worthwhile causes aided by the league. Just why the league never caught on

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Win Opening Game Finals 17-8

Indians Continue March Defeat East York Lions

BY RON CRAINE

Richmond Hill Indians defeated East York Lions 17-8 at East York Stadium last Saturday afternoon in the opening game of the two game Metro Football League final series. As a result of the 17-8 win the Indians will carry a nine point lead going into the final game in Richmond Hill this Saturday.

The game was a weird affair with each team having touchdowns disallowed due to infractions while the teams traded fumbles throughout the game. In short it was calculated to take years off any coach's lifetime.



BILL DUNN Scored TD

Early in the first quarter the Indian offence bogged down at the Lion 22 yard line with a third down and plenty of situations. Quarterback Ian McIntosh called on Ron Burns for a field goal attempt and Burns split the uprights neatly from a bad angle to send the Indians into a 3-0 lead. Halfway through the quarter McIntosh hoofed a single to make it 4-0 for the local tribe.

East York Lions scrimmaged from their own 25-yard line and started into a reverse play. The ball carrier fired a long pass into Indian territory and the receiver picked it off neatly to go all the way. The convert was blocked and the Lions led 6-4.

East York dominated play in the second quarter and

it was only some stout Indian defensive work that kept them from registering another major score. They kicked two singles to lead 8-4 as the second quarter was coming to an end. Ian McIntosh hoofed another single to reduce the East York lead to 8-5 and then fashioned a drive that culminated in a touchdown on the last play of the half.

From midfield McIntosh hit Bob Sheridan with a pass at the Lion 10-yard stripe. Two fast pass plays went incomplete and there was time for only one play as the minute flag went down. McIntosh dropped back into the pocket and hit Bob Harris with a pass deep into the Lion goal area. The convert was not good and the Indians led 11-0 at the half.

The Indians kicked to the Lions to open the second half. Lion blockers swept aside the Indians with the ball carrier streaking from his own 15 yard line to score only to have the play called back on a clipping penalty at midfield. An aroused Indian defensive unit held the Lion attack while the Indian ground attack was entirely stalled by the hard-hitting Lions.

Bill Dunn made a circus catch of a pass from Levi Snook in the fourth quarter to score the final Indian touchdown. From the Lion 40-yard line McIntosh pitched out to Snook who fired off the pass in Dunn's direction. Dunn got the ball on his finger-tips and hung on to cross the line standing up.



RON DEFOE Hit Hard

For the first time in many games the Indian ground attack ground to a halt as holes just weren't being opened for ball carriers. Both teams traded fumbles liberally throughout the game and once again the Indian defensive unit made the difference.

Charlie Dunn, Ralph Mercury, Norm Sutcliffe, Terry Hemming, Bill Dunn and Bill Tackaberry were defensive standouts. Freddie Parsons and Ron DeFoe played strong games and caused Lion ball carriers more than a little trouble.

This Saturday at 1 p.m. the same two teams meet in the town park at Richmond Hill for the final and deciding game of the season. With a nine point lead going for them the Indians would seem to have a stranglehold on the championship. But, football being the kind of game that it is, anything can happen and just might. This will be THE big game of the year—don't miss it if you can at all help it!



On The Lanes

ALLENCOURT MEN'S MAJORS

Big guns of the night were Bill Jackson 864 (347), Al Richardson 853 (306), and Bill Jones 810. High single games were scored by George Jordan 313, Tim Saul, 308, Jim Davidson 304 and Dan Boyle 303.

Maple Snack Service, Manufacturers' Life, Bob's Delivery Service, Turnbull Grocery and Richmond Inn Restaurant whipped all seven points from their opponents. Allencourt Lanes Richmond Hill Auto Wreckers ABC Bowl, Lake Simcoe Fuel Oil and Central Van & Storage, Tom Hughes Shell got the extra point in a four to three win from Wimbridge Cleaners.

Leading the high average race is Scott Parke with 267. Al Richardson 262, Bob Kennedy 250, Tim Saul 249 and Arne Skretteberg and Doug Clubine tied at 247 are next in line.

League Standing as of November 13
Manufacturers' Life 60, Tom Hughes Shell 51, Turnbull Grocery 47, Wimbridge Cleaners 45, Bob's Delivery Service 43, Richmond Hill Auto Wreckers 42, Maple Snack Service 38, Allencourt Lanes 29, Lake Simcoe Fuel Oil 25, Richmond Inn Restaurant 21, Central Van & Storage 13, ABC Bowl 6.

ERIN GO BRAGH!

Jane O'Connor and May Fitzpatrick shared honors as they tied for the ladies' hidden score prize in Eastsider bowling action.

Busy Schedule

North End Cleaners & Legion Teams Win League Opener 3-0 And 5-4

On November 8 CFGM Country Gentlemen were outskated and outplayed in an exhibition game against Goulding Park, a THL entry.

November 13 saw the Gentlemen open their North York League schedule against Newmarket and win going away by an 8-2 score. Steven Conkright and Scott Mabley scored singles while Dennis Acomb, Steven Brown and Steve Gordon potted two goals each. Despite poor ice conditions the game was a reasonably good one, at least from the CFGM point of view.

In an exhibition at the new Doublerink Arena on Saturday, the Gentlemen edged Thornhill by a 7-3 count. Dennis Acomb and Steve Cavan scored two each with Val Steffan, Steven Brown and Steven Gordon firing one goal each.

Stan Petronski went well in goal replacing the injured Louis Moore.

Ties were the order of the day for the Richmond Hill Lions last weekend. In a North York League fixture with Newmarket the Lions tied the game 3-3 after being down 3-1 at one stage.

David Sephton, Paul Brown and Daryl Rice scored the Lions goals.

Thornhill and the Lions played to a 1-1 draw at Doublerink Arena in an exhibition title last Saturday. David Sephton scored for the Lions in what proved to be a fast, clean game.

North End Cleaners won their league opener last Friday as they downed Newmarket by a 3-0 score. Mike Deciantis, Wilson Ross and Gerald Methe scored for the Hill team with assists going to John Dunkley and Larry Young.

The team played a heads up, tight checking game and Chris Anos earned his shutout in the Cleaner cage.

On Saturday a big, powerful Thornhill team headed the Cleaners a 3-1 defeat. Gerald Methe scored the losers' only goal.

tion at Allencourt Lanes last week. Bill Goard was the sole winner in the men's section. Tigers, Orioles and Cardinals each picked up seven points as the new series got underway.

High triple leader for the ladies was Ethel McRae 681 (261) followed by Barbara Bunker 674 (258), Dot Webster 661 (232), Ev. Jones 621 (221). Neil McDonald topped the men at 832 (320) followed by Ted Robertson 770 (283), Bill Jones 741 (273), Ernie McMeeking 702 (288), Tom McRae 678 (253) and John Allen 676 (239).

High single games went to Rita Beland 279, Shirley Thompson 262, Ruth Proctor 248, Helen Robertson 237, Patricia Jones 232 and Ruth Long 216. Newil Jarvie rolled a single of 255, Robert McQuiggan 250, Ron Proctor 249 and Allan Aldler 232.

Sunday night, the Royal Canadian Legion's mixed bowling team were defeated by the East Siders with a score of 3904 against 3452.

It was a three-game, total point series at the Allencourt Lanes in the challenge match.

On the Eastsiders team were Ethel McRae, Evelyn Jones, Ruth Lang, Bill Jones, Neil McDonald and Ted Robertson. Bowling for the Legion team were Jennie Richard, Gwen Fraser, Mabel Havilland, Victor Palmer, Jim Davidson and Bob Karsh.



Champions To Guide Local Skaters

Canadian Junior Pairs Champions in 1961, fourth in Canadian Senior Pairs in 1962 and members of the winning fours team the same year, Mrs. Elinor Kells and Phillip McCordic, shown above are the new club professionals of the Richmond Hill Figure Skating Club. They have already started their duties and are proving very popular with the young students.

Besides his excellent record in pairs competition, Mr. McCordic was runner-up in the men's junior competition last year.

Mrs. Kells (the former Elinor Flack) is the daughter of Herbie Flack, well known former speed skater, who won every speed skating honor in Canada and represented this country at the 1932 Olympic Games.

COMPETITIVE SWIMMING

Last week at Leaside Pool our three competitive swim chumps from Thornhill were in action.

Lorraine Aho came first in the 200 yard individual medley. Her time 2:30.3.

Rod Hooper came third in the 100 yard free style competition. His time was 1:09.

Mike Lipp swam in the relay team which placed second. Next week, there will be a two-day meet, Friday at Hart House and Saturday at University Settlement.

Richmond Hill Senior Hockey League

Come out and Back your Team

8:15 Dynes vs. Newmarket
9:45 Thornhill vs. Keswick

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Senior League Statistics

Standings November 13

	P. W. L. T.	For	Against	Pts.
Richmond Hill Dynes	3 3 0 0	21	4	6
Newmarket Cubs	3 2 1 0	21	15	4
Toronto Tildens	2 1 0 1	8	7	3
Willowdale Rangers	2 1 2 0	14	16	2
Bradford Bells	3 1 2 0	13	14	2
Thornhill Shamrocks	3 1 2 0	11	18	2
Downsview Flyers	3 1 2 0	8	16	2
North York Black Hawks	3 0 2 1	7	13	1
Keswick Comets	0			0

Leading Scorers:

	Goals	Assists	Pts.
Matt Kinnari, Richmond Hill	6	4	10
Doug McInnis, Richmond Hill	1	7	8
Don Haynes, Richmond Hill	6	1	7
John McKnight, Newmarket	5	2	7

Leading Goalkeeper:
Doug Finney, Richmond Hill.

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