

# Sport Spots



By FRED SIMPSON

"Almost" is a word that separates the heroes from the also-rans. It's a wall that you can almost climb.

Just ask Ab Deasley of the Hughes ball team. It happened in the top of the ninth inning of the other night at the town park with the score 1-1 between Hughes and St. Thomas. It was a "must" game for the visiting OASA Senior "A" Champions. Deasley was on the mound for the locals faced with the prospect of wrapping the title up for the Hughes team. It looked like a big moment in a season where there were few for hurler Deasley.

For eight innings he had pitched clutch ball weakening only in the sixth when St. Thomas brought a tying run across on three straight singles, one a bunt effort. He had whiffed eight batters. All season Deasley had operated out of the tall shadow of one Reno Pettenuzzo which isn't calculated to win you too many laurels. You just don't get the chance. It doesn't matter if you do.

And the shadow had been even longer in the first two games of the play-offs with St. Thomas. Pettenuzzo had a string of 13 runless innings behind him. St. Thomas had trouble even hitting him.

The first man in the ninth, Jerry Fox, went down swinging. Ditto Jerry Clark and the chilled fans — standing up mainly because it was just too cold to sit down, rigor mortis if you did — were applauding a great effort.

Then Harry Bartley sliced a dying swan double over third base. The throw-in was low and skipped by Horner at second base and Bartley was on third.

The next batsman looked like an easy out as he lifted a high foul by third base. It was close to the fence and Larry Staughton made a good effort to get it. He appeared to have it but the ball popped out of his mitt. Two pitches later the batter hit a soft liner over second base scoring Bartley. Final score, 2-1.

Where was Pettenuzzo? He was sitting on the bench with a sore right pitching arm that he couldn't lift due to a rib separation. He had been a hero a few days before but that didn't count either.

## On Other Fronts

If you've never had the occasion to strut on "cloud nine" and you would like to find out what it's like . . . just ask Ron McAndrews. He's doing it these days.

Ron is the proud manager of the Richmond Hill Mic-Macs Juvenile Girl's Team that has just won the Richmond Hill - Oak Ridges - Victoria Square Softball League. The first time in five years of trying.

We recall just a couple of years ago when Ron was having trouble even winning a game with some of his Mic-Macs. But the drought is over. Incidentally, Mic-Macs is a name of an Indian tribe down on the East Coast.

A hockey note for the same Mr. McAndrews. His hockey Mic-Macs are already underway and have played three games winning one and tying two. Any girl with a talent for carrying a hockey stick is invited to try out with the team. Just call Ed Robinson at BA. 1-0828. The name of the league its a new one—is the Central Ontario Ladies Hockey League. All games are on Tuesday night from 8 to 10 pm at the Doublerink.

## Football Now

The Richmond Hill Indians are continuing their winning ways under manager Del Madeley and they look like a sure bet for another league title and possible repeat champions.

It says here that they can wrap up the league title this Saturday and Monday in games against East York and High Park Bombers. If Richmond Hill wins one and second place Etobicoke or North-western loses one the locals will end up in first also. Get it?

By the way, the Indians play High Park at the town park this Monday at 2 pm. Drop down and see some good football. They need your support.

## Hockey Note

Coach Russ Cripps announces the Richmond Hill Dynes Hockey Club will be working out tonight (Thursday) in the Newmarket arena at 9:30. Anyone interested in trying out is asked to call Russ at 884-3681.

## Pee Wees And Bantams Seek Championships

Reynolds Shoes Pee Wees are just one step away from the North York League Championship, with Monday night's 10-2 victory over Mount Albert.

They play the final game of the best two out of three series in Mount Albert on Thursday at 7 pm.

Len Pugh's Bantams took a decisive 21-5 win over Vandroff in the league finals last week. Vandroff took the first game of the series 9-1 with local boys showing the result of a long lay-off from competition.

Date of the final game had not been set at press time.

## Mac Mics Take Juvenile Title

Manager Ron McAndrews and his Richmond Hill Mic Mics Juvenile girls have finally done it.

They defeated a strong Oak Ridges team 10-1 in the third and final game of the Richmond Hill - Oak Ridges - Victoria Square Softball League to take the title.

Highlights of the game was the strong pitching of Linda Gordon who gave up two hits and struck out 13. Linda had a no hitter going for her up onto the fifth inning.

The teams had each won two games previously.

It was Ron's fifth try at winning the title. "I finally made it," said Ron. "But it was a pretty long time".

NEWMARKET — A short-term loan to supplement grants from the Departments of Education for the alteration and renovation of the library at Newmarket District High School was approved by town council last week.

## Afghans to Weimarans

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# Indians Edge Etobicoke 15-12

A 90 yard touchdown run off a broken play by end Bob Sheridan sparked the Richmond Hill Indians to a 15-12 come-from-behind win Saturday over Etobicoke in a Metropolitan Toronto Football League game.

It was the fifth straight victory for the Indians and their toughest one this season according to Manager Del Madeley. The Indians have been the only team to defeat Etobicoke having pulled the same trick twice this season.

"Etobicoke was really up for this game", observed Madeley, "and we started out a little down. We went out there figuring we wouldn't have to work. That gave them the jump on us."

The Indians managed to break into the scoring first off a 40-yard single in the initial period by quarter — back Ian McIntosh who called and kicked and ran a good game for the winning

team. "Ian was at his peak in all departments", said Coach Madeley, "and that makes a big difference in your attack." McIntosh scored the Indians' other touchdown.

Etobicoke set the Indians back on their heels late in the opening quarter on a 60 yard pass and run play to the two yard line. Matti Lepts then barged over to make it 6-1. The convert was missed.

Then came the broken-play episode in the second quarter which should have been a disaster but turned out to be a gem. McIntosh tossed a pitch-out to Bob Booth who fumbled the ball, looked like he would be thrown for a loss on his 15 yard line, but managed a 25 yard pass to Sheridan who picked his way home free to put the Indians in front to stay. McIntosh converted to make the score read 6-6 for the Richmond Hill team.

Then it was McIntosh's turn as he moved the ball to the 20 yard line, faked a pass on roll-out play, and lugged the leather across the goal-line. He missed the convert.

An undaunted Etobicoke crew fought back on the last play of the first half as Quarterback Stephenson threw a 70-yard pass-and-run play to Groves who went all the way.

McIntosh kicked a single in the third quarter.

Outstanding players included McIntosh, Levi Snook, and Sheridan. Charles Dunn was outstanding on defence with Ray Kyte picking off a couple of key passes to get the Indians out of their own end.

The Indians go to Dieppe Park this Saturday against East York and are back at the Richmond Hill Town Park Thanksgiving Monday at 2 pm. Opposition will be the High Park Bombers.

# Stingrays North York Champs

## Defeat E. Gwillimbury 11-1 In Final Game

Wilson-Niblett Stingrays are the 1965 champions of the North York Squirt Division. They clinched the title Saturday when they handed East Gwillimbury an 11-1 defeat on that team's home diamond.

The Stingrays lost the first game of the playoffs 2-1 to their northern neighbors but came back to take game two by the score of 5-1. In the three games East Gwillimbury had only four runners cross the plate, while the local 10-year-olds managed to score 17 times.

Doug Webster wielded the big bat for the local lads in the final game, coming up with two home runs, a triple and a walk for a perfect day at the plate. He scored three runs and drove in six, besides sharing pitching duties with Val Steffan.

Greg Binkley and Robbie Edwards each collected three hits. Pitcher Koffey got the only hit for East Gwillimbury, but was held to one hit by strategy. In previous games, Coach Sil Steffan had noticed that Koffey had trouble hitting Webster's pitches, so every time the East Gwillimbury threat was at the plate, he faced Webster on the mound.

Steffan struck out five opposing batters and Webster two.

During the 1965 season the Stingrays played 27 games (almost half of these against East Gwillimbury). They won 16, lost 10 and tied one. Scott Mabley had the best batting record, with .467; and Doug Webster holds the record for most hits, most runs batted in, most home runs and most runs. Val Steffan had eight wins and 5 losses, pitched 89½ innings and walked only 27 men.

# Langstaff A-Go-Go-Go!

## Girls' Sports

The powderpuff football game is to be played October 14. Two teams have been formed with Bea Kloosterman and Bev Taylor as captains. Coaches will be Hunter Wright, Craig Ellis, Guy Wainwright, and Tom Stiff. The action should be on the unusual side with humorous touches because of the unexperienced players.

## Boys' Sports

Wednesday night, the intermediate football team played Bayview in the first league game of the year. Langstaff won 19-0. Langstaff opened the game with a long pass-and-run from quarterback Archie Nesbitt to Steve Onyette. Then, after a broken Bayview drive, Langstaff moved deep into Bayview territory where Nesbitt kicked a single point. In the second half, Gerry Crouse scored on an end run and Bob Nixon turned a Bayview fumble into a Langstaff touchdown. On the whole the game was exceedingly well-played considering the poor condition of the field in the rain.

The senior football team went down to defeat in their first game of the season. Bayview took the lead 2-0 in a touchdown in the second quarter. Langstaff Quarterback Jack Dubkowski got a touchdown in the fourth to put the score 6-2. Then, Bayview went ahead 8-6 with a touchdown in the final minutes. Langstaff coach was pleased with the response from the new team and the fans are behind them 100 per cent.

## Assembly

Friday afternoon, Principal A. N. Mureh announced a change of policy in Langstaff. Previously, students have been told they may not smoke on school property, therefore, it was taken for granted that it was all right to smoke just outside the grounds. The public assumes that the school is composed of students with nothing better to do than stand outside the school and smoke, when in reality, only about 10% do congregate in the cancer society. Several solutions have been brought up, but the one to be on trial for a month is to allow students to smoke in a designated area well away from the classrooms. This does not mean that the school approves of smoking, but something must be done to present a

## more accurate picture of Langstaff.

Mr. Threndyle brought the students' attention to the number of clubs now operating. There is something for everyone, but if you don't find a club appealing to you, go to him with your suggestion. Arts, athletics, camera, commercial, debates, drama, chess and games, industrial arts, choirs, music, SAD-SAC and ISCF are some of the clubs available.

There will be a new intramural system. At the present time, students and teachers are meeting to decide on a program. We were also acquainted with the interschool system of the GBSSA of which we are a member. The number of sports is practically unlimited, why not come out and join the fun?

The assembly ended in a pep rally to send the senior football team out to their first game of the season.

## Yearbook

A report from the editor, Jeff Bickerstaff says that although the staff is hard at work, more

student participation is required. Competitions for literature, art, and title are underway. As the editor says, this will be our "Best Yearbook," so, "Ask not what your yearbook can do for you, but what you can do for your yearbook."

## Debate

In the first debate of the year, held Wednesday night, the issue under attack was, resolved, "The Church is Outmoded in Present Day Society." A near-capacity audience listened to Marlene Kenneth, Sharon Peterson, and Pat Leigh achieve victory over the negative side of Clark Shartian, Greg Lyn, and Greg Benton.

## Socials

The dance committee has announced the next dance for October 15 with CHUM Announcer, Brian Skinner, on hand to spin the latest recordings. Students from other schools are welcome, but they must have a sponsor from Langstaff to be admitted.

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