

Kent Clothes Sew Up First Place Lacing Morrison's By 8-1 Count

Richmond Hill Kent Clothes romped to the North York Major Fastball League title last week via an 8-1 trouncing of cellar-dwelling Morrison Bros. The Clothes now lead second place Chamberlains Van and Storage by five points. They have two games remaining to Chamberlains one.

This Tuesday the Kentmen embark on the OASA Intermediate "A" title trek with an 8:30 game against Brampton in the town park. Richmond Hill will be one of 20 teams making the run for top honors in the "A" bracket.

Larry Guio and Bren Selvaige shared the Kent pitching chores in the title-winning game against Morrison's in a pre-arranged plan to give each some work prior to the OASA and league play-offs.

Guio started and went five innings allowing one hit, a triple and had no runs credited against him. Selvaige worked the last four innings and held the opposition hitless until the ninth when he eased up with an 8-0 lead.

The opposition proceeded to put together three singles to garner their lone run. Ken Knapton went the route for Morrison's and was assaulted for 14 hits by the free swinging Kent club.

Brian Clark opened the game with a single, moved to third on a stolen base and a passed ball and scored as Bob Shelton rolled out.

John Maver tripled in the second and scored on Bob Guio's single.

Kent's added single runs in the fourth and sixth and a pair in both the seventh and eighth to complete their total.

Third baseman Clayton Chapman singled and crossed the plate in the fourth on Maver's single.

Craig Dunnett singled in the sixth, advanced to third, and scored as Clark reached first on an error.

Singles by Alex Smith, Maver and Selvaige accounted for two in the seventh. Andy Watson's two-run homer in the eighth scored Shelton ahead of him completing the winning total.

Singles by Carman Morrison, Barry Morrison and Barry Wade scored the losing team's lone tally in the ninth.

Maver continued his recent hitting binge leading the team with four hits including a pair of triples. Shortstop Clark had three singles. Watson had a double in addition to his home run. Morrison had the only extra base hit for Morrison and that was a fifth inning triple.

In the present week Kent's complete the league schedule with two rained-out games against Morrison Bros. The games mean little to Clothes but are important to the Brothers which still has a mathematical chance of reaching a playoff spot by catching fourth place Markham Chrysler Dodge.

STANDINGS

Team	P	W	L	T	PL
Kent Clothes	18	15	2	1	31
Chamberlain's	19	12	5	2	26
Willowdale	16	7	8	1	15
Markham	13	4	12	2	10
Morrison	17	1	12	4	6

Sport Spots

By Fred Simpson

Summer's End Well, summer's over. As far as I'm concerned, anyway. Just got back from a two-week course in survival. Some refer to it as a holiday. Yuck!

And the return found the house in its usual disorderly shape. Bits and pieces of paper and information about this and that scattered hither and yon.

So to get with it.

Am in possession of a colorfully packaged publicity release from Labatt's (Mmmmm) having to do with the "Canadian Senior Men's Softball Championship" in St. Catharines August 30, 31 and September 1 and 2.

It's the fourth annual show of its kind and the grand winner will represent Canada in the United States World Championship tournament next year in Hawaii.

Representing Ontario in the St. Catharines tourney, of course, will be the Richmond Hill Dynes Jewellers who won the right by winning the All-Ontario Championship in Windsor a few weeks ago. St. Catharines, as host team, will also be represented by an entry.

Tournament convenor Lloyd Alguire, vice-president of the Canadian Amateur Softball Association, states there will be at least eight and possibly nine teams taking part.

Single entries will come from British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Quebec, New Brunswick, and the two Ontario squads.

On the line will be the Labatt's trophy which was won in Saskatoon last year by the Winnipeg Canadians. Alguire says that Labatt's will also be providing a runner-up trophy, replicas for all players on the winning and second-place teams.

There will also be individual awards made to the most valuable player, top pitcher and hitter. Games will be played at Lancaster Park with a minimum of 14 games to be played.

HILL MEETS SASKATCHEWAN

The Jewellers kick off against Saskatchewan Saturday at 10 am and go on from there. The squad is slated to arrive in St. Catharines Friday night for a "meet the teams" banquet.

Richmond Hill will undoubtedly find the going on the rugged side but there's no reason why this team can't come up with all the marbles. That's if they play as a unit as was the case in Windsor.

In a tournament like this the outcome is always in doubt even if you play good ball and take advantage of all the breaks and make every hit count and eliminate errors. If you don't, well, it's sidelinesville.

PITCHING THE KEY

Pitching will in all likelihood be the determining factor and the Jewellers can match most clubs in the country and surpass a lot of them in this department.

Going for them will be Bob Domik who played tremendously in the Windsor tourney and who personally made the trip to St. Catharines possible.

Backing him up will be young Billy Drennen who is in his first full season of senior ball. This righthander is already one of the best around and the opposition must shudder to think that he will undoubtedly improve with maturity.

Then there's that Oshawa Tony phenom, Pete Landers, who will be added to the lineup. Being able to go with this left-hander and couple him with two righthanders like Domik and Drennen is just about the best thing you could have going for you.

WEAKEST LINK

The entire team will have to be going all out behind them because you're only as good as the weakest link in such a tournament.

Don't imagine the hits will be that easy to come by and therefore the ones the Jewellers get better be bunched.

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16-Year-Old Andrea Stoddart Golfs Way To Summer Glory

By FRED SIMPSON

Sixteen-year-old Andrea Stoddart of Richmond Hill suffered through a winter of golfing discontent but everything's all right now that summer's here.

"I really went into a slump at the end of last summer," said Andrea. She lives at 36 Starlight Crescent and is a member of the Summit Golf and Country Club at Jefferson.

"My last major outing was the Canadian Junior Championship at Saskatoon and I didn't play well at all. It was discouraging. Made me almost feel like giving golf up."

Andrea's late season sags came on the heels of her impressive although losing effort in the Ontario Junior Championships shortly before that.

She went right down to the finals before bowing out to her older opponent and club member, Liz Daniel, 5 and 3. A week earlier she had reversed the situation downing Liz for the Summit Club championship.

"I went to the Chicago juniors after losing to Liz and I didn't perform very well there either. Then I was sick for a couple of weeks and after that I couldn't come back. I guess I was pressing too much."

But Andrea — like all golfers — knows that slumps are always lurking around the next hole and during the winter decided to find out just what was wrong.

"I knew I wasn't hitting the

ball properly," she said. So she spent the winter — most of it, anyway — at Kenny Girard's golf school (he's the club pro at Summit) perfecting, or getting back, her swing.

"I wasn't making good contact with the ball and Kenny worked on my swing. Of course," she added, "I'm in the middle of changing my swing. When you're young you tend to just swing the club and you have to learn to do it the proper way."

No doubt about it. Miss Stoddart recovered her missing magic and came out fighting this summer.

She tied for third in the Toronto City and District Open and went on to win the Ontario Junior Girls Championship at the Summit.

Andrea was also the number one choice to represent Ontario in the United States Junior Girls Championship in Flint, Michigan, in August. What a difference a year makes.

"I think I have a better attitude this year, too," she said. "I'm just that much more mature which counts for a lot in golf. I don't lose my temper as much or get so upset when I blow a hole."

"I try to forget about it and start fresh on the next hole. I don't know why I've changed my attitude. I just feel better."

Andrea also thinks her confidence is better.

"You've got to feel you can beat your opponent. If you approach with the attitude that

'they are better than you', well, you're behind before you start."

Andrea is well aware that the competition will be strong in the United States with 140 of the best junior girls vying for honors.

"But I just have to remember to play each hole the best way I can and not worry about my opponent."

Andrea, who is a grade 13 student at Richmond Hill High School, is planning to become a physical education teacher. But she'd also like to take a whirl at the pro golf circuit.

"I'd like to try it for awhile," she said. "But I wouldn't want to make a career out of it. There's too much travel involved. But it would be nice for awhile."

Andrea has been playing golf since she was 11 years old when her father first took her to Uplands Golf and Country Club to match shots with the rest of the family.

For golfing has become almost a tradition with the Stoddarts, who besides Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Stoddart, number five girls and one boy, and all of them are pretty good at swinging a club.

Andrea's sister, Nancy, won the junior championship four years ago.

Following the interview, Andrea left for the Summit to take some golfing lessons with Mr. Girard.

Proving that, in golf as everything else, practice and learning makes for perfection, or almost perfection, anyway.



ANDREA STODDART

Ranger Soccer Boys Win And Tie Matches

It was an almost perfect weekend for Richmond Hill's two senior soccer teams.

The first Ranger team fought to a 2-2 tie with the Newmarket Old Timers in a contest at Bayview Secondary School.

And the second team downed Orillia 2-0 in an away game.

Jim Henry and Billy Leeman scored for the Rangers in the tie contest against Newmarket.

Brian Graham and Emil Magnusson did the honors in the winning contest against Orillia.

Both teams will be playing this Saturday. The second team will be hosting Bradford at Bayview Secondary School with the first squad going against Danforth at Greenwood Park in Toronto. Both games are set for 6 pm.

Jewellers Stage Last Inning Up-rising To Dump Toronto Plating Squad By 5-2

If there is a harder way of winning a ballgame the Richmond Hill Dynes Jewellers will undoubtedly find it before the 1968 season is over.

But Monday night's Beaches Major Eastball League encounter with Toronto Plating at Kew Beach will do for the time being.

The Jewellers were trailing Plating by 2-1 going into the ninth inning and had managed but one hit off Wayne Colley — a single in the eighth inning by "Skip" DeGeer.

Then the action started: Lead-off man Les Downing lined a single to right-field, Catcher George Dickey was safe at first and Downing on second when the first baseman

tumbled his ground ball.

Gary Smith struck out but Downing caught the catcher holding the ball and looking the other way and proceeded to show his appreciation by stealing third.

Danny Boyne went out third to first with Downing holding and Dickey scrambling to second.

This set the scene for Bob Domik who had come into the game for starting pitcher Bill Drennen in the sixth inning with the Jewellers trailing 2-1 and had allowed no hits in his three-inning stint.

With two men out Domik lashed a sizzler down the line which was blocked by third baseman Pete McCarthy. He

couldn't control the drive and the ball squirted a few feet away from him allowing Downing to score and sending Dickey to third.

This tied the game at 2-2 with DeGeer at bat. Colley's first pitch to DeGeer was wild and Dickey came scuttling home with the winning run. Domik scrambled to third on the play.

It was a tough loss for Colley who allowed only three hits — all of them confined to the last two innings. Wildness and errors were his downfall.

He walked seven men and his teammates committed five errors behind him.

Plating opened the scoring against Drennen in the second inning as lead-off man John Fallis lined sharply to left for a single. He went to second on a sacrifice, to third on an error, and then stole home as the Jewellers went into a mental lapse. Toronto took a 2-0 lead in the fourth on a walk, wild pitch, and a single to centre by Hal Smith.

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GEORGE DICKIE Winning Run... Pass Ball

Toronto Plating then decided to walk both DeGeer and next man up Mickey Hancock to load the bases. Domik and DeGeer then scored on two successive Plating infield errors.

It was game over for Toronto then as Domik set them down in order in the bottom of the ninth to round out his impressive "no-hit" showing after

taking over in the sixth inning. He struck out six of the 12 batters he faced.

Starting Dynes pitcher Drennen was impressive in spots but hurt his own cause and was also helped in the hurting by some early shoddy fielding by his teammates. He allowed six hits in his five inning stint and struck out 11 batsmen in the process. He was removed for Domik when his arm started to tighten up on him.

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W-N Stingrays Still Unbeaten

Wilson-Niblett Stingrays remain unbeaten in league play this season.

On July 24, the Stingrays defeated East Gwillimbury 13-3. August 1 saw Mike Rowley pitching a good game and Danny Jones hitting two home runs. The final score was Richmond Hill 18 - Stouffville 2.

The first game of the playoffs was played in Unionville August 6 with Rowley in good pitching form again. The final score was Richmond Hill 14 - Unionville 1.

Unionville returned here August 8 for the second game of the playoffs to be beaten by the Stingrays 2-6. Rowley pitched and home runs were hit by Arnold Van der Weyde, Rowley and Stephen Wilson. Arnold's big hit came with the bases loaded.

The Stingray fans urge the boys to keep up the good work throughout the rest of the season.

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