



Sport Spots

by Fred Simpson

Those Elephants

Personally, I wouldn't be caught dead hunting a squirrel with an elephant gun. Nor an elephant for that matter. Just too hazardous.

But with a bow and arrow? Get lost. That's even worse as far as I'm concerned but there are actually people who do it.

One of these people is Bill Spearing of 262 Demaine Crescent in Richmond Hill and he's been doing it for about 18 to 20 years. Bill and his sons, Ken, 22, and Glenn, 14, are members of the York County Bowmen which comprises some 75 to 100 members and is growing all the time.

"A terrific sport, just terrific," Bill was attempting to convince me the other day while I squirmed nervously. "It's the cleanest sport I can think of. It's too bad more people don't do it."

Bill and his sons have 25 different bows to their name including an old English Long Bow which are still in active use in England.

DAYS OF ROBIN HOOD

You remember the long bow. They're the kind Robin Hood and his Merry Men used to shoot at the tyrannical King John. Of course, Bill has a number of more modern bows which he uses for tournament competition.

"We make our own bows," he said, "on a special machine we have. It takes about two weeks. My tournament bow is worth about \$325." He has won numerous tournaments over the years.

On the hunting trail Bill has shot all kinds of game including rabbits, deer, etc., and a bear.

It was the news that he shot a bear which made my left eye twitch uncontrollably for a long second.

But probably his most anxious moments occurred one day while he and one of his sons were hunting deer.

"My son was on top of a hill and there were about three deer. He shot and missed them and the three of them, led by the buck started straight in my direction. I was hiding behind a clump of bushes.

"The buck was only a few yards in front of me, coming on the dead run, when I stepped out from behind the bush and let the arrow fly. It got him.

KEPT COMING

"He just kept right on coming. I didn't have time to let go with another arrow. I just stood there. The buck's head dropped right at my feet. It was a pretty close call."

Bill states that it's not the shock or impact that stops the animal. The steel-tipped arrow-head is razor sharp "and will pass right through the animal unless it hits a bone. You can get accuracy and speed with an arrow for a distance of 40 yards which means you have to get a lot closer, be very stealthy, when sneaking up on your prey.

"It's much more fun and sporting than carrying a telescopic rifle which will carry for about 200

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Pewee Lions Suffer From Penalties Juveniles Beat Strong Georgetown

CFGM 5 - Oak Ridges 0

CFGM Country Gentlemen played three games last week winning two and losing a squeaker. Thursday night at Bradford Richmond Hill handed out a 5-0 shellacking to Oak Ridges as they tried out a new goalie. Gary Dunbar came up with a shutout.

Marksman were Ross Simpson, assisted by David Brooke and David Forbes; Kyle Chaffield, unassisted; David Forbes, unassisted; Gordon Forbes, assisted by Bobby Putnam; and Mike Ham, unassisted.

Barrie 3, CFGM 2

Although they were on the losing end of the Friday night contest with Barrie, CFGM played a much better game than in their last meeting with Barrie. Both teams turned in excellent, fast-skating performances. CFGM had the win in their pockets right up until only eight minutes remained.

Bobby Monaco, assisted by David Forbes, got the first goal for the local lads and Glen Tatum, assisted by Danny Jones and Kyle Chaffield, got the second.

CFGM 6, Clairlea 1

Sunday CFGM hosted the Clairlea Minor Atoms from Scarborough and handed them a 6-1 defeat. Young Gary Dunbar was in goal for two periods and regular Goalie Doug Hughes tended the net for the other period.

Goal getters were Bobby Golding from Gordon Forbes, Glen Tatum unassisted, Golding again from Gordon Bedwell and Mike Ham, Bobby Putnam from Malcolm Johnston, Kyle Chaffield from Danny Jones and Tatum from Bedwell and Bobby Monaco.

Coming up: the CFGM Novices travel to Orillia Saturday and host Clairlea at 5:30 in the old arena Sunday.

PEEWEEES

Rinky-Dinks 3, Lions 1

The Rinky-Dinks are all selected from triple "A" teams playing in the Metro Minor Atoms League. The Lion Pee-wees played well and put up a stiff battle, but finally had to bow to their opponents 3-1.

The Toronto boys opened the scoring in the first period, but the Lions tied it up when Jimmy Clement netted the puck being set up by Mike Cronk-wright and Ricky Sackfield.

The Rinky-Dinks then went ahead towards the end of the second period and scored another goal in the third stanza.

The Lions appeared a bit disorganized but put up a good fight. A return game is planned in about three weeks.

Lions 3, Barrie 1

Friday, in their seventh league game, the Lions defeated Barrie 3-1 as they turned in their best game to date. It was a very exciting and tense contest.

Barrie got its only counter at 14:44 of the first period and Richmond Hill tied it up with only 51 seconds remaining in the period. Richmond Hill went ahead at 7:36 of the second period when Brad Campbell slapped one home from the point on a pass from Sackfield.

In a desperate attempt to knot the count, Barrie lifted its netminder in the dying minutes of the game. Jimmy Clement shot the puck into the empty net assisted by Kevin McKeage, to make the final count 3-1 for the Lions, who out-shot Barrie 17-6.

This game was not nearly as rough as the previous encounter of the two teams.

Weston 3, Lions 2

Sunday the Lions took on the Weston Dodgers at 9 am and lost 3-2 in a really good display of hockey. The local lads outplayed their opponents by a country mile, but the breaks weren't with them.

Weston was ahead 2-0 at the start of the second period. Ricky Sackfield helped by Clement and Cronkwright scored in the second and the Lions tied it up when Donny McPhee sank a pass from Jim Graham and Eric Kivimaki.

Midway through the third Weston got a fluke goal which stood up until the end of the game, although the Lions had numerous chances by almost every member of the forward lines. They just couldn't get the puck past the Weston goalie. All in all the Lions put up a good enough fight to win by a good margin but didn't get the breaks.

Friday the Lions host Oakville in an exhibition game and Saturday journey to Orillia for a league game. As yet no game has been arranged for Sunday — but Monday the Lions go to Keswick to play the South Shore in a league game. December 11 they will host Weston and December 14 and 15 will host an Ottawa team.

The boys from the capitol will be billeted with the Lions overnight and will play Saturday at 7 pm and again on Sunday at 1 pm.

The bantams will also host an Ottawa team and the Mid-gets a Detroit team that weekend. The teams will have to

pay for ice time on Saturday, so will make a 50c admission charge that day.

The Lions are already planning to participate in the Quebec Winter Carnival International Tournament, beginning February 7. To help defray expenses they are selling chocolate bars and peanuts and request the support of every citizen as they attempt to duplicate the 1968 win of the grand championship.

BANTAMS

Cleaners 3, Barrie 0

Friday the North End Cleaners Bantams hosted Barrie in the return game of a home and home series. As usual Richmond Hill got serious when the chips were down. However, the Cleaners didn't use all their ability and were penalized for several rule infractions. Tom Sanlon received a penalty for high sticking and Chuck Lunau got one for a trip. These penalties put the Cleaners at a disadvantage for six minutes of the first 15.

In the second Steve Brown was in the right place and deflected one of John Caven's hard ones from the point into the net at 8:35. The Cleaners made it 2-0 at 11:58 when Steve Gordon aided by Rick Boling-broke and Brown netted the puck. At 14:06 Greg Binkley received an elbowing penalty as the Hillers were not skating and turned to illegal tactics.

In the third Bolingbroke chiseled again for the Cleaners, receiving a boarding penalty at 1:45. The North Enders received another before the first penalty expired, John Caven getting the nod for a high stick at 4:20. Before he returned to the ice Scott Mabley joined him in the penalty box for a trip at 7:07, making the Hill two men short again.

The forward lines put forth an extra effort, held Barrie off and scored while shorthanded as Mabley made amends and skated from the penalty box. Scott Mabley returned to the ice at 11:31 to make it hard for the Cleaners to hold Barrie to a shutout.

It was not the Cleaners' best performance as conditioning is still below what is expected and desired.

Goalie Louis Moore held the locals in the game on more than one occasion and deserves the credit.

Cleaners 1, North Etobicoke 1
The North End Cleaners hosted North Etobicoke, fourth place in the Metro League. The visitors were a heavier team but did not possess the ability to capitalize on their man-advantage situations. Richmond Hill again served more than their share of penalties as the bantams killed off their seven misdeameanors successfully.

In the first period, the Cleaners overpowered their opponents from Metro and scored at 9:42. Mike Ball very capably walked in and drew the goalie out, sliding in a pretty one, assisted by Dennis Acomb, who organized things and forwarded the puck to Steve Cronkwright, his pointman.

In the second period, the Cleaners only checked and skated with their opponents. The coasting North Enders allowed their visitors to tie things up. However hard our bantams tried, the third period did not alter the results. The Cleaners used all their men while shorthanded but did not use the same team play at full strength. The game ended in a 1-1 tie.

Goalie Louis Moore missed this one due to a junior commitment. Bob Clement filled in in fine fashion as expected. The North Etobicoke team got its counter off a Richmond Hill stick.

Friday the Cleaners travel to Orillia, a tough competitor; Saturday they return to play North Etobicoke at Woodbridge and Sunday go to Sutton to play another league encounter.

MIDGETS

Legion 5, Alliston 2
The Legion Midgets had to come from behind a 2-0 score to win this one. Dave Carnell was in the nets. Goalgetters were Mike Evans, set up by Dick Weber and Eric Yakichuk; Daryl Rice from Cliff Lynham and Bill Weber; Gary Hall from Daryl Rice and Cliff Lynham; and Cliff Lynham and Daryl Rice, both unassisted.

Their next game December 6 will be in Orillia at 9 pm.

December 14 and 15, the Legion Midgets will host the Myr Midgets from Detroit.

JUVENILES

Hughes 3, Georgetown 2
Last Sunday Tom Hughes Shell Juveniles hosted Georgetown in an exhibition contest

and won 3-2.

Chris Hopson opened the scoring for the locals at 1:56 of the first period on a pass from Larry Shier and Barry McKillop. Georgetown retaliated at 7:47 to end the first period at 1-1.

In the second Hopson scored again at 55 seconds, set up by Shier and Wilson Ross. Ross then scored on a pass from Chris Dunlop and Jim McNichol to make the score 3-1 for the Hill at the end of the second period.

Warren Rogers scored for Georgetown in the third period to end the game 3-2.

John Shropshire and Wilson Ross, who played with the juveniles last year, have again signed with the club.

Next Sunday the juveniles will be hosting a strong Bowmanville team. Game time is 1 pm — in the new arena.

MINOR BANTAMS

Surf Marine 3,

Toronto Olympics 3
Richmond Hill's Surf Marine Minor Bantams have now gone nine games without a loss.

Saturday morning they travelled to Beeton for their first morning game this year and tied Toronto Olympics 3-3.

The first Hill goal was by Greg Woloski assisted by Terry Rice, the second goal was netted by Kim Mabley assisted by Tom MacRae and the third goal by Dave Dunkley assisted by Rice and Woloski.

The Mariners lagged for the first two periods of this game and were down 3-1, but they came on in the last period to tie the score.

Surf Marine 4, Scarborough Lions 1

Sunday they were hosts at the local arena to the Scarborough Lions. The boys were up for this one as it was felt it would be the toughest contest yet. Richmond Hill went ahead early in the first period with a goal from Dunkley assisted by Rice. In the second period Dunkley scored again with the assist going to Woloski. Then Hipkiss scored assisted by Cutler.

In the third period Dunkley scored again, for his hat trick, assisted by Rice and Bailie. With only about two minutes to go Scarborough scored from a pile-up in front of the Hill net, spoiling Bob Clement's shutout.

The Hillers had some anxious moments when two defencemen, Allan Graham and Paul Bailie had penalties at the same time, but the other boys came through and held the opposition off.

Dave Dunkley, now has scored seven goals in the last three games.

The entire team played one of the best games of the season. To get ready for the Tiger Town Christmas Tournament at Dundas, the Surf Mariners will be playing two games next Sunday. They will play at St. Michael's Arena at 9 am and at 2:30 pm in Richmond Hill arena against Toronto Olympics.

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County Honors Equestrian Team

The County of York paid tribute to Canada's Gold Medal Equestrian Team at the Royal Winter Fair when all team members received Gold Ashtrays from Warden Garfield Wright at the team's exhibition booth at the Fair. The team members (left to right) are: Tom Gayford, Jim Day, Terrance (Torchy) Miller and James Elder.

The Canadians as a team didn't fare so well at the Royal. Winner was the United States who ended with 115 points. Canada had 85, Great Britain 62, Australia 49 and Brazil 23. Six riders with one knockdown each in the first round shared individual fifth place money of \$100. This included Jim Day on Canadian Club and Jim Elder on Pieces of Eight for Canada.

Stephenson's Girls Turn Back Maple 3-2

Stephenson Construction Girls' Hockey Team handed Maple girls a 3-2 defeat Wednesday night of last week in the old arena.

In the first period Cathie Wynne scored on a pass from Diane Dorian and Diane got the team's second goal assisted by Sue Stephenson and Cathy Wynne.

In the second, it was Cathy who counted again, receiving help from Diane and Darlene

Mills. Judy Mills served a roughing penalty.

Barb McNaughton was in goal and turned in a splendid performance as she turned back the Maple attackers on several rushes.

Members of the team are in the 12-18 year age bracket and are playing a series of exhibition games. The return game with Maple was played December 4.

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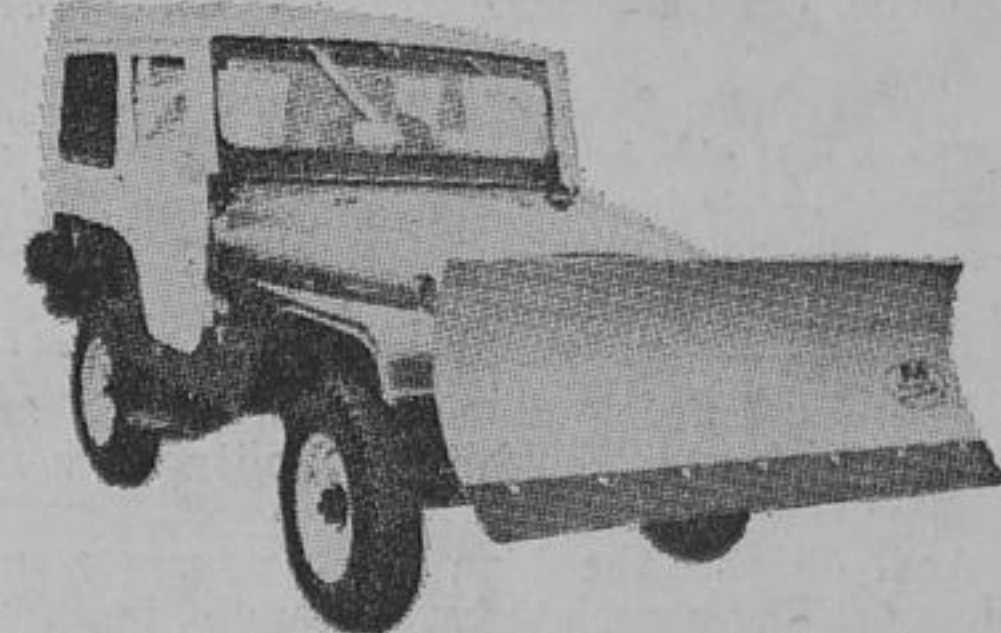
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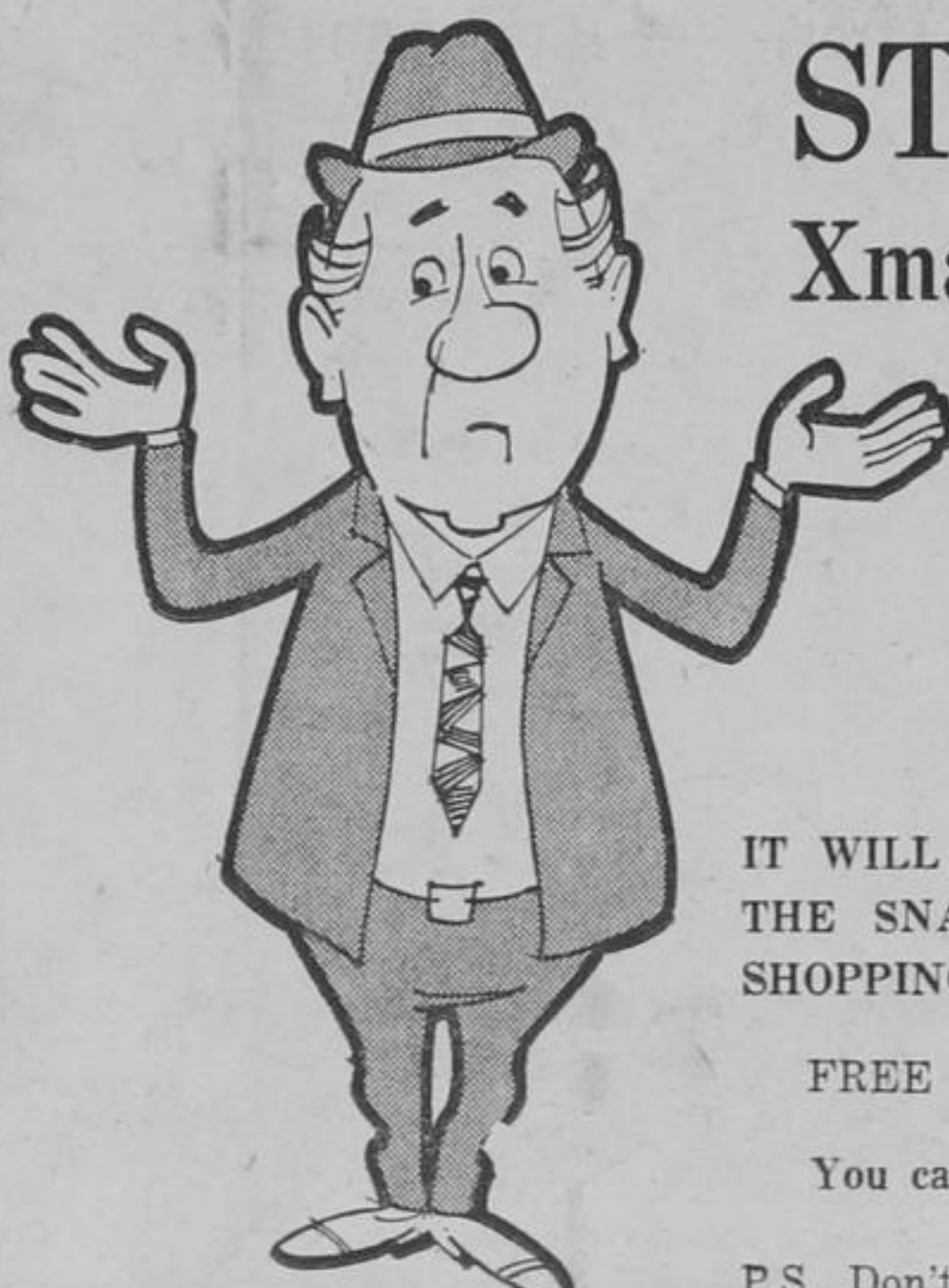
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