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out, rather unpredictable crew for most of the season. We shall see.

BALL EVERYWHERE

And speaking of ball, it's everywhere. You just can't keep up with the games now that the OASA playoffs are on the scene. Dynes managed a split in two games last week in the Oshawa and District Football League as they battled it out for first place honors with Oshawa Gales.

The Jewellers downed The Gales 2-1 before a big crowd Thursday night at the town park. Then The Gales put the run to The Jewellers 2-0 the next night in Oshawa. So, I guess, they are still tied for first.

Also, Richmond Hill is busy battling it out at the CNE Bullova Watch Tournament. Their first game was Tuesday and (if they win it) they'll be going tonight (Thursday) at the CNE. If they lost, then they'll be at home in the town park. Better check before you head down to the park.

TV WINNER

One Dave Barbour called to ask us to make note of the name of the person who won the television draw Monday night as sponsored by Brennan TV of the Richmond Hill Industrial Softball League.

Will do, Dave. It was John Norman, of 1 Johnson Road, Aurora.

SWIMMING

Finally, Marc Dumas, 11, of Richmond Hill won three first prize ribbons out of four events August 9 in swimming competitions at the town's Centennial Pool. One of his wins was for diving skill and form.

The word has it that the children competitors turned out in force but not so the parents. As my informant states: "It was sad that so many parents didn't think it worthwhile to come and cheer their kids on." Yes.

The note goes on to state: "We just hope that more people will boost the Centennial Pool and all its events and special credit should be given by the public to the hard work of these young girls and boys who instruct and test the kids."

In that we concur.

A Speck O' Sport

Well, here it is, the twenty-first of August. If one thinks about it for a moment, the long, lazy summer days have really flown by, and although we may hate to admit it, the hockey season is nearly upon us. I know that statement will bring a lot of groans!

For many families it means dashing from one city to another with the team that your son, or in some cases, daughter plays on. After a few weeks it can become pretty hectic, but we all get used to it. In fact one may go as far as to say that it can develop into a routine of sorts.

This is the life that many people will lead from September until May. It's an exciting year of life that is filled with moments of happiness and disappointment. But that's hockey. People in other countries have said that to understand the people of Canada, one must understand the lightning fast sport of hockey. If you took a television poll of the number of people who would willingly avoid watching a Toronto Maple Leaf-Montreal Canadiens hockey game, you could probably count them on one hand.

It's interesting to note that many friendly rivalries are built up through the course of a hockey season. A bit of money can even be lost, based on the success or failure of a certain team. Even on a local level, we can easily find some friendly rivalries; And it's not too difficult to see why (neighboring town against neighboring town for instance). For sure action and excitement, hockey is pretty hard to beat. Now you know what a fantastic sport it is (as if you don't know already!) It doesn't matter at what level hockey is played, it has tremendous fan appeal.

By Barney Bailie

In Richmond Hill, the Legion sponsored mid-gut tournament is proof positive of this fact. All the way down to the smallest boy playing in the youngest age group, there will still be a group of fans cheering them on. The Richmond Hill Hockey Association is recognized as one of the best hockey associations in this province. And for a good reason. They are a dedicated, hard-working group of men who have done an excellent job of organization for the various age groups. Like any other top-ranking association, they are always looking for ways to improve their product. One of the ways they've done this is by sponsoring a power skating school. Anyone wanting to take the course can register this Saturday (7 am to 1 pm at the Old Arena) or on August 25 (7 pm to 9 pm at the Old Arena). For further information, call Eric Girdler at 884-1605. I don't think it's necessary to explain why skating is the most important facet of hockey. When a hockey scout is looking for a prospect, the first thing he looks for is the skating ability of the young player.

If he is lacking say in his checking or shooting, a scout figures that they can always be taught and worked on. But not skating. You simply have to be a good skater if you wish to go very far in a hockey career or even to becoming a good player. In the National Hockey League, all the players have to be good skaters, but as everyone knows their styles differ. For instance, there is the smooth and graceful style of Dave Keon. Dave's style gives the impression that he is effortlessly skating miles every game as he seems to glide along the ice. In fact, Keon of the Toronto Maple Leafs is probably the fastest skater in the National League.

Then there is the long-striding Frank Mahovlich of the Detroit Red Wings. It doesn't appear as if the Big "M" is moving very quickly, but his deceptive style leaves many defensesmen lunging at thin air. So the style isn't important, but the ability to skate is. That's why this power skating can be so advantageous. Although the drills will seem a little strenuous at first, the experience will do you a world of good. And don't be too discouraged if your skating is progressing at a slow rate. It took players like Mahovlich and Keon hours and hours of practice, before they could make those exciting end-to-end rushes. So stick with it. You may surprise yourself and your instructor!

(A resident of Richmond Hill, Barney Bailie is a grade 12 student at Richmond Hill High School)

HOW TO CLEAN FISH

- 1 If right handed place fish with its head to your left. Begin cut behind gill, angling knife down and forward to backbone.
- 2 Without removing knife change direction of cut. Slice along backbone. Do not cut through backbone.
- 3 Cut almost to tail, flip the fillet, angle knife through meat to skin. Use sawing motion.
- 4 Rinse under cold running water. Dry thoroughly. Season well with salt and pepper.
- 5 Place in plastic storage bag and refrigerate (it is hard for raw fish to absorb seasoning and chilling will help). Fillets are ready for your favorite fish dish.

GORMLEY NEWS

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Neighborhood Notes

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Yake on the birth of their daughter August 12, the first grandchild for Mr. and Mrs. George Yake and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ellis and son moved to their new home in Stouffville August 15. While here, the Ellis family lived in the Harvey upper duplex.

The community welcomes Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Brimicombe and Ricky who have moved into one of the apartments on the mushroom farm.

Gordon Kennedy is still in St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto and expects to undergo surgery shortly.

Mrs. E. W. Jones is now able to come home from Riverdale Hospital, Toronto on Saturdays and remain at home until Sunday.

Friends and relatives here were shocked to learn of the tragic death of Doug Thompson, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thompson of Markham, in a car accident August 16. Miss Sharon Thompson is confined to Toronto General Hospital with numerous injuries.

Mrs. Charles Milsted and Charleen visited her niece Miss Heather Christilaw in Wellesley Hospital, Toronto, recently. Heather has lived via the kidney machine at Wellesley for almost three years. She has been on crutches for one and one-half years since she had a pin inserted in one hip, and will undergo surgery on her other hip in the near future. In spite of these handicaps, Heather hopes to attend the University of Toronto this fall.

The community welcomes Mr. and Mrs. Ted Jones, Steve and Beth who have moved from Fort Washington, Pennsylvania to live with Ted's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Jones, Ted is working with the Evangel Book Store in Toronto.

John Campey is spending this week at a camp at Minden. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Nauman, Cathy and Cindy of Baden spent the weekend of August 16 with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. H. S. Hallman.

Warren Quinn of Scarborough is spending a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Al Quinn. Mr. and Mrs. Hans Koopman are living in Alvin Farmer's apartment.

Pat Johnstone has been enjoying a holiday in Florida. Miss Joyce Harvey of Keswick was a weekend guest of Miss Vera Doust.

Sam Messary is being missed at the vegetable farm on the bend (the former Herb Moorthy farm). Several weeks ago Sam suffered a severe heart attack. He is now convalescing at his home in Agincourt.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hawkins are spending a week's holiday with her sister, Miss Eleanor Mover at Fort William.

Fred Kirstein has recently returned from a very enjoyable 32-day tour in Europe. Fred spent a week in Paris, a week in Austria and two weeks on a boat visiting many places in the Mediterranean. He has successfully completed his course in architectural drafting at George Brown College in Toronto.

The WI will meet August 27 in the afternoon at the home of Mrs. Roy Smith. The roll call — A Use For Ice. Mrs. Harry Smith will give the Gazette. Mrs. Swindells will tell the story of the birthstone, period. The program on home economics and health will be in charge of Mrs. Norman Brown.

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LET'S PLAY TENNIS

By J. Beresford Anderson
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Richmond Hill Lawn Tennis Association

The Centennial Men's Doubles Tennis Tournament of the York County Tennis League was played last Sunday at Newmarket. There were about a dozen players from Richmond Hill, including our Men's Doubles Champions John Marais and Sam Malcolmson who did reach the finals, but lost to Karl Allison and Don Paul of Newmarket 6-2, 6-3, and the consolation also went to Newmarket's Keith Davis and Doug Smith.

Phil August and Walter Winnick reached the semi-finals, and were put out by the eventual winners; Ron Howard and Doug Cairncross were forced to play 70 games to reach the semi-finals which is an indication of the closeness of play generally in the tournament.

There will be an invitational men's singles tournament at Newmarket on August 24. Further information from Dennis Stainer, 884-7062.

The entry lists for our own club championships are now up in the clubhouse, and everyone is urged to get their name in without delay. Phil August, Walter Winnick, Martin Sharkey and Peter Wenzel, all new to the club, should make the tournament very exciting this year.

Thornhill Swimmers Score Narrow Victory Over Richmond Hill

Last Sunday a group of swimmers from the Richmond Hill Speed Club journeyed to Thornhill for a return meet. Earlier in the season, Thornhill defeated Richmond Hill 219 to 174.

Sunday's meet was a much closer race right down to the final events with Thornhill slipping ahead and winning 187 to 185. Richmond Hill was consistently ahead throughout the first 39 events with Thornhill gaining in the final five.

Ribbon winners from Richmond Hill were:
First: Ed Bean (5), Jennifer Hunter (3), Karen Chapman (3), Joe Coleman (2), Rod Cameron (2), Randy Diddams (2), David Forbes (2), Kerry Chapman, Birgit Pfennig, Mark Griffiths, Koop Heilbron, Nick Milicevic, Karen Pfennig, George Barr, Lorna Griffiths, Wendy Baker.
Second: Dale Andrews (3), Karen Pfennig (3), Wendy Baker (2), Valerie Trunk (2), Mary Lamb (2), Joey Thompson,

Rod Cameron, Mark Griffiths, Birgit Pfennig, Stephen Gentles, Kathy Patterson, Lorna Griffiths, Gordon Forbes.

Third: Nick Milicevic (3), Kathy Patterson (2), Dale Andrews (2), Cathy Andrews (2), Karen Chapman (2), Kerry Chapman (2), David Forbes, George Barr, Stephen Gentles, Joe Coleman, Ed Bean, Jennifer Hunter, Trixi Pfennig, Lorna Griffiths.

One outstanding feature of the meet was 12-year-old Jennifer Hunter of Richmond Hill attaining a silver standard in the open girls 100 yard free style with a time of 1:24.9. It is generally felt that the standard in this event will be attained by girls in the senior age group. The only other Richmond Hill time standard was a gold won by Ed Bean.

The next and final meet will be held this Saturday at the Town of Markham Pool, Richmond Hill. It is currently training hard to become the top team in the York County Summer Swim League.

WILLOWDALE: The resignations of Bruce Bone, chairman of the North York Board of Education, Vice-Chairman Sydney Moscoe and Trustee Mary Mahon were demanded last week in a petition signed by 659 borough residents.

The petition was presented to the board as representatives of four ratepayers' groups objected to the amount of money spent on the receptions and party held in June for retiring Director of Education Fred Minkler.

Dr. Minkler, who leaves on August 31, pleaded with trustees that "every nickel be searched out and placed before the board and before the public" and that "no more public money be spent on me."

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