

Flirt With Cellar Spot

## Hill Rams Lose Three More Games

By FRED SIMPSON  
The Richmond Hill Junior "B" Hockey Rams continued to flounder last week dropping another three games to the opposition.  
Richmond Hill was drowned 6-4 by Dixie Tuesday night of last week, 3-1 by Etobicoke Thursday, and 6-4 by St. Michael's Friday night.  
Key loss was the Etobicoke game as The Rams have to beat Etobicoke — one of the other weaker teams in the league — if they hope to even have the semblance of a winning season.

Friday's game at St. Michael's saw Richmond Hill turn in its most impressive effort as they carried play all the way to the powerful league leaders.  
Two-goal performances by Brian Burkett and Dave Gardner paved the way for St. Mike's with singles going to Don Pagnutto and Greg McGuire. Daryl Rice triggered two for the Rams with Joe Crosby and Bar-

## No Ice-Fishing Ban Lake Simcoe

Officials of the Department of Lands and Forests district office at Maple have denied rumors to the effect that ice fishing will be banned in Lake Simcoe this winter.  
Conservation Officer Malcolm Linklater has received "many enquiries from the public regarding the status of the fishing on Lake Simcoe this winter."  
"The department," he said, "feels it should clarify its position and also attempt to quash the erroneous reports that are currently being circulated to the effect the lake will be closed to ice fishing."  
"The concern of the public and the rumors, no doubt started because of the publicity being given to pollution and in particular the use of various pesticides," Mr. Linklater said, "fish from Lake Simcoe and other lakes had been sampled and will continue to be tested for any ill effects resulting from pesticides being washed into the water. To date no fish from Lake Simcoe have been found to be unfit for human consumption."  
"If at any future date the level of contamination in fish is found to be at a dangerous level, the public will be informed accordingly," Mr. Linklater said.



## Sport Spots

By Fred Simpson

### Once A Tom-Boy!

Linda Purves is 16 years old, is blonde, blue-eyed, pretty, intelligent, but there's something she ain't. She ain't a boy.  
"I hate being a girl," Linda was saying the other day causing a nearby male member of "The Liberal" staff to spill his coffee. She immediately amended her remark to say that "at least I hated being a girl when I was small."  
Yes, Linda was one of those. A "Tom-Boy."  
"I've always liked sports, especially playing them and that's something you don't get a chance to do too much when you're a small girl. The boys play but the girls don't. So it was difficult for awhile but I persisted and I was soon playing softball and football with the boys. They accepted me once they knew I could hold my own."  
"My parents encouraged me to play sports," said Linda who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Purves of 526 Carrville Road, Richvale. "They still do. They figure it's much better than just hanging around street corners like a number of teenagers do. And I really enjoy it."



LINDA PURVES

### NO TUGBOAT ANNIE SHE

I don't know about you people but just the word "Tom-Boy" makes me immediately think of a girl built along the lines of Tugboat Annie, Ma Kettle, or Mammy Yokum. Wrong again.  
Linda is strictly the feminine type. She's a senior cheerleader at Langstaff Secondary School. She's also a Grade 12 student with a 70-average in marks and wants to be a school teacher someday, a public school teacher.  
But more than all this she still manages to participate in just about every sport going around including football (Powder-Puff variety), hockey, volleyball, and softball. There are probably some other sports left but there are only so many hours in the day.  
"I may have to cut out at least one of the sports," she said, "due to school studies, although it's never caused me any difficulty before."  
Linda was particularly jubilant on the occasion I talked to her because her school girls' team had just recently won Richmond Hill High School 12-0 in the annual "Powder-Puff" football championship.  
And, lo and behold, Linda scored one of the touchdowns.  
"It was the first time I played that position, right halfback," said Linda. "I was the substitute. They put me in and I took the ball over the goal line from close in."  
This "Powder-Puff" action is anything but a powderpuff deal. It's real tackling. "We use all the equipment boys do except spikes," Linda was saying.  
But Linda is what you might say used to the rough stuff. She's been a member of the Maple Girls' Hockey Team for the past three years playing in a league with Thornhill, Richmond Hill, Woodbridge and Unionville.

### GIRLS PLAY ROUGH

"That's pretty rough," said Linda. "Those girls try to push you all over the place. There's a lot of tripping, high-sticking. I guess girls aren't as used to playing smoothly as boys. They use their sticks for more than shooting the puck."  
And Linda readily admits that while being a left-winger on the team she'll never make a Frank Mahovlich.  
She hasn't scored a goal in her three-year hockey career.  
"But I pick up a lot of assists," she insisted.  
Linda has also played softball with the Maple girls for the past three years and admits that last season was the sweetest because her team upset the powerful Ron McAndrew-coached Mic-Macs to win the championship. Oh yes, she plays first base.  
Right now Linda is hard at work practising for the school volleyball season and that's been good going too.  
"Our school team has won the Jamboree Volleyball Championship every year playing against such schools as Richmond Hill High, Bayview Secondary, and Thornlea."  
So what's left? Well, Linda does have a boyfriend but it's a problem what with all the activities taking up all that time. They sort of wave at each other as they pass in the school corridor. Which is nice.  
Only kidding, of course, but it's easy to see that Linda makes full use out of the average 24-hour day. And more power to her.

### HOCKEY

Well, it won't be long until it's March again. (Continued on Page 12)

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## 1969-70 Executive Lady Curlers

All set for another season of sending the stones down the ice to the house are the executive members of the ladies' section of Richmond Hill Curling Club. Guiding the destinies of the lady curlers for the 1969-70 season will be:  
Front row (left to right): Treasurer Ethel Staples, Vice-President Freda MacDonald, President Ethel Dyson and Secretary Audrey Graydon.  
Rear row (same order): Chairman Jean Coneybear, rating, training and games; Chairman Pat Thomson, invitation bonspiels; Chairman Isabell Davis, publicity; Chairman Joan Kirkpatrick, prizes; Chairman Mary Jane Murphy, members' bonspiels and Chairman Pauline Anderson, membership.  
Absent: Social Convener Andy Lynett and Bonspiel Secretary Shirley Bate.

## Aboard Steelmaster

### Former County Rider Jim Day Wins Canadian Title Royal Horse Show

Jim Day, 22, formerly of Oak Ridge and now of Oakville, won the Canadian Championship at the Royal Horse Show November 21 by guiding his big chestnut, Steelmaster, to three clear rounds over an Olympic-style course.  
Day edged Canadian teammate Jim Elder, also a Richmond Hill area resident, in a jump-off. Elder was ahead of Day's time, and was clear when he turned his versatile young jumper, The Immigrant, into the final hurdle.  
But The Immigrant took down the last rail of the spread with his hind legs, and the \$1,000 first prize went to Day. Elder's second was worth \$900.  
On Saturday night the Canadian team won the Royal Horse Show's international team for only the second time in more than 30 years. Canada defeated the United States.  
The victory was Canada's when the third U.S. rider in the McKee Stake, the last of the 13 international classes, knocked over a jump. Since there were already three clear rounds, none by a U.S. rider, that ended any chance of the U.S. team's getting the first and third they needed.  
To clinch the victory, Jim Day on Steelmaster placed second in the event, won by Argentina's Lieut. Juan Carlos Giralda on El Ganso for the only Argentine victory of the show.  
In the international team standings, Canada ended with 132 points, the United States with 117, Argentina with 42, and Mexico with 24.  
Canada won six of the 11 individual classes at the Royal Horse Show, plus the Prix des Nations, a team event and the prestige class of the Royal.

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