



Richmond Hill Curling Club

Sinner's Bonspiel

A total of 144 curlers from near and far attended the 10th annual Richmond Hill Curling Club Sinner's Brier Bonspiel Saturday.

The tournament saw 36 rinks vying for the Sinner's Grand Trophy with the victors being a red hot rink from Avonlea skipped by Charles Brannigan.

Brannigan's boys swept by three rinks enroute to the winner's circle downing Bruce Harrower of Richmond Hill 7-3, Ray Barry of Terrace Curling Club 11-1, and Bill Smalley of Thornhill 8-2.

The three wins gave the Brannigan Rink a total of 50 points to win handily over runner-up Dave Groombridge of Toronto East ACT who accumulated 46 1/2 points as well as Carlings Trophy for finishing in second place.

Groombridge, who works for the Carling firm that donated the trophy, downed Art Gibbon of Richmond Hill 6-2, Gord Tonner of Richmond Hill 10-1, and Len Thomson of Avonlea 6-2.

Third place finisher was Jack Shropshire of Richmond Hill with 42 1/2 points.

Adjusted the "worst" rink of the day was that of Jack McConnell of Leaside. His score: 5 1/2 points. Eek!

Winner of 75 pound bags of potatoes — four of them — was the "faraway" rink of Ray Jones who hailed from Atikokan near the Manitoba border. The potatoes, presumably, will be flown via plane to Atikokan.

Moe Foster of the Annandale Curling Club was the draw prize winner which was a television set.

The bonspiel kicked off at 7 am in the morning with the last game getting underway at 9 pm.

A dance was held following the bonspiel with music provided by the Group of Four. Also providing entertainment during the afternoon was Peter Howard at the organ.

The Richmond Hill Curling Club Business Girls League members acted as hostesses throughout the bonspiel.

Also on hand was Manager Bill Mabbett.

Chairman of the bonspiel committee was Larry Lang.

Once again local rinks were active out of town this past week.

Frank and Ruth Ellison, along with Irwin and Jean Coney, were six straight games in the Burlington International Mixed Bonspiel, and came home with the trophy.

Other out of town rinks came from such places as Sarnia, London, Ottawa, Chicago and Utica.

Eve Walker, with Shirley Hall at vice, Vera Shropshire at second, Marie Cuttings, lead, went to the Business Girls' Bonspiel at Bowmanville, and were runners up to the trophy winners.

For Vera and Marie, both first year curlers, this was their first major bonspiel. Congratulations.



Sport Spots

By Fred Simpson

Floor Hockey

There's an old game getting a new revival in Richmond Hill these days. It's called floor hockey and probably you've all played it at some time in your chequered career in one form or another.

I've played it on the road, tennis courts, and high school gymnasiums. I'm sure I'd have been another Bobby Orr in sneakers if I hadn't injured myself early in my career. Fell on my talent.

Sure I know regulation floor hockey is played on floors with broken hockey sticks, a doughnut-like puck, with running shoes for skates but there are variations of the game as far as I'm concerned.

I got tuned up for floor hockey in the winter by playing on the roads in shoes with a real-live puck and hockey stick and it's along the same line. You've got to be fast on your feet, a good stickhandler, and able to take the bounces off the curbs, hydro poles, and sidestep passing motorists and all that. It's a rugged game.

Then in the early Spring we'd revert to an old tennis court and play on the cement using shoes again, hockey sticks, and an old tennis ball. Did you ever suffer from cement burn?

Finally, it was the real thing in the high school gym and again the emphasis was on good footwork, stickhandling, etc. Used to love the game because I was always a lousy skater. I liked it so much I even failed my last year in high school so I could continue playing it. Have never told anyone that before.

But that's all behind and the thing today is that floor hockey is being revived in Richmond Hill. Has been revived by Robert Thompson of the Civitan Football League.

LIKE RUGGED

Bob was telling me the other night he was trying to come up with some kind of sport to keep the 11, 12, and 13-year-old youngsters off the streets and out of trouble.

"There didn't seem to be too much for these fellows to do," he was saying. "They were getting into various trouble roaming the streets, raising hell in general, so I thought I'd try an experiment."

"I picked on floor hockey because it's the kind of rough game youngsters love to play. They aren't going anywhere in ice hockey but they enjoy something similar to it. Floor hockey gives them the chance to be a Bobby Orr and doesn't an Orr beat in the hearts of most of us?"

So Bob started spreading the word around that a floor hockey league was going to be formed. Just testing the interest.

The interest was there.

UNITED CHURCH

"We've been going for about four weeks now in the gym at Richmond Hill United Church and we've got four teams all coached and managed by local high school students.

"In fact we've had to shoo off some of the older boys who got the bug too. It's a case right now of only being able to cope with so many players."

Just recently some of the older teenagers in the 15, 16-year-old bracket turned up, waited around, and got into the action themselves after the younger persons were finished.

"We hope to expand in other areas of the town if this experiment works," he said, "and it looks like it's working. It's a rough sport, good conditioner, and very enjoyable."

Bob notes that floor hockey is taboo in high school gyms because "in the past youngsters have played in street shoes, with taped hockey sticks, and this caused a mess on the floor. But we don't allow that."

Convenor for the program is Bob Slater of Richmond Hill High who enjoys getting into the action himself.

"I used to be active in OMNI OBLI (Omnipotent Obliterate, if you please or don't please) but it sort of petered out when we got around 17 or 18.

"This gives us something to do in our spare time and, besides, you can have a good time." Referees and coaches are also older high school players.

The coaches, managers, referees and friends play in a senior division of the league when the youngsters are finished every Thursday night.

Teams in the junior division are: the Knights, coached by Glen Sharp and Marty Gell, the Chargers, Chris Cameron and Rob Hargreaves, the Manglers, Paul Barber and Daryl Rice, and the Rats, Jim Wood and Joe Durant.

The lineup is restricted to 10 players per team, 12 years and under, and it's expected that a waiting list will be prepared to accommodate the boys as the word spreads through town.

Bob stresses that the league intends to expand to other age brackets if additional floors are made

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BOWLING RESULTS

ABC BOWLING

Last Friday night the third series was completed and the winners are the Mushrooms with 39 points.

In second were the Fowl Liners with 33, the Transistors 31.

Shirley Price was tops for the ladies with 732 (219, 315, 198). Cathy Sellic had 687 (186, 263, 238); Frances Warner 686 (272, 189, 225).

Jack Stewart led the men with 757 (220, 348, 189). Cliff Garland Jr. was second with 670 (226, 232, 212); Bill White 665 (237, 215, 213).

ABC MEN'S MAJORS

Activity is well underway in the third and last series as eight teams battle for the last two playoff spots in the championship series.

High average is still retained by Stew Smith with a 255 mark.

All positions in the top five remain the same as the previous week.

Carl Hellmich with 886 rolled a high triple for the night and Joe Mulzet came up with a 378 high single. Hellmich threw games of 344 and 331 in his high triple.

Roy Thompson came up with a 373 in single games and K. Jean-Marie had a 361.

Standings: Hall's Fuel 12, ABC No. 3, 10; Allencourt Lanes 10, ABC No. 2, 10; Crown Life 9, ABC No. 1, 9; Doane-Hall No. 2, 7; Powell Fencing, 6 1/2; Doane-Hall No. 1, 4/2; Team No. 9, 4; Lucky Seven, 2; Reid's Cartage, 0.

Ice Show Rehearsals

The Unionville Figure Skating Club will commence its rehearsals Monday for its "Ice Fantasia" show scheduled for April 16, 17, and 18.

An ice show for the Ratepayer's association will be held March 17 in Crosby Memorial Arena at 8 pm. Everyone is welcome to see this fine display of figure skating.



Snowmobiling is fun. Earl Cameron, above setting out on a little run with Sam his Siberian husky (Samoyed), recommends it for a family recreation. But it can be dangerous and is dangerous if you don't use common sense.

Snowmobiling Can Be Fun And Safe

BY FRED SIMPSON

Well known CBC Newscaster Earl Cameron of 389 Tareyton Road, Richmond Hill, is an avid snowmobile enthusiast but he's also something else.

He's careful. He's taken the time to find out about snowmobiles, to treat them with respect. It's safer that way.

Mr. Cameron's basic credo re snowmobiles is:

"Use common sense. A snowmobile is not dangerous if used wisely. The brakes work but not on ice or hardpacked snow. You have to bear this in mind.

"Most accidents occur right on the damned road... so we're back to a need for education. Nearly 80 percent of accidents on the roads take place during icy conditions, and you just can't control a snowmobile on that kind of terrain."

Cameron has some important advice for anyone who wants pleasure rather than grief from his snowmobile.

●Join a club. For this you must have proper insurance and you use your machine in an organized fashion in the company of skilled and experienced operators.

●Use common sense.

●Have the proper gear. Light, warm clothing. A helmet should be mandatory.

●Drive your machine around

slowly for a while and find out what it will do.

●Know your terrain.

●Don't go out alone. Your best survival kit is another snowmobile, unless you're a skilled mechanic and have the equipment with you.

●Children up to at least 16 should always be supervised.

●Consider other people's property.

"I don't think it should be possible to rent a snowmobile, any more than you can rent a motorcycle. And if you buy a machine I don't think you need more than 24 hp. for recreation and this includes the power to pull a sleigh."

Would he recommend that a family buy a snowmobile? "Definitely, yes." The entire Cameron family enjoys snowmobiling — including Sam the Siberian husky. Sam hangs around shifting from feet to feet waiting for Cameron to warm up the machine and jumps on behind for a ride.

Sam doesn't go along on the club weekends up north but otherwise it's a family activity.

When Cameron goes out on the trail here's what he takes

along with him... just in case: Spare belt, spark plugs, nylon rope, block and tackle, matches.

"I used the rope once, but I've never had to use anything else."

"A few minutes ago we were talking about safety. I say the best answer is education. Theonus lies with the individual so he's got to know what he's doing and what the risks are... again, just a matter of common sense."

"I don't think we need any more laws for the protection of the snowmobiler. We have all the regulations we need. It's just a matter of paying attention to them."

"Just a matter of common sense."

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Newly Formed Floor Hockey Loop Sees Plenty First Night Action

The first week of operation for the newly formed Richmond Hill Floor Hockey League produced two closely fought games and an over abundance of senior players.

Those members of senior teams must now decide if a four team league is feasible for them or if they should continue to meet informally on Thursday night.

In peevee league action the boys played with spirit and showed surprising ability to adjust their natural ice hockey knowledge to satisfactory results on the floor hockey.

The first game saw the Chargers surprise a larger Manglers team by winning 4-2 with tiny Howie Hill scoring three goals for the victors. The fourth and deciding goal was scored by Tom Jellicoe with five minutes left in the game.

Goal scorers for the Manglers were Paul Hillaby and Ted Ruffman.

Top star of the game was Jim Gwilliam, goaltender for the winning Chargers.

The second contest saw the Knights slay the Rats by a 3-1 score in a sometimes rough game that saw some penalties assessed to players who had a problem controlling their tempers late in the game.

Goal scorers for the winning Knights were Gary Bell, Jamie Mitchell and Dan Smith. The Knight's goalie Allan Clark lost his shutout bid when Rat player Steve Vent scored.

Stars of this game were the Bell brothers, Doug and Gary.

Tonight (Thursday) the Chargers meet the Rats at 6:30 with the 7:30 game between the Manglers and Knights at Richmond Hill United Church.

Hill Skaters Do Well In Tri-State Contest

Richmond Hill figure skaters had a good weekend at the Tri-State Competition in Port Huron, Michigan, this past weekend. Three hundred and fifty skaters participated from central and Western Ontario, Michigan and Ohio.

Keith Swindlehurst picked up the greatest number of prizes, with a first place medal for first test, free style, men; 1st place medal for mixed pairs, with his partner, Jennifer Gleave from North York Skating Club; and a third place medal for the silver dance, also with Jennifer.

Next came Donald Fraser and Lindy Watts who won first place medals in novice pairs. Don also took a second place medal in the 2nd test, men's free style.

Lindy Watts got a fifth place ribbon in the third test, ladies. Cindy Madelino and Chrissie Cudahy (commonly known as MUM) won a fourth place ribbon in the similar pairs. This was especially good as these two young skaters (Cindy 8 and Chrissie 9) made up their own skating routine.

Next came Linda Fraser with a sixth place ribbon in the second test, ladies.

Linda Taylor took a sixth place ribbon in the 4th test, ladies and Connie Madelino an eighth place ribbon in the 3rd test, ladies.

Other local skaters who participated and enjoyed the weekend were Susanne Cudahy and Carol Noonan.

A reminder for next Saturday from 9 am to 6 pm, the club competitions. All are welcome and admission is free.

Coaches' Clinic

A "Coaches' Clinic" for present or prospective minor or hockey coaches will be held Monday evening in McConaghy School auditorium, at 7:30 pm.

The clinic is sponsored by Richmond Hill Hockey Association and will be conducted by Billy Harris, Dave Keon and Harry Neale.

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