



# All Sorts Of Sports

By BOB CARTON

## A New Season

During this week most of the house leagues in Richmond Hill will be entering the annual struggle to determine just who is the best team in each league.

With the regular schedule coming to a close for the majority of the leagues last week, the playoff picture looks very intriguing and interesting.

Although several of the town leagues are staging their playoffs as a round robin affair, most are operating under a much more fair and logical method, that being a two game total point series.

### LATE SEASON BLOOMERS

There are a few advantages to the round robin way of staging playoffs, which would be impossible to incorporate into the two game total point system.

Under the round robin system, all of the teams in the league get a chance to play competitive baseball games with something at stake in each one right up until and including the final week.

It also gives the team, who may have had a key player or two out for a large part of the season with injuries or holidays and therefore did not do too well in the regular season standings, a chance to play at full strength and possibly redeem themselves in the playoffs.

### SEASON'S WORK REWARDED

But, I personally believe in the system which rewards a team for playing top notch throughout the entire regular season.

Under the round robin system, a team could play great ball throughout the entire season from the middle of May until the end of August, and still receive no consideration for the fact that they had played so well.

The system which I prefer does make room for benefits to those teams which have already proven themselves throughout the past summer months.

With this type of system in operation, only the top four teams in the standings at the conclusion of the regular season are entitled to take part in the playoffs to vie for the league championship.

The usual arrangement for the playoffs is the first and third place teams facing each other, while the second and fourth place teams encounter each other in a two-game total-runs-scored series.

The winners of each series then meet in the championship game.

### ONCE A PROBLEM

The only problem that arises in this type of playoff, where only the top four teams qualify, is that some teams are usually left out.

Depending on the size of the league, either two or four teams are restricted from entering post season play.

Now, in years past, these out-of-the-playoff teams usually engaged in exhibition games, while the other teams battled it out in the playoffs.

In recent years, so as to make the games more competitive for the weaker teams, a "B" Championship Series has been held between the four teams that are not in the playoffs for the championship.

### WATCH THE PLAYOFFS

Regardless of whether or not you prefer the round robin or the total point series method of running the playoffs, they are still very interesting to watch.

For the remainder of this week and next week, playoff games will be taking place every night at Bradstock Park for all the age groups.

Anyone wishing to watch some interesting playoff softball of a very good calibre is asked to come on up to Bradstock Park and do so.

### TOURNAMENT THIS SATURDAY

For you avid tournament fans there is good news.

Saturday there will be an eight-team double-knockout Bantam House League Tournament in Richmond Hill.

The tournament will include all four teams from Richmond Hill, as well as teams from Thornhill, Eringate and other such places.

This tournament is being organized and sponsored by the coaches of the Richmond Hill Bantam House League, who are arranging for crests, trophies and food.

All of the action will be taking place at Bradstock Park, with the opening games getting underway at 9 am on Saturday.

### TOWN AUTO DOES IT AGAIN

For the second weekend in a row Town Auto Body of the Richmond Hill Squirt House League have walked away as the top team in a tournament.

Town Auto, coached by Pat O'Sullivan and Bill Majury, recorded three straight wins to capture the championship trophy in the eight team Bramalea Squirt tournament.

Auto Body added only three pickup players to their roster as compared to seven the week before.

The team swept to three victories by scores of 15-9 over Wasaga Beach 1, 12-6 over Wasaga Beach 2 and then won the trophy by soundly defeating Bramalea 10-2.

The only thing left to say after a house league team wins two tournaments on consecutive weekends is, "well done".

## Joe's Garage Wins League

### Barrow Insurance Lead By Point In Industrial Second Spot Race

After last week's action in the league, Barrow Insurance find themselves with a one point advantage over Town Auto Body in the drive for second spot.

Richmond Hill Auto Body have the same amount of points as Town (21) but both Town and Barrow have three games in hand over the Hill Auto Club.

There are 21 games per club in the regular schedule and Joe's Garage have concluded these. They have 35 points and first place all locked up.

Town Auto and Barrow with 21-22 points respectively will, with their five remaining games each, settle the second-third positions.

RH Auto have only two games left. Both are almost certain victories so they could conceivably join the fight for second or third. However, they should do no worse than fourth.

The Black Hawks hold only a mathematical hope of extending their season beyond the regular schedule.

For the other three Lake Wilcox, Kent Clothes and Elgin Auto Service, it's wait until next year.

#### Lake Wilcox 5, Elgin 4

In the first game of the regular Monday doubleheader it appeared as the game between Elgin and Lake Wilcox progressed that the latter was going to confirm their last place situation. However, they bounced back from a 4-1 deficit in the fifth inning and traded places with Elgin in the standings.

The Lakers were held scoreless and hitless until the fifth by the effective pitching of Don Quinton while the Elgin hitters put together three runs.

They scored in the first as Gord Lee walked and advanced to second. Brian Mote bunt singled and scored on a long single by Ray McWilliams.

They pushed home two more runs in the second. Scott Ferguson was on the mound for the Lakers. Willie Farewell, Fred Trainor and Jimmy Stewart singled to load the bases. Gord Lee got his second hit driving in Trainor and Farewell.

The tide turned for the Lakers in the fifth as Rick Shaw banged out a double, Fred Lynn moved Rick to third as he went out second to first base. Coach Paul Ortiz, playing right field, was hit by a pitch and an error allowed Les Hunter to reach base and Shaw to reach home.

Elgin came back with one run in the sixth as Ray McWilliams singled and reached second on an error. He was sacrificed around by Don Quinton and Willie Farewell.

The Lakers rode to a victory on a big four-run wave in the final inning.

Lynn got things going as he led off with a single. Ortiz walked. Les Hunter singled, scoring one. Lorin Maves going out to first sacrificed Ortiz home. Barry Bingham got on with an error. At this point Quinton was replaced on the mound with Willie Farewell. He was greeted with a run-scoring single off the bat of Rick Collins and Ferguson went out pitcher-to-first as Bingham advanced and the incomparable Rob Forget came to the plate and drove in the winning run with a single.

**Black Hawks 7, Kent Clothes 0**

In the nightcap the firemen of the Black Hawk Motor Inn whipped the hapless Kent Clothes Club 7-0.

It was Bob Kennedy firing a two hitter at the losers for an easy victory.

The Hawks opened the scoring in the fourth with two hits. Dave Nelson singled. Dubkowski sacrificed, advancing the runner. He then scored on Bruce Thompson's single.

Fred Simpkin, on the mound for Kent's, held the firemen hitless and scoreless for three innings but broke down in the fifth to give up six runs, including a grand slam to Dave Nelson.

Four Kent errors contributed to the Hawks' success in this inning.

Simpkin regained his form and continued to blank the opposition completely in the last two innings as the Hawks got only six hits, all in the fourth and fifth innings.

**Town Auto Body 16, Kent Clothes 9**

In the Tuesday night single affair Kents suffered their third trouncing in as many games as they met the Town wrecking crew. They walloped the disorganized Kent Team 16-9.

The Town crew piled up seven runs in the second inning off seven hits and two Kent errors.

In the third inning the winners got two more runs as Jim Henderson drew a walk off Dennis Sexton. Steve Plummer, batting next homered.

Matt Kinnari scored the winner as he doubled in the fifth inning and went home on Henderson's two-base life on an error.

The wrecking crew proceeded to pile up six more runs including four in the fifth inning and two in the sixth and final frame.

The Kent batters took advantage of the fact that Town's pitcher Gary Oliver was not enjoying one of his better days.

With the cushion of runs he had to support him, Coach Matt Kinnari allowed Oliver to stay in the game to save their ace hurler Bruce Sim for the next game against Barrow Insurance.

Kents scored twice in the first and three in the third as Bill Richardson and Sexton walked and Rick Bunnitt singled to score Richardson. Ray Marlok then tripled scoring Sexton and Bunnitt.

The Kent's other four runs came in the sixth and final inning as Sexton, Marlok and Wayne Murphy drew walks loading the bases. At this point Simpkin smashed a well hit ball into left field. Henderson had his hands on the ball but muffed the play, allowing Simpkins to rumble into third and clearing the bases.

The Wednesday night games were cancelled due to the weather.

**Barrow Insurance 7, Kent Clothes 0**

Barrow Insurance took what would have been the first game of the Friday night twin bill as Kents failed to show.

**Joe's Garage 4, Elgin Auto Service 0**

The nightcap saw Joe's wrap up their regular schedule games by taking a hard fought 4-0 win over Elgin.

Elgin Auto Pitcher Willie Farewell came up with what must be his best effort of the season as he fanned seven Joe's batters, including slugger Bob Howard, three times.

Five scattered hits were the best Joe's could beat Farewell for. However, Elgin's number one problem was errors and spoiled Farewell's great performance against the mighty Joe's club as this led to Joe's four runs.

Dave Webster on the mound for Joe's turned in another great one-hit effort to keep Elgin off the scoresheet.

Gord Woolnough singled and scored on a two-base error in the first inning.

Mike Parrett got on with a two-base error. Clyde Dimmell singled to score Parrett. Dimmell scored as Jim Anderson got on with an error in the fourth inning.

In the seventh Doug Smith got on with an error ending up at third base and scored as the next man to the plate, Woolnough, received a base on an error.

**Standings to August 27**

Team	P	W	L	T	P
Joe's Garage	21	16	2	3	35
Barrow Ins.	16	10	4	2	22
Town Auto Body	16	9	4	3	21
RH Auto Body	19	9	7	3	21
Black Hawks	18	9	9	18	
Kent Clothes	18	6	12	0	12
Lake Wilcox	17	3	13	1	7
Elgin Auto	17	3	14	0	6

## Minor Soccer Results

### HOUSE LEAGUE MOSQUITOES

Tournaments Inc. 9, Falcons 1

Four goals each by Ricky Warren and John Isbister gave Tournaments their largest win of the season. Andrew Francis added a single. Scott Patterson scored the only goal for Falcons.

### Snider and Gabriella Stohr.

There will be no girls soccer on Labor Day, September 4. Regular league play continues September 11.

### Special Exhibition (National Soccer League, Stanley Park)

The Roadrunners and Lazebny's Lassies will be playing at Stanley Park on September 12. Full details will follow later.



### Go Go Contracting 5, Avenues 0

The local lads came up with their poorest effort as they played a "let George do it" game and were completely outplayed. Paul Beckwith finally found the mark for Travelways late in the game.

**Flyers 2, Pirris Fruit Market 0**

Flyers moved into the middle of the fight for first place as they blanked Pirris. Scorers were Marco Forlani and John Vorich. Flyers meet Go Go in the next game to decide the league championship.

### NORTH YORK LEAGUE ATOMS

**Downsview 5, Travelways 1**

The Radiomen scored seven goals in a game for the second time this year. David Cates was the big gun as he fired home four goals. Tom Peden collected two goals and Danny Lafane added a single.

Solid defensive work and tireless efforts by John Tuck and Mark Kernohan led CFGM to the big win.

### EXHIBITION GAME Aurara 4, Richmond Hill Mosquito Town "B" 2

The absence of key players caused the "B" team to lose this game after having tied the same team just three days earlier.

Rick Clendenning and Pellossi were the scorers for Richmond Hill.

## Girls Soccer

### (August 21) EXHIBITION JUNIOR-SENIOR Reds 0 Greens 0

The talents of the juniors seem to be on a par with the senior girls in this battle of the ages. There were no goals but all this must mean good defensive netminding.

### (August 28) Greens 1, Reds 0

A game played with mixed junior and senior teams along lines similar to the previous week showed little difference between the teams.

The lone goal was scored by Amy Britnell who received a perfect cross pass from the left from Kimberley Kernohan. Amy had only to tap the ball past Goalie Gillian Cornwall.

Best save of the evening was made by Goalie Susan Renshaw who tipped a blazing shot from Mary Beth Law over the bar. Honorable mention to Caroline

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