



# Sport Spots

By FRED SIMPSON

## Morning Smile

This week got off to a joyful start for a change. I not only got my usual Monday morning smile from the Globe and Mail, I got two. The first smile was in its customary place on the front page; the second was on the sports page and it truly made my day.

I'm referring to that article re the Newmarket Rays winning the "Canadian Major Fastball Championship" over the weekend by downing the Winnipeg Colonials 5-1 to win the best-of-seven series 4-1.

Firstly, I was under the delusion that the Richmond Hill Dynes Jewellers had won it a few weeks earlier but no this later.

What caught my eye was the throwing down of the mailed gauntlet of Rays' Sponsor Ray Twiney who, according to the story, "still wants to play for Canada's real fastball championship." Like he wants another chance to play Richmond Hill.



RAY TWINEY

It was this latter comment that turned my smile into something resembling a chortle. Stay by and I'll try to explain why.

## CHALLENGE WHO?

The article states that the Rays' management had challenged the Jewellers to a playoff with \$1,000 going to the winner. Negotiations had broken down because Richmond Hill had lost ace pitcher Bob Domik due to surgery.

Quoth Mr. Twiney, "Richmond Hill can pick any pitcher in Canada they want and we can still beat them."

I'll pause now to catch my breath. All that chortling has given me a fit of coughing.

To start with I have all the respect in the world for Mr. Twiney and his ball team. There's no doubt in my mind that they have a very fine team.

## TSK, TSK!

But Canadian Champions? Really, now. How many chances do they want?

If memory serves me right it was the Rays who were one of some 24 teams involved in the All-Ontario Elimination Tournament at Burlington earlier in the season. You may recall that the Jewellers were in the same tournament.

The Rays went out in two straight games (one including a loss to Woodstock which, ahem, happens to be my hometown) which is no discredit to them. I'll repeat, they do have a top-notch team. The team who won it, of course, was Dynes Jewellers and pesky Manager Russell "Casey" Cripps.

Seems simple to me. The Jewellers, of course, went on to win the Canadian by competing (rightfully so) against clubs from all over the country.

## GIVE ME FOUR STRIKES

But is it really so simple? Not to Newmarket. They continued blithely on to win their league and as equally blithely played Winnipeg for the Canadian Championship. S'wonderful.

One wonders if all this would be happening if Newmarket had won the All-Ontario and the All-Canadian. Of course not. It might have happened if Newmarket had lost the Canadian. Right now they might be challenging the Yukon, or Nova Scotia, or even Newfoundland. It all reminds me of the time we used to play ball in the schoolyard. There was always the chap who would swing out on three straight pitches but refuse to put the bat down. He was usually big, a trifle bit of a bully, so you'd have to pitch to him until he hit the ball.

However, to cinch the case, Newmarket has failed to win the All-Ontario for the past three seasons. Richmond Hill has won it for the past three seasons.

The Rays were competing in a new league which means they couldn't even have declared themselves Canadian champions last season unless, of course, they had won the All-Ontario.

Finally, the Rays only beat Winnipeg to win their version of the All-Canadian. The Jewellers beat several including British Columbia, Alberta, Yukon, etc.

I just can't go on. All I can say is that the Jewellers would have to be literally out of their minds to play Newmarket. Why do something over again when you have already done it once?

The Jewellers became the best team in the country by winning in Hull, Quebec. Newmarket had its chance in Burlington at the All-Ontario and couldn't do it.

C'mon fellows, it's a real world we live in. (Continued on Page 14)

# Jewellers Win By 8-6 Win Championship

The Richmond Hill Dynes Jewellers added another title to their laurels Thursday night of last week although they were forced to come from behind a 6-1 deficit to do it.

They came up with four big runs in the seventh inning to upend Winston Park Caterers 8-6 at the town park.

The win gave them the Toronto and District Major Fastball League Championship for the second consecutive year.

But it was a struggle all the way as the Winston Park team jumped into a 2-0 lead in the first inning of Dynes' hurler Wally Dick. Dick spun an eight-hitter but was in much trouble early in the game due to a combination of hits and errors on the part of his teammates. He walked two and struck out 13.

Losing pitcher was Chris Deakin who was followed by Al Griffin and Clive Gregory. The Jewellers rapped out nine hits off that trio.

That first inning saw Ray O'Quinn leading off with a single. An attempted sacrifice by Doug Hartley resulted in both runners being safe when Third Baseman Bruce Staughton fired wildly to second. Another sacrifice moved the runners to second and third. Both scored when a ground ball to second got through Steve Whitaker for an error.

The Caterers made it 3-0 in the second on a solo homerun shot by Ken Goddard.

Richmond Hill's Dave Russell got the Jewellers on the scoreboard with a homerun of his own in the bottom half of the same inning.

Winston Park charged ahead in the third inning with three more runs on two hits and an error to take a 6-1 lead.

Doug Hartley started by singling and going all the way to third base as the ball got past Centrefielder Derek Kinnersly. Hartley then scored as Allie O'Quinn was safe when First Baseman George Teasdale led a throw get past him. Larry Rodgers then homered to bring in two more runs.

The Caterers threatened to make it a rout in the fourth as Goddard singled and Ray O'Quinn followed with another. Both runners advanced to second and third on the same play when the ball got past Left Fielder Mickey Hancock.

Dick settled down and got the next two men to retire the side.

Richmond Hill started its comeback in the bottom half of the same inning as Russell singled. Teasdale walked. Staughton singled home Russell. Whitaker flew out but another single scored Teasdale and Staughton.

Dynes tied the game and went ahead to stay in the seventh.

Catcher Mike Thompson led off with a single. Dick then hit a long fly to right field which fell in when the fielder misjudged it putting Thompson at third and Dick at second. Derek Kinnersly then singled in both runs.

ners to tie the game.

Kinnersly scored the winning run off a single by Shortstop Bob Smith. Smith then stole second and came home on Teasdale's single for the final runs.

League President Bill Hurst presented the championship trophy to Dynes' Manager Russell "Casey" Cripps.

## Fiat Auto Club Rally Oct. 20

The 7th annual Fiat Auto Club's 124 Plus 124 Rally, will originate in Richmond Hill October 20. This is the only Ontario Region rally organized by a Toronto motor-sport club and attracts a large and competitive field.

The rally has the blessing of the Richmond Hill Centennial Committee and is being run as a part of the town's Centennial Celebrations. Organizer of the event is Ray Floyd of 93 Rockport Crescent, Richmond Hill who, with Jim Kurtin, won the first rally held in 1967.

Fun, music and parades are being planned for the pre-rally celebrations here, with more details to come later.

The rally will consist of three legs. Average speeds will test the drivers' abilities to the full and navigation will be of a calibre that will challenge novice and national competitor alike.

A free breakfast will be provided at the end of the rally for all competitors and organizing personnel.

It is expected that the rally will attract new competitors, particularly from the Richmond Hill area, where a special effort is being made to welcome young people to rallying.

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## Young Ball Players Excel At Table Too

The young girls and boys of the Richmond Hill Minor Ball house leagues, brought their enthusiasm to the final tournament of the season September 15 held in five different locations in the town. The organization of the windup activity for 1973 was excellent and things ran very smoothly.

At noon every team was brought, in relays, to the central town park for a box lunch provided by the association. Each coach was responsible for seeing that the voracious appetites of his young players were satisfied.

The above picture shows Coach Bill Majury with his Peeeweewee Richmond Hill Judoos who are evidently enjoying their lunch. The Judoos were finalists in the peeewee house league competition won by Kent's Clothes.

Other champions during the day were: Tee Ball, Loburco Carpetland; Tykes, Tony's Esso; Squirts, RH Jaycees; Bantams, Top Drug Mart; Junior Girls, Bob's Girls; Intermediate Girls, Pant In; Senior Girls, Micro Mets.

# Dynes Jewellers Oust Ottawa 1-0, 2-1 Wally Dick Tosses And Wins Doubleheader

The Richmond Hill Dynes Jewellers went back to their scrambling ways over the weekend as they scraped out a total of 3 hits in 14 innings downing Ottawa 1-0 and 2-1 to win their best-of-three second round OASA Senior "A" Playoffs in two straight games.

They are now slated to meet Welland Dycks in the next round.

The Jewellers had to travel to Ottawa Sunday to do it in a doubleheader behind the iron-man pitching of Wally Dick who allowed only 10 hits in 14 innings while striking out 14 batters. Dick is the only hurler on the Jeweller staff since Bob Domik was forced to call it quits for the season due to an ulcer operation. A game originally scheduled for Saturday in Richmond Hill was postponed due to the elements.

Dick was his usual masterful self in that first 1-0 win for the Jewellers and he had to be.

The Jewellers could only muster one hit against the offerings of Joe Belisle but it turned out to be good enough. Their only run came in the fourth inning and it was scored on an error. Belisle walked one and struck out 10. Mickey Hancock led off that fateful fourth with a single and advanced to second on a sacrifice. He moved to third as Bob Smith grounded out and scored as Dave Russell's ground ball went through the second baseman's legs.

The second game saw Dick outduelling Belisle again as he came up with another five-hitter while striking out seven men again. He walked one. Belisle allowed two hits this time out while whiffing

one and walking one. Ottawa led off the game with a run in the second inning as Del Hewston led

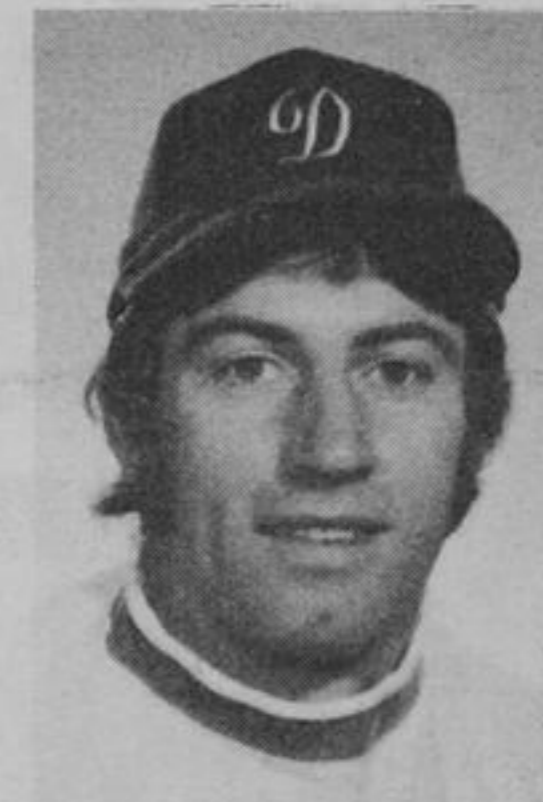
off with a single. Bill Cope was safe on an error with both runners advancing to second and third. Hewston scored as a ground ball to Dick saw the latter hesitating on his throw with the batter safe at first. Bill Forbes then singled to load the bases.

Pitcher Dick settled down at this point and struck out the next three batters.

The Jewellers waited until the sixth inning of the seven-inning game to pull a win out of their hats.

George Teasdale was safe on an error and Bob Smith advanced him with a single. Both runners moved up on a passed ball. Teasdale then scored the tying run on Russell's infield out with Smith going to third. Smith then scored the winning run on a passed ball.

End of game, end of series for Ottawa.



WALLY DICK Strikes Out 14 Batters

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