



## Peewee Lions Win 3 Of 4 In Pre-Season Exhibitions

Richmond Hill's Peewee Lions opened their 1974 softball season in active fashion playing four games last week and winning three of them. They downed Aurora 17-9, King City 19-5, Thornhill 17-1, before dropping an 8-6 decision to Stouffville.

The Lions travelled to Aurora and left with a 17-9 victory in their first exhibition game Victoria Day. The Hillers used four pitchers in this contest as Ted Inch pitched three innings of shutout ball while allowing but one hit. Dave Allen went three innings, allowing three runs on three hits; Dale Moreland, six runs, three hits, while Darrel Gleason tossed one inning of shutout ball, allowing one hit.

Allen's grand slam homer broke the game wide open with Dave Kane also hitting a four bagger. Matt Zurich scored three runs, closely followed by Inch, Dennis Kane and Matt Knights, who all tallied two runs.

The Lions routed King City 19-5 the next night to win their first league game easily in King City.

Ted Inch, twirling a five-hitter, was never in trouble although he gave up two home runs. Dave Kane connected for his second homerun in two nights while first baseman Jamie Tuck hammered a solo homer as well as a single; Dennis Kane unloaded two single and a double. Speedster Matt Zurich and Denny Kane scored three times while Inch, Shawn McKenzie, Robbie Steel, Dave Kane, Tim King and Jamie Tuck all tallied two runs.

Tuck and Dennis Kane knocked in three runs with two going to Steel, Billy Madden and Dave Kane.

The Lions won their third straight game when they defeated Thornhill 17-1 in an exhibition contest played last Friday night in Thornhill.

Dave Allen pitched shutout ball over five innings while Ted Inch allowed one unearned run in four innings. Jamie Tuck hit his second homerun of the season. He also scored twice and batted in three runs. Speedy Gord Fournier accounted for three runs with Matt Zurich, Tim King, Allen, Inch and Billy

Madden all crossing the plate twice.

After winning their first three games with ease, the Lions were jolted abruptly by a hustling Stouffville club to the tune of 8-6 in an exhibition contest played in Stouffville last Sunday.

Zurich and Allen gave the Lions a 2-0 lead but Stouffville rebounded to lead 3-2 after five innings. In the sixth, Gord Fournier walked. Dave Kane and Darrel Gleason singled as the Lions cleared twice to lead 4-3.

Stouffville scored five times as a Lion outfield error led to four unearned runs as Stouffville nursed an 8-4 lead. In their last turn at bat, Allen and Fournier both singled and scored but the Lion rally fell short.

Ted Inch tossed three innings, yielding two runs on three hits before he was forced to leave the mound due to a pulled muscle. Dave Allen tossed well but was the victim of an outfield error in the sixth inning as Stouffville scored in King City.

## Hill Power Squadron Has 51 Graduates

A total of 51 students graduated at the annual Richmond Hill Power Squadron banquet and dance held at the Royal Canadian Legion Hall in Richmond Hill.

There were 38 students who were successful in passing the basic boating course, and 13 who passed advanced courses in sail, seamanship and advanced piloting.

Squadron Training Officer L/C Dave Earlam, introduced the 38 new members and lady associates while District Training Officer L/C Stan Garrett, presided over the swearing in ceremony.

Commander Sid Hunt, Richmond Hill, congratulated the other 13 members who passed advanced courses in seamanship, sail, and advanced piloting.

**THORNHILL COMMANDER**  
Presiding Squadron Commander Roy Mitchell, of Thornhill, introduced those who had earned merit mark awards. The awards, which are issued in recognition of outstanding service to Canadian Power Squadrons, were presented by L/C Stan Garrett on behalf of the chief commander.

Senior member plaques were presented to Squadron Commander Mitchell and Squadron Training Officer L/C David Earlam of Aurora by Rear Commander Jim Richmond of Keswick.

The valedictory address was given by Jack Slater of Richmond Hill following the dinner and graduation ceremonies.

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**Trampoline 4 Gold Medals**

Members of the Richmond Hill Trampoline Club captured four firsts at the recent provincial championships.

Bob Tucker and Gary Juhasz picked up Gold Medals for the boys at the Level 3 and Level 4 brackets respectively.

Other first place finishers saw Kathy Juhasz taking a gold in the Girls Level 4 with Ray Harrison doing the same for the boys.

In addition, local club members received two seconds and a third in the beginners level.

David Lewis garnered a silver medal for second in Level 1; Robbi Lewis, silver, second, Level 3; Jordan Brown, Bronze, Level 2.

Vicki Kalles finished fourth for girls in Level 4. The intermediate division saw the aforementioned wins by Kathy Juhasz for the girls with Elizabeth Peterson finishing fourth.

Harrison drew a first in the boys division with Glen Visser garnering a silver for second, and Richard Camenzoli finished fourth.

A total of 11 local competitors participated with eight finishing with medals.

## By Fred Simpson



## Ringside Seats

Had a ringside seat at a fight on the weekend. Nine of them in fact. No, no I wasn't in some local bar. Strictly legitimate. It happened at the Richmond Hill Lions Club Sunday afternoon where Al Moss' St. Gabriel's Boxing Club put on their first show before some 200 or so fistic fans.

It was quite a two hours. It even featured the presence of Canadian Heavyweight Champion George Chuvalo who arrived looking like the side of a concrete building. Man, he looks tough. I wouldn't want to be in the same town with him let alone in the same ring. Not even if he's happy.

George did a few bounds around the ring in the traditional fashion and, with a wave, was gone but it was an impressive few minutes to an impressive first try for Richmond Hill's Moss.

"We've had a club for the past two years," said Moss who runs things at St. Gabriel's with the assistance of Ron Reid. "We have a membership of about 25 boys ranging from 11 years to 18. They enjoy it."

**FIRST SHOW**  
Moss added that "this is the first time we've put together a boxing show and we hope to make it a fairly regular situation."

I hope he does because, quite frankly, I enjoyed myself. I've seen many a scrap via the television tube but this was the first time I've been right there at one. Nothing beats being right there.

Sunday's matches ranged from youngsters in the 70-pound bracket right up to the older age group who tip the scales around the 126-pound mark. Each of the fights went for three rounds lasting a minute-and-a-half apiece. The fighters all wore 16-ounce gloves (which aren't supposed to do any great damage).

**IT'S A KNOCK-OUT**  
Despite this, the bouts saw one rather dramatic knock-out which seemed to surprise everyone. "He left himself wide-open," was Al's summation of the fight which saw the Richmond Hill youngster get decked with what I would call a sizzling right hand. He sort of walked away and then ran out of legs and sort of floated to the canvass. However, he was up quickly and it was all in the game.

If it's any consolation to him I would have probably done the same thing. So to speak.

I got a kick out of the first four or five bouts with the 11-year-olds. There was more enthusiasm.

**Bayview Athletes Take Firsts Impressive Track Performance**

York County high school athletes put forth top efforts last week to gain berths on the track and field team which will represent York Region at the Georgian Bay Track Finals.

Individual awards were presented at the close of the day long meet and local schools accepted the major share of this victory symbols.

Bayview Secondary School took the senior girls, senior boys, and Midget boys team trophies. Markham High School gained the Midget Girls' team trophy, Richmond Hill High School, the Junior girls' trophy, and Huron Heights in Newmarket won the Junior boys team trophy.

Individual awards for top Athlete in each division went to Midgets Linda Neufeld and John Hothie of Markham. Juniors Brian Pemberton of Langstaff, and Liz Srebrnjak of Woodbridge. In the senior section it was Bill Milley of Woodbridge and Dianne Digging tying Nancy Wehrens of Bayview for the senior awards.

Highlight of the day was Thornlea's Dan Dudrick, a 16-year-old high jumper clearing 6' 4" for a new record in York County.

Other bright spots were Eleanor Mahol's smooth striding to easily win the junior girls 100 and 200 metres, the two-girl battle between Liz Srebrnjak and Marnee Buckles for the 400 metre crown, and Bayview's Rick Carton pulling steadily away from the crowd to win the 3000 metre race.

In the senior 1500 metre,

# Dynes Go Again Open Thursday

By FRED SIMPSON  
Don't look now but Doughty Richmond Hill Dynes Jeweller Manager Russell "Casey" Cripps is at it again.

Predicting a winner. Four weekend exhibition wins over Owen Sound in Owen Sound was all the tonic Manager Cripps needed on the eve of the Toronto and District Fastball League opener slated for tomorrow night (Thursday) at the town park against Scarborough Lindal Homes. Game time is 8:30 pm.

The Jewellers honed their pre-season razor blade by travelling to Owen Sound Saturday for four games and won them all by 5-0, 1-0, 4-3 and 5-4 scores. Their only pre-season loss was a 2-1 verdict to Winston Park Caterers of the T & D loop.

"I'll have the best balanced ball team I've ever had in years from the bench out," said Cripps. "This club will have four or five legitimate long-ball hitters. More than we've ever had."

Cripps feels that his pitching combination of Andy Gionette and Veteran Frank Marshall will "do the job for us" but also admits that hurling could be the only question mark on the team.

"These fellows aren't second-raters by any means but they will have to prove they can take over from power-pitchers like Bob Domik and Wally Dick. I'm especially high on Gionette who is young and strong."

**TOP HITTERS**  
"One thing in our favor is that this year's team will score more runs. It has to with the hitters we have." It will also definitely be a "new look" line-up in 1974 with several additions to the squad which last year won both the All-Ontario and Canadian Fastball Championships as well as the T & D League.

**NEW PLAYERS**  
There will be no less than 10 new players (as of writing) to the team including the aforementioned Gionette and Marshall. Also returning will be the nucleus of last year's champions including Veterans Derek Kinnersley, Captain Bob Smith, Bob Shelston, and Mickey Hancock along with Mike Thompson, Steve Whittaker, Dave Russell, Mark Pezzin and Charlie Leeming. Back as assistant coach and player will be Larry Brown.

Gone are Pitchers Domik and Dick, George Teasdale, Bruce Staughton, and Frank Lederer.

Some of the new additions include: Danny Boyne, second baseman. Returning to the club after three years with Windsor. Boyne's a homebrew, top fielder, good hitter.

Brian Lancelotte, big first baseman, played with Scarborough Cable, seven year Beaches veteran, long ball hitter.

Larry Rodger, shortstop, rookie of the year two seasons ago with Winston Park Caterers, good arm, good glove, fairly good hitter.

Warren Hall, catcher, Scarborough Lindal Homes, aggressive, hustling player.

Chris McCaffery, infield, star player with Windsor the past few seasons, long-ball hitter.

As previously mentioned, pitching is the Jewellers' big question mark.

Biggest share of the load will have to fall on 27-year-old Gionette who is a six year veteran of the Beaches loop with Scarborough TV Cable. He's rated as having a good fast ball, excellent change-up. He'll be ably backed up by Veteran Marshall who has played in the Beaches for the past 12 years with first Shop's and then Sandy's Pro Shop. Has good control, good stuff.

**VETERANS RETURNING**  
Mainstays of the team will again be veterans Bob Smith, Mickey Hancock, and Derek Kinnersley. All are good hitters, heady ball players.

Also expected to come into his own as a hitter is Russell who can also hit the long ball.

The Jewellers will be very strong and very experienced in the catching department with Shelston and Thompson doing the calling. Both are dangerous with the bat.

"The two best catchers in Canada," states Manager Cripps.

## Bantam Beetles Defeat Aurora

The Richmond Hill Bantam Beetles (girls) took on the Aurora Diggers last week in exhibition and finished the game on the right side of an 11-2 final score. The win was the result of a good team effort.

Highlights of the game were two double plays by Vicky Robinson and triples hit by Lori Barnett and Julie Wells.



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## Thornhill Ball Convenors Busy

Making plans for the Thornhill Softball League "rep" teams this season are PWSU (Provincial Women's Softball Union) Convenor Allan Howard of 110 Inverlochy Boulevard and Tony Paul the Ontario Amateur Softball Association Convenor of 20 Shady Lane Crescent. With Thornhill represented by novice, bantam, midget girls and intermediate ladies teams this season, Convenor Howard is extremely busy. Not being overshadowed by the girls is the boys' line-up. Squirt, peewee (Mr. Paul coaches this team himself), bantam, midget and juvenile teams have all begun their league games. Come on out and see double headers at Grandview Park, Henderson at Doncaster every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, under the lights.

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