



By Fred Simpson

Sport Spots

I Think I'm Back

I think I'm back from holidays. I'll know better when I read this week's paper. Maybe I'll be in it. Anyhow, spent the weekend at the town park basking in the sun and cursing the LCBO.

What was happening at the town park was the Richmond Hill Industrial Softball League Tournament and it was a dandy. Except for the LCBO. Will explain that one later.

A large-sized summery-mooded crowd turned out for the grand championship game Sunday evening between Richmond Hill Auto Body and Town Auto Body. There's got to be a moral in there somewhere. Two "bawdy" shops?

They saw a dandy but, alas, there was no winner of the tournament. Richmond Hill Auto Body downed the previously undefeated Town Auto Body crew forcing another final game this Friday night at 7 pm. to decide the grand championship winner. Richmond Hill Auto had lost a game previously. Hence the need to beat Town Auto Body twice. Confusing?

ODE TO FIREFIGHTERS

Anyhow, it was quite a tournament and especially for the Richmond Hill Firefighters who managed to win one game while losing out in the tournament.

I mention this simply because they should have been given some kind of a medal for showing up between fires. That's how it was.

Convenor Gerry McMullen (he's a fireman) spent more time going to fires than to the town park. So did members of the firefighters on the ball team.

Both Gerry and ballplayer Blair Robson had a late night Friday night, finally got home only to get up at 2 am Saturday and race over to Markham to help douse that lumber yard blaze.

States Blair: "I got back at 8 am in the morning, had an operation to get my eyes open, and then was on the ball diamond at 9 am. You should have seen us. Nine guys walking in their sleep."

And it was only poetic justice or something that followed as the Firefighters went out and bombed Joe's Lunch by 11-2. They came back to lose by 7-4 to Richmond Hill Auto Body.

RELIEF TO LOSE

"I must admit," conceded Blair, "that it was almost a relief to lose! Sleeping is beautiful." I agree, agree, agree.

Was quite impressed with the general calibre of play during the tournament. The local industrial league, which is a spin-off from the old church league, is producing some fine young players as well as retaining some veterans of yester-year senior fastball wars.

Names like Bill Robson, Billy Hunter, and Bucky Buchanan face the line-ups of the various teams. All are former Richmond Hill Dynes Jeweller stalwarts and still retain most of their former skills. Then there are the recent graduates from the same league such as Gordie Woolnough and Steve Whittaker of The Jewellers, Dougie Webster of Scarboro Lindal Homes, Duane Reid (another ex-Jeweller) etc.

In fact, it was almost like old home week. Behind the plate was none other than Bill "Skip" DeGeer who used to stock it for the Jewellers. Skip looked like he would have liked to grab a bat and take a swing at some of those hurlers.

HOLE - DIGGER

You might recall how Skip used to dig a hole at the plate every time he went to bat. They'd have to call in a bulldozer to fill it in between innings.

He still has the same flamboyance as a plate umpire except for the digging. Looked good out there.

YEA LCBO

Finally, the LCBO. You might remember that prior to the tournament it was announced there would be a "refreshment" area for thirsty fans in between games.

No dice. The good old LCBO reverted to the Nineteenth Century and refused to grant a license. They probably never bothered to consider how they inconvenienced civilized people like myself. Then again they might have meant well. After all, I'm getting too old to roll around on the ground, climb hydro poles, and do all kinds of things after a couple of mugs of that golden nectar.

What was the reason given? No real one, of course. Except to say "we don't do it any more for sports events." Praise be Lawd! The LCBO has struck again. When will they ever start treating us like adults? Maybe if they would, people would start acting like adults. But that's too much of a revolutionary thunderbolt for the LCBO to absorb. Temperance, it's beautiful. Bah!

Incidentally, I rolled around on the ground (Continued on Page 16)

Dynes Take 2 Games From Oshawa Falcons

Richmond Hill Dynes Jewellers more or less romped to a double-header win against Oshawa Falcons in a Toronto and District Major Fastball League doubleheader at the Town Park Thursday night of last week.

They whipped the Falcons 4-1 in the first game and 7-3 in the second. Both games were seven-inning affairs.

A tip-off on how things were going to go came early. As early as the first pitch in the first inning.

Oshawa's Ray Peters threw his first ball in the bottom of the first inning to Dynes' Centre Fielder Derek Kinnerly and then stood back as it disappeared over right-centre field fence.

Oshawa tied the game off Dynes' starter and finisher Frank Marshall in the fourth inning as he reached third on a sequence of errors and then scored on a fly to left field by Brian Myers.

ALCAN TO STAY Richmond Hill went ahead to stay in the fifth as Gordie Woolnough singled, was safe at second on an error with

Lantz singled, stole second and continued to third on the over-throw from the catcher. Kinnerly then singled him home.

MARSHALL WINS Marshall was the winning pitcher for Dynes as he allowed only three hits, walked four and struck out seven. Peters gave up six hits, walked two and struck out seven.

That second game saw Dynes' Andy Gionette rolling along with a no-hitter going into the fifth inning when the roof of king of sagged as Oshawa came up with three runs off no less than seven hits. Count them.

It was of no matter as the Jewellers had compiled seven runs by this time via nine hits off Starter Peters in four innings. He was replaced by Don Calder who went the final two innings giving up two hits, a walk, and striking out three.

LITTLE TROUBLE Gionette had little trouble before or after that fifth inning as he closed the door on Oshawa allowing only those seven hits while walking one and striking out four.

Dynes opened the scoring in the second inning on a single by Shelton and a triple by Larry Rodgers. Rodgers scored on Kinnerly's single. Woolnough then scored Kinnerly on an in-field error.

The third inning saw Smith safe on an error ending up on second. He scored on Dave Russell's single. Russell went to second and then scored on Shelton's single.

They picked up three more in the fourth on a single by Woolnough, a double by Kinnerly. Kinnerly then scored on a single by Tom Lantz. Lantz stole second and Smith was safe on a fielder's choice as Kinnerly scored. Lantz then scored on Russell's sacrifice fly.

RH Auto Body, Town Auto Body Tied For Tournament Trophy

Curfew halted the completion of this year's Richmond Hill Industrial League Annual Fastball Tournament held last weekend last Sunday evening at Richmond Hill Auto Body struggled back from the losers' side to leave the Town Park on even terms with the previously undefeated Town Auto Body.

Inasmuch as this affair is a double knockout event, Richmond Hill Auto must defeat Town once more to claim top prize, otherwise it goes to the Town Auto Body team.

The final game has been rescheduled for this Friday

at the Town park. Game time is 7 pm.

Scores of the other games in the tournament are:

Friday Joe's Garage 7, York Region 0; RH Auto Body 6, Schomberg 2; Central YMCA 4, Fram Filtration 4.

Saturday Lake Wilcox 2, Bentorswell 1; Ontario Hydro 7, McKinley Drywall 5; Jenkins 9, Wimpey Homes 1; Town Auto Body 1, King City 1; Vandorf 3, Barrow Insurance 2.

Second Round Winners RH Auto Body 15, Joe's Garage 0; Central YMCA 11, Lake Wilcox 1; Jenkins 6, Ontario Hydro 1; Town Auto Body 3, Vandorf 2.

Third Round Winners Central YMCA 0, RH Auto Body 0; Town Auto Body 6, Jenkins 3.

Fourth Round Winners Town Auto Body 2, Central YMCA 1.

First Round Losers Schomberg won by default over York Region Police; Fram Filtration 2, Bentorswell 1; McKinley Drywall 8, Wimpey Homes 1; Barrows Insurance 3, King City 3.

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Fourth Round Losers RH Auto Body 7, Fram Filtration 4; Vandorf 6, Jenkins 2.

Fifth Round Losers RH Auto Body 7, Vandorf 5.

Sixth Round Losers RH Auto Body 12, Central YMCA 7.

Richmond Hill Dairy Queen Mic Macs went down two straight in a tournament at Dorchester Saturday by 7-4 and 4-3 scores to Guelph and Waterloo.

Top hitter was Bernie Thompson with six for seven.

It was a different story in league action Thursday last week as the Mic Macs trounced Bolton 27-4 in Bolton.

Mary Louise Thompson, Bernadette Thompson and Cheryl Lance all had home-runs for the local girls.

Susan Chepelsky tossed the entire game registering seven strikeouts.

Friday's game with Aurora saw the Mic Macs winning 10-1 led by the hitting of Bernie Thompson with a two-run triple.

Donna Queregesser was on the mound and struck out nine.



Those happy smiles above were well earned. They resulted from Joe's Garage winning the Barrie Industrial Softball Tournament July 6. Front row (left to right) are: Darryl Steele, Dennis Loughead, Pete Hannam,

Jeff Snook, and Len McLean. Back row (same order) Bob Howard, Brian Oliver, Clyde Dimmell, George Lewandowski, Brian Madley, Wayne Kirchen, Ed Kay and Jim Anderson. Joe's won it all by downing Orillia by 4-3.

Joe's Garage Wins Barrie Tournament

BY DAVID BARBOUR

Darryl Steele of Joe's Garage dashed for home from third base following a long sacrifice fly ball hit by Dennis Loughead to win the championship game against Orillia Mets in the Barrie Industrial Invitational Tournament by 4-3 July 6 in the top of the first extra inning.

The win was worth \$100 first prize plus a trophy which was presented at a gala dance party following the ball action in this poorly run Barrie tournament.

This victory was rough not only on Joe's pitcher, Wayne Kirchen, who threw all of Joe's games in the tournament, but on the club as Wayne Kirchen, Mike Parrott and Ed Kay each suffered injuries which put them out of action and have sidelined them for many future games. The Orillia Mets had no picnic either as they were playing their third consecutive game and did not have a bye to the finals as Joe's did.

The championship game turned out to be a real classic struggle. The Mets opened the scoring in the second inning with two runs as Forrester singled, followed by a tremendously long homer off the bat of Poochinski.

The local heroes bounced back in the third to tie things up as Loughead and Pete Hannam bounded home on hits by Bob Howard and Kirchen. Joe's took the lead in the sixth as George Lewandowski scored. However, Orillia bounced back with Poochinski scoring to knot things up again.

The bottom of the seventh, as it progressed, gave Joe's more than a little to worry about as the Mets found themselves with the bases loaded, the man on first being intentionally walked, and none away. All Orillia had to do to win the game was to get one of those runners home. They failed!

Wayne Kirchen on the rubber for Joe's showed what he was made of, and received a brilliant defensive effort from the entire Joe's club.

Joe's Garage team members and sponsor Joe Mad-

den, expressed their appreciation to the other Hill clubs present at the tournament for their strong moral support during that vital final contest. The other local clubs playing in the tournament were Jenkins Garden Supply, who finished third, McKinley Dry Wall, Lake Wilcox and Town Auto Body.

TAKE FIRST 3 GAMES Joe's met Felpton in their first game Friday and won that encounter 2-1. In their second go, Saturday, they downed Brass and Glen Clothiers 5-2. Then they dumped the Peacock Petroleum Comets 3-0. They then received a bye into the finals.

OTHER LOCAL TEAMS In the semi-final games the Orillia Mets spotted Jenkins Garden Supply of Richmond Hill a 4-0 lead and came back in the bottom of the third with six big runs which seem to wilt the Gardeners.

These six runs were due to some errors by Jenkins' players and a couple of very bad calls by the home plate umpire who was apparently colleague following the game.

The third place finishers, Jenkins Garden Supply met McKinley Drywall in the first game for each team. Jenkins, behind shutout pitching by Scott Ferguson took this game 3-0 in three innings. Lake Wilcox, who had trounced the Barrie firefighters 7-0 with Rick Collins on the rubber, was Jenkins' next opponent, Jenkins' Ace Hurler John Lenneville ('Big Blue') gave up

a run to Stuart and then blanked the Lakers while his team mates led by Catcher Al McWilliams pounded out six runs. This eliminated the Wilcox team.

Big Blue then fanned 12 Mansfield Credit Union batters as he blanked this team for Jenkins 6-0. Lenneville and McWilliams led the offensive attack, each with two big hits. Bernie Hough also had two hits for Jenkins.

The semi-finals between Jenkins and the Orillia Mets saw Jenkins' top hitter Al McWilliams have to leave for home and Second Baseman Bernie Hough get his knuckles broken on his glove hand, causing him to be sidelined. A three-run homer by Dave Stuart in the first, plus a solo blast over the fence by Pitcher John Lenneville in the second gave Jenkins an early 4-0 lead. Then the roof caved in.

The McKinley Dry Wall team, winless back home, moved into the consolation series, meeting and surprisingly defeating the Barrie Firefighters 3-0. They went on to play Convertible Pool of Barrie who put an end to their chances.

The Town Auto Body team ran into the tough Orillia Mets in the first contest and were forced into the consolation series. This game was played Friday evening against Town's passionate protest as they had planned a memorial dance for the late Paul Weir, a former member, that evening.

They lost their second game, played Saturday at Benderswell.

The winners of this year's tournament were Richmond Hill Auto Body and Town Auto Body, who tied for the championship trophy.

BY BOB CARTON

Dynes Peeeweewees Win House League Tourney

The strong pitching combination of Mike Smith and Mike O'Donnell carried Dynes Jewellers Peeeweewees to victory in the Eric's Cycle & Sport Peeeweewee House League Tournament July 14 at Bradstock and Town Parks.

The tournament proved to be a success from every point of view.

The weather was fine, the spectators plentiful, the softball exciting and a good time was had by all.

The tournament was run in an "A", "B" type format with a grand championship to decide the overall winner.

Richmond Hill had four teams entered, Bramalea had three and Richvale one.

EXTRA INNING GAME The winner, to all intents and purposes, was decided in the "A" Championship game between Dynes Jewellers and Richmond Hill Judo.

Mike Smith of Dynes and Jeff Joslin have seldom looked sharper, as both pitchers went through strings of pulling down seven and then eight players in a row.

After the scheduled five innings Dynes had one run on three hits, while Judo had one on four hits. Both coaches decided to continue and decide the games on runs rather than the previously accepted number of runners left on base.

It was not until the eighth inning that back to back doubles by Rod Nelson and Danny O'Sullivan broke the game open and gave Dynes the 3-1 victory.

Mike Smith finished the eighth inning game with a four-hitter and 11 strikeouts as he gave up a mere five hits and struckout an amazing 17 batters.

DYNES DOWN RICHVALE Despite a surprisingly strong start by an under rated Richvale Club, by the third inning of the scheduled seven inning contest, the outcome had all been decided. Richvale struck for three runs in the first inning, but were then shut out the rest of the way except for two runs in the fifth.

Dynes scored in each of the first three innings and then added four more in the

Majors On The Winning Side This Week

Cheers, guffaws, loud applause! The Majors won their match this week - probably the second time this season. Could be starting a new trend perhaps! Anyway, quite a boost for morale winning 5-1 at Pinepoint.

Meanwhile, back in Richmond Hill... the York Simcoe team battled bravely with their usual skill, vigor and determination and lost to Barrie.

The "C" Team, also struggled in vain at home to Ruddington... the Hill team tried everything, even to switching the lights off during play, to leave the visitors groping in the dark... but Ruddington, probably sex maniacs are used to that sort of thing, still managed to win the match.

The ladies, however, can always be relied upon (back to tennis now) and won two out of three matches. First winning a re-scheduled match at O'Connor Hills, losing at Three Valleys, then another win at home to Brampton. Well done girls, sure beats

housework, doesn't it?

Now to the real tennis players... a junior tournament is coming up at Crosby Park Courts July 30, at 1 pm. Two categories... under 18 and under 15... all junior members are welcome.

Also, an adult beginners' tournament (not you Hans) where all the strokes developed during the coaching will be flashed on display and this will be held August 7 at 7 pm at the Crosby Courts.

And this coming weekend, the OLTA Class "A" Mixed Doubles will be held at Crosby Courts... we can expect to see some excellent tennis played here, well worth watching. Actually if it is hot weather, that's the best way to play, from the seat in the shade with a cold lemonade or what have you.

Brian Bullock is dodging the column again and this week's episode is contributed by your friendly neighborhood hacker Trevor Stanley.

Carpenters Win Two More Clinch Tie For First Place

Richmond Hill Carpenters have clinched at least a tie for first place in the York Ontario Simcoe Softball North Division as a result of two back-to-back wins.

They trounced an inexperienced King City crew 36-3 July 16 at King City and then shut out Pottageville 11-0 at Crosby Park Friday night of last week. It was their 11th and 12th straight win.

The Carpenters Local 3233 can sew up first place by defeating King City in a game at Richmond Hill this Friday night.

It was strictly no contest against King City as the Carpenters scored runs at will while Pitcher Phil Wood set the King City club down on four hits while issuing only four walks and claiming six strikeouts.

Paul Philip mopped up the last batters allowing no runs on one hit while walking one and striking out as many.

All of The Carpenters had a least one hit and scored a run and were led by Woods

LET'S PLAY TENNIS Richmond Hill Tennis Club

By Brian Bullock Phone 884-6841 Clubhouse 884-6421

Wanted:

Girl Ballplayers

Calling all senior girls wanting to participate in the Richmond Hill Minor Ball House League.

Convenor Lynda Price reports the loop has been running short of girls due to drop-outs.

"We have four teams and the real problem is the lack of enough girls to make up one of the teams. I would say we need from eight to 10 more players."

If you're interested, call Lynda at 884-9782.

Beetles Have Fun

But Lose Tourney

The Richmond Hill Beetle Bantam girls dropped their two games in the Burlington Softball Tournament July 12 but had a great time camping out.

Their first game saw them going against Cookville as they jumped into an early 3-0 lead.

The two teams exchanged runs in the fifth inning and Cookville added another three in the seventh to the game at 4-4. It was decided by the officials to count runners reaching third base to decide the winners and Beetles came up short by 7-8 and were declared losers.

For the Beetles it was Janet Wells and Laurie Barnett playing well in the outfield while Vicki Robinson and Beth Shadoff were sharp in the infield.

Janine Bromley pitched a strong game and all in all the team played extremely well.

The second game saw them pitted against the powerful Mississauga team who had only lost one game in 39 this season.

The girls put up a strong fight, but were beaten by probably the best bantam pitcher in Ontario in the person of Jill Rovette who had tremendous control throughout the game.

The Beetles started to hit and score late in the game but also too little and too late. Brenda Buchan, Janine Bromley and Vicki Robinson hit well for the Beetles but they ended up on the short end of a 9-4 decision.

But the girls had a great time at the camping grounds which included swimming, wiener roast, etc.

United Loses 1-0

Orangeville Soccer

Richmond Hill United went down to a 1-0 defeat at the hands of Orangeville Saturday in a league match at Thornlea Secondary School.

They lost the game on a goal scored almost on full time but could have easily sewn the game up earlier but were unable to click on their passes.

The first half of play remained scoreless and it looked like a quiet afternoon for the netminders until the 10 minute mark of the second half when Orangeville got their goal and United tried desperately to get the equalizer.

United's next game will be played next Saturday against Aurora United at Aurora.

AURORA: The workers at Sterling Drug voted last week to accept the latest company offer reached in a two-day session with a labor department mediator. Operators now receiving \$3.54 an hour will get an immediate 40c an hour raise, another 40c later in the two year contract, and \$130 in retroactive pay increase to May 6. The contract includes, for the first time, a major medical and prescription drug plan.

KESWICK: Owner-set fires which get out of control and require action by the township's volunteer fire departments are becoming a problem and a large expense in Georgina Township, according to Regional Councillor Bob Pollock. In the past month there have been eight or nine such fires with a cost to the township of over \$500.

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