



Jenkins Hot After Second Spot

By DAVE BARBOUR
WINDING IT UP

This week sees the remaining game and postponed games being concluded in the Richmond Hill Industrial Softball League.

There is a total of five outstanding games and the final standing of the teams had not been decided. Three of the four teams have qualified for the playoffs but their final positions haven't been decided.

Qualifying are the Richmond Hill Auto Body who requires one more game to claim the league championship trophy. That one more game is with McKinley Drywall. Town Auto has two games remaining and these are with Fram Filtration and Lake Wilcox.

If they win one of these, second place is theirs. Jenkins Garden Supply holds third place at this time one point ahead of Joe's Garage who occupy the fourth slot.

Jenkins have completed their regular schedule while Joe's have a game with the fifth place Barrow Insurance team. A win by Joe's would vault them into third place and lay the defending champion Barrow's Insurance to rest.

But if Barrow's win the game they could tie for the fourth and last place playoff position with Joe's as they have a game in hand with McKinley. Should this happen a run-off game will be held to decide the final standings.

**Town Auto Body 3
McKinley Drywall 1**
Town opened the scoring in the bottom of the third as Colin Wood singled followed

by a homerun off the bat of Gord Wright. McKinley cut Town's margin to one run in the top of the fifth as Dennis Sexton walked and scored on Cliff Hartnett's double. The bottom half of the inning saw Town go out in front by two runs again on the strength of Wright's second homerun of the game.

Gary Oliver for Town was the winning pitcher and Sexton took the loss for McKinley. Each threw the entire game.

**Jenkins 3,
Barrow Insurance 0**
Jenkins Garden Supply struck for three big runs in the top of the fifth to break up a pitching duel between Jenkins' John Lenneville and Barrow's Billy Hamilton.

Al McKenzie singled as did Dave Stuart who was making his first start since injuring his foot in the Bradford Tournament August 11. A double by Lenneville scored McKenzie and Stuart and Barry Pollard, who was returning from a knee injury and holidays, scored Big Blue with a single.

Lenneville recorded 13 strikeouts while Hamilton fanned nine Jenkins batters.

**Fram Filtration 10
Joe's Garage 2**
The first of the Wednesday evening double headers saw the hot and cold, mostly cold, Fram Filtration team trounce the struggling Joe's Garage team. For Fram, finally attired in their new uniforms (white with heavy blue trim) the top of the first saw six runs crossing the plate. Dave Olsen bunt singled.

Bruce Buchanan singled, Jerry McIntyre reached first base on an error to the third sacker.

The Joe's right fielder booted it to give Jerry Caume a life and this was followed up by a double by Bob Kennedy. Barry Mathews also doubled and was scored on Rick Lazenby's single.

Joe's got one run back in the bottom of the second as Joe's hurler Brian Madely singled followed by a single by Mike Parrett and a third single by Bob Smith cashed in Madely.

They got one more back in the third when Pete Hannam doubled and scored when Jim Anderson got on an error to Fram's third baseman.

Fram came to life again in the fifth as Buchanan got a life on an error to Parrett and scored on McIntyre's double. This sent Madely to the showers as he was replaced on the rubber by Wayne Kirchin for Joe's.

Fram, however, pressed on as Caume doubled and Kennedy reached base on a Bob Howard error. Caume scored as Jim Lawson singled.

It was Bob Kennedy going the route for Fram on the rubber.

**Town Auto Body 10
Barrow Insurance 4**
With this win in the night-cap, Town assured themselves of a playoff spot and it also assured Jenkins of post season play while Barrow's were put in the position of "hanging on the ropes."

It should be pointed out that Barrow's are hurting badly as Catcher Paul Hunter is out for the season apparently with a broken arm and Jim Barton has been crippled with a leg injury. Add to this the absence of Glen Wright, last year's most valuable player, and also the absence of Roger Ball, their number two hurler.

Barrow's opened the scoring as Dave Roberts singled and stole second, then third base, and came in as Bob Viverette sacrificed. In the bottom half of the first, Town moved when Dwight Powell singled and Clay Chapman homered.

Town went three up in the next frame as Gary Oliver singled and Gord Wright banged one out of the park. The top of the third saw Barrow pare Town's margin by one as Billy Hamilton doubled and was scored by Billy Richardson who singled.

The bottom half of the same inning saw Town continuing its assault on Barrow's as Doug Carter singled, Jim Dubkowski followed with a single and both came in on Oliver's triple. He scored on another triple by Wright.

Barrow's came back in the fourth with two as Dave Joslin bunt singled, and Brian Mote drove him in with a double. Then Richardson got on and stole second, third and home.

After Town's last scoring inning, Hamilton was lifted from the rubber in favour of Grant Rose who held the hottest team in the league at bay until the sixth inning.

Here Colin Wood singled and Gary Black reached second as Bob Sullivan muffed a simple one-handed catch. Chapman doubled to score Wood and Black. A sacrifice by Doug Carter

brought in Chapman who had stolen third to conclude the scoring.

**R.H. Auto Body 7
Jenkins 4**
Moving now to Friday we see that the Hillers have all but clinched first place as they downed Jenkins' Garden Supply in a sloppy, wide-open game.

Richmond Hill Auto opened the scoring in the top of the first inning as Rob Forget tripled and scored on Ken Faulkner's hit. John Lenneville scored the tying run in the bottom of the third as he hit for two bases, was sacrificed to third by Barry Pollard, and came in on Al McWilliams' single.

The next inning the Hillers went three up on a single, sacrifice, Lou Vanderploeg walk, and a passed ball advancing the runners. This was followed by Al McKenzie miffing a catch of a ball hit into centrefield by Forget in which two runs scored while Forget reached second. Faulkner singled to score Forget.

The top of the fifth saw Williams walking and Oliver safe on error to Pollard which scored Williams. Jenkins bounced back in the fifth when David Stuart singled as did Lenneville. Barry Pollard singled scoring Stuart, and McWilliams singled scoring Lenneville.

This left Jenkins two runs down, however, the Hillers increased their lead by four in the top of the sixth as Alex Smith homered and Paul Williams doubled following which he stole third and home on passed balls.

Jenkins' final run came in the bottom half of the sixth as Phil Bellavance singled, Stuart sacrificed him to second and he scored on Lenneville's double. Neither of the two selected all-star hurlers, Alex Smith of R.H. Auto and Big Blue of Jenkins, enjoyed a particularly good game on the rubber.

**McKinley Drywall 4
Lake Wilcox 3**
McKinley struck for four big runs in the first and then hung on to eke out a close win over the Lakers. Barry Hartnett got the Drywalls moving with a single followed by a single by John Uphrard. McKinley hurler in this game, Bob Carton, singled which scored Hartnett, and Uphrard stole home with the second run.

Joey Bryan singled bringing home Carton and Ray Carter singled to score Bryan.

In the third, Rick Collins got the Lake on the score-board as he reached base on an error and then scored on a single by Bruce Stevens. Stevens, enjoying his best game at the plate, in this third consecutive hit in three trips, homered with Bill Mark on base via a single. This was in the bottom of the fifth and it left the Lakers one run short.

**STANDINGS - To Sept. 1
W L T P P.**
R.H. Auto Body 12 5 4 23
Town Auto Body 10 5 4 24
Jenkins Gdn. Sup. 10 7 4 24
Joe's Garage 10 7 3 23
Barrow's Ins. 8 8 3 19
Lake Wilcox 6 11 3 15
Fram Filtration 6 12 2 14
McKinley Drywall 5 13 1 11

ALL-STARS
Industrial league ball fans are urged to come out in force to support the Richmond Hill Industrial League All-Stars who tackle the Aurora Industrial League All-Stars next Sunday evening.

The game is set for the Aurora Town Park at 7 pm and a silver collection will be taken to aid the Cheryl Ann Hanson family, not the muscular dystrophy research as earlier announced.

The all-star teams are made up of two players from each team in both leagues plus the three top hurlers.

The lineup for the Richmond Hill team has not been released by the organizers of this event. The organizers are Parry Stevens, coach of Barrow's and who plays for Wimpey Homes in Aurora and R.H. League President Fred Simpson.

Don't forget, also, the league's fall dance is set for October 26 at the Lions Hall.



Victoria Square Midgets In Playdown

Victoria Square OASA Midgets won their way into their league playdowns, defeating Maple once by default and losing 10-5 in the semi-finals. The winner will enter the lists against the league-leading Nobleton team for the championship. The third and deciding game against Maple is scheduled to be played tonight (Wednesday) at Maple Community Centre.

In the picture above front row (left to right) are: Scott Hardy, second base; Bruce Rumney, fielder; Doug Williams, first base; Mark Rumney, catcher; Ross Barker, pitcher; John Houck, fielder. Back row (same order) Gary Scheepers, centre field; Brian Empringham, third base; Ken Harmon, pitcher; Jim Boyd, batter; Ronnie Scheepers, fielder. Missing is Coach Jim Barker.

(Photo by Ron Fawn)

**Peewee Lions
Oust Aurora 9-8**
Richmond Hill Peewee Lions reached the finals of the York Simcoe Softball League August 27 with a 9-8 win over Aurora in Aurora.
It was their second straight win over Aurora having downed that team by 11-8 in the first game of the best-of-three playoffs.
Pitcher Dave Allen tossed a sparkling seven hitter while striking out six as he picked up his 11th win. Allen was never in trouble until the last inning when his teammates committed three errors and scored four unearned runs.
The Lions scored two runs in the fourth when Allen singled and Dennis Kane walked as both runners scored. The Hillers added six runs in the fifth inning. Dale Moreland was hit by a pitch, Matt Knights walked while Matt Zurich and Allen singled. Tim King reached base on an error and Ted Inch slashed a double.
Robbie Steel singled in the sixth but was erased at second when Zurich hit a fielder's choice. Zurich stole second and third base, and second on Jamie Tuck's towering sacrifice fly.
The Lions now meet East Gwillimbury in a three-out-of-five final for the South Division of the York Simcoe League.



By Fred Simpson
Sport Spots
Hockey Again
There appear to be unseen forces afoot to destroy what remains of my summer idyl. I know it's September but there are surely a few warm, summery days to come. Please.
So why am I writing about hockey again, again, again? Well, it's this way. I don't know. Except that there's a certain logical path to life and I have yet to find that path. I'm always stumbling around out there in the field.
In any case, hockey it is. Bumped into Richmond Hill Hockey Association Past President Tom Graham. He was already performing mental calisthenics to get in shape for another season of fun and good times on the ice-hockey circuit.
I still have a tendency to flinch whenever I talk to Tom about minor hockey. It goes back to a season or so ago (was it last season?) when I talked to him about the minor hockey scene. At that time I penned something to the effect such places as Richvale and Oak Ridges were part of the Richmond Hill hockey association.

RUSSIAN ROULETTE?
I've been suffering black-outs ever since. Pieces of fall-out still keep working their way out of my brain. In other words, the roof fell in. The upshot was my being somewhat forcibly informed that Richvale, Oak Ridges and Richmond Hill have their own associations. I subsequently decided to take up a less hazardous game. Such as Russian roulette, maybe.

Now don't get excited. I'm not saying this latest offering is controversial. It's just that I get nervous. So I'll let Mr. Graham do the talking, so to speak.
Tom, according to my interpretation, is plumping for a minor hockey arrangement this season whereby the house league teams in the Richvale, Richmond Hill, and Oak Ridges associations would operate as a single entity. There would be no changes in the town representative OMHA teams who would still operate independently of one another.

HERE'S THE MALLET
I should add one more thing before turning the mallet over to Tom. He stressed throughout that his opinions were not those of the RHMHA executive. Strictly his own although he felt he had a lot of support from some of the parents.
Go to it, Tom:

"It seems that this season the Ontario Minor Hockey Association has softened its stand on amalgamation of house leagues or local leagues as long as the OMHA players are kept separate. "A number of people along with myself have been leading a movement to put this portion (the house leagues) of the Richmond Hill Hockey associations back together," said Graham.

He added:
"The reception to our suggestion has been very favorable from the run of the mill people. However, it doesn't appear the RHMHA directors plan to take any action."

Graham pointed out Brampton is in the process of amalgamating its house leagues in that municipality.
"The advantages are tremendous," he said. "For example the house league boys will pay cheaper rates and have the advantage of more ice time."

"The competition will be stronger and yet more balanced in a larger league. Better coaching and refereeing will result as the natural offshoot of a larger league."
"Best of all, the OMHA town representative teams are left intact which was the main original reason for the change."

Graham said that under the "new terms of reference the funds for the house league and the OMHA teams would be completely separate. This would stop any question that one supports the other or vice versa."

In perhaps a premonition of the reaction of critics to his proposal, Graham added the following postscript.
"It would seem more people are interested in preserving some kind of identity rather than seeing as many kids as possible on the ice, getting as much ice time as possible for the minimum dollar."

Graham said he recommended "the RHHA accept registrations for any player who wished to play house league in our normal age limits from 5 to 17 years of age from anywhere in the municipality."

There you have it. Send your cards and letters c/o Mr. Graham.
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Minor Hockey Try-Outs At Arena

The first and second team tryouts for the Richmond Hill Hockey Association town representative teams will be held September 14 and 21 and 15 and 22.

Time schedules are as follows:
Saturday, September 14 and 21, Minor Atom 3 pm; Minor Peewee 4 pm; Minor Bantam 5 pm; Minor Midget 6 pm.
Sunday, September 15 and 22, Atom 1 pm; Peewee 2 pm; Bantam 3 pm; Midget 4 pm; Juvenile 5 pm.

Admission is \$1.50 for each try out.
N.B. Second team try outs are included with first team try outs. A player must be available for first team competition or he will not be allowed to play on the second team.

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