

(Photo by Susan Samila)

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York North

can be one of the most positive

forces in our society. Under

ideal conditions, it has the abil-

ity to teach our young people

the values of discipline, court-

esy, understanding and respect.

In recent years, however, there

has been a disturbing change

in our approach to hockey, and

a dramatic increase in violence

in the game. This increase in

violence and specifically vio-

lence in amateur hockey was

the subject of a recent inquiry

by the Ontario Government,

The investigation was under-

taken by William McMurtry for

the Ministry of Community and

Social Services. In the next

two columns, I would like to

discuss some of the findings

and recommendations of the in-

Mr. McMurtry was directed

to investigate the occurrences

during a Junior "B" hockey

game of last winter. The game,

between Bramalea and Hamil-

ton was violent with 189 min-

utes in penalties, several fights

and a number of injuries. The

disturbing thing about this par-

ticular game is that the fight-

ing witnessed on that evening

was evidence of a tendency to-

wards violence in all amateur

hockey. It is especially upset-

ting to see the spread of this

violence among the younger age

-There are a number of reas-

ons for the spread of violent

behaviour in amateur hockey

The influence of professional

hockey, and in particular the

National Hockey League, is a

Pound Says No

But Region Yes

to the contrary, York Reg- urban use."

limbury, which will permit designation on it.

Hockey, our national sport,

major cause. It is natural for

young players to look up to

those whom they have been

told are the best, and to copy

them. The present trends in

hockey, however, are encour-

aging violence - where skill is

secondary to fighting. The

NHL puts such a great emph-

asis on winning, and violence is

being used more and more to

achieve this end. There is in-

creasing praise of brawlers and

fighters in the league. This is

the result of an attempt to sell

hockey to an American audi-

ence which appreciates violence

more than skill in the game.

Many players in different

leagues felt that advertising for

hockey tends to emphasize the

violent side of the game rather

than the finesse and skill in-

volved. Since young people tend

to emulate and look up to the

players in the NHL, one can

easily understand how violence

has become such an important

The rule structure of the

game is another cause for in-

creased violence. Hockey is

perhaps the only sport which

will allow fighting to be con-

sidered "part of the game".

All professional players who

were interviewed said there

was a great deal of pressure

from their fellow players as

well as from the public to stand

up and fight. They believed

that they would lose face if they

turned their backs and did not

retaliate. Under the present

rule structure, there is very

little attempt made to prevent

brawling. A player has no

reason to turn his back and re-

part of amateur hockey.

Local Dancers In Service Tribune

It's "Klondike Night In the Malamute Saloon" Friday evening during Seneca College's celebration of the 10th anniversary of the birth of poet Robert Service, writer of such well-known poems as "The Shooting of Dan McGrew". The event will feature period films, seminars, recitations and readings by "Robert Service", along with Yukon dancing girls. Rehearsing in the Jennifer Morton Studio, Richmond Hill, for their appearance at Seneca are (left to right) Jennifer Morton, Kim Hoare,

Tracey Urquhart, Judy Pickering, Judy Webb and Sandra McArthur. The performance is in Seneca's Studio Theatre on the Finch Campus, Finch and Woodbine. Klondike dress is definitely recommended for all attending.

We are also pleased to announce that Jennifer Morton was married to John Charles Pickering August 30. The young couple will be residing in Richmond Hill and Jennifer will continue her School of Dance and Theatre

Hill Peewees Reach York Simcoe Finals

10-5 and 7-6 wins over East | Tuck home.

the southern division laurels Moreland reached base on home plate. from the bench due to an and they now face the sur- errors. Inch then doubled Gwillimbury struck back injury. vivors of the northern half followed by Tuck with his with one run in the first Port Perry, Markham, Maple Dave Allen then doubled, the Lions led 5-4. The Hilor Unionville for the Lou Gleason walked, and both lers completed their scoring Sedore trophy. They won runners scored on a pinch- in the fourth when Knights hit a double and Zurich fold three games to Gwillimbury's hit triple by Matt Knights. hit a double and Zurich fol-

best-of-three series Septem- Lions led 9-3.

batters clouted homeruns. vailed 10-5. to muster a single hit in enough to win 7-6.

ber 9 at Crosby Park and Pitcher Inch, who allowed run in the fourth to trail 7-5, to respond to a drowning feet to the south. walked away with a 10-5 only five hits while striking | Winning pitcher was Dave | case August 5 in Bradford | Discussion on the amendwin with Hurler Ted Inch out five, aided his own Allen who allowed eight was described as inaccurate ment, which was proposed notching his 21st win of the cause when he sliced a hits while striking out by King Township Council by the planning committee, homerun down left field, seven. He exhibited a com- at its meeting Monday night whose chairman is East Gwil-Inch was momentarily East Gwillimbury counterel bined fastball and change- of last week. limbury Mayor Gladys Rolljolted in the first inning as with two more runs in the up to good advantage Council was reacting to a ing, carried on for more the initial two Gwillimbury seventh but the Lions pre- throughout the game. | letter from York Regional than an hour, with the final

Two more singles in the top The second game at difficulty in the final inning which stated that the fire members of council against of the fourth inning pro- Queensville Park saw the with two Gwillimbury bat- department was on the scene it: Mayor Margaret Britduced another run and the Lions pick up their third ters retired. A fly ball to eight minutes after the nell of King, and Bob For-Lions found themselves straight win against one de- centre was lost in the lights police despatcher had re- han of Newmarket; and trailing 3-0. To this point feat as they started off in with the runner reaching ported the incident. the Lions bats were im- high gear and just manag- third on the error. A solid King Township Mayor Richmond Hill and Bob Ad-

Lead off batter Matt runner on third.

Thornhill Ladies' Club ter and he retired him on the time lapse as reported agreement with the develop- in that area?" she asked. Plans New Season

Miss Arlene Randall, a reg- fun and games. istered nurse with the Cana-

dian Red Cross. this most worthwhile pro- wool and one set of No. 4 Approval from the Minis- Thornhill Centre is 4,600 A former Aurora Council- room could accommodate

home where emergencies are mencing at 8 pm.

this program will vote on at 889-5205. the subjects to be dealt with CONSIDER JOINING ing. ratory problems and diabe- purpose.

tes, etc. should this course prove to Morgan Avenue.

and give it a try. There is bring a friend.

Doncaster Community ers will learn about the spark plug defensively, with Department but severed rel-Ladies Club will initiate a other club programs and Dennis Kane also catching ations because a more satisseries of classes on first aid committments. These in- steadily. and home care. These clas- clude helping people in need, The win was a team ef- ment was available from

CRAFTS NIGHT

The sponsoring body of monthly meeting is set for this venture is the Doncas- October 8 and will be a craft out for ladies in the South craftmaking plus the first of come and take advantage of along one ball of phentex

ing is well worth the cost this Red Cross program, feel tre, John and Bayview. 1974, as the new post office He said the town planned Aurora library; the works With amateur gardeners Civic Garden Centre, Ed. Miss Pamela Eves will be of the entire 10 course pro- free to come out October 8 It will also seek the same is still to be completed. to build the civic completed. to build the civic completed. VOTE ON SUBJECTS tain additional information lishment of a day care centre mittee to hire an assistant istration offices for York SLSCA had stated it was prising to find many fam- prime causes: wild flower John Bradshaw master of

topics which can be selected need, making crafts, occas- In its report the health awhile. are "Care of Children of all ional outings and fun and and social services commit- Council agreed to the de- ity "straddling a creek which guilty of breaking Bylaw at Seneca College, Finch annual student bursary to Other illustrious gust Ages", "General Functions games appeal to you - if tee, which is chaired by ferment following a recom- is subject to frequent flood- 1863, Section 8-C, which Avenue just west of Wood- the Niagara School of Hor- include Tommy Thompsn, of the Body", "Care of the so, why not consider joining Mayor William Lazenby of mendation by Major Evelyn ing." stated that "The erection of bine Avenue, on September ticulture. The fashion show Metro parks commission, Elderly", plus any particular the Doncaster Community Richmond Hill, said Hope Buck of Aurora. physical ailment or disease Ladies' Club, your friendly Haven in Richmond Hill's The position qualifies for asked to hold a public meet- shall be prohibited on lands The flower show will be raising these funds. for example, heart, respi- neighborhood group with a St. Paul's Lutheran Church, a 50 - 50 subsidy from the ling with members of the which are subject to flood- presented in the foyer of OILS FROM THORNHILL Richmond Hill, chairmanof

too complicated to be held pressed interest in having a fits of close association with ector Administration (Social objections: the building now and farmers are receiving A common theme will be Rose Schul-Lenhardt of Ux- Caulfield, Mrs. Kay Qual, in private homes, it will be question and answer period normal and retarded child- Services), would assist the occupied by the board of the same price for their crop followed in floral displays bridge and by Taisa Pacz- Mrs. Ina Meares, of Thorcarried out in the Red Cross with Nurse Miss Arlene ren have long been recog- commissioner in the develop- education was structurally and chain stores are charging and in styles: "Basic Black", kowski of Thornhill. Centre on Sheppard Avenue. Randall on such subjects as nized, and have been proved ment and co-ordination of sound, centrally located, ex- last year's prices. The farm- "The Wet Look", "Warp and Handcrafted jewelry by Helen Hamill of Markhar, The club is opening its good and undesirable use of at the Newmarket and Dis- all branches of the depart- cellently decorated, had er receives 9c a head and Weft", "Evening Elegance" Metro craftsmen will also Mrs. Gretta Slapkausas and vite all area ladies to come When you come out - The designed size for the ness of present and future as many offices as the president and show Chair- King; and Mrs. Betty Gaine

Richmond Hill Peewee starting in the fifth inning Matt Zurich's sharp single, land, Steel, Dave Kane and Lions have fought their way as Jamie Tuck smashed a For the 17th time this year, Shawn McKenzie backed up the use of a 35.5 acre lot on In a technical report from to the finals of the York triple with Inch on base and Tuck clouted a homerun. Inch, Allen and Tuck as the east side of Yonge Street the planning department, it Simcoe Softball League with then Darrel Gleason doubled Dave Allen and Gleason they contributed to the win for a merchandising mart, was stated that a compreboth hit singles and even- with their bats and defen-It carried on in the fifth tually scored as the Lions sive skills. Unfortunately, The two wins gave them as Robbie Steel and Dale sent five players across Tim King had to watch

potent as they were unable ed to maintain the homester triple by the next batter Margaret Britnell said that ams, Markham. made the score 7-6 with a she had carried out an in- Mrs. Hancey also lost out Then came the deluge Knights walked followed by The Lions then brought in icle printed by a Bradford to the motion, calling for Inch to toss to the next bat- newspaper and found that the township to enter into an that type of facility be put

game. Allen was credited | Council was concerned be- months. five for seven in the games Bradford area. The munici- lot of development, other ject thoroughly."

The Lions ran into some | Police Chief Bruce Crawford result showing only four

vestigation following the art- with a suggested amendment

By DAVE BARBOUR | no obligation to become a besides playing well defen- pality was formerly contract than this in this area." Starting October 8 the member, however, newcom- sively. Zurich was the ting with the Bradford Fire ses will be conducted by craftmaking and nights of fort all the way as Knights, Newmarket with no lesson-Gord Fournier, Dale More- ing in service.

For instance, the next Commissioner's Aide Vetoed

ter Community Ladies' Club night. Members and new-now in its 27th year of comers wishing to get in on punity service and nights- this worthwhile outing of Facilities For 12 Retarded Thornhill area. The ladies the Red Cross series of pro- are inviting non-members to grams, are asked to bring Approved At Thornhill Project For Hearing On Civic Centre

gram. They point out that (large) kitting needles, for try of Community and So- square feet, at an estimated lor. Illtyd Harris, has called three times as many as the during the classes the creating attractive house cial Services will be sought cost of \$210,000. monthly club meetings will slippers. Meanwhile a visit by York Regional health and Subject to approval from to be held with regard to He also made a few comconsist of a half an hour of to the club by Dave Porter, social services committee for the Ministry, the Town of issuing \$300,000 in deben- ments on the town's finanbusiness matters and two a York County Board of Ed- the building and financing of Markham will be asked to tures toward the building of cial situation, saying that hours will be devoted to the ucation attendance counsel- two new day care projects. provide the necessary land a new civic centre in Aurora. last November council had lor, will make suggestions Meeting last week, coun- for the addition, at no cost Mr. Harris, who is also borrowed \$1.6 million at The cost of registration as to how the club can best cil agreed to ask the provint to the region. for this series of 10 classes help particular students or cial government for 100 peris a mere \$2 and this includ- their families. The October cent subsidy for the develop- Whitchurch - Stouffville cen- wrote to York Regional bentured in order to save es a first aid handbook for 8 meeting is to be held at ment of a centre for approx- tre, with the town turning Council last week, disputing money.

ren. The new assistant, who

doors to all those interested over-the-counter drugs and triet Day Care Centre," the ment, and assess and monitor more washroom facilities, an the stores are charging 29 to and "See Through", for ex- be shown. in this program and they in- detecting breast cancer. report said. the need for and effective- ample lunch room, had twice 39c. Weather conditions ample. It promises an in- Milne House Garden Club ley; Mrs. Ann Wilson

every member of the class, the home of Mrs. Lil Smith, imately 12 mentally-retarded the building over to the re- the town's recent advertise- Also, there still about This book, a must in every 72 Glen Cameron Road, com- children in the proposed day gion for renovations. | ment in the Aurora paper \$400,000 owing on the comcare centre in the big new | The development would seeking permission to dis- munity centre; an addition

The second in the Red its present enrolment. Also, been allocated in the 1974 in attendance, to acquaint The letter was received Seneca at 1:30 pm and again and flowers there will be a board, and Mr. Redelmeir. The club intends to hold Cross course is to be held it did not provide the ad- estimates of the health and the citizens with the pro- by council. these classes in the homes January 8 at the home of vantage of its members as- social services committee for ject, but the request had of members. However, Mrs. Queenie Jordan, 131 sociating with normal child- salary and fringe benefits. been ignored.

retarded section in the programs.

The amendment changes hensive zoning bylaw for the

the land use designation township had received a from rural holding to com- third reading and had been mercial. The new furniture submitted to the Municipal mart and possible future Board. In the bylaw, the of the league comprising second consecutive triple, and three in the third as Port Perry, Markham, Maple Dave Allen then doubled, the Lions led 5-4. The Hilfeet, (about 10 acres) with termination of the future

Dennis Kane looped a single lowed with his third home- A newspaper report that of 1,220 feet to Yonge ping needs study has not The Lions opened the to score Knights and the run of the season. The New- the Newmarket Fire Depart- Street, with the Newmarket been justified to the regmarket team added a single ment took up to 23 minutes town boundary just 1,600 ional municipality to justify the proposed development." It said too the develop-

ment was "likely to generate a considerable amount of cross traffic movement" on the Green Lane road to Yonge Street.

The only satisfactory grounds for supporting the amendment would be on the basis of the assessment it would bring to the township, the report stated. "In all other respects the proposed use seems inappropriate in this rural area."

Councillor Hancey wondered if the market was going to be "good for the reg-Fellow Richmond Hill

with his 10th win of the cause it has a working agree- Speaking in favor of the had other views. "I agree Councillor, Gordon Rowe, ment with Newmarket Fire proposal, Mayor Rolling said with Mayor Rolling," he Outfielder Gleason hit Department to cover the there was "no desire for a said. "She knows the sub-

Mayor Margaret Britnell of King, said she was confactory financial arrange- township's "basic aim is that ing "bombarded with pulp" it will remain a predomin- from all the new shopping antly rural township and malls being opened. "I don't that no urban development know where we're going to will be permitted adjacent get the money to buy all to the Town of Newmarket these things," she said.

Former Aurora Councillor Asks

STILL RURAL

OBJECTIONS

going to strike without warn- If you are interested in Thornhill Community Cen- not be started until late pense with the plebiscite. had been promised to the and sign up. You may ob- sort of help for the estab- An attempt by the com- consisting of business admin- a \$135,000 debenture; the Southern York, it is not sur- is committed to support three ions, and gardening Exprt Those who register for by calling Mrs. May Barbour in Stouffville, to be located to Commissioner Owen Slin- County Board of Education, opposed to the building in liar names among those parin the old post office build- gerland, at a salary of be- at a cost of more than \$1.5 the flood plain at the con- ticipating in the organization sition of conservation land; will also present the floor tween \$12,400 to \$13,500 per million in spite of opposi- vergence of the two creeks, and presentation of the on-going support for present show awards during ne in the classes. Among the Does helping people in HILL'S TOO SMALL annum, will have to wait for tion from the South Lake If the building were Milne House Garden Club's and enlarged facilities at course of the evening. Simese Conservation Author- allowed, council would be Fashions and Flowers show the Civic Garden Centre; an LOCAL PARTICIPAN'S He said the town was structures and buildings 25, had become too small for province, and funds have school board and the SLSCA ing . ." the Minkler Auditorium at In addition to the fashions the civic garden cerre

Ontario is showing an in- be refreshments on both oc- water colors by Bill Lums- Region of York include Ms. be exceptionally popular and The members have ex- "The advantages and bene- would be known as the Dir- Among Mr. Harris' other crease in supply over 1973 casions. ent town hall, and its board is feared. The club based at the man is Mrs. Audrey Allman, of Richmond Hill,

never attempted to experiment

fuse to fight. The NHL has

with match penalties for fights. The "no-fighting" concept was discussed with many players who had played in college and international hockey where brawls are prohibited. Without exception, they said that it was far more rewarding to play in an environment where fights and violence were not considered to be "part of the game". Brawling can be removed from our national sport. The "nofighting" rule has been implemented in Toronto Public School Hockey in an effort to curb violence and abuse of officials by players. This is a concrete example for the rest of the sport.

Many defenders of fighting in hockey say that to give automatic game misconducts for brawling would encourage players to provoke the star member of an opposing team into a fight. This fight would result in his ejection - for the good of the other team. This argument, however, is completely unfounded. If there was a system of automatic game misconduct, then every player would be able to refuse to fight without fear of losing face. Violence could be removed from hockey, if the rules were changed and a concrete attempt made to enforce new rules.

The existing structure of hockey rewards fighting in that it makes no attempt to curb its use. This violence will lead in turn to more violence in the game. Acceptance of hoc-

Hockey Violence Spread Upsets MLA Hodgson key violence will lead to vilence outside the sport. Ti implications are most distur-

Another cause of increase violence is the fact that an ateur hockey has no clear de inition or objectives. It has for a long time been influenced and financially supported b professional hockey. Yet th "win at all costs" direction o the professional leagues should

have no place in amateur sport Referees play an important role in minor hockey, and the direction of the game can often be influenced by the officials. Violence can result if rules are not enforced, if the rulings are not consistent throughout the game, and if there is a lack of respect for the referee.

Coaches also have a profound effect on a young player. A coach can determine a boy's entire attitude to the game and to his peers. The majority of coaches in minor league hockey have no training, and little concept of their duties. Many tend to emphasize the violent side of hockey rather than the skills involved. Coaches should motivate the players and set standards of discipline

Parents, too, have a strong influence on young hockey players. Children do not have an instinctive desire to win at all costs. They are conditioned by the people around them, namely, parents and coaches. If adults continually stress the importance of success, they may in the long run destroy the most essential ingredient of al

11 Richmond Hill Parks Christened By Town Eleven parks within Rich- from Weldrick Road to 1,232 acres on Bayew

mond Hill, which have been BAIF Boulevard; nameless, were christened Penwick Park - 1.107 ity of Wilcocks Lake. at the August 16 meeting of acres on Penwick Crescent; town council when it accept- Burr Park - 3.655 acres The parks and recreson ed the recommendations of on Springhead Gardens; | committee consulted ith the town's parks and recrea- Maplewood Park - 2.5 Richmond Hill Histocal Planning Commissioner until studies indicate suittion committee. In one acres off Weldrick Road; Society for suggestions of Murray Pound's objections ability and conditions for case, a change from the re- Hillcrest Heights Park - names connected with the ional Council last week ap- Mrs. Rolling said the land commended name was made 3.3 acres in phase 2 of BAIF history of the park was to avoid confusion with an between the greenbelt; and has used several of proved an amendment to the in question was not a rural Official Plan of East Gwil- area and did not have a rural

already existing street. The new names are: Gamble Park — .736 acres BAIF;

located on Naughton Drive; taining the old Wood's home cause of a grove of maes located on Muirhead Cres- erected in the very early a street in the Oak Rices

Richvale Greenway - these.

Bernard Park - 1.38 acres | acres on Carrville Road, con- was Maple Grove Park, e-McLeod Park - 3 acres believed to have been on the property. Hower, 1800's;

BAIF Park - 2.08 acres Catfish Pond Park - Grove.

Avenue, Lot 64, in the vin-HISTORY CHECK

22.441 acres of greenbelt in The one name chated was that of Maplewood Frk. located on Long Hill Drive; Wood's Park - 5.502 where the first suggeson area of town is called Mile



(Photo by Barbour)

Flowers and fashions are being featured at Milne House Garden Club's annual fashion show September 25. This year the club is incorporating its annual flower show of spectacular displays and an exhibition of handcrafted jewellery and the works of six local artists. The show in the Minkler Auditorium of Seneca College, Finch Avenue west of Woodbine, will feature the horticultural entries in the foyer and styles on

Models include Carla and Michael Grant of Unionville, Mary Crawford, Connie Irmie, Mary Linney, Florence Perry, Margo McConvey, Dawne Giffen, Brenda Van Heel, Tara Giffen, Vickie Stow and Robin Clayton of Willowdale, along with many others. Pictured above (left to right) are Connie Imrie in floor length horizontal black mink belted coat, Angelo Iandoli in French velvet formal or casual jacket embroidered with flowers paired with Italian gabardine pants, and Carla Grant in V-neck, rib-cuffed sweater and full length accordion pleated skirt

Flower And Fashion Garden Show

at 7:30 pm, and the fashion display of art works includ- In addition to many menshow will follow in the audi ing oils and water colors by bers who will serve is BRADFORD: Lettuce in torium at 8:30 pm. There will Agnes Berry of Willowdale, models, members from te

is the principal means of and Mrs. Thompson. Aso Mrs. Ernest Redelmeier of den of Willowdale, oils by Ethel Benson, Mrs. Ruh