

Hill Travelways: Soccer Champs

It's going to be a beautiful winter for the above members of the Richmond Hill Minor Soccer Association atoms. The Richmond Hill Travelways team completed an undefeated season by downing Armourdale 2-1 in the finals of the North York Premier League. Front row (left to right) are: Wayne Cardwell, Doug Rae, Neill Smith, Kenny Jensen, Jimmy Gourlay, Eppie Main, Mike Briggs.

Back row: Allan Evelyn (Captain), Eddie Iafano, George Barr, (coach), Frank Paolini, Paul Fox, Don Fawcett, Bill Mitchell. The team also won the league championship by finishing first with a total season record of 13 wins, one tie, and no losses. Missing from the picture are Brian Mason and Chris Wanschura.

Sport Spots

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I'll skip most of the hockey action because you probably got enough of that guck via the television tube and-or media. So we lost. So what. The refereeing was lousy but that should come as no surprise. It appeared to me we didn't learn anything from that Team Canada - Russian 1972 season. We will now. Nothing like a loss to shake up the old complacency.

TOMORROW

From my chat with Bob Tomlinson of 40 Elm Grove, Oak Ridges, I don't hold out too much hope for Canada to ever really get back to being a world power in hockey.

Bob tells me there are something like six million Russians involved in hockey over there, like "they all play hockey or follow it. It's fantastic. The Russians treat hockey players like we used to treat movie stars over here.'

Bob is particularly excited about the minor hockey system over there. Apparently the government supplies all the equipment, uniforms, etc.

PAY THE COACHES?

"What impressed me was the fact the coaches are all paid over there. I think that's what we have to do over here if we ever hope to beat the Russians. We've got to start at the minor hockey level."

I choked when he said that. I can just see a minor hockey association deciding to pay their coaches. The resultant revolution would make the Russian one of years ago look like a quiet game of tiddly winks.

"When I told them the parents did the coaching, equipment handling, and transporting of the children in minor hockey in Canada they wouldn't believe it,"

Bob went on to say he liked the Russian people who treated him politely although he couldn't get used to the food. "To me it was tasteless," he said. "Maybe I'd get used to it if I stayed over there longer.'

LOST 15 POUNDS

The food was also "tasteless' to Arthur Smoke of Willowdale who also made the trek. Art is a former Richmond Hill resident who defected about a year ago, so to speak. "I guess the food was good," he said, "but I just

couldn't take it. I lost 15 pounds while I was over He also had some of those "typical" experiences

most people go through when cavorting in a strange country.

To wit, to woo:

"I took over lots of gum and candy and a supply of Maple Leaf pins because we heard the Russians like to exchange gifts. They do."

SOUNDS FISHY

On one trek down the byways of Moscow Arthur met a citizen and offered him a Maple Leaf pin and some gum.

"That was fine. Except that the gift he gave me was a fish. What do I do walking around Moscow with a fish in my pocket?"

What Smoke did was take a taxi, paid his fare, and then tipped the cabbie with "my fish". He looked at me. He didn't smile but the Russians usually don't so I don't know if he was pleased or not. He kept it, anyway.'

Another wild excursion saw the Smoker meeting a couple of Russians who wanted to barter for his, yes, clothes.

"We had what you might call a clandestine meeting in a hotel room," said Smoke. "They bought various things. I had a wide belt on and they wanted that. I gave it to them."

Then the Russians asked him to go out and purchase some clothes for them at a Moscow store where you can buy foreign goods but only if you have Canadian money. He did and returned.

"I had another belt on and they wanted that too. They got it.

"Later on I was walking beltless along the streets when a kid came up to me. I gave him some gum. He saw I didn't have a belt so he gave me his." Mighty fine people, those Russians.

I would be remiss in not touching on the liquid

refreshments served up in Russia. Yes, sir. "I tasted the Russian beer and that was it," said Smoke. "Awful stuff." If Smoke can't hack alcohol, it's got to be bad. "The bottles of beer had no labels on them and I can see why. I guess no one wanted to take the blame for putting out such stuff."

Hill midgets impressive with two wins, a loss

The Richmond Hill Legion Major 'A' Midgets are off to a flying start, with one exception, with two wins and a loss in early season

Richmond Hill opened the season October 5 by downing Hamilton Police "AA" by 5-2 in a rough and ready contest. They then faltered slight dropping a 2-1 game to their Richmond Hill "B" entry but came on Sunday to shut out the powerful Etobicoke Canucks by 3-0.

This game saw Richmond Hill goalie Mike Doyle come up with a steady game in the net aided by the efforts of his teammates up front. They showed a bit of lapse in back checking but made up for it by covering their checks fairly well.

Robbie Wallingford opened the scoring for Richmond Hill in the first period and that 1-0 lead remained that way until the final 20

That third period saw Rob Dynes set up Doug Hodgson to give the Legion a 2-0 lead. Mike Ham put the game out of reach with the third goal assisted by Danny Jones and Randy Martin on a three way passing play.

Bruising Contest Richmond Hill opened its season against Hamilton and got a taste of some lusty mid season play with 28 penalties handed out in the bruising contest.

The first goal of the game was scored on a penalty shot which was awarded to Wallingford at the eight minute mark. He made no mistake.

Randy Martin made it 2-0 two minutes later on a booming shot from the point which was set up by Wallingford and Ham.

Hamilton got one goal back early in the second period only to have the Legion boys come back to regain their two-goal advantage as Hodgson scored from Wallingford and Dynes.

David Earl scored unassisted for the Legion in the third period and Randy Hughes-Guest scored the final one also unassisted. Sil Steffan

Behind the bench for the

Black powder firearm time

The Upper Canada Rifles return to Cold Creek Conservation Area Sunday from 10 am to 3 pm.

Recalling frontier times, the colorful marksmen dressed in buckskin will demonstrate their skills with 'black powder' firearms from yesteryear - .450 to .577 calibre collector's pieces ranging from Martini, Schneider and military rifles to flintlocks.

Among the feature events will be a demonstration of their well-known 'Buffalo Shoot'. Balancing their rifles on crossed sticks, the marksmen will fire at targets 100 yards away. The day's events will also include a 20 yard competition using muzzle loaded hand-guns and a 50 yard three position competition for rifles.

Legion team this season is

Sil Steffan who coached the now defunct Oak Ridges Kings of the Metro Junior B league last season. Assistant coach is Mike Graydon.

Team manager is Frank Bailie who is back after undergoing open heart surgery in June of this year. Equipment manager is Bill Dennett who has been a fixture in that position for a number of seasons.

The team's one loss saw their "B" club come up with an extra effort with goals by Peter Kendall assisted by Zeno Ferone and by Clarke assisted by Fortin.

The A's only counter was by Dynes assisted by Wallingford and Doug Williams.

Richmond Hill was slated to play Thornhill Tuesday of this week and then travel to Oakville this Friday night for a 9.30 pm game.

Juves unbeaten in five

A two-goal performance Davey and Jeff Switzer. by Arnold Vanderweyde sparked the Richmond Hill Alliance Sports hockey juveniles to a 5-2 win over Richvale Sunday and enabled them to maintain their undefeated record in the early season going.

The juveniles' record now stands at three wins, two ties with earlier 5-2 wins over the same Richvale club, a 4-3 one against Hamilton, a 4-4 tie with Unionville, and a 3-3 tie with Barrie Juveniles.

Sunday's game was all the more impressive for the Alliance boys as they were at a minimum bench strength but took command of the game from the start and maintained it all of the Complementing the two-

goal by Vanderweyde were singles by Jeff Miller, Mike Wood, and Dave Berseth. Assists went to John Oakley Berseth, Rick Sackfield, Don MacPhee, Jeff Switzer, two, and Ken Horvat

Siege Pflug scored for Richvale in the second period from Pete Fraser and Steve Wilson. Richvale closed the

scoring on a good shot from Steve Wilson. **Exciting Game**

The October 12 3-3 tie with Barrie was an exciting one all the way as Richmond Hill trailed early by 1-0 only to have Tom Lamb even the score in the second period assisted by Sackfield and MacPhee with the same Lamb putting Richmond Hill in front at the close of the second with Sackfield getting the assist.

The third period was a fast-skating 20 minutes and saw Barrie evening the score only to have Robinson put The Hillers in front once again on passes from Scott 5541.

Lose Lead

Richmond Hill was unable to hang onto the lead as Barrie grabbed an important faceoff in the Richmond Hill end and scored the tying goal with only 16 seconds left on the clock.

It was another 4-4 tie against Unionville October 7 as Dave Berseth led the way with a two-goal effort with single ones going to Sackfield and MacPhee who also came up with three assists.

Sackfield opened the scoring on passes from MacPhee and Berseth. Berseth then scored the first of his two in the opening 20 minutes with MacPhee assisting The hustling Unionville

crew proceeded to shock a complacent Richmond Hill team by rapping in four unanswered goals in the middle stanza to take a 4-2 lead going into the final 20 minutes.

Richmond Hill started its belated siege on the Unionville net and it paid off

Symphony needs strings

York Regional Symphony Orchestra needs all kinds of musicians, especially string players, for this coming season. The group is strictly amateur and unpaid with an \$11 a year membership fee.

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as Berseth registered his second goal of the night from MacPhee and the same MacPhee came back to tie the game at 14:03. Assists went to John Oakley and Tony Robinson. Goal tenders for Alliance are Mark Edwards and Gerry Tipold.



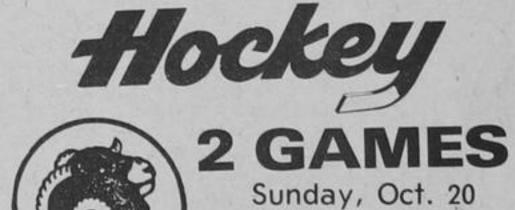
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