

Bring on the 'bubbly' for Joe's!

RICHMOND HILL — And the champagne flowed Thursday night for the new grand champions of the Richmond Hill Men's Fastball League: Joe's Garage.

Joe's stopped Richmond Hill Auto Body 4-2 at the Town Park to wrap up their best-of-five series three games to one.

League President Paul Ortiz presented the Joe's Garage Club with two trophies, one for the grand championship and the other for having won the league championship.

The Richmond Auto Body squad was awarded the consolation trophy.

Strangle hold

On Tuesday of last week Joe's took a

strangle hold on the series as they whipped the Hillers 5-2.

Joe's opened the scoring in the top of two — as Bobby Howard doubled and scored on Don Campbell's single and an error. Gord Woolnough followed with a single, then Jim Anderson singled in the two runners.

In the bottom of the seventh, Gary Russell singled, as did Lou Vanderploeg, and both scored on a good single by Rob Forget to put the Hillers back in the game.

Score again

Joe's in the eighth, added two more runs. Woolnough and Anderson each reached base on errors. Woolnough was sacrificed in to score by Bob Ritchie

and Steve Wood hit Anderson home.

Berseth wins it

Dave Berseth was the winning pitcher and Alex Smith took the loss.

The following day the two clubs were back at it again, at Pearson Park, as with the previous night.

The Hillers took this contest in a real slugfest — by 8-6.

Rob Forget started things off, in the first, with a homer. Joe's knotted the count, in the bottom half of the third, as Jim Anderson singled in Gord Woolnough.

Came the top of five where Forget singled, Kenny Roberts singled and Alex Smith was hit by a pitch. Bobby Viverette came to the plate and singled

in Forget, and Roberts and Smith, meanwhile, scored on an over-throw. Billy Hunter then doubled to score Viverette.

Add to lead

The Hillers added to their lead, in their half of the seventh, Roberts drew a walk, Smith got on with a boot and Viverette doubled both in to score. Hunter, again, scored Viverette.

In the eighth and ninth innings, Joe's rallied, as Ritchie singled. Steve Wood and Pete Hanam each got a life on boots. Bobby Howard then socked a three run triple, and scored on a hit by Don Campbell.

Their rally was insufficient as, in the ninth and last frame, they managed

only one run. Anderson singled and was sacrificed by Bob Ritchie, and Pete Hanam singled scoring Anderson.

Smith wins it

Smith was the winning hurler, with relief in the eighth from Roberts. Bill Fox took the loss. He was relieved by Anderson.

In the final game Joe's struck hard and early. Dave Berseth singled and Bobby Howard reached base on an error. Don Campbell knocked in Berseth, and Gord Woolnough banged home Howard. This in the top of the second.

Woolnough homers

In the top of six, Campbell singled, followed by a two run homer off the bat of Gord Woolnough.

The bottom half of the inning saw the Hillers rally. Rob Forget singled, advanced on a hit by Kenny Roberts, and scored on a couple of boots.

In the bottom of seven, Gary Russell reached base on an error and scored on Jim Clement's double.

Berseth wins

Berseth picked up the final win of the season while Smith takes the loss on the rubber.

The balloting among the players and team officials is unfortunately incomplete, therefore, the naming of the league's most valuable player and the league's most sportsman like player will be made at the league's annual dance, to be held in Maple, Oct. 16.



(Photo by Hogg)

Get that ball, fellas

The tension was high, serious also, Saturday when the Richmond Hill Minor Soccer league concluded its season

playoffs. Brian Langerfield of Regional Sports is in hot pursuit of the ball (left) along with Sean Rheeder of Peter's

Excavating. Peter's got sweet revenge for a previous defeat by coming out on top by a 3-1 score.

Hill soccer has big day

By Jane Stel

RICHMOND HILL — The weatherman smiled on the Richmond Hill Minor Soccer League's final wind-up for the season last Saturday with winning team declared all over the turf at Crosby Park.

It was a great finale to one of our best seasons with all the boys and girls playing extremely well in all divisions. The losing teams are to be congratulated on their excellent performances throughout the day.

The tight scoring indicated that the games could have gone either way.

Squirts

5 for Anthony

Dave Sanderson Gulf 8, Caesar's Palace 0. The Ulster Accordion Band trophy to Sanderson's. Duncan Anthony led the parade with five goals with John Higham getting two and Chris De Piero the other one.

Atoms

Midas Muffler 3, Invictas 1. Dan's Ezzo trophy to Midas. Midas led by 1-0 at halftime with Invictas tying the game early in the second half on a 3 quarter field run by Glen Dimpfel.

Then the Midas forwards, led by Chris Kristensen, the Zandona brothers, and Ralph Campagna put the pressure on Ralph and John Zandona each scored a goal on John Morton who played well in goal for Invictas.

Sweet revenge

Mosquito

Peter's Excavating 3, Regional Sports 1. Sweet revenge for Peter's, coached by Darwin Gonzales, who lost to Regional Sports a week previously for the finals and lost by penalty kicks after two overtime periods.

Not even fearless goaltending by

Mark Phelps could stop Excavating this time with Doug Jones and Steven Arai scoring in the first half.

The "Diggers" managed to keep speedy Regional wingers Danny Summerhill and Brian Langerfield in check during the first half.

Regional came back in the second half with Summerhill thumping one in during a scramble in front of goalie Steven Moro.

But it was all Peter's after that in an exciting finish. Regional's coach Tony Lott says he'll be back next year. Peter's coach, Darwin Gonzales, is just smiling.

Peewees

3 for Wegman

North York Trophies 7, Flair Upholstery 2. Marcel Wegman led the winners with three goals while doubles went to Steve Baikowski and Dale Plummer. Nigel Isaac, Brad Limpert and Mark Crowe were also outstanding.

Peter Delgrosso got both goals for the Flair team with goalie Darryl Hughes playing gallantly in a losing cause.

Interdistrict finals — Aurora

Concord wins it

Atoms

Semi-finals of the Richmond Hill-Aurora competition were played in Aurora Sept. 25 with Concord Food Centre winning over Aurora 2-0 in the first game to advance into the finals.

Midas Muffler beat Invictas 6-0 in the second game.

The final between Midas and Food Centre saw the latter team winning 3-2. Midas had the edge on lay after scoring the first goal within five minutes.

Concord came back to tie and then won the game. Scott Williams tied the game on a penalty shot with Rob Wagg

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getting another on a penalty shot and Wagg, two.

Ralph Campagna scored the second goal for Midas on a hard shot from right wing.

Cup Final-North York

Minor Mosquito

Liberal loses

Willowdale 5, Richmond Hill "Liberal" 2.

This game was lost in the first half as a strong Willowdale side scored four unanswered goals in the first half.

Richmond Hill put up a spirited battle in the second half with Tony Guydas and Willie McMurray scoring.

This was the last game of the season for "The Liberal" and the team manager and coaches would like to say thanks to the boys and their parents for their support.



(Photo by Hogg)

Shall we dance?

Shall we dance? That seems to be the attitude of Robert Muzzin of Peter's Excavating and Doug

The team finished the season runners up in both divisions of the North York Cup and Consolation trophy and were winners at the Waterloo tournament.

Baymar loses

North York Trophies 2, Baymar 0. Baymar came up with a strong game but to no avail as goalie Livio Persi had no chance on Rudy Frankie's booming ground-level shot from the 18 yard line.

Ditto on Brad Limpert's direct kick from six yards on a good cross from right winger Mark Crone.

Season ends

The Richmond Hill Minor Soccer Association will have a special trophy presentation night Oct. 15 at 7:30 sharp at Bayview Secondary School.

All house league players, boys and girls, as well as town rep teams, are to be dressed in full uniform except soccer boots and to be seated with their respective coaches.

Each player will receive his team photographs and crests.

Richvale minor hockey registrations

RICHMOND HILL — Registration is continuing in the Richvale Minor Hockey Association with more novice (7 and 8 years) and atom players (9 and 10) required to round out the teams.

Any parents not sure about signing up their children are welcome to watch the tryouts Oct. 10 at the Richmond Hill arena between 12 noon and 4 p.m.

Parents may also contact Bernie McKinley at 884-7763 who will again

be house league convener this year.

Equipment

All goalie equipment will be supplied by the league. Socks and sweaters will also be supplied as in the past and the boys will be allowed to keep them at the end of the season.

OMHA Coaches

OMHA coaches are listed below for persons wishing to contact them.

Atoms, 9 and 10 years old, Don Clark 889-4348;

Lions defeat Keswick and win York Simcoe

RICHMOND HILL — The Richmond Hill Peewee Lions won the title in their division of the York-Simcoe League last week by sweeping Keswick in two games.

On Oct. 1 in Keswick the Lions found themselves locked in a real pitchers' duel, with the Hill boys emerging with a 3-1 victory.

Lions hurler Mike Smith threw excellent ball as he allowed only 2 hits while fanning 14 batters. The lone run scored on him was a solo shot homerun in the third inning.

The Hill team was having just as much trouble getting hits as they could manage only three. Paul Harrietha had two with Matt Thompson contributing the other.

Two Keswick errors in the third inning and two more in the seventh allowed the Lions to score their runs.

Jon Hunsdale made a nice catch in leftfield while Harrietha was steady at thirdbase.

Win Series

On Oct. 3 it was back to the Town Park in Richmond Hill where the Lions squeaked out a 5-4 victory to win the series.

The Lions started fast as leadoff batter Matt Thompson blasted a homerun to leftfield. Three Keswick errors that inning gave the Lions another run.

But, the lead was shortlived as pitcher Smith walked the bases loaded in the second inning, and two infield groundballs accounted for two Keswick runs.

Girls, girls wanted to play Hill hockey

RICHMOND HILL — Everything's set and ready to go for girl's house league hockey here this season, except for one rather important problem.

Girls

Right now there's just not enough of them to stock one team, well maybe one, let alone a hoped for three or four.

Beating the drum for more girls is Brenda Reid who has played hockey for Maple and Richmond Hill for the past six years and thinks it's a great sport.

Popular

Brenda points out that house league hockey for girls 10 to 15 years have sprung up all over Metro Toronto as well as local areas such as Thornhill.

It's a puzzle to Brenda that the enthusiasm in Richmond Hill has been on the peaked side. Only 14 girls have signed up to date.

Injuries?

She speculates that parents may be chary of allowing their misses to play because of possible injuries.

"I have played hockey for six years and have never been hurt. I have heard of only one girl who was more or less seriously injured and that person broke her ankle.

"As for minor cuts and bruises, plastic face masks and mouth pieces are available or even a wire goalie's mask will do the job," states Brenda.

Equipment

The usual hockey equipment is required (shoulder pads, elbow pads, pants, jock, gloves, shin pads, ankle guards, hockey socks) with Brenda suggesting that a lot of the same can be picked up from older brothers, cousins, etc.

Registration fees are \$30 for ages 10 to 11, and \$40 each for those over 11. This includes a season's pass for the player.

The money is used to pay the cost of the ice time (which last year was \$30 an hour). Those wishing to register will require a birth certificate.

Ice-time

Present ice time is from 11 to 12 a.m. Saturday

Need coaches

Coaches are also required along with interested parents (dads or moms) asked to do their bit.

Brenda adds that "experienced players aren't important, just the enthusiasm to come out and have some fun. Skating, or ability period, isn't important. You'll learn as you go."

Season's passes are supplied free to coaches and managers. Sweaters will be supplied by the local hockey association.

For further information call RHHHA president Bob Reeves at 884-8868, or Ron Jones, vice president, at 888-6523.

Ooops. Firemen lose by 5-0 to York team

RICHMOND HILL — The Richmond Hill-Vaughan Firefighters have only played two games in their 1976-77 hockey schedule but they're already in mid-season form.

They've lost both games and haven't scored a goal.

The latest triumph saw them losing 5-0 to York Fire Department although the score certainly wasn't indicative of the shots on goal.

For the first time in two years, the Mutual Life Insurance Firefighters directed 40 shots at the opposition goalie.

York's goalie Sam Ross to keep them off the scoreboard. Ross was playing his first-ever game in the league.

Maybe it was an indication of things to come when the ice melted at Maple Arena and the game was transferred to Bond Lake Arena.

Play had just started at Bond Lake when Al McKenzie tried to clear the puck from behind the net. It hit a York player in the seat of his pants and rolled into the net.

Oh well.

A special thanks to Ed Sackfield and Don Cook for coming up with an arena on such short notice.

Hill United wins 3-2 against Orangeville

RICHMOND HILL — The Richmond Hill United soccer squad had already won the Newmarket and District first division championship but Orangeville still gave them a good try before falling by 3-2.

Play was fairly even in the first half with the score ending in a 1-1 tie

with Billy Miller getting the goal for United.

Half Gerry McGarry put United ahead in the second half but the Orangeville came back to even the count.

United has another match Sunday in the playoffs for the Challenge Trophy against Orillia City and will have to be in top form to get through to the next round of the competition.

United's second squad, the Rovers, have a match on the same day in the same playoff competition.