

Oops. Firefighters lose

RICHMOND HILL — hanger. London scored The Richmond Hill four goals. Mutual Life Firefighters Richmond Hill opened had their two-game the scoring midway winning streak through the first period culminated via a 5-2 loss to London.

If it hadn't been for the second period the game would have been a cliff- London tied it in the last

minute of the first and then scored four quick goals to start the second to take a 5-1 lead.

A goal by Jim Lawson from Dave Olson and Buck at the beginning of the third made the game closer.

Two days later the

team lost to Kitchener 5-3 and again one period of bad hockey killed them.

Richmond Hill took the lead on a goal by Larry Shier from Caume and Olson.

Then it was Kitchener scoring four straight goals before the period ended.

That ended the scoring until the third period when Jim Lawson and Bill Ash scored each assisted by Terry Haviland and Al McKenzie.

Trophy fish thrill

The thrill of catching a trophy fish can be remembered each time you look at your mount on the wall.

Any good taxidermist can make your fish look as if it has just come out of the water, with a little help from you, that is.

I have seen fish that gave me nightmares just thinking about it, and in all fairness to the taxidermist, I must say that it was mostly the angler's fault.

As it is only a few more weeks to fishing season, I am sure that many of you have already planned to go after the big one, the one large enough to have mounted.

Best tip

The best tip I could give you would be to take great care in selecting a taxidermist. Never give a trophy fish to someone unless you have seen their work and are satisfied.

Also, get an estimate of the cost or you will get a surprise when you pick up the fish.

As soon as you have taken your fish from the water take some close-up colour pictures because fish vary in their markings and colour from one lake to another.

A Lake Simcoe trout, for instance is much different from a Lake Temagami trout. This is especially true with walleye.

Taxidermist

The taxidermist needs the pictures to get the exact markings and colouring later on. Handle the fish carefully and NEVER let the skin dry out.

Take it to the shop right away or wrap it carefully and freeze it. If there is no taxidermist handy, I suggest the following procedure.

Trace fish

After taking photos, lay the fish on a piece of paper and carefully trace its outline.



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Then lay it with the good side down and make a cut in the middle of the skin on the side that you want to face the wall.

The cut will go from the gills to the tail. When this is done, skin the fish by pressing with your fingers on the meat and pulling the skin away.

All bones can be cut off underneath the skin, but the fins must remain attached. Cut the carcass free behind the head and in front of the tail. Remove all meat left on the skin and the eyes as well.

Salt skin

Salt the skin heavily with coarse pickling salt and place the whole mess in a plastic bag.

It should be kept in a refrigerator or freezer, but if this is not possible the salt alone will preserve the skin for about two weeks.

If you're near a post office, send it right away to your taxidermist with the instructions from you. Don't forget the outline of the fish and the colour photos.

Driftwood

Ask the taxidermist to mount your fish on a piece of driftwood rather than the standard wooden plaque. A slight curve on a fish with the mouth open looks more natural.

The Sportsmen's Show is coming up soon. That is a good place to choose a good taxidermist and examine the work he has done.

The prices vary from one to three dollars per inch of fish, but the most I have ever paid was two dollars for a Lake Simcoe laketrout.

Regardless of which artist you choose to mount your fish, remember that even the best taxidermist cannot work properly with an ill-kept or badly cut up fish.

Genmark ties Barrie

RICHMOND HILL — The Richmond Hill Genmark Insurance Minor Midget II's came up with a fine effort to tie Barrie 2-2 in the first game of the playoffs.

It was Richmond Hill's first point in Barrie all year.

To make it even more difficult, Richmond Hill went into Barrie two men short due to sickness and injury and lost another during the game on a suspension.

Richmond Hill's goals were scored by Hugh Kerr from Norm Murphy; and David Vennard from Scott Patterson.

Tom Stubbs, playing his first game in six weeks, performed well. Rob Vandervele played well in goal.

The game went into overtime.

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THORNHILL — York Regional Police are seeking a nanny. But not for their own use.

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They're seeking her for a Thornhill family. They brought her over from England to look after their children, only to have her leave two days later, abandoning a two-year-old child in the process.

Police said the woman, who was alone with the child at the time, left the house Feb. 11, about 2 p.m. in a taxi.

She left a note behind saying she wouldn't be returning. The child was discovered an hour later by another employee of the house, arriving for work.

LIP grant to schools

RICHMOND HILL — York County Board of Education will receive \$15,300 for school, community and regional projects under a Local Initiatives Program, it was announced this week by the Hon. Barney Danson, MP for York North.

The money will be used to recondition desks, and for interior painting, site improvement and playgrounds.

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