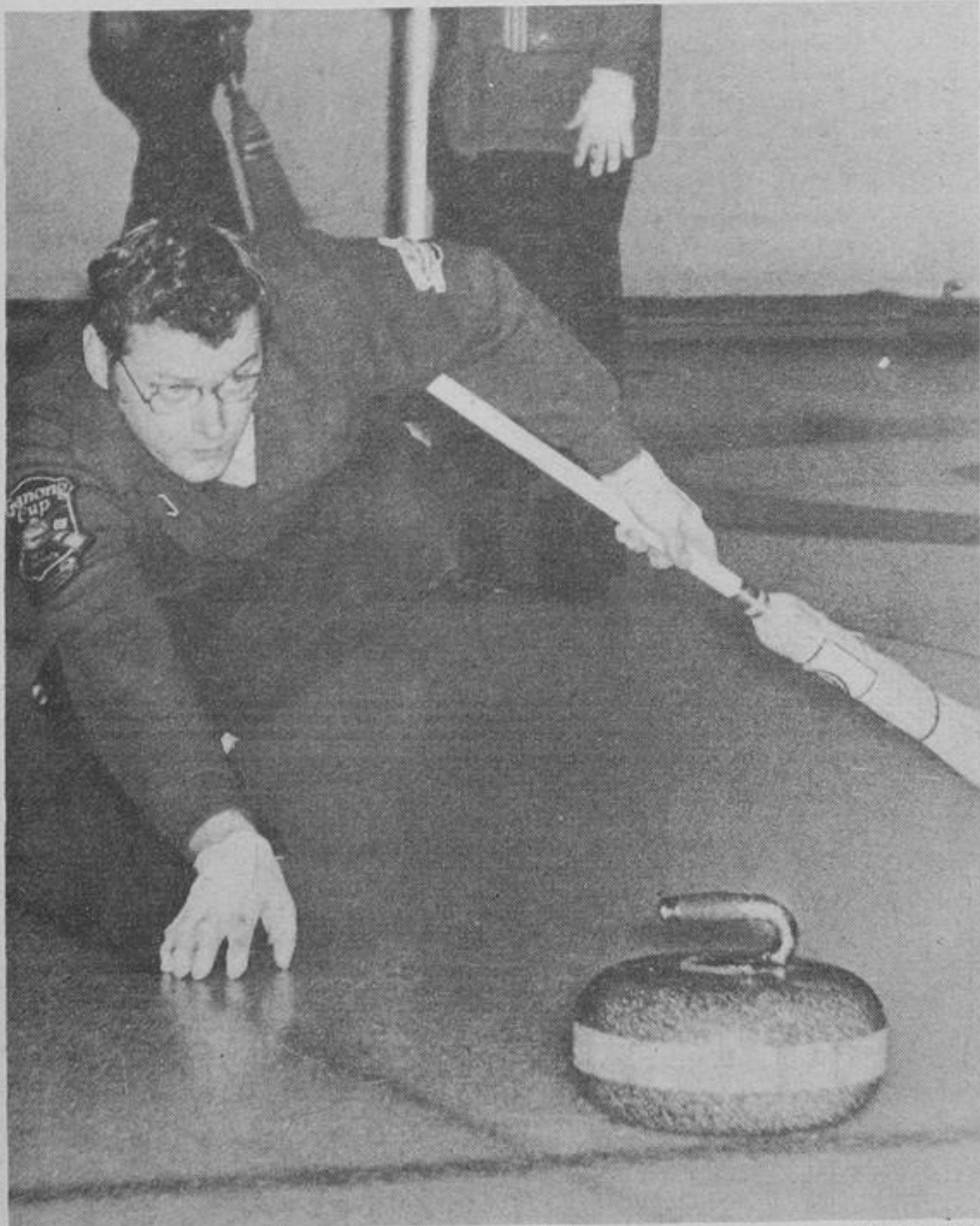


Hill rink in Shillelagh finals



Good eye

Jim Anderson takes a dead-eye shot on the target at the annual Richmond Hill Shillelagh Bonspiel. Anderson was a member of the Don Richards rink that went all the way to the final game before losing in an extra end.

By Ron Taylor

RICHMOND HILL — Forty rinks participated in the 18th annual Shillelagh Spiel last week with curling beginning on Wednesday evening and the finals being held Saturday at 7 p.m.

Twelve local rinks qualified for the finals which is the best showing for Richmond Hill in many years.

Dave Pulchinski, Jim Lane, Jack Shropshire, Floyd Perkins and Barry Wilson qualified for the third event. Dave, Jim, Jack and Barry all won their first game and were forced to eliminate each other from the final.

Jack and Dave won their next game with Dave and his wife Oliver, June and Orton Beaumont winning over Jack and his rink of wife Vera, Jack Lloyd and

Margo McKinnon.

Out early Wayne Hindmarch, Bert Naylor, Gerry Morlock and Mike Mulcahy qualified for the second event finals but were eliminated early in the playoffs.

Dennis Eagles, from Royals, won over Mace Brown, also from the Royals. Gerry Morlock and his rink of Gina Morlock, Bill and Brigitte Oliver went on to beat Wayne Hindmarch and his rink of Debbie Nye, Bruce and Marg Shaw for the second event consolation.

Top rinks The main interest, of course, was in the first event with all the top scoring rinks. Don Richards, Bill McLeod and Len Lee were the local qualifiers.

Ray Grant of Unionville, Bruce Park from

hill curling column

Ancaster, Jack Rowan of Avonlea, Jack Eilbeck of Leaside, and Harry Abel of Thornhill, also qualified.

Don Richards, Ray Grant, Bruce Park and Len Lee won their first playoff games and Don went on to defeat Ray to qualify for the final game and Bruce Park won over Len Lee.

After an extra end and some superior curling shots, especially by Bruce Park, the young skip from Ancaster beat out Don and Phyl Richards, Jim and Lynn Anderson.

Friendly rink Completing Bruce's fine young friendly rink were Linda Brioux, Ray and Janice Readman. Jack Rowan went on to

win the consolation of the first event.

I had the pleasure of entertaining the Park rink between games and started them on their way by losing to them in the first game 6-5.

This foursome is a very popular rink and a credit to the game of curling both on and off the ice.

Great effort

Thanks to the great effort by Elgin Barrow and Bob Whittaker who took over on Wednesday and somehow were still standing Saturday night.

Lots of work

For those who have planned a spiel they know all the work involved for such an important event as the Shillelagh. As Jim Dysart of Weston says, "It's the best spiel going."

Thanks also to committee members Dianne Whittaker, Ruth Taylor, Bill and Marie Rice, Jean

and Irwin Coneybear, Mary Barrow, Orton and June Beaumont and all the staff members of the RHCC who worked so hard and long.

A special thanks also to Russ and Garnet for their efforts to keep things under control.

Bill McLeod and Gerry Morlock were wondering if they should have entered at all since both skips were down 7-0

after the first three ends of their first game.

Stole it Bill came back and stole a five end on the eighth to win the game.

Elgin Barrow had the honor of winning the Shillelagh stick as the skip with the lowest number of points and what bothers me is that he is my skip in the competitive league.

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Police win hockey cup

RICHMOND HILL — The York Regional Police hockey team came up with the B championship recently in the annual International Police Hockey tournament in Belleville.

The regional team, coached by Dave Smalley, lost its first game to Ottawa by 3-1 which put them into the bracket and then came up a 5-2 win over the RCMP and then a thrilling 2-1 "shootout" victory over Durham Region in the final game.

That final game saw the score tied 1-1 at the end of regulation time. A showdown play resulted with three players from each team taking turns going in on the opposing goalies.

York Region's Ron Tweedy scored his second goal of the game. Goalie Lowell McLenny stopped the Durham shooters.

Kenny Knapton and Steve Campbell scored twice in the win over RCMP with Tony Caven getting the other goal.

Paul Coghill scored the only goal in the loss to Ottawa with assists to John Moorhead and Pat Ryan.

This was sweet revenge as the police lost to the RCMP last year.

The local boys won the B championship two years ago in Detroit.



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Toporowski in third

By Bob Thompson

RICHMOND HILL — Two members of the Richmond Hill Athletic Club got off to impressive starts in indoor track and field competitions last weekend. Dryw Thompson competed in the Ontario Mite-Tyke-Atom indoor championships and recorded a respectable fourth place in the boys shot put event.

The following day it was 17-year-old Jane Toporowski registering a third in the Ontario Junior Indoor championships with a personal best throw of 11.18 metres (36', 8").

Winning toss For Thompson, the winning toss of 8.70 metres was just over one metre beyond his own throw of 7.48 metres. Second and third place distances were less than half a metre beyond.

The use of a six pound shot, in this competition, adversely affected Dryw who has been training with 8 and 12 pound implements.

Toporowski Toporowski found herself in junior

competition (under 20 years) for the first time and her efforts bode well for an exciting and highly competitive season.

Improved

Jane credits her improved performance, an increase of 42 inches over her previous best mark, to a weekend coaching course she attended in February that corrected her glide across the circle before throwing.

Training for the 1977 outdoor season will begin the first week of April with outdoor sessions under club coaches Fred Robbins and myself.

The bantam-midget team (11 to 15 years) will be meeting at this time to plan for the coming season.

Local athletes who are interested in track and field throughout the summer months are requested to contact myself at 884-4100 for information concerning these April training sessions.

Other club activities planned for the spring months are a coaches course in May; an official's course in April, and a runathon in May.

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