

'Paint job' done on Hill teams

By Dave Barbour

St. Clair Paint and Wallpaper of Toronto did just that to the hopes of local teams in the annual Richmond Hill Men's Fastball League tournament Sunday at the Town Park.

The visitors put the paint-and-wallpaper to Mills Roses via a 1-0 score in the semi-finals and then went on to defeat Richmond Hill Auto Body 7-5 in the A championship before a large crowd.

It just wasn't Richmond Hill's weekend. The B championship went to

Grenadier Ford, also of Toronto, who romped to a 10-2 win over Ronald's Federated.

But it could have been worse.

Rain threatened

For a time the three-day tournament appeared to be in danger of being washed out as a torrential rain-storm cancelled all the games Friday night.

The weather cleared Saturday, darkened over Sunday for awhile, but the sun came out to stay for the two final games.

That final game win by St. Clair was the first time since 1971 that an out-of-town team walked away with the top

prize in the Richmond Hill tournament. Bolton Bullets beat out Barrow's Insurance in 1971.

But it wasn't all that easy.

Hill rallies

A game and determined Richmond Hill Auto Body club fought back from a 7-2 deficit in the seventh inning but could only manage two runs.

Richmond Hill did manage to open the scoring on a single by Ken Faulkner who eventually came home on Val Steffan's sacrifice.

St. Clair tied things in the bottom of the third inning as winning pitcher Mike Clarke doubled and came home on

Doug Mundy's single.

Richmond Hill moved into the lead again on a double by Billy Hunter and a single by Jim Clement.

Roof collapses

The locals held their 2-1 lead until the bottom of the fifth inning when the roof fell in.

This was preceded by the ousting of Richmond Hill pitcher Steffan in the top of the same inning after he bowled over St. Clair first baseman Dave McAllister on a play at first base.

St. Clair's George Clark greeted Val's successor Clement with a homer. McAllister singled and Frank Harris bunched him home.

The sixth inning saw St. Clair's Tom Harris safe on an error and then coming home on another miscue. Mike Clarke was then safe on a fielder's choice that went awry.

Doug Mundy then scored him with a single and another single by Ray Harris scored Mundy.

Fall short

Richmond Hill attempted its rally in the seventh and last inning as Faulkner singled, advanced on a fielder's choice, and scored on Gary Russell's single.

Glen Polhamus then scored the fourth and fifth runs on a two-run double.

Clement then grounded out pitcher to first to end the game.

Consolation

The consolation final between Grenadier Ford and Ronald's Federated was close until the fourth when the winners exploded for four big runs on shaky Ronald's fielding.

Nino Dilallo and Ken King accounted for most of the Ford runs with Lad Best, Abe Black and Tony Ferlisi also contributing.

Winning pitcher Ed Charlton was named most valuable player.

Ronald's got both its runs in the third as Bill Robson sent a single through the infield bringing in Chuck Nelson and losing pitcher Tom Drennan who had walked.

The A winners each received a beer stein courtesy of Carling-O'Keefe, the Vern Dynes championship trophy, plus \$250 in cash. The losing Richmond Hill Auto Body team pocketed \$100.

Dave McAllister of St. Clair was named most valuable player and received an equipment bag. Terry Legge of Mill's Roses threw an exceptional game in losing 1-0 St. Clair in the semi-finals.

League officials expressed appreciation to the game officials, grounds keepers, snack bar attendants, score keepers and game announcers and all others for their assistance. Special thanks to Ralph Sawyer and the Hope Anti Jack-Knife company for use of a portable sound system at Boyle Park. Finally, thanks to umpire-in-chief John Shearer and his staff.

The tournament scores from the beginning saw: Video Real Estate 4 Central YMCA 2 Pfaff Motors 8 Ronald's Federated 1 Aurora Car Care 6 Penn Machine 1 St. Clair Paint and Wallpaper 6 Jenkin's Garden Supply 1

Town Auto Body 6 C.P. Rail 0 Bryant's Braves 3 McKinlay Drywall 1

Richmond Hill Auto Body 2 Grenadier Ford 1 Barrow's Insurance 9 Oxford Pennflex 2 Pottagville 2 Lake Wilcox 0

Mill's Roses 8 TransCanada Pipeline 0

Second round "A" Division

Video Real Estate 4 Pfaff Motors 2 R.H. Auto Body 2 Town Auto Body 1 Bryant's Braves 5 Barrow's Insurance 1 Mill's Roses 5 Pottagville 3 St. Clair Paint & Wallpaper 7 Aurora Car Care 3

Second round "B" Division

Ronald's Federated 4 Central YMCA 2 Penn Machine 1 Jenkin's Garden Supply 0 Oxford Pennflex 3 McKinlay Drywall 2 Grenadier Ford 4 C.P. Rail 0 Lake Wilcox 10 TransCanada Pipeline 0

Third round "A" Division

St. Clair Paint & Wallpaper 5 Video Real Estate 0 Richmond Hill Auto Body 3 Bryant's Braves 2 R.H. Auto received a bye to the finals

Third round "B" Division

Ronald's Federated 6 Penn Machine 1 Grenadier Ford 2 Lake Wilcox 0

Final round "A" Division

St. Clair Paint & Wallpaper 1 Mill's Roses 0

Consolation finals

Grenadier Ford 10 Ronald's Federated 2

Championship finals

St. Clair Paint & Wallpaper 7 Richmond Hill Auto Body 5



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Joe's on the move

Joe's Garage Juniors are starting to put some daylight between themselves and the rest of the Richmond Hill Men's Fastball League.

They're doing it by winning, naturally.

Their latest victories saw them dumping Mill's Roses 7-4 and then Barrow's Insurance 7-0.

The 7-4 win saw Bruce Noble doing considerable damage with a two-run homer and Phil Woods banging in three runs with a double.

Chris DeGeer did his part with the win while Barry Mathews took the loss. Bill McVeigh was the big gun for the losers with a two-run triple.

BACK AGAIN

Moreland was back at it again against Barrow's Insurance as he blanked the opposition while Phil Woods, Kevin Mathews and coach Bobby Viverette handled the heavy artillery. Billy Hamilton took the loss.

Other league action saw:

Town Auto Body 9, Lake Wilcox 6. Clay Chappman had a big blow for the winners as he homered with a man on. Doug Carter and Steve Black each had

a pair of decisive hits. Winning pitcher was Terry Haveland with relief from Gary Oliver. Tom Dukelow took the loss.

WEBSTER HEMERS

Video Real Estate 8, Jenkin's Garden Supply 0. Winning pitcher Dave Webster helped do it himself with a three-run homer in the first inning. He also drove in another run.

Richmond Hill Auto Body 7, Ronald's Federated 3. Winning pitcher Val Steffan homered and Kenny Faulkner went three for three. It was a losing cause but Ronald's chucker Tommy Drennan tripled, singled and walked.

LAST INNING RALLY

McKinlay Drywall 7, Mill's Roses 6. A last inning rally by McKinlay did it. Big blow was Denny Loughead's homer in the fourth with two men aboard. John Uprichard went three for three. Jim Lawson homered for the losers.

Pitcher Wilf Diceman claimed the win while relief Barry Mathews took the loss after replacing starter Terry Legge.

Jack Blyth Real Estate won three victories last week, two on the field and one in the conference room.

OKAY WALKER

Pitcher Doug Walker, after some

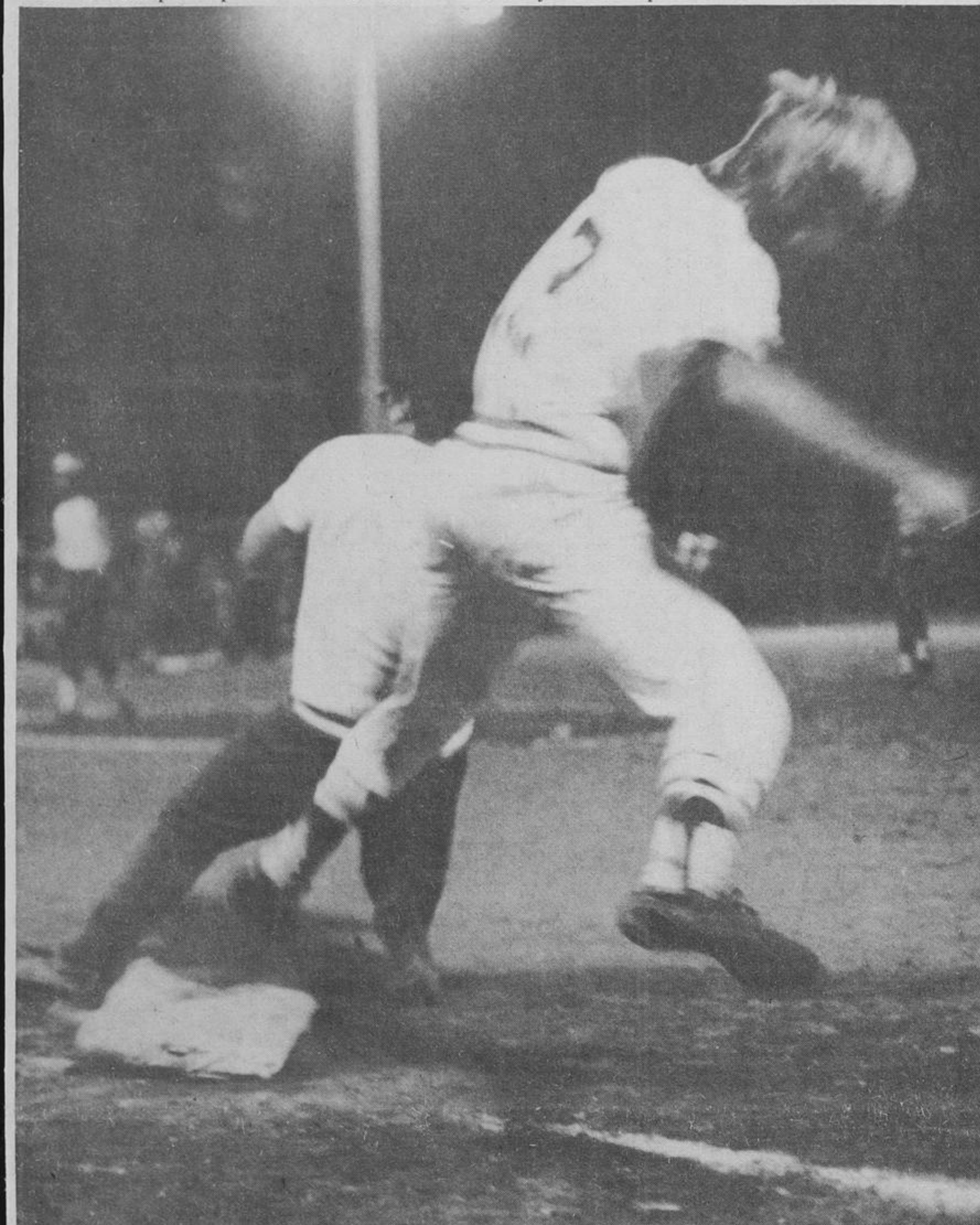
concern, was declared eligible and they went on to top York Regional Police 5-2 and Lake Wilcox 8-1.

Brian Jones' homer plus six errors paved the police's downfall. West Borden and Dino Toninoni were the best for the losers. Yes, pitcher Walker was the winning hurler.

A homer by Harold DeGeer and a two-run triple by Wayne Roffey did in the Lakers. Pete Stuart didn't help going three for three at bat.

Loren Maye's homer accounted for the Lake's only run and their only hit. Yes, Walker was the winning pitcher.

Mens Fastball Standings	P	W	L	T	PTS
Joe's Garage Juniors	13	11	1	1	23
Town Auto Body	13	9	3	1	19
Video Real Estate	12	7	3	2	16
Richmond Hill Auto Body	10	7	3	0	14
McKinlay Drywall	13	7	6	0	14
Jenkin's Garden Supply	12	6	5	1	13
Jack Blyth Real Estate	12	6	6	0	12
Barrow's Insurance	12	5	7	0	10
Ronald's Federated	13	5	8	0	10
Mill's Roses	10	4	6	0	8
Lake Wilcox	15	2	12	1	5
York Regional Police	11	1	10	0	2

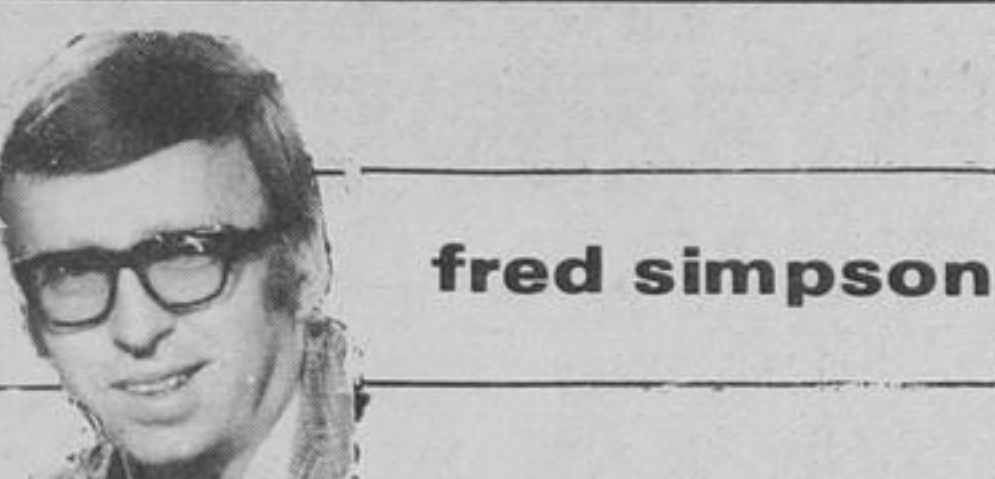


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Safe but out of game

This was the beginning of the end for Richmond Hill Auto Body in Sunday's softball tournament wind-up as Val Steffan thumps into St. Clair Paint's first baseman Dave McAllister. Pitcher

Steffan was safe on the play but ump threw him out of the game for rough play. St. Clair went on to take the trophy.



fred simpson

A lovely war

I took time off last week and went to war.

At least it seemed that way. Especially Friday. If you weren't ducking lightning bolts, falling down darkened stairways, you had a good chance of just simply being washed down The Hill.

I've always taken rather lightly a statement made to me years ago about Richmond Hill being the end of the world. For awhile last Friday I thought it was.

I've got nothing against candlelight-and-wine but who needs it at 3:30 in the afternoon in a bistro? By yourself. That's what happened to me.

Get this, that

My sole companion was a battered grocery list (issued by the war department) ordering me to pick up some soup (two cans but not tomato), some chicken legs, and liver (but not kidney like I did one time). How romantic can you get? I guess you know what I'm talking about. That power failure and all that torrential rain. I'll say one thing, it's a good way to get happy if you're in the right place waiting for the rain to clear and the lights to come on. Yessir.

A miracle

It's a miracle I'm still alive. Another miracle (of sorts, I suppose) was the Richmond Hill Men's Fastball League tournament managing to survive despite being washed away Friday night. Quite a tournament, lots of fun and sun, sun, sun.

I was going to wander down there Friday night but the waves were too high. So I settled for Sunday afternoon and evening. Saw a few birds flying around so I figured the land had dried out.

Jinxed again

I guess, as usual, I jinxed the local teams because Mill's Roses, Ronald's Federated, and Richmond Hill Auto Body all went down in that order. Kaputsville.

That didn't really bother me as

much as that sun and heat at the town park. A real scorcher as you know if you were down there.

I cowered in the darkest depths of the announcer's booth so I could prevent myself being fried alive. You see, I burn.

But there is one thing I'm really curious about. There was a woman fan sitting smack in the sun in something very flimsy. She must have had first-degree burns by the second inning, third-degree by the fourth, and the rest of it by the seventh.

Found her more interesting to watch than the game as she turned varying degrees of red.

Oh well, that's people.

Interesting faces

Saw some interesting faces at the tournament as you always do. One was Bill "Skip" De Geer who was calling the bases. Skip, now an umpire, used to hold down third base with the old Dynes Jewellers of yesteryear. He hollered then and he was still hollering. Nothing ever really changes.

Another was Bill Robson who was playing for Ronald's Federated. Was it away back in 1964 or 1965 that the same Robson toiled for the Dynes Jewellers ala Skip? Right.

Fast Bill

Bill was pretty fast in those days. Especially when I used to drive with him to Kew Beach. And he's still pretty fast. He even drove the two runs in the game. Memories that bless and burn.

Finally, it was a great weekend despite the threatening weather and the heat. A great turnout for a Sunday evening at the old ball park. But I wonder if that woman survived?

Finally, a note that the previously listed-for-next-weekend Dynes Senior Fastball Tournament won't be. Simply because there weren't enough teams accepting the invitation.

The powers-that-be are hoping to re-schedule the tournament maybe sometime in August.

Kinnersly homers

Dynes win Beaches title

The Richmond Hill Dynes Jewellers accomplished something Sunday they've had trouble doing of late.

They combined superlative pitching by Bob Domik and Doug Webster with some timely hitting.

Result was a five-game sweep of the Beaches Major Fastball League tournament culminating in a 5-1 vanquishing of the Dentonia Park Sox squad at Kew Beach.

Supplying the timely hitting was veteran outfielder Derek Kinnersly who decided the issue early via a slashing inside-the-park home-run with two men on base in the second inning.

That was more than enough breathing room for Dynes' Bob Domik who was busy limiting the Sox to six hits while walking only one and striking out seven in seven innings.

Win 3

Jeweller's are hot

The suddenly red-hot Richmond Hill Dynes Jewellers chalked up three wins in Beaches Major fastball league action in somewhat easy fashion.

Monday night saw the Jeweller's downing Beaches A.C. 4-1 behind the five-hit pitching of Doug Webster. This victory followed 6-0 and 8-2 wins over Toronto Hustlers and Harper-Diesel respectively.

The downing of Beaches A.C. saw Dynes scoring in the first inning as Bob

Domik hot

It was the climax of a great tournament for Domik (and Webster) who had earlier tossed a no-hitter in a 5-0 win over Yonge Station while hitting a three-run homer.

Domik carved out three wins and no losses while Webster had two wins and no losses.

The only run they allowed in the five games was a lead-off home run in the first inning against Domik in Sunday's game.

Top chuckers

Domik had 32 strikeouts in three games, Webster had 18 in two games. To no one's surprise, both were selected as the tournament's best pitchers.

This final game saw Tino Manzinero blasting a homer off Domik in the first inning and that was it for the Sox.

Baird walked, went to second on a passed ball, and scored on a single by Brad Gaul.

Richmond Hill scored two more in the third inning as Derek Kinnersly singled and Baird walked. There were two out when Marty Twynman's high fly was dropped by the right-fielder with both runners scoring.

Ron Schnobb homered in the seventh inning for A.C. Dynes got their final run in the ninth as Colin Wood singled, went

to second on a passed ball, to third on a fly ball out. He then scored on a passed ball.

Dynes 6, Hustlers 0. A big shutout for Bob Domik who allowed but one hit while walking two and striking out 15.

The Jeweller's won the game in the second inning with three runs all of them unearned. They were accomplished by way of two errors, a triple by Mike Crouse and a single by Colin Wood.

They got their final three runs in the ninth on an error, singled by Colin Wood and Art Fowler and Mickey Hancock's triple.

Dynes 8, Harper Diesel 2. Doug Webster was the winner in this one allowing nine hits but striking out 11 and walking none.

Jeff Wood's grand slam home run in the first inning did the job in this one. Stu Aiken also belted for the route in the eighth with one man on.

The Jeweller's are at home tomorrow night (Thursday) to John Oliver for an 8:30 game at the town park.

Sunday they have an exhibition game scheduled for 7 p.m. with All Copy.

Dynes tied it in the bottom of the first as Kinnersly was safe on an error, Bob Baird singled. Both were advanced on a sacrifice and Kinnersly scored on a passed ball.

Kinnersly homers

Came the eventful second inning as Mike Crouse and Brian Campbell singled and Kinnersly followed with his homer. The Jeweller's added the icing in the fourth as Campbell and Colin Wood singled with Campbell scoring.

Casey bounced

The game also saw Dynes' manager Russell "Casey" Cripps thumbed from the game in the third inning.

"They had lousy umpires and I told them so," said Cripps. "That's why they threw me out."

He added: "It's only the first time I've been thrown out of a game in the last two seasons."



Derek Kinnersly
.....3 run homer



Casey Cripps
.....gets thumb