

Exciting tennis year at Hill

By Eric Handbury
It was my intention this week to write about the old champions of Richmond Hill tennis this last weekend. However, there is a lot of data to collect and I shall leave that until a later date in the season.

The results of the mixed doubles, my inspiration, showed only too well that the wisdom, court strategy and continued fitness of the long-standing champions can still triumph in a tennis draw filled with the power and expected stamina of younger players.

Four champions of the club met in the finals and provided the many spectators with some of the most exciting tennis we have seen this year.

Phil August, Joy August, John Marais and Joyce Jones, players who many times have held the winning trophies of singles, doubles and mixed doubles championships.

Phil and Joy August won, by defeating John and Joyce in a final that does not require record of the score to point up the excellence of play on both sides of the net.

What has to be recorded, however, is the fact that this particular trophy of achievement has been retained by this August couple (the pun is fitting) for the last five out of six years.

There is a saying that old tennis players never die, they just continue to make love. The players I have mentioned and will give space to later on are

still a long way from the score technicality of the metaphor

The winners of the 'B' event were Firoz Gafour and Pat Lohman. Ken McKeown and Rona Gardner triumphed in the 'C'.

The last major senior event, the doubles championship is now under way, at least, when the weather allows it. Matches will be played throughout the week and the finals should be completed at the weekend. Again, this will be a three-tier event, wherever numbers of players allow it and the hackers can hold out high

hopes of their moment of glory.

The junior tournament, cancelled earlier, still has no date attached to it but will probably begin towards the end of the week.

Like all the other events the draw particularly in the under-18 category has attracted a good and powerful set of players. Two things are being discussed by the present executive. A novelty event to finish off what has truly been a successful season and (b) the possibility of a winter get-together tournament similar to that held in 1976.

Hans Bruhn, president, would welcome any suggestions or support for these possible events.

Please do not forget the A.G.M. planned to take place in the Blue Flame Room Oct. 13 and make a point of trying to attend.



Black belt
Kevin Smith, 20, of Richmond Hill becomes the third member of the Richmond Hill Jiu Jitsu Kai Club to receive his black belt from instructor Steve Reynolds. The first degree black belt ceremonies took place Sunday at the club's quarters at the Richmond Hill Family Y Centre. Demonstrations followed.

Opening for hunters

There are some openings for Ontario waterfowl hunters at goose camps in the Hudson and James Bay area for the annual goose hunting season which lasts a month from Sept. 15.

Six Cree Indian goose camps, at the northern edge of the Province about 900 miles north of Metro Toronto, annually attract sportsmen who travel hundreds or even thousands of miles by car, airplane and boat to get there.

The goose camps opened during the 1960s under a federal-provincial agreement as a potential source of income for Indian bands along the Hudson-James Bay coast. The ultimate goal of the program is for fully independent operation of the camps after a suitable period of business training and guidance from Ministry staff.

The camps are situated at Fort Severn, Winisk, Attawapiskat, Kapiskau, Kashchewan, and Tidewater. Experienced guides at each camp lead the waterfowlers to Canada and snow geese as well as to flocks of ducks—mallards, blacks, teal, widgeon and pintail.

Al Stewart, the Ministry's district manager at Moosonee reports the geese are beginning to fly in. He says, "They should be there in sufficient numbers to satisfy sportsmen when the season opens."

Last year, about 700 sportsmen took advantage of the series of three-day hunts held between mid-September and early October. This year's goose hunting season takes place between Sept. 15 and Oct. 15 in the far north.

Travel arrangements to the camps must be made through agents. The

departure point at Timmins is served by Air Canada, Austin Airways and Norontair.

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Basketball league at Y

The York Region Family YMCA is organizing a Men's Basketball League. This will be the first such league organized by the YMCA and already there are two teams entered.

Games will be played at the Bayview Secondary School in Richmond Hill every Thursday between 7 and 10 p.m. There is only room for six teams with a maximum of nine players per team. League play begins September 29 and runs to December 1.

Individuals who would like to get on a team, or teams that want to join the league, should contact Jim Ferguson at the YMCA as soon as possible.

If this league develops like other YMCA Basketball leagues, it will provide excellent basketball for those who enjoy the sport.

High school tennis at Seneca College

Five area high schools are fighting it out today for honors in the annual York County Secondary Schools' tennis tournament at Seneca College.

Some 80 competitors are involved in the day-long tournament which features singles, doubles

and mixed doubles matches.

Participating schools are: Langstaff, Richmond Hill High, and Bayview, Thornlea and Thornhill Secondary Schools.

The winning individuals will participate in the Georgian Bay finals next week.

Cadillac-Baif girls win B championship

The Richmond Hill Cadillac-Baif Midget girls dropped their first two games in the Erindale softball tournament and then went on to take the "B" championship.

Nice. The girls took the next three to win the consolation honors.

It was a tough opening game loss with the Baif girls tying Erindale 9-9 only to lose by their failure to get as many girls to third base as their rivals. Erindale managed two runners, Richmond Hill one.

Big Richmond Hill hitters in this game were Darlene Harrison with a triple and a homerun and Nancy Scheider with a triple.

Pitcher Cathy Dawson recorded six strikeouts. Lose 11-7

The Hillers went down 11-7 to Martingrove in the

second encounter of the day with the only local highlight being Janet Wells' first homerun of the season.

Stephenie Clarke also contributed a double and a triple.

Pitcher Debbie Howorth recorded three strikeouts.

Richmond Hill got in the groove in the third game eking a 2-1 victory over Oakville behind the steady pitching of Howorth who got four strikeouts.

Big Richmond Hill batter was Scheider who doubled with two out to knock in the winning run.

Keep rolling
The Baif girls kept rolling with a 10-8 subduing of Downsview as Kim Podhorodeski led the way with four singles

followed by Harrison with two singles and a double. Howorth got five strikeouts for Richmond Hill.

Big win
Then came the big one with Richmond Hill coming up with a 4-1 championship win over Martingrove.

Scheider led the offensive with a homerun which travelled some 200 feet, the best shot of the day. Harrison had a double and a single.

Howorth was sharp with eight strikeouts. The girls received bronze medallions and crests for their successes.

Howorth tossed 30 innings of ball and Harrison did a fantastic job of catching after just returning from the injury list.

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