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Beat Bay Ridges

The Thornhill Minor Thunderbirds finally got their return match with Bay Ridges and came up with a 9-4 victory.
 During the last Pickering OMHA tournament the Ridges clan had edged Thornhill 4-3 on its way to the Class A title.

That loss dropped the Thunderbirds into the B Flight and they came home with the crown but disappointed they had not had another shot at Bay Ridges for a grand championship.

When Thornhill finally got the chance they made no mistakes and came up with one of their stronger efforts of the season. Thunderbirds led 1-0 after one period and 4-1 at the end of the second.
 Steve Tschipper had an outstanding game scoring three great goals and setting up two more. Mike Darby, Steve Paul, John Kim and Rob Humphries each had a goal and two assists while Tim Wilson and Neil Crebbin notched the others.

Bruce Birchard with three assists and Colin Jacobs and Larry Darby also figured in the scoring. Dave Wood had a good outing and Red Gorman played well in goal for Thornhill.

Epic Juveniles lose to Orillia Club

The last league game of the season saw the Epic Juveniles lose to Orillia 6-2.

Richmond Hills Mark Gossman opened the scoring in the first period's only goal with an assist going to Terry Thorsell.

The second period saw Orillia getting on the score sheet with two unanswered goals. The third period was all Orillia scoring four more goals. The Epic boys managed one more goal early in this final period by Rainer Pleshberger unassisted.

PLAYOFFS
 In the York-Simcoe playoffs Richmond Hill played host to Barrie for the first game and won 3-2.

Barrie opened the scoring in the first period and Richmond Hill's Richard Hughes replied

with a goal assisted by Steve Bower making the score 1-1 at the end of the first period.

The second period's only goal was scored by Richmond Hill's Joel Reeves assisted by Mark Gossman giving the Epic boys a 2-1 lead at the end of the frame.

Early in the third, Richmond Hill's Joel Reeves got his second goal of the game assisted by Jim Majury for Richmond Hill. Barrie scored again making the final score 3-2 for the Epic boys.

The second game of the playoffs at Barrie saw Richmond Hill losing 3-2. Barrie scored twice in the first period with Richmond Hill unable to get on the score sheet. Neither teams scored in the second period.

Epic finally got on the score sheet in the third period with goals by Alan Clark and Jim Majury, assists going to Joel Reeves (2) and Bruce Buchan (2).

SILVER STICK
 The Epic Juveniles travelled to Mooretown to participate in the 6th Annual Juvenile Inter-club Finals Tournament and played London Oakridge Juveniles in the first round.

Oakridge opened the scoring early in the first period with an easy goal, the Epic boys got on the score sheet with a goal by Rainer Pleshberger assisted by Steve Bowers and Bruce Buchan. Both teams scored again in the first period Richmond Hill's goal coming from Joel Reeves assisted by Rainer Pleshberger.

Oakridge scored three more goals in this period Richmond Hill pulled its goalkeeper in the final minute of the game being down 7-6 but Oakridge found the open net and Richmond Hill lost after playing a good game 8-6.

The Epic boys played well, the goaltending duties were shared by Ted Inch and Brian Casey.

The three goals team scored three goals in the second period, the Epic boys were only able to put one in the net in this period by Terry Thorsell assisted by Steve Bowers.

The third period saw Richmond Hill make a comeback with three goals by Bruce Buchan, Joel Reeves and Mark Gossman, assists going to Joel Reeves, Bruce Buchan and Richard Hughes.

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Markham Aquatic swims to nice place

They didn't finish first but they did all right. They were the Markham Aquatic Club members who competed recently in a Winter Invitational at the Markham Centennial Pool.

The swimmers produced 69 personal best times out of 94 swims and broke 24 club records. As

a team they placed fifth overall.

Team scores saw North York Aquatic Club finishing first with 713.5 points.

Individual Markham results:
 Senior Women, 400

Medley Relay, Jennifer Boss, Vicki Reynolds, Maris Lember, Nicole Stevens, fourth, 5:30.8; B Medley Relay, Sheryl McNulty, Kirsie Scullion, Ann Guth, Leslie Vanderburgh, fifth, 5:40.0

A free Relay, Janie Lember B. Cahenja, Sheryl McNulty, Nicole

Stevens, fifth, 4:00 Free Relay, 4:34.1; B Free Relay, Kirsie Scullion, Jennifer Ross, Vicki Reynolds, Leslie Vanderburgh, fifth, 4:00 Free Relay, 4:49.5; Jennifer Ross, 200 Back, sixth.

MEN
 A Medley Relay, Brian Mercer, Jeff Smith, Brian Smith, Craig Hroncok, 400 Medley Relay, third, 4:39.7; B Medley Relay, sixth, 4:00 Medley Relay, 5:05.0; A Free Relay, Brian Smith, Jeff Smith, Brian Mercer, Craig Hroncok, sixth, 2:00 Back, 2:37.5.

Jeff Wadge, sixth, 1500 Free Men, 19:04.9; Brian Smith, fifth, 18:41.9; and Jeff Smith, fourth, 18:40.5.

Maria Lember, 400 Free, sixth; Jennifer Ross, fifth, 200 Back, 2:51.8; MAC Relays, 200 Free, fifth, 2:11.9; 200 Medley Relay, fifth, 2:34.

Brian Smith, fourth, 400 Free, 4:46.9 fifth, 200 IM, 2:35.5; 200 Free, sixth, 2:19.4; 100 Fly, fifth, 1:12.5; 100 Free, fifth, 1:02.1; 200 Breast, third, 2:54.6; MAC Relay, 200 Free, fourth, 2:05.3; 200 Medley Relay, second, 2:20.0

Susan Berresford, 100 Breast, sixth, 1:30.6; MAC Relay, 200 Medley Relay, fifth, 2:34.4; Robert Kirwin, 200 Back, fifth, 2:55.0; 100 Back, third, 1:19.3; Relay, 200 Free Relay, second, 2:16.0; 200 M. Relay, fourth, 2:44.4; Valia Reinsalu, 400 Free, fourth, 2:55.5; 100 Fly, second, 1:30.1; 100 Back, third, 1:34.2; 100 Free, fourth, 1:20.2.

Natural Food loses

Thornhill's House of Natural Food Minor Peewee A's met Richmond Hill in the second round of playoffs and lost 4-1.

Both teams were fired up and played their fastest game of the season.
 Owen Duckman put Thornhill on the scoreboard with a swift shot into the net assisted by Chris Herbert.

The return match was played in Thornhill and Richmond Hill defeated the Natural Food boys 5-3.

Thornhill's Brad Hamilton scored early in the first period unassisted and while shorthanded. Richmond Hill then retaliated with three goals. Kevin Leon banged in a beauty assisted by Duckman.

Richmond Hill again retaliated with Thornhill's David

Lemmon finding the mark assisted by Brad Bergman.

It was 4-3 when coach Paul Humphry pulled his goaltender in an attempt to tie the game. This was to no avail when Richmond Hill scored into the open net.

Excellent goaltending by Jamie Kellie and Gord MacLeod helped make this a seesaw type of game.

Budget hike today

Regional council will hold a special meeting today to try to trim a 9.8 per cent increase in the \$13 million regional levy.

If no cuts are made, the area municipalities will have to collect 5.1 per cent more tax dollars this year for regional purposes.

Regional treasurer John Hlynski said there was no way of telling what the actual impact on the individual taxpayer would be but that the regional increase would have a greater impact on municipalities with higher growth rates than lower ones.

Regional departments had been asked by administrator Jack Rettie to keep their budget requests at five per cent, roughly in line with the increase in assessment in 1978.

But when the figures were unveiled at the regional social services meeting last Wednesday, all other departments had come in with a higher figure, said Richmond Hill Mayor David Schiller. "That is exactly what happened last year."

Mr. Rettie said it was the areas beyond the region's control that were over the guideline.

In social services, this includes

an 18.5 per cent increase in net welfare costs which are mandatory payments. A six per cent increase in the budget of the Children's Aid Society and 13.5 per cent in the police budget which would include a \$550,000 building in Georgia.

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Webb rink wins Snowflake

The Lilly Webb—skipped rink of Barrie won the main event last week at the 15th annual Thornhill Curling Club's Sunflake Bonspiel. Consolation prize went to June Mainprize of Humber Hyland.

Other winners:
 Second event, Hoppy Carnwith of Port Perry; third event, Isabel Curtis, St. Thomas; fourth event, Jean Beatty of Thornhill; fifth event, Caroline Smith of East York.

There were 38 rinks competing in the two-day bonspiel February 14 and 15.

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Bird wasn't "bleeped" on record, Kerr says

The swearing of two birds in a local public school is just "a total misunderstanding," said owner-trainer, Colin Kerr.

Last week Mr. Kerr took his two talking mynah birds to Langstaff Public School to initiate a fund raising program for the Ontario Humane Society (OHS).

The birds entertained the students and then Mr. Kerr taught the youngsters how to do his famous "mynah bird hop".

A record entitled "The Mynah Bird Hop" to dance to was being sold at the school with all proceeds to go to OHS.

Eric Garland, head teacher at Langstaff, opposed the sale of the record, as well as Mr. Kerr's presentation, because of the use of the phrase "Oh Christ" by one bird, as well as the owner, in front of primary school children.

Mr. Kerr said one bird, named Rajah, did swear sometimes, even once on the original record, but that is where the mix up occurred.

The bird owner said he had 5,000 records made up with the phrase "bleeped out". But, with boxes of both records in his car, Mr. Kerr said he unintentionally grabbed the wrong box to take into the school for sales.

"I've been dealing with kids for 20 years," said Mr. Kerr.

"Those records I would never sell in the schools. Do you think I'd take a chance to jeopardize myself?" he asked.

The misunderstanding was compounded, said Mr. Kerr when the tape he brought to play, with the phrase "bleeped out", could not be

played because the school tape recorder did not work.

Therefore he had to use one of the questionable records.

"Luckily," said Mr. Kerr, "the sound system was so bad you couldn't hear anything."

That is why the teachers didn't notice until later when they played the record for themselves.

By the time the entertainer had heard of the error, he had shipped the 5,000 fixed up records to Ottawa for shows he will be doing in schools there this week.

An order has been placed for more copies of the "bleeped out" record, said Mr. Kerr, but it will be at least three weeks before they are ready.

Executive Vice President of OHS, Tom Hughes, said his organization did not arrange the school visits, nor did it sponsor or endorse Mr. Kerr's performance.

"We are just glad to obtain the contributions," said Mr. Hughes.

Mr. Hughes stressed the fact OHS did not contact schools on Mr. Kerr's behalf nor was he aware of the content of the presentation.

"Mr. Kerr is just trying to help the society," said Mr. Hughes, "and this is what we need."

Another fund raising event has been set up by the humane society February 24.

A benefit hockey game will be played at the Markham Arena at 8 p.m. between Durham Regional Police and the Ontario Humane Society Animals (men).

The \$1 admission will include a disco afterwards with a disc-jockey called "Sound of Spectrum".