

He's big to be overshadowed

Richmond Hill pitcher Webster for a number of years. And that's not easy to younger brother Doug do.



Especially when you're 6 feet tall and weigh in at 250 pounds.

"He stands in my shadow," states Dave in a rather matter-of-factly manner.

Doug, of course, has achieved considerable publicity the past few seasons toiling in Senior A ball with the Richmond Hill Dynes Jewellers and now the Newmarket Chubb's fastball team.

In the meanwhile 28-year-old Dave has been content carving out his own particular niche with Galaxy Tavern (Newly re-named Linear Video Sound) in the Richmond

Hill Men's Fastball League.

14 YEARS

"I've been pitching for 14 years," said Dave, "the last 10 in the Men's fastball league and it has been a ball."

Prior to that time he played intermediate ball with Scarboro but never really nourished the desire to move into the senior ranks.

"It's what you really want, I guess," he said. "Higher calibre ball means a lot of travelling and such on weekends and I just wasn't interested."

"When you play in a town league you're pretty well at home all the time. Besides, in the 10 seasons I've been in the league the calibre has really improved."

GOOD LEAGUE
Webster figures the town league could "easily go intermediate and beat most teams. Whenever our teams go against intermediate calibre clubs in tournaments we usually end up first or second."

NO-HITTERS
Dave tabbed himself as undeniably a veteran of the pitching wars when he

mentioned he'd had two no-hitters in his career but couldn't recall too many details about them. "I guess it's something you don't think about until the final inning. You just keep pitching. But there's no doubt about it being a big thrill at the time."

6 TITLES
Dave can also be rather blasé about playing on championship teams simply because in his 10-year stint in the town league he's had six of them.

Dave finished last season with a strong semi-final display against

the eventual league champions' Town Auto team.

His team lost the series but not before Dave and Town Auto hurler Luke Lefevre hooked up against one another in two scoreless games. Both hurlers allowed only a total of five hits.

As for the coming season?

Dave expects the league will be "even more improved with some good young players coming along and the fact the teams have been reduced from 11 to eight. The good teams should get to play one another more often

which should make for some good, interesting ball for the fans to see."

In between trips to the mound he'll be working out of Regional Sports on Leventdale Road in Richmond Hill where he casts a pretty tall shadow.

Especially when he stands up.

Thornlea wins ruggger

Bayview Secondary School's ruggger team was fresh off an impressive 10-3 win over Aurora High School when it met Thornlea Secondary School in back-to-back games.

Ouch.
The Fraser Cartwright-coached Thornlea squad squished out a 17-0 triumph over Bayview in a regular York County league game and then came up with a 10-4 decision a few days later at Thornlea. The latter was an exhibition contest.

"The Bayview team came up with a much stronger showing against us Tuesday," said Cartwright. "The game was end-to-end in the first half."

Thornlea finally broke onto the scoreboard 10 minutes into the second half with a four-point try by Mike Newton.

Bayview maintained pressure on Thornlea for five minutes midway through the first half and capitalized on a Thornlea penalty to score a try and tie the game at 4-4.

Thornlea went on to get the final try on a wide run by John Wahab with Gary Curtis getting the two-point conversion.

Nothing went right for coach Gary Boguski and his Bayview clan in the 17-0 rainswept loss.

"We just never got going," said Boguski. "It was one of those days."

John Wahab opened the scoring for Thornlea on a 20-yard gallop for four points. Midway through the first half it was John Isbister crossing the line to make it 8-0 and Curtis converting to make it 10-0.

Just one minute before the half it was Curtis making it 13-0 on a 45-yard penalty placement kick.

The second half saw Bruce Coles going over for a try to round out the scoring.

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discipline and social responsibility. I tell my players to be tough but be fair."

The sport is even newer at Thornlea. It's in its first year and coach Cartwright is more than pleased with the quick development of his team.

"We got off to a rather rocky start," he said, "when we met Stouffville. They're the poew of the league."

He winced before telling the score. "We lost 56-0."

Growl

Big Dave Webster gets ready for 1979 softball season with Linear Video Sound of the Richmond Hill Men's Fastball League. That grimace is for real. (Liberal photo by Bruce Hogg)

Hill minor soccer holds dance Friday

By PAT KELLY
The Richmond Hill Minor Soccer Club will be giving the parents and their friends the chance to work out and demonstrate that they, too, are capable of some pretty fancy footwork before the season opens.

A dance will be held this Friday at the Richvale Community Centre on Avenue Road. It will be a festive evening beginning at 8:30 p.m. and continuing to 1 a.m.

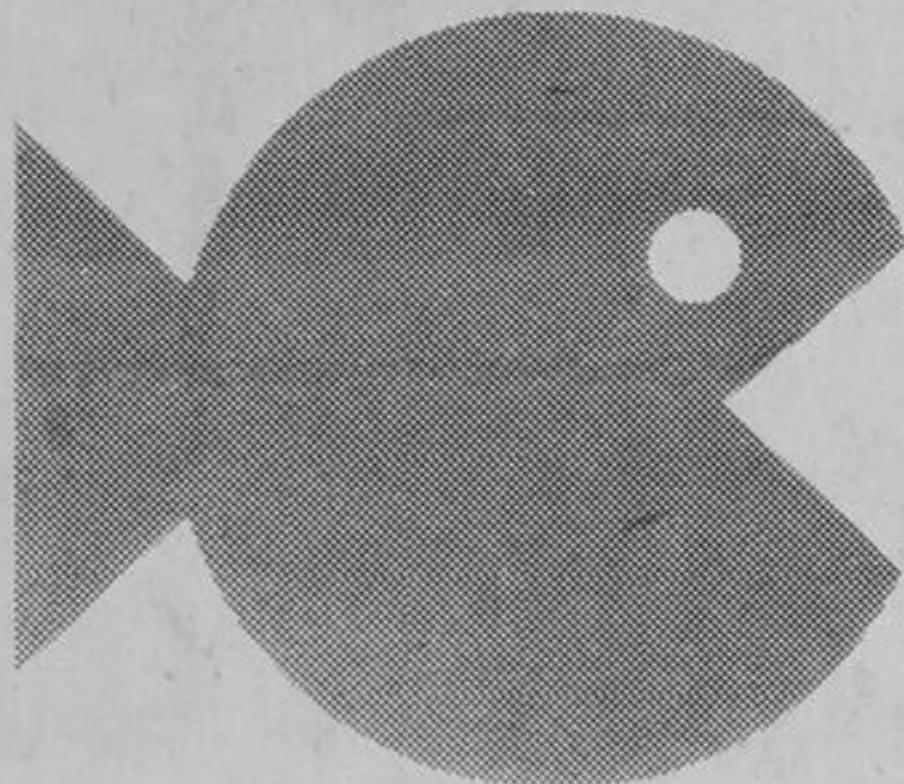
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