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'Soccer-a-thon' here Saturday

By PATKELLY

Action will be the name of the game next Saturday when Richmond Hill will be the scene of a giant "Soccer-a-thon" at crests will be awarded to all Bayview Secondary School.

Some 38 minor soccer teams free donuts and pop. from the Richmond Hill Club will take to the field at 9 a.m. and do

battle. to raise \$10,000 to pay the cost of redecorating and moving the old CNR Station on Centre Street move the old train station.

Richmond Hill Town Council and Elgin Mills. It will be used as a School

meeting room and storage area for the minor soccer club. CRESTS

Special "I Moved The Station" participants and there will be

Soccer-playing members of the Richmond Hill Club will be fanning out all this week on a The games will kick off a drive door-to-door foray designed to by the minor soccer organization make sure the soccer-a-thon will make a sizeable dint in the estimated \$10,000 it will cost to

It would be a great pity if, after sponsoring some players, you did The station was donated by not get out to see at least some of the games that will be played all will be moved to a new site on day behind Bayview Secondary



That's Life

It was one of those nights you sit around the office praying the phone will ring and some exciting sports story will suddenly materialize from the other end.

A Monday tail-end of a long holiday weekend and what to do, what to write about. Please. Help me.

Maybe, you think, something wonderful will happen. The phone will ring and someone will tell you the Wilson Niblett fastball team and Manager Russell "Casey" Cripps and his clan have miraculously won their 10th straight game and are leading the Ontario Fastball League.

Or the same with the Dynes Jewellers in the Beaches Fastball League. Happy news is what I need.

Then it happens. The phone rings and I hurriedly grab it. This could be the big moment. I hear this female voice saying:

"Is it too late to make the paper this week? We've just lost our budgie bird."

All the adrenalin just drains from me. What's it all about, Alfie? Slump back into the chair realizing all my troubles are mere specks in the sea of life compared with losing a budgie bird.

WHO CARES?

Who cares whether we have championship teams, whether soccer referees are lousy or not, whether we win this or that. It's the game of life that counts. Losing budgie birds.

And I know what the woman is going through. I once had a budgie bird Peter. He could talk, too. None of the neighbors could understand him but I did.

He was a nice bird but doomed to disaster. He had a penchant for flying into dishwater. You'd be scraping the dregs of dinner off the plates when you'd suddenly hear a whir of little wings followed by a splat that would threaten to start a tidal wave. Peter was in the dishwater again. Out of sight in the murky depths.

SCOOP

You'd have to scoop for him. He was usually going down for the third time before I'd get to him. But he was a survivor. What a bird. He was always spotting himself in mirrors and flying to meet his first real romance.

Crash. End of romance. We'd have to scrape him off

the floor. I guess we had him for two or three years and then one day he became ill and died. Like losing a member of the family. He gave up the ghost lying on the palm of my hand, a couple of tiny squeaks and it was all over.

We buried him in a match box out behind the garage. COURAGE

So I know how this woman is feeling right now. Courage. He's probably out looking for his first real romance. Birds are like that. He'll be back.

SOCCER NEWS

Let's see now, back to the grind Good news from Paul Giles and his Richmond Hill Garry Owen Senior Girls soccer team who will be competing in the Ontario Cup finals next Sunday in

London, Ontario.

The good news, of course, is that they are there. Paul believes it's the first time a Richmond Hill soccer team has ever reached the Ontario Cup finals. That's great. Just hope the girls can pull it off. I need a champion, real bad. More on this next week.

SOCCER-A-THON

Speaking of minor soccer, the Richmond Hill Club will be launching its kickoff drive to raise \$10,000 for that CNR station this Saturday.

The station, of course, was given to them by town council and will be used as the club's headquarters. They need the money to fix it up.

That's why a big "Soccer-a-thon" is being held Saturday at Bayview Secondary School with some 38 local teams participating. The action begins at 9 a.m. For details, see elsewhere on these pages. There will also be a mammoth garage sale at the old fire hall on Wright Street. That's to raise funds for the A. Beattie Minor Atoms' trip to a Christmas tournament in Florida. Sounds like a big weekend. Be there, everywhere.

FOOTBALL

Finally, Ray King of the Aurora Bombers' Midget Football team is looking for Richmond Hill recruits ages 16, 17 years.

He'll be holding workouts at Richmond Hill High School every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. If you're interested drop around tonight. The team is in its second year of operation and plays in the Ontario Midget Football

League. Really, finally, don't forget the annual Richmond Hill Men's Fastball League tournament which starts this Friday night at the Town Park. Should be some interesting ball.

Sample some of the free Hall site on Wright Street. refreshment the Coca Cola Company is supplying to slake the thirst of hundreds of young soccer players and learn more about the projected station-move.

GARAGE SALE Also on the agenda Saturday will be a mammoth garage sale at the old Richmond Hill Fire

The response to Scotty ("John" to readers of last week's classified columns in The Liberal) MacDonald's appeal for contributions to the garage sale

has been absolutely phenomenal. cards which you so thoughtfully Money realized from the sale will donated but you will find in-

Christmas.

chance to buy back at bargain prices her car and her credit go toward raising funds to send credible bargains and the chance

restaurants.

Scotty, er, John, at 884-8601. Saturday's Soccer-a-thon is Kitchens.

only the kickoff in the campaign to move the station. Letters have gone out to parents of all soccer players

asking for suggestions and for

help in the campaign. BINGO Care to run a "Move the

Station" bingo, bridge or block party? Got an idea for making signs and slogans? Let the soccer club know about it.

support the Richmond Hill Ronalds Printing; 1:40-2:40, Bell station will be bustling with life Canada v Bone Fencing; Silver by next Spring.

The Whistles you'll hear will be referee's whistles and the steam will be generated by hundreds of young players hauling their coaches to victory. GAMES

Soccer-a-thon game schedule:

the A. Beattie Minor Atoms to a to buy tickets on draws for Mites, 9 to 10 a.m., R. H. Lions v tournament in Florida next delicious meals at local Tournaments Inc.' Leuschner Spraying v Don Deb. Squirts, C & If you forgot to donate your J Investments v Baymar Sports; Not only will your wife have a wife's car you can still contact Ratcliffs v Kent Clothes; Family Billiards v North York Trophies; Mac Fleming Paints v Raywal

> Atom Girls: — 10:10 to 11:10, Home Improvements v Mosquito Girls Levendale Pastry; Atoms, Casabil Contractors v Caesar's Palace; Globe Travel v Powell Plumbing: 11:20-12:20, Torontario Electric v Travelways; Ken Bentham Signs v A. Beattie; 12:30 - 1:30, R. Hill Lions -Opponent to be arranged.

Mosquito: - 12:30-1:30. With luck and enthusiastic Allencourt Fish and Chips v Acoustics v Cumbrae Roofing; 2:50-3:50, Dynes Jewellers v Advance Masonry; Peewee, Legion v Flair Upholstery; 4:00 -5:00, Kiddie Kobbler v Bantam girls Scholastic Publications; Doug Chalmers Esso v Cadillac

Jack Blyth in playoff drive

By DAVE BARBOUR

Jack Blyth Real Estate is breathing down the neck of Kinnear Leasing in a bid to win the final playoff spot with only two full weeks of scheduled ball action remaining in the Richmond Hill Men's Fastball League.

Blyth nipped Linear Sound & Video Centre 5-4 as Doug Farre! unloaded a single into right field with men on second and third base in the bottom of the last inning with Blyth trailing 4-3.

To this point, Linear controlled the game. Rob Mitchell scored as Steve Cyr got a life on an error and Paul Evans singled in Cyr. Al McWilliams, who hit four for four, singled in Bernie Hough and Briah Madeley scored Brendon Wood on a double. For Blyth, Gary Russell and Al Shaw singled in Jim Robinson and Lenny Hughes, respectively, and Robinson homered. Hughes pitched the win, Craig Shut-

tleworth the loss. Later, the Lake team swamped

Pizza Press 8-5.

Blyth piled up an eight-run lead and had to hang tough to salvage the win. Doug Farrell homered and singled for three rbi's and Rick Collins banged in two runs.

For Pizza, Al McKenzie, Blair Robson and Bill Jackson had rbi's., while Vince McLean rounded the bases with a hit and a three base error, with Terry King aboard, for their other runs.

Jim Cook, the winning pitcher, Barry Mathews, with effective relief from Bill Jackson, is the

SWEEP

Town Auto Body swept their two games, the past week, to pull within a point back of first place. First, they dumped Linear Sound & Video 5-1. Clay Chapman homered Rob Hartnett tripled,

Bill Perry and Rod Chapman each scored on a boot. Phil Skinner scored on Brian Madeley's sacrifice in a losing cause. Wilf Diceman the winning pitcher, Craig Shuttleworth the

> Next, "Iron Man" Wilf Diceman tossed a 4-0 shutout, for Town, at Kinnear Leasing.

Town got all four runs in the third as Gary Oliver slammed a bases-loaded triple and was, in turn, scored on Rob Hartnett's sacrifice. Dave Berseth the

losing pitcher. Richmond Hill Auto Body

handed the struggling defending league champions, Kinnear, their second 4-0 whipping of the week. In the first, Rob Forget, Val Steffan and Billy Hunter all scored on an error. Glen Greenslade added a homer in the

Dave Webster takes the loss. Barrow's Insurance continued their top spot pace, tying Richmond Hill Auto Body 6-6, and wrecking Pizza Press 14-6.

fourth. Steffan hurled the win,

2-RUN HOMER For Barrow's, against the Hill. Grant Rose had a two-run homer plus another run. Paul Hunter had a solo shot and Gord Wright received a three-base error. Glen Greenslade had two rbi's to pace R.H. Auto, Ken Faulkner and Val

Steffan also starred. Hill leftfielder Barry Lock secured the draw with a perfect throw to catcher Faulker which ruined Dwight Powell's attempt to score what would have been the winning run. Luke Lefevre and Billy Hamilton tossed for Barrow's while Jim Clement and Gary Wilkinson pitched for the

Hill.

Dale Crouter slammed Terry Legge's first offering out of the park and accumulated a total of four rbi's pacing Barrow's romp over Pizza Presss. Paul Hunter also homered. Terry Legge and Larry Shier each homered, in the first, for Pizza. Billy Hamilton, with 11 strikeouts, records the win: Legge, with relief from Barry Mathews takes the loss. Corrections: Terry Legge, not

Terry Haviland, homered against Kinnear Leasing as reported last week. Also, Dave Walke, not Walker, starred for Linear, the previous week, as mentioned in the last issue as well.

TOURNEY

Don't forget...the league's annual double knockout fastball tournament commences this Friday at the Town Park. Action continues on Saturday at three locations, Crosby, Boyle and the Town Park, as well. Standings .:

errow's Insurance	14	4	1	29
wn Auto Body	14	6	0	1 18-1
chmond Hill Auto Body	12	8	1	25
nnear Leasing	9	8	1	19
ck Blyth Real Estate	9	10	0	18
near Sound & Video	4	14	0	8
zza Press	3	15	1	7

WLTP

Dynes win, tie

Jewellers bounced back from game. He came home imsome previous shaky outings mediately on Tom Risko's hit. last week to defeat the powerful Beaches Fastball League action.

Pitcher Glen Moreland and shortstop Glen Philip were two of the key figures in the impressive showing of Dynes against Moreland. With two out, Philip Streetsville.

Moreland was in control most

Philip, in the meanwhile, was been a big reason for our success having a busy night at shortstop making six putouts or assists The Richmond Hill team is a including the final Streetsville

He also played an instrumental role offensively as he drove in "We've been trying for the two runs with a single to put the

Richmond Hill opened the have Mike Dewes double for

The Richmond Hill Dynes Streetsville's first hit of the

The Jewellers got three more Streetsville team 4-1 and then tie runs in the bottom half of the Scarboro Midas Muffler 2-2 in same inning as Moreland singled and Ben Bourget was safe on an error. Steve Madden struck out but Chris DeGeer dumped a single into right field scoring singled in DeGeer and Bourget. Blair McBratney handled the

pitching chores in the Scarboro striking out 14 batters. The Jewellers opened the

scoring in the first inning on singles by Greg Walton and Kevin Mathews. Then it was Harold DeGeer

tripling in the third inning and coming home on Mathew's single. The Jewellers are at home

tomorrow night to John Oliver for an 8 p.m. game at the Town Park. They are at Scarboro Monday.

from The Hill has ever reached Senior Girls' Garry Owen team. the Cup finals. Certainly, a girl's It came against St. Andrew's of Scarboro and it propelled the Dell-Aquila's big goal gave the Owen crew into the Ontario Cup Landers tosses 'perfect' game

senior fastball team on the Cedar Rapids. weekend in the St. Catharines tournament even though they much the same with Wan-

Toot!

Toot,

when Mary Dell-Aquila scored

the most important goal yet for

the Richmond Hill Minor Soccer

lost. losing 3-0 to Oshawa MCL and their own. lefty Pete Landers who spun a perfect game in their direction. sixth inning as Colin Wood and Loser was Paul Wannamaker Mickey Hancock walked. Ron who allowed five hits. Landers Schobb then doubled with the struck out 14 batters.

and Bob Domik with Wan- same play. namaker going the route and giving up nine hits. He struck out inning stifled a Cedar Rapids kicks with her right foot.' three batters.

and a single. Richmond Hill won the game in In OFL league action Wilson the 11th on four successive Niblett played at Grimsby in a singles by Terry O'Krafka, Ron doubleheader losing 3-1 in the

Wilson's opened the scoring in

the second inning on Carl

SHUTOUT

Ahlsten.

hit shutout against the Oshawa doubleheader. Game time is 7:30 Cabinet Makers walking four and p.m. The Saturday night game to date.' striking out eight.

Gary Preszcator's 'two-run selected to the all-star team at homer in the third inning with the tournament in St. Catharines. two out. Bill Sunstrum hit one in New addition to the team, Gordie the sixth inning.

REPRISE ternoon for the Wilson team in the final inning stealing second against World Softball cham- and third bases in the process.

It was one of the better pionship rivals of 1972, Cedar showings of the season for the Rapids, Iowa. Richmond Hill won Richmond Hill Wilson Niblett the World's title by defeating

"As far as we can figure out,"

said team manager Paul Giles,

"it's the first time a soccer team

photo by Bruce Hogg).

Hill soccer girls in

Ontario Cup final

There were just 10 minutes left finals next Sunday in London.

This time out the story was namaker limiting the American The Niblett team picked up team to four hits. Richmond Hill three wins in four tries before could only manage three hits of

Their two runs came in the first runner safe at home as the Richmond Hill opened with an ball came loose on the throw-in.

> A big doubleplay in the seventh said Giles, "as she normally rally.

LANDERS Then came the loss to Landers

Ahlsten's home run and Grimsby in the semi finals. Oshawa went tied it in the fourth on a double on to lose the championship game to Hamilton Waxers.

Schnobb, Gord Woolnough, and first game and tying 3-3 in the second one. Wannamaker then spun a five- Tuesday to Owen Sound for a

has been cancelled. Woolnough, has been playing A big win came Sunday af- Grimsby he scored the tying run

Owen squad a 2-1 victory over St. Andrew's who had beaten them in their first two meetings this season.

EMOTIONAL

"It was quite an emotional loser. moment for everyone," said Giles who handles the team along with coach Don Kavanagh. "St. Andrew's has knocked us out in the semi-finals for the past two

time out as The Hill girls, fresh from 4-0 and 6-1 Cup triumphs over Welland and Forest City, battled the favored Scarboro team to a standstill.

Jackie Tersigni put Richmond Hill in front on a cross-over from Maria D'Onofrio.

St. Andrew's tied the game to set up the dramatic winning goal by Dell-Aquila. She was fed the ball by Karen Banks and got a quick shot off with her left foot

NEXT That was the clincher which will send Richmond Hill to London next Sunday and a 2:30

Richmond Hill is at home next a very disciplined team. The girls five batters. listen to instructions and that's

oldest at 30 years.

Key blow in this game was Notes: Terry O'Krafka was happy mix of youth and veteran out in the ninth inning snagging a players with the ages ranging all line drive. the way from 14 years to the

seasons now," said Giles. I

The proposed new headquarters for the Richmond Hill Soccer

Club - the old CNR Station - is scene of opening campaign to

raise money for it. Doing their part to "move" it are Jill

MacDonald (foreground) 6, Pat Kelly, 12, Ann Douse, 7, John

Douse 15, Jason MacDonald, 9, Shawn Douse, 9, Mike Douse,

11, Virginia Douse, 13, Suzy Kelly, 13, Liam Kelly, 7. (Liberal

seasons.' But it was a different story this

"It was a beautiful effort by Jackie," said Giles. "She stopped the ball with her left foot and kicked it with her right. The ball sailed right into the corner.

11-inning 2-1 win over Grimsby Hancock then raced home on the and it also went into the corner. "It was a fine effort by Mary,

> p.m. game to decide who will represent the province in the Canadian championships at a later date. "We're pretty optimistic that we can come up with the big of the way allowing six wellone," continued Giles. "We have scattered hits and striking out tie allowing only five hits and

outstanding ball. Against Ontario Cup for quite a few Dynesmen in front. 4-1. hope this is the year we finally do scoring in the first inning only to