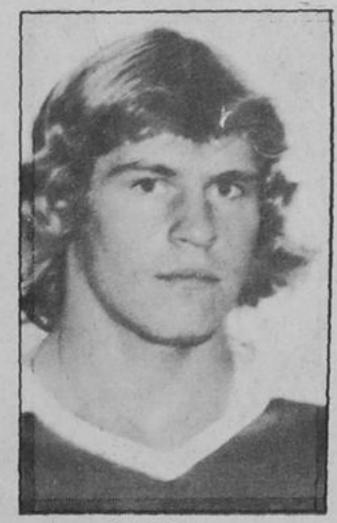
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DANLANE With Canadiens

Canadiens sign Hill teenager

A few years ago 19-year-old Dan Lane of Richmond Hill might not have been so happy at the prospects of becoming a Montreal Canadien hockey player.

"It looked like a pretty impossible task to ever break into the Canadiens' line-up then," Lane was saying from his parents' home at 309 South Taylor Mills the other day.

He's changed his mind and for a good reason.

The Canadiens approached him with a "pretty good deal" and Lane, who has played the past two seasons with the Oshawa Generals of the Major A Junior

loop, signed up for a three-year

"The Winnipeg Jets had approached me earlier," Lane said, "and I was considering that offer when the Montreal one dropped on me. My agent and I figured it was hard to beat the money and we signed.'

HE'S BIG

Lane, at 6'2" and 192 pounds, is coming off a good season with the Generals having scored

something like 35 goals and 37 look at it." assists for the season as well as having logged 163 minutes in the penalty box.

"I'll be going to the Montreal camp September 16th," Lane said, "and I figure I've got a good chance of sticking. They've gotten rid of some rightwingers

lately which gives me a shot at it. "I'm going there to win a spot," he said. "That's the only way to GOOD TIMING

Lane figures he might be arriving on the Canadiens' scene at an opportune time what with some chinks showing up in the was a youngster. Like most

Stanley Cup champions' armor. Lane, besides having a robust build, is a fast skater, has a good shot, and likes to muck it up in the

can't go wrong in signing with the seasons with the Markham Canadiens.

BEST DEAL

"My agent and I figured it was the best deal for me and I've wanted to play in the NHL since I youngsters, I guess."

Lane, who came up through the Toronto Marlies' change, moved about that. to The Hill with his parents three years ago. Prior to moving up to In any case, Lane figures he Oshawa he played for a couple of

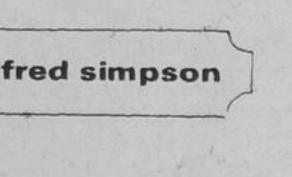
Waxers of the Provincial A

And if he doesn't make it with the Canadiens in his first shot he has the option of coming back to Oshawa.

But he's not thinking too much

He wants to make the Canadiens as a right winger.

Kinnear Leasing leads finals Kinnear Leasing continued its walk. Both advanced on a passed by Dave Berseth, and a passed



Achoo!

I made my most spectacular catch of the softball season on the weekend. It was easy. Caught a cold.

What a lousy way to treat a person who, in the call of duty, wandered down to the Town Park to watch the Richmond Hill Minor Ball playoffs on a sunny but windchilled afternoon.

I'm pretty sure I caught the bug during the game between the Richmond Hill Men's Slo-Pitch Intermediate girls and Record Shop.

And it had to have happened during the second inning which lasted almost longer than World War II. The redhot Record girls scored no fewer than 19 runs in that disastrous inning.

I think the final score was something like 26-5 which was just long enough for me to be wrestled down to the ground by a chill.

NICE DAY

In any case, it was an enjoyable day for minor softball both in The Hill and Thornhill and was a fitting end to yet another summer season.

Or was it? The Richmond Hill teams, all of them, will really put the lid on the minor softball summer next Saturday with a tournament'at Bradstock Park. Drop around and watch the fun.

On to other things here before I succumb to the elements.

NOTES A barrage of notes:

Richmond Hill Arena Administrator Ed Sackfield reports that the first registration day for "Ringette" hockey went off pretty well.

And there will be another registration date for the girls tomorrow evening (Thursday) from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Hill Arena.

CLINIC

Coming up October 6 there will be a Ringette Clinic at the arena starting at 4 p.m. Ed is throwing out the welcome mat to any and all girls interested, or even just curious, to come out and see what it's all about. So c'mon out. An instruction class will go first with actual on-theice activity starting around 5:30 p.m.

Let's see now, got a call from Elaine Armstrong of the Richmond Hill Hockey League Women's Auxiliary Corps. They'll be holding their first meeting next Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the new arena.

They're desperately in need of volunteer help so get out there and do your duty for minor hockey.

Finally, that should be a good softball weekend with the Richmond Hill Dynes Jeweller softball tournament going on Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the Town Park and Crosby.

Let's hope the weather smiles on the occasion. The Jewellers go against King City Raiders Friday night. Really, finally, the Richmond Hill Wilson Niblett fastball team will be holding a season's end 50-50 draw September 29 at Wilson Niblett's. Tickets are a \$1 a

throw. Call Rod Smith for tickets at 884-0194. ping Barrow's Insurance 2-1 in the first game of the best-of-five

League finals last week. Next game in the series goes tomorrow (Thursday) at the Town Park with the third game next Monday. Both games start at 7:30 p.m.

Barrow's drew first blood in the third as Dale Crouter hit into a fielder's choice to reach base. Steve Whitaker followed with a

as Paul Hunter, presumably of the bat of Steve Woods. accidentally, bunted the ball Richmond Hill Men's Fastball about 10 feet in front of the plate.

Mike Thompson, who failed to make a play to either first base or sixth, knotted the count as he scored on an over-throw at third

WINNER

surprising resurgence by clip- ball, and Crouter scooted home ball, and scored on a base hit off

on the rubber for Kinnear. Luke The ball was fielded by catcher Lefevre, in relief of starter Billy Hamilton, takes the loss.

Barrow's won a slot in the final to the plate. Jim Anderson, in the round with a 5-3 victory over a tough, valiant Richmond Hill Auto Body club

For Barrows it was Paul Hunter banging in Grant Rose, The winner came as Thompson Steve Whitaker was forced in as singled, advanced on a sacrifice Roger Ball drew a walk. Doug

Bell scored as Dale Crouter smashed a hit off of the second baseman's glove. Whitaker drove Dave Webster went the route in Crouter on a hit and an error.

The Hillers got on the scoreboard in the sixth as Glen Polhamus knocked in Val Steffan, and Ken Faulkner singled in Polhamus. In a last inning rally, Rob Forget got a life on an error and Steffan singled him in. On the rubber it was Luke

sensation Gary Wilkinson. A one game, winner take all also, in 1962.

consolation contest, between Jack Blyth Real Estate and Linear Sound & Video, is set to go tonight at Crosby Park, time 8

now of Barrow's, joined the league with St. Mathew's United Church, now the R.H. Auto team,

HISTORY

Historical Notes: Paul Hunter,

in 1962. In the same year Dennis Loughead, of Kinnear, played with the Emmanuel Anglican Church of Richvale, which now is Kinnear Leasing. Dennis was 14 years old. Gord Wright, of Barrow's, at the tender age of 13, Lefevre out-duelling rookie was an active member of the R.H. Presbyterian Church team,

Clay Chapman, of Town Auto Body, signed up with Pinecrest 'Speedway a year or so later. This club won the championship in 1965 and 66.

Best Way champions

Best Way Stone had all the answers on the weekend as they galloped away with the 'A' championship in the Richmond Hill Ladies Recreation Softball League.

'B' champion honors went to Twin Hills Ceramics.

Best Way Stone started its march to the championship by finally overcoming Sussex Carpeting in the semi-finals taking the last game 17-10.

Enroute to the finals Best Way crunched out 19 hits off Carpeting pitching with Tracy Francis coming up with a perfect three for three at bat while Vicki Hill and Jean Bolin had two runs on two hits and a walk in three trips to the plate. Carol Chapman and Bev MacDonald each scored twice on two hits.

with Mary Anne Ritchie getting two runs on two hits and two walks in four trips to the plate. Nancy Chubley also scored twice on a hit and two walks while Barb Poole got two runs on two hits in four trips to the plate.

BEATGALAXY

Best Way then tackled the strong Galaxy Restaurant crew in the final game and it was a thriller all the way before Best Way took it 10-8.

The winners jumped into an early 3-0 lead in the first inning only to have Galaxy come back with four runs in the top of the led the way with a grandslammer third to take the lead.

the fourth inning on two runs but Galaxy was back in the fifth with four more to lead once again. to tie the score at 8-8 going into the sixth inning.

Best Way took a 10-8 lead in the sixth and held on to win the contest. Best Way bashed out 11 hits while Galaxy was managing 14 hits.

Vicki Berseth was two for two for Best Way while Carol Cressley scored two runs on a hit and an error. Lesley Wood had one run on a hit and error in two trips to bat.

Joan Hayman led Galaxy with three for three while Pat Armstrong went two for two. Anne Tibble scored two runs on a hit and a walk.

BSERIES

The 'B' series saw Twin Hill Ceramics getting a bye while Rice's was eliminating Superior Propane 12-6.

Pam Cooke was the big gun in the win going three for three Sussex batters managed 14 hits while Linda Hull scored one run and Sue Powell two. That final game between Rice's

and Twin Hills saw the latter team leading 16-10 at the end of the fifth inning.

The roof fell in on Rice's after that (the team was missing its two pitchers due to vacations along with two other players) with Twin Hills scoring 15 runs in the sixth inning on six hits, two errors and 10 walks to win going away 31-18.

The victors got their 31 runs on 16 hits and 23 walks. Cheryl Bailie while Judy Murphy followed with Best Way regained the lead in a three-run homer. Linda Ryan also hit a grandslammer while Allison Weagle hit a home run.

Wendy Ross hit two homers in a Best Way fought back with three losing cause while Cindy Rice scored twice on four hits in five trips to the plate.

Raiders take first game

A line-shot single by Fran O'Neill in the bottom of the 11th inning Monday night carried the King City Raiders to a 4-3 comefrom-behind win over Caledon East in the first game of their best-of-five South Central Ontario

The hit scored Brian Sheardown who had singled and stolen

It was the culmination of a dramatic extra-inning struggle as King City's Bruce Diplock, who took over from starter Mike Unterlander in the fourth inning, sizzled his way to the win allowing only one hit, no runs and striking out 13 Caledon East likely Monday night at King City.

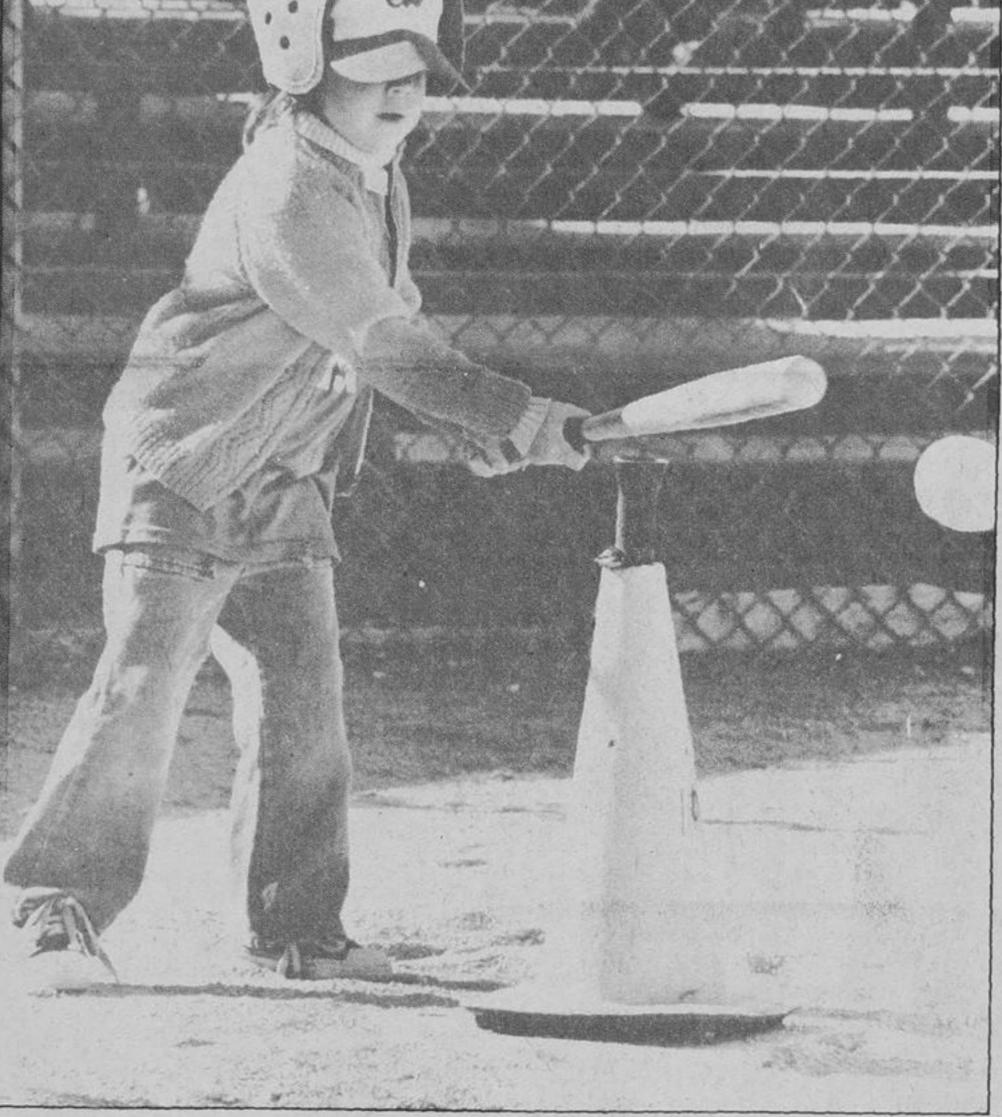
an early 3-0 lead. The Raiders kept pecking away

with run number one coming in the sixth inning as Jim Schwartz singled, stole second, went to third on a fly out, and then stole They tied the game in the

eighth inning as Mark Bernard was safe on an error, stole second, and came home on a single by Schwartz. Schwartz went to second on a fielder's choice, stole third, and then got the tying run on an error.

The second game goes at Caledon East tonight (Wednesday) with the third game

The Raiders play in the Rich-Starter Unterlander was mond Hill tournament on the weekend opening Friday night against the Richmond Hill Dynes Jewellers.



Blind spot?

Rumble's Angie Leonard had a little trouble seeing the ball but she connected here in T-Ball game against Baymar Sports last week in Richmond Hill Minor Ball playoffs. Baymar won the championship by 29-28. See B-3. (Liberal photo by Bruce

Rams win one, lose 2

It didn't count for any points mond Hill Provincial A Rams sure we have a lot of potential on but the 1979-80 edition of the Rich-

Dynes tourney

The Richmond Hill Dynes bid to catch a berth in the with two runs of their own. this season.

They finished four points Madden was safe on an error. behind Fred's Sports for that final playoff position.

Park Thursday night the Jewellers defeated Kinnear Leasing of the Richmond Hill Men's Fastball League 5-1 behind the two-hit pitching of Glen Moreland and Blair McBratney.

Moreland went the first eight Madden and Phillip. innings with McBratney finishing out the game. Dynes managed eight hits off Dave and Doug Webster and walked twice.

the bottom of the second inning stroking a triple and then scoring on a sizzling grounder by Kevin by the first baseman.

In the top of the third inning petition. Kinnear tied it on a walk to pitby third baseman Gord starting at 7 p.m. Friday night from any member of the Dynes Woolnough.

Jewellers Juniors failed in their of the inning to go ahead to stay Sunday at 1 p.m. Beaches Majors Fastball League Shortstop Paul Philip started things off with a single and Steve ners

One run scored on a ground out by catcher Doug Lewis and the In exhibition play at the Town second run resulted from a ground out by third baseman will be the Whalers against so it's difficult to see the woods standout particularly in the Ben Bourget. Dynes locked the game up in

the sixth inning scoring another

pair of runs on a double by Woods and singles by Glen Moreland.

The coming weekend will be the scene of the Richmond Hill Invitational Tournament Phil Wood led off the scoring in organized by Dynes Jewellers in conjunction with the Roman

Corporation. Mathews which was misplayed nament with three teams from 8 p.m. with games of chance and Central Ontario Junior B Hockey Richmond Hill in the com- door prizes.

> All games will be either at the cludes roast beef on a bun and the preliminaries taking place all ball team or at the doors.

Opening games Friday night

DYNES PLAY

Brampton.

The 9 p.m. game at the Town Park pits Dynes Jewellers against the King City Raiders and at Crosby it will be Town Auto Body against Kinnear

MONTE CARLO Another date to remember is September 21.

This will be a 12-team tour- night at the Lions Hall starting at fourth last season in the tough Tickets will be \$4 which in-

cher Doug Webster and a double Town Park or Crosby Park coffee. Tickets may be obtained

chalked up their first win of the season on the weekend in that winter pastime called hockey. The other side of the coin saw

them losing two. Richmond Hill opened its preseason exhibition string Tuesday night of last week losing 5-3 to the Dynes came back in their half day Saturday and the finals North York Rangers. They went on to defeat Markham Waxers 6-4 The finals will be a round robin Friday night at home before among the three division win- losing 8-7 to the Rangers

Saturday night at the local arena. Rams' Manager Sil Steffan and will see Malton Merchants assistant Ray Floyd are still playing K & L Sports at the Town operating with a lot of bodies Park at 7 p.m. while at Crosby it around - about 30 as of writing for the trees.

> "It's way too early to get any scored one of the goals. Blair solid line on the team," states - McArthur, a King City product, Steffan. "But I'm reasonably got one of the other goals,

HockeyDynes Oak Ridges Dynes Jewellers job than some of the coach Pete Artemchuk hasn't newcomers," Artemchuk con-There will be a Monte Carlo forgotten that his squad finished ceded after two pre-season

the team. We'll be competitive.

PLAY FRIDAY

opportunity to test the exhibition waters next Friday night when

they host Dixie Beehives for an 8

Power play goals, no fewer

than five of them, killed the

Rams in their opening 5-3 loss to

"We had an army of people out

there." said Steffan, "which

meant we lacked cohesiveness on

the offence but I thought we did

Reiner Pleschberger was a

hitting department and he also

p.m. game.

the Rangers.

all right.

The Rams will get a further

That's if some of them return.

exhibition games which saw his team defeating Etobicoke Selects 7-2 and losing 10-4 to the North York Flames, both of the Metro B And you can be sure his loop. returning players haven't either.

The Jewellers open their season at home September 24 in "Our veterans are less sure of a an 8 p.m. game against Orillia.

batters. charged with all three Caledon runs which came in the third inning and boosted that team into