

Arena steering committee looking at designs, plans public input

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The steering committee for the Essex Arena Project is planning to hold a public information session regarding a design for the new arena.

The committee is made up of Essex Chief Administrative Officer Wayne Miller, Treasurer Donna Hunter, Mayor Ron McDermott and Parks and Recreation Director Doug Sweet.

Sweet said the group has met with

the architects for the project, Rounthwaite, Dick and Hadley, on two occasions about possible designs. During a meeting last week the group asked RDH to present an alternative design option.

"They presented one proposed plan and we asked them to come back with a second option," Sweet said. "We are planning to hold an open house at the Harrow arena and the Essex arena for public input."

Sweet said the open houses would

likely take place next month. He said the basics of the design, including the rinks and dressing rooms, are foremost on the committee's priority list. The second design request was an attempt to see how the design options might be reconfigured. The second design plan is expected within the next two weeks.

"We want people's feedback so the public has some say in the process," Sweet said. "Sometimes a new set of eyes will see things differently."

Lambeth wins OBA Midget C

Lambeth claimed the Ontario Baseball Association Midget "C" Championship on Sunday defeating Petrolia 10 to 0. The tournament was held in Leamington.

Lambeth did it the hard way, waiting out a seven-hour rain delay and then upsetting the previously undefeated Petrolia team twice.

Geoff Mann earned the win in the final, throwing a two hitter. The victory gave the lanky righthander three wins in the seven-team tournament.

Friday's Results:

Lambeth 1 - Dundas 0
Thunder Bay 7 - Leamington 1
Petrolia 1 - Essex 0

Saturday's Results:

Dundas 12 - Leamington 0
Lambeth 5 - Georgetown 0
Petrolia 4 - Thunder Bay 2
Essex 4 - Dundas 2
Thunder Bay 4 - Georgetown 2

Petrolia 1 - Lambeth 0
Petrolia 4 - Thunder Bay 0
Lambeth 3 - Essex 0

Sunday's Results:

Lambeth 6 - Petrolia 2
Lambeth 10 - Petrolia 0

Know a deserving amateur athlete?

(O.P.S.) - 2008 may seem like it's years away, but for athletes looking to compete at the Beijing 2008 Olympic and Paralympic Games the time crunch, in terms of training and preparation, is already here.

Training for the Olympic and Paralympic Games not only takes time and dedication, it also takes funding. This is where Visa, through the Team Visa program, steps in. Team Visa is a program created by Visa to help aspiring Canadian Olympians and Paralympians reach their goals.

As any top-ranking ath-

lete will tell you, it takes years of dedication and training to compete at the international level, and athletes need support between the Games as well as during Olympic and Paralympic years. Visa recognizes this and has opened nominations now for additional summer athletes to join Team Visa. Until September 30, 2006, Visa is asking friends, family, teammates and coaches to nominate deserving Canadian amateur athletes currently training for the 2008 Olympic or Paralympic Games to become a part of the Team Visa program.

This is the first time the nominations have been open to the public, and Visa

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is looking for a total of five Olympic and two Paralympic hopefuls to join the already impressive roster of Team Visa athletes. Eligible nominees are athletes who are actively attempting to qualify for Canada's Olympic or Paralympic team for the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games. They should be currently ranked, or have the potential to be ranked, among the top 30 in the world in an individual sport, or on a team which is ranked, or has the potential to be ranked, in the top ten in the world.

Nomination forms and details of the selection process can be found at www.teamvisa.ca.

Exhibition play for 73's

The Essex 73's Junior "C" hockey club is gearing up for the first exhibition home-game of the 2006-2007 season against the Belle River Canadiens.

The 73's will hit the Memorial Arena ice at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 5.

Head coach Tony Pirotski said, after the game, the team will be very close to reaching its final line-up for the season.

Almost 100 players participated in the 73's training camp this season. The final roster will include about 23 players.

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