

Form Association to Operate All Minor Hockey Teams Next Season Scheme Backed by Local Lions Club

One of the most compact sports programmes ever to be established in Stouffville was discussed and unanimously passed at a meeting of the Lions Club on Monday evening. The project will include the operation of all minor hockey such as PeeWee, Bantam, Midget, Juvenile and a Junior entry. This large-scale hockey programme will be spread over two nights weekly. Monday and Thursday evenings have been set aside for an ice-rental fee of \$2.50 for the entire season.

Mr. Don Davis, who presented the Lions Club with the proposed plan, stated that he believed it would be possible to operate this hockey programme at a lesser expense to the Club than was involved in the season of 1956-57. He pointed out that 1 1/2 hours would be needed at the arena each week, which amounted to approximately \$9 per hour under the financial arrangement set down by the Arena Board. Mr. Davis noted that the regular hourly rate paid

by outside clubs was \$15.00. Although the final arrangements have yet to be worked out, it has tentatively been agreed that Monday night's programme will include the operation of the PeeWee League, the Bantam team and a Juvenile club. The ice will be available from 6 p.m. until the last game is completed. On Thursday evening, commencing at 4:30 p.m., the PeeWees, the Midgets and the Juniors will see action. Since under the past setup, each PeeWee player was receiving on an average of only six minutes of hockey per week, it has been decided to split the League and have two nights per week instead of one.

Each player on any one of the PeeWee, Bantam, Midget and Juvenile teams will pay a registration fee of \$180.00. Every person entering the arena for any of these games will be charged an admission fee of 25c.

A separate admission charge will be made for the Junior games.

The Hockey Association will operate under an appointed executive. The President, Treasurer and Convener will be members of the Lions Club. There will be a head coach over the entire system plus coaches and managers for each individual club. An equipment manager will be named to look after the sweaters, pads, sticks, etc., at both home and away games. Although men to fill these important posts have already been selected, their names will not be revealed until they have been contacted personally.

Mr. Ken Laushway, Pres. of the Arena Board, told the meeting that the proposed scheme was one that met with his complete approval. He stated that he considered the operation of only the PeeWees was a lost cause. He pointed out that the Arena Board had endeavoured to be fair and had cut prices wherever possible.

Markham Twp. Softball League Folds for 1957

The Markham Township Softball League will disband for the 1957 season. This decision was reached at a meeting in Markham Village on Tuesday night. Only two of last year's four clubs were represented, Messrs. Don Lunau, Len Henderson and Monte Holman were present for Markham. Jack Watson represented Buttonville. The three members of the 1956 Executive, Messrs. Jack Young, President, Ernie Appleton, Treasurer, and Wilf Bundy, Secretary were in attendance. Mr. Appleton reported a balance in the treasury of \$251.18.

President Jack Young expressed regret that it wasn't possible to get enough team representatives together to organize a balanced league. Jack Watson stated that he had been dissatisfied with the operation of the group playoffs for the past three seasons. He blamed the intervention of the O.A.S.A. playoffs as one of the main reasons for the league's downfall. The Markham Township League has been in operation as an organized group for the past 11 years. It was moved by Jack Watson and seconded by Len Henderson that a meeting be held early in April, 1958 in an effort to revive the Markham league.

Jack Watson, Coach of the Buttonville team, told the meeting that he had made arrangements last fall to enter his club in the Ontario County group with Brougham, Brooklin, Whitby, Pickering and Ajax. They are holding their organization meeting on Tuesday evening, May 7th. Coach Watson said that the "Sluggers" plan to use the "Stouffville" nameplate and perform in the Memorial Park. He expects the majority of his last year's team will be back again but hopes to work a number of local lads into the lineup. The funds in the Markham League treasury will be retained until next Spring when plans for a possible re-organization of the group will be discussed.

Pat Lehman Wins-High Single; Betty Wilkins High Triple

In the recently concluded Ladies Bowling League, Pat Lehman finished the season with a high single average of 190. Her mark was only one point better than Mrs. Betty Wilkins' who chalked up an average of 189. In the high triple department, Mrs. Hilda Epworth topped her class with an average of 325. Bernice Nelson was the runner-up with 288.

Ruth Wagg's "Blowouts" finished the regular schedule in first place, although her team succumbed to the "Spitfires" piloted by Gladys Ford in the playoff round. The members on the Ruth Wagg's club were Frankie O'Boyle, Marie Jack, Ruth Smith, Vi Booth and Margaret McWhinney.

Candidate



Mr. L. E. "Tim" O'Neil of Stouffville has announced his intentions to seek a seat on the O.H.A. Board. "Tim" has always been one of Stouffville's foremost sports promoters and the local citizenry will be pulling for him on Saturday when the annual elections will be held. Mr. Ab Hulise of Aurora has been appointed to a Vice Presidency, a position which he can easily fill.

The Stouffville Juvenile baseball club held its first practice session in the park on Saturday afternoon. The Management reports the diamond to be in very good shape for this time of year.

Claremont Softball Managers To Meet on Thursday

Members of the Claremont Community Softball Executive, Messrs. Bob McLeod, Bill Evans, Jack Mansell and Gord Symes will meet with the Managers of the five teams now entered in the group on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. The meeting will be held in the office of Chas. Cooper's Hardware. The rules and regulations for the coming season will be drawn up at this meeting and it is important that all clubs be represented. Each team will have one vote.

To date, only five clubs entered, Mt. Zion, Altona, Greenwood, Claremont and Peach's. Both Uxbridge and Peach's have been contacted but have declined the invitation to field teams. There is a possible chance that either Goodwood or the Fourth Line may round out the six team loop. Raglan have stated definitely that they will not be back after a rather disappointing year last summer.

It is expected that the following team representatives will attend: Mr. Lorne Jones, Mt. Zion; Mr. Rae Hill, Altona; Mr. Les Wilson, Greenwood; Mr. Al Hall, Claremont; and Mr. Jack Warriner, Peach's.

More Than 550 Players in North York League

The North York Hockey League wound up its final playoff week last week after completing one of its finest seasons. The league had a record entry list of 27 teams. More than 550 players performed in the group, making it one of the largest leagues operating within the confines of the OMHA. Included in the entry list were five juvenile, eleven minor and eight bantam teams. First year clubs were Stouffville, Bradford and Sutton. Other communities represented were Alliston, Beeton, Schomberg, King City, Woodbridge, Thornhill, Lake Wilcox, Aurora and Newmarket. Aurora captured two of the league's three trophies, the Bantam and Midget championships. The Aurora Lions, the route to win the OMHA Bantam "B" title.

Peach's Complete Clancy Schedule Without a Loss

Peach's A.C. completed their regular schedule in the King Clancy League on Monday night, competing in nine games and out a loss. They won eight and tied one. Although the squad swings into the sudden death playoffs this week.

On Monday evening Peach's were forced to stage a two-goal rally in the final frame to eke out a 2-2 tie with the Toronto "Tophatters". Murray Grove and Murray Lewis were the marksmen for the locals. They face this same club in a crucial contest on Wednesday night, and if successful, move on to meet another rival in a Friday night tilt. In the goal-scoring department throughout the regular schedule, John Reesor topped the team, notching eight tallies. Murray Grove, Harold Hodgson and Bud Anthony potted six and Don Thomas fired five.

Softballers To Meet May 17th

The organization meeting of the Ontario County Softball League will be held on Tuesday evening, May 7th at 8 p.m. in the Pickering Community Hall. Mr. Jack Bond of Brooklin, a member of the league executive, informed the Tribune this week they hope for a very successful season. He said that last year's clubs plan to return, including Brougham, Pickering, Ajax, Brooklin and Whitby. He added that additional entries might be forthcoming from Whitby and Mt. Zion. Stouffville may also place an entry in this group. A definite decision on such a move will probably be made later this week.



A large contingent of Stouffville and district hockey fans attended the 7th and final game of the Whitby-North Bay

Eastern Canada Senior "A" series played in Maple Leaf Gardens on Saturday night. The Dunlops won the game

and the series. Pictured above is one of the many thrilling plays that had the fans on the edge of their seats throughout the contest. Whitby's Long John Henderson, a former member of the Boston Bruins, slides out to smother a shot from a North Bay player. Alfie Treen of the Dunlops is attempting to shoulder the attacker out of the play.

BOX GROVE

The May meeting of the Box Grove W.A. will be held on Wednesday evening May 1st at the home of Mrs. Walter at 8:30 sharp. Projects of the evening are a mini-bake sale and a collection of articles for the bazaar fish pond.

Miss Jane Armstrong of the "Telegram" will be speaking on Tuesday afternoon, April 30th at the Brougham United Church. Anyone who is interested in going to hear Miss Armstrong, please call Mrs. Dowdell, 7857.

The students of the senior room at the Box Grove School would like to extend their thanks to all those who helped in the paper collection last week. Although the collection was smaller than usual, less than two tons, they were able to clear about \$9.00. It is expected that there will be another paper collection in the fall so don't forget to save your papers through the summer. If they are tied in bundles as they accumulate they will take up less room and also be easier for the boys to collect. There was no eucure last week, but there will be a game as usual this Friday evening at the school house.

Mr. and Mrs. Coakwell and Brian went to Terra Cotta on Sunday and returned home with

Granny who will be staying here for a while.

Visiting with Miss Gail Hardy for a few days is Miss Hope Grayson of Agincourt.

The Hi-Fi Club announces that it will be holding a "hard times" dance at 8:30 on Friday evening, May 3rd at the Youth Centre. Admission will be 35c and all teenagers are welcome. They also tell us to watch out for another Food Basket draw to be held soon.

On Tuesday evening the girls and boys Junior Clubs will be holding a party with games and refreshments and on Wednesday evening the girls and boys Senior Clubs are planning to do the same, but they will have bingo instead of games. During the past season of the Youth Centre, which incidentally was the best yet, over thirty adults participated in club activities and the executive council extend to them sincere thanks for all the time and effort involved. During the season some more of the mortgage was paid off, but as there is still \$300 owing, any contributions would be greatly appreciated. With the regular club activities over, there now remains the baseball season which will start as soon as three men can be found to take on the three baseball teams. Volunteers please call Mr. Murray Dowdell at 7857.

ALTONA

Last weekend a number of the homes in the district entertained the members of Bethel College Choir after their very enjoyable musical evening in the U.M. Church on Sunday evening.

This Easter weekend, various missionaries spoke at the special services at the Altona Church. Sunday morning, 139 persons were present to hear Miss Wilson tell of her experiences in Nigeria, and in the evening Rev. Grant Sloss showed pictures of his work as a missionary. While in the community, Rev. and Mrs. Sloss were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Lewis.

Mrs. Vivian Carson and Ondine of Toronto spent the Easter weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bunker.

Mrs. Al Jakeman and Brad are holidaying this week with her sister, Mrs. Henry Mononen and family of Galt.

Don Goudie and Harry Benson were home for the Easter weekend from their work in the Blind River district.

Tommy Bunker is spending a few days with his cousin Donnie Bunker in Goodwood.

Patsy Lewis is also holidaying in Goodwood at her uncle Harry

Harper's home.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hope moved this week to their farm which was formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Reid.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Logan and daughter from Palmerston spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Wideman.

Please phone 91815 with four news. Since all the phone numbers have changed it is more difficult than ever to reach everyone. The fine new apartments above the Altona Feed & Supply Block are fast being completed and some of the tenants are scheduled to move in this week. The apartments are quite spacious, have modern conveniences and are quite an addition to the hamlet of Altona. Mr. and Mrs. Fern Cyr of Willowdale and Mr. and Mrs. F. Poirier of Weston will be the tenants.

Mike McMahon of the Brooklin Jr. "C" Combines, suffered a fractured wrist in Saturday night's final game with Parry Sound.

Murray Stewart scored both the high single and the high triple totals in the recently concluded 1956-57 Men's Bowling League. Joe Murray Jr. completed the season with the high average.

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