

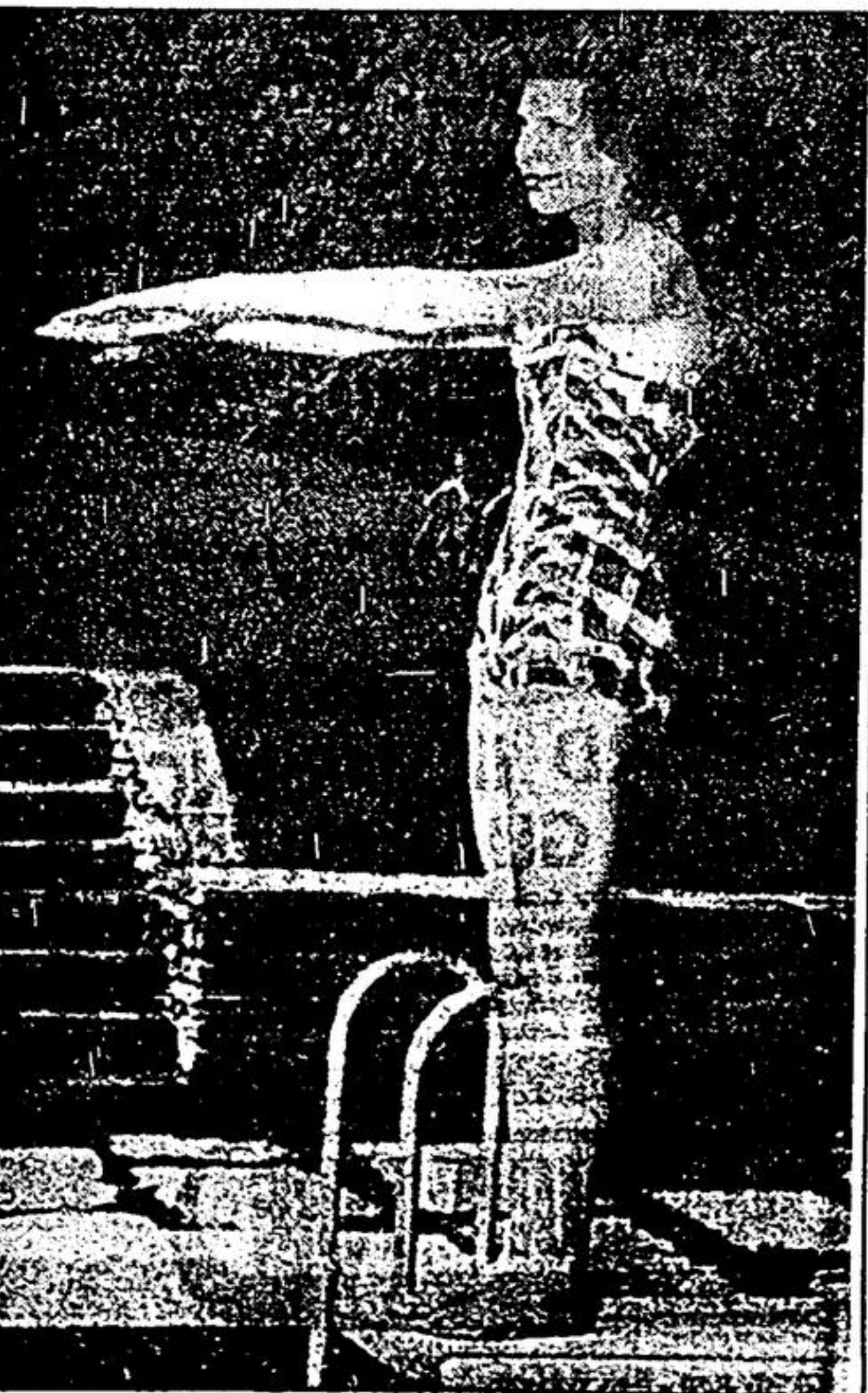
SPORTS



An adequate knowledge of lifesaving is one of the prime requirements for a pupil to pass his or her Red Cross swim tests. Fifty boys and girls are currently enrolled in a 3-week training program at Claremont. Pictured here, Mrs. Helen Vizely, local instructor (rear), keeps a watchful eye on 12 year old Marilyn Madill as she is "rescued" from the water. —Staff Photo



Three pretty Claremont hour training session. They mermaids are pictured here on the edge of the open air pool after completing a one- —Staff Photo



Fourteen year old Lyn Roszell of Claremont is a pupil in the Intermediate class. Learning how to complete a proper dive is one of the most difficult lessons. Lyn prepares to take a cool plunge into the pool from an elevated spring-board. —Staff Photo

Ray Ward Slams Two Home Runs In Claremont Win

Claremont's Ray Ward wielded a potent bat on Monday night as he led his team to their eleventh victory of the Community Softball League schedule. The lanky outfielder belted a pair of home runs as the group's front-runners chalked up a 10-3 win over Brougham. It was Claremont's tenth victory in a row.

The Claremont red-head smashed a round-tripper in the third and duplicated the feat in the sixth with a solid drive into right field. Bob Redshaw gained credit for another win, although he appeared a trifle shaky in the opening innings. Grant Pascoe worked the seven inning route for the Brougham boys.

Moving into the bottom half of the third inning, Brougham held a 3-0 lead. Johnson, James and Stu McGuckin rounded the sacks. Claremont's plate offensive started to roll in their half of the third when they bunched together six hits and an error for five runs.

A single by Gord Allman pushed Garry Evans across in the fifth to make it 6-3. Bob Redshaw, Doug Allman, Ray Ward and Bob Paquette sewed up the Claremont victory in the sixth.

Bob Redshaw enjoyed a great night at the plate for Claremont with two singles and a triple. Al Johnston, Broughams lead-off batter, collected two singles.

Jack Bradshaw turned in some fine fielding plays for the Claremont squad and "robbed" the Brougham batters of would-be hits with some great glove work. Veteran third-sacker, Stu McGuckin looked good for Brougham. He grabbed a line drive off Don McCurdy's bat in the fourth that appeared headed for extra bases.

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Juveniles Lose By 9-3 Score

Stouffville Juveniles suffered a 9-3 setback on Monday night when they played host to Newmarket Midgets in a scheduled North York League contest. Dave Smalley gained credit for the victory with a 7-hit mound performance.

Two of Stouffville's plate productions came from the bat of Larry Spang. Two other runners scored ahead of safeties by Barry McLean and Glenn Jackson.

Mt. Zion Rally Falls Short

A late-game rally by Mt. Zion on Monday night fell one run short of tying the score with Brooklin in a South Ontario County League contest in the Brooklin Park. They dropped a tight 3-2 verdict.

Brooklin scored all their runs in the third inning on singles by Elmo Gibson, Neil Bramley, Bruce Mitchell and "Dusty" Schell. They were held off the score sheet for the remainder of the contest.

Singles by Murray Jones and Don Ferguson pushed John Hill across the plate for Mt. Zion in the sixth. With the bases empty, Grant Jones socked a home run to close the gap at 3-2. They had the tying and go-ahead runs on the base paths in the 7th, but both men were left stranded. Bramley aided his own cause by collecting two of Brooklin's seven hits. Leftfielder Murray McDowell connected for a pair of safeties for Mt. Zion.

Hawks Edged By 7-6 Score

The Uxbridge Intermediate hockey club appeared equally adept in the art of swinging softball bats when they forced Claremont to the limit before bowing to a 7-6 decision in an exhibition contest on Friday night. The game was witnessed by a good turnout of fans.

Brian Kennedy, an Uxbridge recruit, drove in the winning run for Claremont. Lloyd Pascoe and Bob Redshaw shared the mound chores for the winners. Frank Hendy and Neil Pascoe worked on the hill for the hockey visitors.

Umpire Stops Game When Players Refuse To Leave the Field

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Marg. Smith Sparks Stouffville Girls to 16-10 Win Over Newmarket

Lead-off batter, Marg Smith may be one of the lightest performers on the Stouffville girls' team but with a bat, she packs plenty of power. She proved this on Wednesday night when she belted out four hits to spark the homesters to a 16-10 win over Newmarket. The Stouffville left fielder is no long-ball hitter. She concentrates, however, in slipping ground ball singles through the infield that are good for at least one or perhaps two bases. On Wednesday, she connected for three singles and a double. She was robbed of another extra-base blow in the eighth inning. Shortstop, Dana McGrath gloved a line drive that was headed for the daisies.

Jane Cook gained credit for the win. She ran into trouble in the eighth and was clipped for six runs off four hits, but a lengthy lead built up by her mates, kept the two-point victory secure. Dorothy Kmet handled the pitching chores for Newmarket.

Gwenn Kennedy enjoyed a good night at the plate for Stouffville. She collected four singles. Ila Redshaw, batting

Ron Jones Puffs Damper on Claremont

Ron Jones made his debut in the Claremont Community Softball League on Thursday night and his mound skill put a "damper" on Claremont's plate offensive. A legal performer with Altona, the whirlwind righthander took over in relief from starter, Eric Pilkey in the sixth inning. He retired the opposition in one, two, three order. The damage had been done, however, and Claremont posted an 11-8 victory.

Gord Allman was the only Claremont batsman to touch Jones' offerings. He belted a drive into right field for a long-ball out. Five others were retired on strikes.

Lloyd Pascoe started on the hill for Claremont but gave way to Bob Redshaw in the sixth. Eric Pilkey was Altona's most potent batsman with a triple and a double. Glenn Byer poled a triple and a single.

Uxbridge Rally Nips Greenwood

Uxbridge (The Maples) pulled a two-point victory out of the fire on Wednesday night when they rallied with four runs in the final inning to nip Greenwood 9-8 in a Claremont Community League softball encounter.

Greenwood held an 8-5 lead when Uxbridge came to bat in the sixth. Two infield errors and a pair of hits by Bill Harwood and Gary Houck sewed up the "Maples" win.

Greenwood opened the game with a solid barrage of five hits and a walk to score six runs. They added a pair in the third. Uxbridge refused to accept defeat and completed their uphill come-back with a late-game burst in the sixth.

Gary Houck was the game's big hero with a home run and two doubles in four trips to the plate. Bruce Houghland also slammed a round-tripper. Bill Harwood and Bob Ashenhurst each tapped out a pair of singles. Earl Pilkey, Ken McTaggart, Bob Clodd and Bruce Redshaw each connected for two hits. McTaggart blasted a three-bagger in the first inning.

Ballantrae Slips In League Race

A few short weeks ago, Ballantrae was a potent contender for the group lead in the Claremont Community Softball League. Plagued by a recent shortage of men, the club has hit the skids until they now find themselves in a precarious sub-playoff position. Both Brougham and Pickering are rapidly gaining ground on their northern rivals.

Ballantrae has now lost three in a row. Two of these defeats have been by default. They failed to field a team on Monday night and handed Altona a soft two-point victory. They could scrape together only eight men for a contest with Brougham on Thursday. The game was played out, however, with Brougham the victors on a brilliant one-hitter by Grant Pascoe.

New Players Join Girls' Squad

Two of Newmarket's top softball stars have been signed to strengthen Stouffville's entry in the Provincial Women's Playoffs. Colleen Cain, an outfielder and Helen Watt, a first baseman have been acquired. Another girl, a pitcher, may also be added.

Miss Cain may possibly perform in right field. She is also a prolific batter. Miss Watt has worked on the Newmarket mound staff and will be on call for relief work if required. The Ontario playoffs will begin during the latter part of August.

Markham Wins 10-3

Markham "Aces" turned on their former mate, Bruce Middleton and clipped him for eight hits on Tuesday night to defeat Mount Albert "Mounties" 10-3 in a pre-playoff exhibition game.

Whirlwind righthander, Middleton was given feeble fielding support. His team committed 8 errors. "Lefty" Bob Ellis returned to the Markham mound staff after suffering an injured finger more than a week ago, and limited the visitors to four hits. Nelson Case cranked out the most potent drive of the game for Mt. Albert, a 2-run homer in the eighth. Al Tidsbury and Bill Johnson belted round-trippers for Markham. Rod McArthur slammed a pinch-hit triple.

Al Tidsbury is enjoying a much-improved season at the plate this year. In addition to his four-base blow on Tuesday, he clouted a double in the first and was "robbed" of a hit in the fourth when centrefielder, Elmer Paisley completed a nice running catch. Bob Atkinson connected for a two-bagger and pulled off an over-the-shoulder Mickey Mantle catch on a drive by Brian Stokes in the sixth.

Beat Newmarket 4-1

Southpaw, Glenn Jackson chalked up another impressive victory on Thursday night when he hurled the local Juvenile club to a 4-1 win over Newmarket. A good crowd of fans watched the game.

The schedule has been altered for a third time this season and the revised copy will be published when available.

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 25—Nwmkt Juveniles at Aurora
 27—Nwmkt. Midgets at Alliston
 28—Aurora at Nwmkt. Juveniles
 31—Aurora at Nwmkt Midgets
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 1—Nwmkt Juveniles at Stouff.
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