

Pee-wees win pair

Markham's Wellington Way Rental Pee-wee softball boys opened their season on a winning note, taking two of their first three outings.

Game one was a 14-7 decision over East Gwillimbury. Markham grabbed a 4-0 lead after two innings, but the opposition replied with seven unanswered runs.

Then it was the locals turn, and they put together five runs in the fifth and five more in the seventh to grab the win.

Ryan Kennedy, Jim Cooper and Jamie Rickard paced the offence with two singles apiece.

Game two was another comeback affair for Markham, which was behind 4-2 after three innings. Two runs in the fourth tied it up, and Derek Candolini's triple with two men on in the fifth put the game on ice.

Markham ran into a hot pitcher against Newmarket, getting no hits and finished on the losing end of a 13-0 score. What didn't help matters any was 11 Markham errors.

Markham athletes win fun run

Markham residents Steve Wallace and John DeFinney were the big winners at last weekend's Unionville Festival Fun Run.

DeFinney, a well-known local chiropractor, took top spot in the 10-kilometre event ahead of Jeff Murphy and Mark Houseman.

Wallace, equally known for his track and cross country exploits at Markham District High School, won the 5-km. distance and with father Dave, captured the family division too.

Overall, more than 500 runners took part in the 10th annual event, held early Sunday morning.

Other 5-km. top-three finishers: KINDERGARTEN — GRADE 3: Paul Chapman, Alexander Hutton-Jay, Trevor Taylor (boys); Lindsay McLeod, Kelly Lawrence, Holly Vear (girls).

GRADES 4-6: Brad Griffin, Darren Pembleton, Syl Apps Jr. (boys); Kim Orr, Melanie Closs, Kira Lee Andrews (girls).

GRADES 7-8: Steve Whitson, Andy Moeser, Jim Cuttle (boys); Jenny Leithwood, Debbie Chin, Cindy Closs (girls).

HIGH SCHOOL: Steve Wallace, C. Morgan, Grant Hunt (boys); Jill Gengenbach, Shannon Horn-

er, Carolyn Brndiar (girls).

OPEN: Lorne Chapman, David McLeod, Tom Wilson (men); Patti Campbell, Brenda Hill, Sandra Warth (women).

MASTERS: Dave Wallace, Ken Murray, Bill Kennedy (men); Leticia Phillips, Susan Stewart, Anne McMullen (woman).

Markham boys come up short

Mr. D International baseball Bantams came up short twice in recent contests.

An 8-6 loss to Tottenham saw Markham rebound from a second-inning six-run deficit. Todd McDowell, Ryan McIntyre and

Top three 10-km. finishers include:

GRADES 4-6: Keaton Mistry, Peter Lount, Bruce Ellis. FAMILY: Frank and John Zechner. GRADES 7-8: Dalen Sharp, Ian Reay, Andrew Bennett (boys); Lea Cresswell (girls).

HIGH SCHOOL: Rob Balfour,

Jeffrey Bryce, Scott Miscampbell (male); Jenny Beattie, Carolyn McLeod, Leigh Walton (girls). OPEN FEMALE: Tracey Havery, Lindsay McDermid, Coleen Wilson.

MASTERS: Al Quartermain, Harry Mason, Michael Morrow (men); Susan Foley, Janet Crone, Suzanne Quartermain (women).

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But Jones, who came home

from third, was called out for missing home plate. Everyone after him was therefore ruled out, too, except for Donaldson. That left Markham one run short.

Price finished up with two hits, while Davies, Bates and Jones all had singles.



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JIM MONK



DONNA BRADLEY

Athletes honored

Jim Monk and Donna Bradley have walked away with the top athletic awards at Markham District High School.

The pair, both 19-year-old grade 13 students, were named the male and female athletes of the year, respectively, last week.

Monk earned his honor for performances on the school's Senior football and rugby teams. In fact, he picked up the most valuable player (MVP) award for rugby.

As well, Monk captained the squad, was a starting receiver on the first-ever York Region allstar football team, did some work on the Student Athletic Association (SAA), and earned his Big M participation letter.

Bradley was the obvious choice for top female. She was a veteran member of the basketball, team handball and volleyball squads, represented MDHS on the track

team, and was the SAA vice president.

Brooke Hewson, Mike Notaro and Jamie Aldcorn collected Athletic Citizenship awards, for their behind-the-scenes work in sports organizing and fundraising.

Other Big M letters went to Lisa Colley, Melissa Gayowsky, Jill Gengenbach, Hewson, Kathy Shore, Laura Stone, Bill Cripouris, Henry Shannon, Dave Spence, Kevin Wilson and Eric Grant.

MVP honors were awarded to: GIRLS VOLLEYBALL — Carrie Lanning (Junior), Brooke Hewson (Senior); BOYS VOLLEYBALL — Craig Lanning (Midget), Junior Clayton (Junior), Romy Chinsand (Senior); GOLF — Dave Pashko (Junior), Mike Bryniawsky (Senior); TENNIS — Troy Binnie, Mark Hluchan (Junior); Tracey and Jonathan Tammela (Senior); CROSS COUNTRY — Steve Wallace (male), Natalie Closs (female); TRACK — Natalie Closs (female), Tim Moller (male); SOCCER — Gary Bodineade (Junior), Bill Cripouris (Senior), Sandra Dietrich (Girls); GIRLS BASKETBALL — Chris Newman (Junior), Lisa Colley and Karina Watson (Senior); BOYS BASKETBALL — Glen Dalgleish (Midgets), Dave Whitt (Senior); FOOTBALL — Dave Jasper (Junior), Iain Forster and Brian McMaster (Senior); RUGBY — Scott Stover (Under 15), Dave Gallifent (Junior); CURLING — Brian McLean; SKIING — Kathy Shore (female), Henry Shannon (male); BADMINTON — Amin Jivraj (male), Kathleen Kwan (female); GYMNASTICS — Kim Harper; ARCHERY — Mark Manders; TEAM HANDBALL — Lisa Colley (girls), Rob Gibson (boys); CHEERLEADERS — Val McTavish (Junior), Melissa Gayowsky (Senior).

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