

Unionville Mites win playoff title

Rookie outfielder Lisa Fleishman surprised coaches and teammates with her pitching heroics hurling Unionville DGS Group Softball Mite Girls to the league playoff title.

The team completed the 1987 season boosting their overall record in league and tournament play to 19 wins and three losses.

After finishing in first place in their four-team league and placing third in the recent Ontario championships, Unionville entered the league round-robin tournament as the favorite.

In the first game against Aurora Unionville started fast as Krista

Redvers, Jessica Bell, Sara McAlaine, Cynthia Weibert and Corrie Hinch scored for a 5-3 first inning lead.

In the second, Lisa Fleishman, Beth Will, Kelly Knuckle, Redvers and McAlpine scored to make it 10-8. By the final inning Unionville had built up a 20-13 lead and coach Bellmore decided to bring in a relief pitcher.

Since his regular reliever was out of town, he unexpectedly called on Fleishman whose pitching experience amounted to three games.

She shocked everyone but herself and her coach by striking out the

side with the bases loaded to stop Aurora's rally and preserve the win.

The next game was against Stouffville. Unfortunately "pitching ace" Jessica Bell suffered a nosebleed prior to the start of the game and this affected her control to the point where coach Bellmore decided in the middle of the second inning to replace her with Fleishman who pitched the rest of the game.

When Fleishman walked from her outfield position to the mound, the bases were loaded and Unionville was already trailing 6-9.

She proceeded to strike out two players and field a ground ball from a third, her relay to first for the out ending the threat.

Over the next two innings she recorded two more strike-outs and two more grounders which she fielded and relayed to first to shut down the Stouffville attack.

Meanwhile Melissa Sousa, Will, Bell, McAlpine, Weibert, Redvers and Kristy Bellmore scored to give Unionville a 13-9 lead.

Stouffville finally scored one in the sixth, but Beth Will led the local's attack with a homer and a triple for a 22-10 margin. Stouffville rallied in the top of the seventh to make the final 22-14. Fleishman, Bell, Will and McAlpine had 3 hits each in the game.

The final game saw Unionville play Thornhill (the only team to beat them in league play). Since Thornhill also had a 2-0 record in the tournament, this game was for the championship.

Coach Bellmore decided to start Fleishman as his pitcher, however, after a strong first inning performance she was pulled because her arm was tired.

The coach replaced her with regular pitcher Jessica Bell who had

been making some fine plays at third base.

Unionville built a 15-7 lead through four innings as Thornhill's only threat came when with the bases loaded a long fly ball was hit to deep right field but it was caught on the run by Fleishman who was now back in her regular position.

In the fifth and sixth innings Thor-

nhill scored seven times to close the gap to 16-14. However, in the bottom of the sixth, Bell, McAlpine, Hinch, Schuman and Knuckle scored to increase the lead to 21-14. Thornhill rallied for four runs in the top of the seventh but Unionville hung on for the win.

MVP awards went to Fleishman for pitching and Hinch for hitting.



CORRIE HINCH
Wielded a big bat



LISA FLEISHMAN
Outstanding hurler

Unionville Ladies

TEAM	W	L	T
Turner's Tarts	11	4	1
Red Eyes	10	6	0
P.O.W.s	9	6	1
The Blues Sisters	8	8	0
The G.O.B.s	7	8	1
The Sweet Ps	6	8	2

Baseball Bunnies	5	10	1
Amazing Greys	4	10	2
Red Eyes 22 — Turners Tarts 1			
POWs 12 — Blues Sisters 10			
Baseball Bunnies 19 — Amazing Greys 10			
Sweet Ps 21 — GOBs 10			

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Team	W	T	L	P
Galloways Furniture	12	2	0	26
Ford Electronics	11	0	3	22
Pilot Insurance	9	0	5	18
Optimist Club	8	1	5	17

Rep Sports	7	2	5	16
Dimaje Interiors	6	1	7	13
Markham Trophy	6	1	7	13
Lawn Doctor	2	1	11	5
Accurate Auto	2	0	11	4
Block Parents	2	0	11	4

Team	W	T	L	P
Milliken Meats	10	1	3	21
J D Electrical	9	1	4	19
Toronto Dominion Bank	9	0	5	18
Ford Electronics	8	0	6	16
Finch Kennedy Chiro	6	1	7	13
Italia Pizza	6	0	8	12
Karl Heinz Esso	3	1	9	7
Alex's Meats	2	0	11	4

Team	W	T	L	P
Domenics Hairloom	11	0	3	22
Gondola Hair Design	10	0	4	20
Emerson Radio Canada	8	1	4	17
Elio Clampini	7	0	7	14
Ford Electronics	6	0	7	12
Canada Millwrights	5	0	8	10
Foster Pontiac-Bulck	4	0	9	8
Milliken Roofing	2	1	11	5

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