

On yer mark, get set.....

'The Great Race' was held at Stouffville Dist. Secondary School, April 27. While numbers of entries were less than in some previous years, spectator interest was keen. This model looks almost roadworthy despite the fact it needs a shove.

—Blaine Kaneko

Here's one doctor who belongs on the golf course

By BLAINE KANEKO

Quiet, the doctor is performing surgery — at Maples of Ballantrae Lodge and Golf Club.

Instead of removing gallstones, tonsils and planters warts, Terry Miskolczi displaces hooks, slices and other glitches.

The self-proclaimed 'Golf Doctor', because of his background studying anatomy, physiology and kinesiology at Bowling Green State University in Ohio, has opened his practice at the Ballantrae course this year.

A former CPGA player, the 37-year-old Miskolczi has developed a unique individual instruction regimen he calls the 'Total Golf Experience' to help players of varied skills better their game.

Unlike other golf schools where a pupil receives one hour of training then doesn't return for one week, Miskolczi routine encourages two and three day packages including accommodations, all meals, green fees, golf cart and one-on-one lessons.

With the help of assistants Lori Farr and Mike Maki, the former NHL and WHA goaltending prospect has taken the conventional instruction process one step further. Sessions concerning video

analysis, fitness, nutrition and stress management are all a part of the 'Total Golf Experience'.

"This program is geared toward everyone," Miskolczi maintains. "We help you try and understand yourself. Everyone works on different levels. We teach the golfer how to practice effectively from the practice tee to the golf course. We give references to build on and to relate to."

"What I have to do is listen to the golfer," he continued. "I delve into who you are and what you are, to understand the player. If I don't have the ability to listen, I can't teach."

It's not the first year Miskolczi has managed the clinic. For the past few seasons at private facilities and last year at Vaughan Valley he enhanced his approach on a smaller scale.

So far with modest publicity, the first three weeks in May are almost filled to capacity; eight players a session is maximum.

Terry also oversees his Junior golf camp, mini school and business and golf program.

In session continuing from May through to September, the three day program is \$549, and the two day clinic \$395.

"We want to make the golfer comfortable, encourage them, make them feel wanted," Terry said.

"No question about it, we can improve any golfer. They will see the changes. Looking at the long range plan we hope to be the number one golf instructional in the country."

Swimmers missed

Not mentioned, but not forgotten are Jason Middleton and Jennifer Harding of the Uxbridge Swim Club.

The two 10 year-olds were a major force on the team's victory at Brock University April 16.

Brock was the site of the 'Quad A' Provincial Teams Championship.

On their way to capturing the title, the squad collected 47 medals in individual and team events.

Every swimmer on the 25 member unit brought home at least one medal.

Minor Hockey Annual Meeting Rep coach tears up certificate in anger

By BLAINE KANEKO

Who ever said volunteer work was a rewarding experience, was definitely not at the Whitechurch-Stouffville Minor Hockey Association Thursday night at the Recreation Centre.

The organization must have felt like dry cleaning proprietors as the annual meeting's modest crowd of 20 came to air the dirty laundry.

Seven of the eight member executive on hand fielded inquiries ranging from cost of registration to why there should be a rep team in Stouffville.

The most heated issues concerned competent refereeing in the house league, and the selection process for coach of the rep clubs. Clint Dickinson, a certified Level 3 coach questioned the coaching selection procedure. He was told the executive committee scrutinizes the applications for whom they feel will be the best candidate, not necessarily their coaching level credentials.

When informed by OMHA convenor John Hutchinson that coaches selected don't need a Level 1 certificate to apply, but need one by the start of the season, Dickinson became irate. He demanded to have his current rep team coaching application and tore it up to demonstrate his displeasure.

Concerned house league coach and parent Mike Morrison was especially displeased with the issue of officiating. He said if the referees failed to assess penalties, it was only a matter of time until a player would be seriously injured. As he said: "Nothing is going to change. Nothing is going to get better. I don't have the answers but I have a lot of questions."

According to treasurer Ed Grimsby, the greatest problem facing the organization is decreasing enrollment in Midget and Bantam, not just a local problem but province wide. The nucleus is in the younger divisions and that's where the focus should be. He went on to say the executive is frustrated too but there are no easy solutions.

"Sometimes I think it's just a thankless job," admitted WSMHA president Joanne Steel in an interview. But it's for the kids. There's no glory involved.

Also on the agenda was an amendment to the constitution to increase the executive from eight to 12. The motion was voted on and passed. Gary Hutchinson, Vic Date, Jack Vankouhnet, John Jacobs and Gary Harrison are the new members elected to serve a two year term on the executive.

There will not be an increase in registration rates this year, according to Mr. Steel. To keep registration fees constant with last year, the organization is running a Trip-A-Month raffle for \$1200 tickets which can be deferred with 12 postdated cheques. Purchasers have 12 chances at winning a trip to locations such as Puerto Vallarta, Las Vegas, Bahamas, or England, as well as 12 chances at winning \$100 in travel certificates.

On a very positive note, super hockey fan Jimmy Clarke did not have his second leg amputated as was the rumor around town. Doctors at Scarborough Centenary Hospital are watching his progress carefully. He currently convalesces in Room 523 and welcomes all visitors. Eventually he hopes to be transferred to Stouffville's Parkview Home.

Maples ranks with best

By BLAINE KANEKO

Stouffville is home to a golf resort catering to the 'working man'.

About 40 minutes from Toronto, on Hwy. 48 one mile north of the Bloomington Road is the Maples of Ballantrae Lodge and Golf Club.

While not as famous as its contemporaries in far away locations like Florida, South Carolina and the Bahamas, it's every bit as appealing.

The par 72, 6,421 yard terrain isn't long by today's standards according to manager and Canadian Professional Golfers Association member Tom Aird, but what it lacks in distance it compensates with quality.

The facility is challenging enough to appease the most ardent golfer with its dense shrubbery, contoured fairways, enormous water hazards and elevated greens, but also provides a scenic background and playability for

the average duffer.

In Aird's estimation, the 17th hole is the most trying. Teeing off into a headwind, the 385 yard hole has a long carry over water, a narrow landing area, and a raised green surrounded by trees and dense flora.

"Our type of course is geared to any player," offered Aird. "Easy to walk and aesthetically pleasing, but there are very few scores under 67 or 68."

Bill Petri second at nationals

By BLAINE KANEKO

Bill Petri was one good ball away from basking in the southern sun with Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck.

The 46 year-old Rupert Street resident went to Ottawa last weekend for the Walker's 'Special Old' National Executive Tournament.

Bowling in the treasurers' division, Bill was gunning for the first place prize of an all expense paid trip to Florida. Confronted by the provinces' top keglers, the regular Monday Night Men's League 'roller' completed five rounds with a 237 average.

He was 213 pins better than his 194 norm in the beat your average competition, just behind a bowler from Saskatchewan who hit for a 244 over five games.

"That's not much to win by in five pin," Bill offered. "It's really less than one ball difference."

"Going into the championship game I had no idea where I was in the standings. I didn't even bother to look at the board."

Having won the Walker's Ontario Championship and the local 'Beat the Champ' tournament, Bill said he felt no pressure at all.


"I felt great, absolutely great,"

he maintains. "If you have the weekend all paid for you should feel great. Everything was paid, room, food and they flew us down; all free."

Despite his second place finish, don't feel too much empathy for Bill. With his victory at the Walker's tournament in London last January, Bill earned himself and his wife an all expense paid trip to Florida; he leaves in November.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



FOR MARKHAM DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

Heather Vaughan took two firsts at the recent York Region high school gymnastics finals. She won in the beam and floor exercises.

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