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## STRIKE!

### Stouffville's Scott Evans heads for pitching fame

By BRUCE STAPLEY  
It says something about both the overall talents of Scott Evans, and the depth of the Canadian National Junior Softball Team, that if the 17-year-old makes the squad this summer, it could well be on the strength of his hitting.

The Grade 12 student at Stouffville District Secondary School is a flame-throwing right-handed pitcher whose pitching and slugging were instrumental in bringing an All-Ontario Softball title to Stouffville's Bantam rep team in 1987.

He pitched for the SDSS team that won its first ever York Region softball championship last year, and was conscripted to play for the Napanee team that went to the finals in the 1988 Canadian Midget playdowns.

And while he will be a key player in the Town Midget rep

team's drive for both the provincial and national titles this season, Evans has even bigger dreams swimming around in his head.

Evans found out last Monday he had made the Ontario Summer Games Softball Team that will compete against other provincial outfits at the Summer Games in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan this August.

But the brightest feather in his cap could be his inclusion in the lineup of Canada's Select Junior Team that will compete internationally this year.

Evans left Friday (May 12) for a six-day tryout camp in St. Catharines. He will then go to Oshawa today (May 17) for more workouts with the national team hopefuls.

The roster will then be cut by 10 players, after which time the team will head down to the United

States for exhibition games in Illinois and Massachusetts. Upon returning back to Canada, the final lineup will be announced May 25.

"It's a matter of how well I perform in the workouts" says Evans of his chances of cracking the national roster.

"If I don't make it as a pitcher, I could make the team as a designated hitter."

Carl Myers the 1988 All-Ontario champion Vandorf-Stouffville Juniors coach who will help coach Evans' Midget rep squad this year, feels the aggressive youngster has a good chance of

catching on with the Canadian team.

"They'll want him for his bat, and maybe his pitching too," says Myers.

And while anything he does after that may be anti-climatic, Evans is talking about doing a little pitching for the Richmond Hill Merchants this summer, which could see him pitted against the Stouffville Betz Pools Mens Fastball team.

"I pitched against Betz last year in a tournament in Fenelon Falls," recalls Evans. "I lost 1-0 on a home run by Mark Fockler."

Add it all up and it spells a busy summer for Scott Evans.



Photo/BRUCE STAPLEY

Scott Evans, the dynamic young pitcher for the Stouffville Midget rep squad, will get a chance to crack the line-up of the Canadian team this summer. He will also likely compete at the Canadian championships this year, in Saskatchewan. The 17-year-old attends Stouffville District Secondary School.

## Beecher sets record at York track meet

By BRUCE STAPLEY

It was Anne Beecher in a hop, skip and a jump Thursday at the York Region Track and Field Meet at York University.

The Stouffville District Secondary School student set a new regional record in the Senior Girls' Triple Jump and was given the gold medal as Senior Girls' Over-all Champion of the meet.

She also had a first in the Senior Girls' Long Jump, with second-place finishes in Senior Girls' 100-metre dash and the Senior Girls' 4x100 Relay.

Stouffville's Les Hartai placed second in the Junior Girls' Long Jump, the Triple Jump and the Junior Girls' 4x100 Relay.

The SDSS over-all team was seventh out of 28 teams at the meet and will send 18 of its members to the Durham-York championship meet in Oshawa this week.

SDSS Track and Field Coach Scott Croucher was pleased with his team's showing and expects great things at the DYSSA meet.

"We did better than I expected, under awful weather conditions. Anne Beecher could set some records at DYSSA and even at the Ontario high school championships. She set records in Junior last year."

## Golf event planned for this summer

By BRUCE STAPLEY

Ged Stonehouse, Stouffville's golfaholic entrepreneur with a flair for the unheard-of, is in the process of arranging a golf spectacle that could turn this area into a network of nations come this August.

Stonehouse, through his own marketing company and along with Sportsmarketing of Toronto, is planning the Canadian International Junior Golf Week.

And, as with everything else this man attempts, the scheme is nothing if not ambitious — and original.

A total of 35 destinations, including nine Canadian provinces and countries ranging from the United States to Singapore, has been sent invitations to send their best foursome of 16-18-year-old golfers for an international golf exchange.

And he's already had a commitment from Korea, as well as immediate responses from Prince Edward Island and Bermuda. In all, Stonehouse is hopeful of bringing around 100 teens to the area for a week of low-key competition and some sightseeing.

Five local courses will be used in all, including the Maples of Ballantrae, Meadowbrook, Spring Lake and two more to be named later.

Players from other countries and provinces will be hosted by Toronto-York Region area kids, with a gala greeting and flag parade planned for Aug. 19 when they all

assemble for the first time.

Stonehouse calls it a "fun exchange" centering around golf. "There will be no cash prizes, just gifts, plaques and trophies." He claims there has never been a program of its kind in Canada.

If anyone can make it happen, Stonehouse can.

It's all systems go as baseball comes back to Stouffville this week.

The highly-touted Boyd's Sports Midgets will begin their home season Thursday night at 8:30 at the main diamond. These guys will definitely be worth watching this year, with a pitching staff thought to be one of the best in Ontario.

Stouffville's Betz Pools men's softball squad play their home opener tonight (Wednesday), also at 8:30 at the main diamond, against a team from the Richmond Hill loop they will be interlocking with this year.

And this coming weekend will see the seventh annual A&S Raiders Slo-Pitch tournament, a 32-team extravaganza with over \$2,200 up for grabs in prize money, along with the usual assortment of equipment bags, t-shirts and caps.

The kickoff is scheduled for Friday evening at the town park and will run through Sunday, with the holiday Monday being reserved as a rain date.

The tournament will also feature free dances at Latham Hall both Friday and Saturday nights.

## Burkholder knocks out a grand slam

The Stouffville District Secondary School boys softball team made it two consecutive shutouts Tuesday as they blanked Brother Andre 5-0 in their home opener.

Chris Burkholder's grand slam home run provided the offensive spark for the Stouffville squad. Pitching ace Scott Evans pitched four innings of no-hit ball with Burkholder taking over for the last two frames.

The defending York Region high school champion SDSS team is now 2-0 for the season, with two games scheduled for this week.

## SAHL hands out awards

They handed out the hardware Saturday night at the Cedar Beach Dance Hall as the Stouffville Amateur Hockey League held its annual banquet, dance and awards night.

With just under 300 in attendance, league president Henry Stevens presented Kim Kavluk with the trophy for leading scorer in the 30-years-old-and-over division, while Gord Ness took the 40-and-over honors.

Wayne Parrott was given the top goalie prize for the 30-and-overs, with Larry Penny named best backstop in the over-40 loop.

League champions were G&R Flooring in the over-30 division and Smurthwaite Bruins in the over-40.

A&S Construction players were presented with beer steins for taking the over-30 playoff round. Smurthwaite captured the over-40 playoffs.



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## Winners

The winners of the Area F North volleyball season Leah Kimmerly, Sylvia Jankulovski, Cathy Evans, were crowned recently, and this squad from Orchard Anne-Marie Roy, Steve Resink. In front, are; Cory Park Public School came out on top. From left, back Goertzen, Doug Frew, Mark Rennie, Brian Saunders, row, are; Pam Henry, Almee Gaston, Michelle Gilroy, Dwayne Lapp, Donald McClean, Shawn Sargeant.



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The SAHL presented awards to its top players at a Below, presenter Wayne Jackson adds a trophy to banquet Saturday night. Above, scoring champs Doug Todd and Kim Kavluk show off their hardware. play-off MVP.