

SPORTS



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Stolen base

Mark Meyer, of the Stouffville Mite Buttermakers, slides safely into second with a stolen base during action at the Buttermakers tourney on the weekend. Guelph second basemen Ryan Pettipere searches for the ball which Meyer knocked loose on his hard slide into the bag.

Summerhill, Moran hit grand slams

Stouffville's Action Signs Novice girls softball team fared well at a tournament in Barrie recently, but will have to wait awhile for the event to be completed as rain forced the cancellation of many of the games.

The Stouffville girls started the tourney with a 9-8 win over Cambridge. A strong pitching performance by Melissa Dawson and solid infield play by Stephanie Summerhill paced the win.

Stouffville led from the beginning and held Cambridge from tying the game after making several outstanding defensive plays. Hitting was supplied by Christie Henderson, Crystal Moran, Heather MacLaren, Lindsay Leyston, Daw-

son Summerhill and Krista Dudley. That evening Stouffville faced Richmond Hill and gave a strong pitching and hitting effort, but lost 8-4. Stouffville tried for a late comeback, scoring three runs in the final inning, but it wasn't enough.

Hits came from Ann Marie Roy, Stephanie Summerhill, Lindsay Upton, Heather MacLaren, Nicole Bardell and Melissa Dawson.

The rest of the tournament was rained out but will be completed at a later date.

In other action last week, the girls played and ventured into what became a see-saw battle against dropped a 14-13 decision to Newmarket.

Grand slams were hit for Stouffville by Crystal Moran and Stephanie Summerhill and a show of good defensive play was seen from Nicole Robinson, Nicole Bardell and Jody Grabiec.

Other hitters for Stouffville in the win were Chad Kerswell, Mark Meyers and Ian Anderson. Brett Boyd also whacked a triple and collected two hits for the group.

Mite Buttermakers win own tourney

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The Stouffville Mite Buttermakers captivated the crowd Saturday at Memorial Park as they won the championship of a six-team boys softball tournament.

Stouffville played a tight final game against Guelph, who had dominated in an earlier match, but Buttermakers forgot about their earlier mishap and put on the pressure to win the seven inning game 7-5.

The game was a seesaw battle all the way as Guelph scored in the first inning with Stouffville evening it in the second.

The opposition then scored two runs in the third, but Stouffville bounced back to take the lead on a three run homer by Ian Anderson.

The seesaw ride continued as Guelph again took the lead by three runs in the fifth, but it ended after the Buttermakers came back for two runs in the bottom of the fifth and an insurance run in the sixth.

Andrew Harper was named Most Valuable Player for Stouffville as he tossed 21 strikeouts in two games. Brad Johnstone won the Gold Glove competition for Stouffville with his stellar defensive play.

To open the tournament, Guelph beat the Buttermakers 2-1. Mattie Eagen scored the only run for the Buttermakers, and Brad Johnstone pitched a complete seven innings.

Game two saw Stouffville beat Stratford 7-4 after four innings. Andrew Harper went all the way on the mound for the winners.

The Buttermakers started quickly against Stratford, scoring three runs in the first inning with help from Mark Meyers, Brett Boyd and Mattie Eagen.

In action from last week, the Buttermakers beat Thornhill 14-6 behind the six-strikeout and two-hit performance of Brad Johnstone.

Other hitters for Stouffville in the win were Chad Kerswell, Mark Meyers and Ian Anderson. Brett Boyd also whacked a triple and collected two hits for the group.

The game highlighted the Buttermakers solid defensive work, while the offence consisted mostly of singles and doubles.

The Mites Buttermakers next game is tonight at Memorial Park on diamond one against Port Perry beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Spurs play well in loss to tough Barrie squad

The Stouffville Spurs men's soccer team lost a narrow 1-0 decision to the Barrie Wanderers Saturday night.

Considering the Wanderers are a top team, the Spurs effort was a good one.

Barrie took the lead in the first five minutes, but Stouffville then controlled the play for the rest of the match in what was one of their best efforts of the season.

Both Andrew Stansfield and Jon Lord put in outstanding performances for the Spurs.

The squad's next home game is Saturday, Aug. 4 at 5 p.m. at the Stouffville Recreation Centre fields.

Under-14s tie 2-2

The Stouffville Under-14 boys rep soccer team played Uxbridge to a 2-2 tie in recent action.

Damien Serjeant opened the scoring for Stouffville with thundering free kick at the 20 minute mark. Uxbridge tied the score, but Stouffville went ahead on a goal by Chad Dickinson, who picked up a loose ball in a scramble.

Kevin Morrow was strong in net for Stouffville, and stopped a penalty kick.

Acton tourney helps Children's Wish



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Many sports personalities turned out for the fourth annual Williamson/Keith Acton Celebrity Golf Tournament last Friday at the Mill Run club in Uxbridge. At left, Keith Acton lines up a putt, while in photo above, Hockey Night in Canada's Ron McLean tries to chip out of the woods. The tourney raised funds for the Children's Wish Foundation of Canada.

Girls hockey sign-ups tonight

Registrations for Stouffville girls hockey are slated for tonight, Wednesday, July 25, from 5-9 p.m. at the Recreation Centre.

Early sign-ups for the league are needed so that ice rental commitments can be made.

Also, if players register before September they can avoid the incoming GST.

Registration is open to all girls over the age of eight.

For more information, please contact John Summerhill at 640-7203 or Steve Upton at 640-3175.