

Sports



Okay, repeat after me...

"...You're outta there!" Carole Watson was one of a number of instructors running a junior umpires clinic last Saturday at Latham Hall. There were plenty of young folk eager to learn the rules and regulations and especially the hand motions -- about 50 came out to be coached during the one day event.

Uxbridge teen to try for Team Ontario hockey

Uxbridge's Ryan Harnett will be heading down to the University of Western Ontario in London to try for the Team Ontario hockey club at the end of this month.

Harnett, a 16-year-old student at Uxbridge Secondary School, was nominated by the Uxbridge Minor Hockey Association executive to attend the special preliminary under-17 tryout camp in Lindsay recently.

The camp included 68 Major Bantam players from five different centres.

Harnett, who played for the

Uxbridge Williamson Generals Bantams this past season, ended up among the 17 chosen to go on to London for the Team Ontario tryouts.

Players from four other areas are to compete for the provincial squad as well.

Thirty boys will then be picked to go to the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association (CAHA) camp at the end of June, where the Team Ontario unit will be chosen.

The top players from the team will qualify for the Canadian Junior Olympic hockey team.

Uxbridge skaters pass the test

April 30 was Test Day for Uxbridge Skating Club skaters, with the following members passing their tests:

Laurie Dyke, Michelle Mercier-Esmondé (preliminary freeskate and elements); Chris Moynes, Elizabeth Manwaring, Jerika Andrews, Jennifer Imrie, Sarah Pearsell, Alison Lunney (Dutch waltz); Brooke Batten, Rachel St. John,

Ashley Reinhardt, Sara Washington, Jessica Bodger, Laura Alonzi, Jennifer Ozolins, Myrna Davies, Cory Carter, Rebecca St. John, Nicole Shortt, Lindsay Gower (canasta, tango); Carolyn Roy, Victoria Leeming, Stefanie Pinquet (baby blues); Lars Ahlgren, Clinton Paisley, Lindsay Doble (swing dance); Victoria Reinhardt (fiesta tango); Katie Fockler (willow waltz); Carrie Reinhardt (ten fox, senior junior, silver dance); Shannon Kemp (European waltz); Sara Dart (foxtrot); Teresa Clarke (paso doble, senior silver dance); Lee Ann Pilkington (blues, senior silver dance); Jill Cassie (Viennese waltz, Westminster waltz, gold dance); Angela Harkness, Krista Elliot (bronze artistic); Sandra Cassie (silver artistic); Chris Moynes, Emily Ahlgren, Darcy Kemp, Brooke Batten, Ashley Jones, Rachel St. John, Ryan Davies, Jennifer Ozolins (preliminary figures and turns); Lars Ahlgren, Christopher McQuat, Lina Hamilton (first figures and turns); Carrie Reinhardt (second figures and turns); Chantal Fry (fifth turns); Denise Teel (senior silver freeskate program and elements only).

Hanover crushes Orangeville's hopes in semifinal

The Orangeville Crushers have finally met their match.

The Crushers, who swept the Uxbridge Bruins four straight in the All-Ontario Junior C semifinals in April, fell short in their bid for the provincial crown last week.

The Crushers fell 4-3 to the Hanover Junior C hockey team Sunday, giving Hanover the championship series four games to three.

The Crushers had come back from a 3-1 deficit to tie the best-of-seven set at three games a piece, before being nosed out in the deciding contest.

Banquet closes men's hockey season

They brought down the curtain on the Uxbridge Men's Recreational Hockey League season Saturday night, as the league held its 14th annual banquet at the Uxbridge Arena.

It was a night of celebration and frivolity, with master of ceremonies, ex-Durham York MPP Bill Ballinger, starting the evening off with his usual array of risqué jokes and witty intro-

ductions to the players. Red and Orange team members were presented with special shirts for winning the championship and consolation final respectively.

Don Ferguson was honored upon the occasion of his stepping down from the league executive, while Fred Anderson was given special recognition on his retirement as an active play-

er from the league. League president Ken Colucci announced that his organization had made a \$250 donation towards sending local junior wrestlers Ben Blain and Darryl Thomas to the Canadian Wrestling Championships in Saskatchewan later this spring. The banquet included the performance of a magician-comedian, and concluded with a dance.



Phil Young, assistant coach to the Red team of the Uxbridge Men's Hockey League, accepts a shirt for helping coach the Reds all the way to the championships, while president of the league, Ken Colucci, looks on.

Stouffville man coaches Canadian horse riding duo in Puerto Rico jumping event

The owner of a Stouffville area horse operation was chosen to coach a two-rider Canadian Junior team at a recent international jumping event in Puerto Rico.

John Pearce, the 31-year-old proprietor of Forest View Equestrian Centre on Hwy. 48 north of the Aurora Side Rd., led the duo to a

second and a fourth place finish in the 17-country competition.

The riders, Carrie Dickinson and Erynn Casselman of West Toronto, had the best showings of any competitors from countries other than the host nation.

Pearce, who won the Ontario Best

Ever Series in Show Jumping in 1990, was approached by the Canadian Equestrian Federation to coach the top-ranked Canadian Junior pair.

Pearce is a horse trainer who instructs and coaches at his horse centre. He also participates in high level jumping events himself.