

Sports

Briefs

V-ball Spartans finalists in Unionville tourney

The Stouffville District Secondary School (SDSS) senior boys Spartans volleyball team began its York Region title defence with a sweep in league play and a trip to the finals in a season-opening tournament.

The Spartans went the short route in match ups with Denison and Aurora in Monday's league opener in Newmarket, taking each set in two straight games.

The AA rated Stouffville squad made it all the way to the championship round at Saturday's tournament at Unionville H.S., bowing 15-9, 15-12 to AAA rated Dunbarton H.S. in the final.

The SDSS crew had defeated William Lyon MacKenzie H.S. 15-12, 15-10 in the semifinals.

The Spartans play at home to Huron Heights S.S. and Dr. G. W. William S.S. this coming Wednesday (Sept. 30) afternoon at the SDSS gym.

Uxbridge skaters perform Saturday

Twenty-four members of the Uxbridge Skating Club (USC) will perform at the annual Bursary Show at the Granite Club in Toronto this Saturday.

The (USC) skaters, who are from Junior to Senior level, will be part of a show that is to include singles and pair skaters from the Canadian World team.

The Granite Club performance begins at 4:30 p.m., with a second show scheduled for two p.m. Sunday at North York Centennial Arena.

The USC is planning to hold a bake sale at its Fall Test Saturday, October 3, at the Uxbridge Arena. The sale is to run from 10 a.m. through 2 p.m.



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Byron MacDonald, University of Toronto swim coach and former Olympic swimmer, makes a surprise during his talk to the Uxbridge Swim Club Wednesday. Marianne Limpert (far right), who swam at this year's Olympics, was a surprise guest at the banquet.

Olympian addresses Uxbridge swim club

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You've got to make a lot of sacrifices if you hope to make it to the top in the world of competitive swimming.

That was the message delivered by Canadian Olympic swimmer Marianne Limpert at the Uxbridge Swim Club (USC) banquet Wednesday night at the Music Hall.

Limpert, who placed sixth in the 200-metre individual medley event in Barcelona last month, said she had "no social life for six months" before this year's Olympic Games.

But the price was more than worth it, added Limpert, who was forced to overcome a shoulder injury on her way to this year's Olympics.

"Don't quit, always persevere", said Limpert, who won two gold medals at the Canada Games in Saskatoon in 1989. "But make sure it's always fun."

Limpert attended the banquet as the unexpected guest of special speaker Byron MacDonald. MacDonald is a former Olympic level swim-

mer who finished sixth in the 100-m butterfly at the 1972 Games in which Mark Spitz of the United States dominated.

He was a gold medalist at the 1970 Commonwealth Games.

MacDonald is coach of the University of Toronto varsity swim team. He also coaches Limpert and Marcel Gery, who swam with the bronze medal winning Canadian medley relay team at Barcelona.

MacDonald, who broadcasted swim events at the Barcelona Olympics, told USC members that competitive swimming was something they could take with them anywhere.

"You can have fun at swimming wherever you are," said MacDonald. "It's a great sport. There's a commitment there, but it pays off in the long run."

Referring to Limpert's competitive spirit, MacDonald told club swimmers not to be afraid to win. "There's nothing wrong with striving to do your best every time you hit the water."

Limpert and MacDonald, who both live in Toronto,

stayed to autograph swim club members team pictures after the banquet.

Thirteen USC members were honored for their achievements in the 1991-92 season.

Marsha Clouthier was recognized for winning the 200-m butterfly event at the Canadian Youth Nationals.

Melissa Thomas, Heather Lee, Melanie Bryon and Clouthier all won provincial championships - Thomas in the 200-m backstroke; Lee in the 100 and 200-m backstroke, and the 200-m medley; Bryon in the 200 and 400-m freestyle, and Clouthier in the 100 and 200-m fly and the 400 medley.

Others honored for making it to the top 50 in Canada in their age level were Brett Clouthier, Gillian Bryon, Judy Koonstra, Kelly Bryon, Laura Lee, Krista Wasylenky, Matthew Slater, Sandy Mark, and Mike Wasylenky.

USC head coach Terry Bryon was also acknowledged for his contribution to the club.

The swim club begins practices for the upcoming season this weekend in the newly renovated Uxpool facility.

Leafs fall to Blues in SAHL action

Wayne McMann fired the hat trick to give his Occasions Catering Blues a 3-2 win over the Rand Pools Maple Leafs Sunday in Stouffville Amateur Hockey League action recently.

Bob Allison and Phil Pirie had the Leafs' goals.

Scott Conner was a three-goal man as well, with his outburst helping the Boyd's Sports Sharks to an 8-0 whitewash of the A&S Construction Flames. Terry Gregory, Lionel Henry, Mike Jones, and Jim Hargraves also connected for the Sharks.

Bill Anderson scored the only goal of the game as the Villeneuve Heating Flyers shaded the Gallo Real Estate Red Wings 1-0.

And in another shutout, Mike Morrison, Doug Mereweather, and Jack Holder each scored as the Canadian Tire Black Hawks defeated the Smurthwaite Heating Bruins 3-0.

Bob Smith netted a pair, with singles going to Barry Gill, Matt Hawkins, and ex-Toronto Maple Leaf Bill Root, as the Village Landscaping Capitals edged the G&R Flooring Jets 5-4.

Darcy Milligan scored twice for the Jets, with Phil Redshaw and Dave Sheridan also clicking.

Bill Housser had two goals, and Jim Jones one, to give the Greens Restaurant North Stars a 3-1 triumph over the Stomark Rental Kings. Walter McDonald scored the Kings goal.

And it was Rich Hughes and Robert Smith scoring for the Spring Lakes Golf Nordiques, with Ron Tanaka and Doug Gornall replaying for the Stouffville Travel Whalers, as the teams tied at 2.

Raiders beat Classics in Oldtimers tourney

Pat Madigan scored two goals to help lift the Stouffville Action Signs Raiders to a 4-2 win over the Stouffville Classics in the B championship contest of the York Region Police Old Cruisers Oldtimers Hockey Tournament Sunday in Aurora.

Bob Lauder and Dean Tremaine also scored for the Raiders in the title match up, with Kim Kayluk and Pete Turner counting the Classics scores.

The Raiders won three of four games played in the three-day competition. They overcame a 3-1 deficit to prevail 4-3 over Vintage (York) in the semifinal game played earlier Sunday.

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