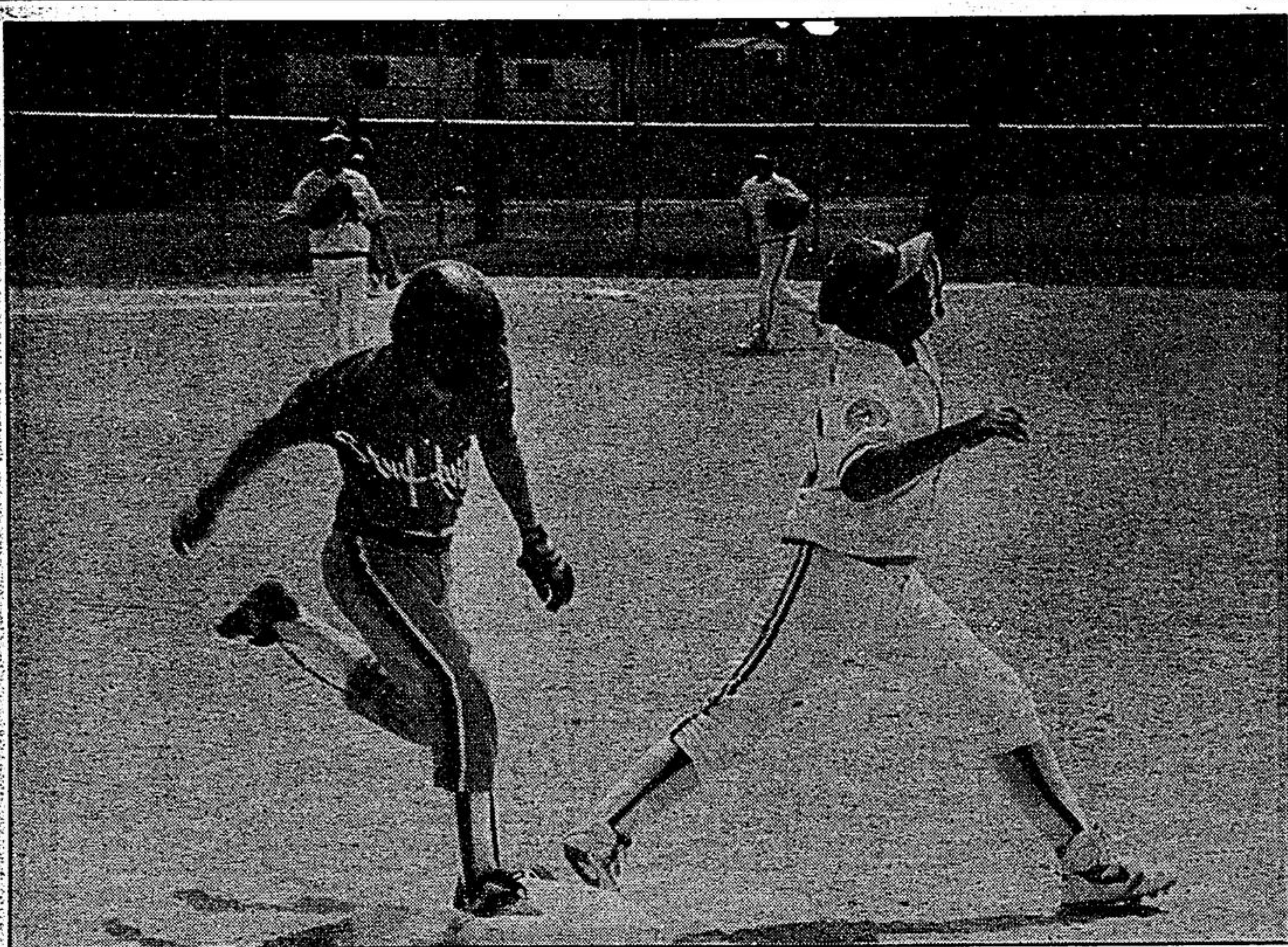


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Safe at first base

Stouffville Indians' base runner Chris Johnstone (left) legs out this grounder for an infield hit during action against Oakville in the Stouffville Peewee Baseball Tournament at the

town park on Saturday. Making the big stretch to catch the ball is Darrin Van Slack. Further details of the tournament can be found on page 15.

Touchstone peewees play perfect ball to capture St. Catharines tournament

The Touchstone peewee boys' rep softball team swept to victory at a tournament in St. Catharines Saturday, winning all four games played.

The Stouffville squad overcame a 4-0 fourth-inning deficit to post a 14-9 win over the host team in the championship contest, sending 17 batters to the plate and scoring 12 runs in the fourth.

The Touchstone entry led off the tournament with a 24-1 romp over Grantham, as pitcher Bob Lewis struck out eight hitters while

throwing a three hitter.

Kevin Mackert socked a home run and a pair of doubles, while Jason Heyworth had a triple, a double, and a single.

Rob Mazuka homered and tripled to lead Stouffville to an 11-4 triumph over Blackstock in game two.

Heyworth looked after the pitching and Hackert chipped in a triple and a single.

In the third contest, Mazuka singled home Rob Spytz with the game's only run, and Andrew

Harper pitched the shutout, as the Touchstone shaded Niagara Falls 1-0 to earn a berth in the championship match.

Harper was named tournament MVP.

Dan Tardella, Mark Meyer, Lewis, and Bill Wray also contributed offensively to the tournament win.

In league play last week, the Touchstone unit downed Port Perry 9-2.

Lewis and Harper shared the pitching assignment, while Tardella had three hits and three runs.

Bantams denied gold in Bramalea ball tournament

The Dean Myers bantam boys' rep team dropped only one game in their six outings last week.

But the defeat was a costly one, as the Stouffville outfit was downed 12-1 by Owen Sound in the championship match up of a weekend tournament in Bramalea.

The bantams led off the tournament with a 13-5 win over their league rivals from Thornhill, scoring seven runs in the first inning to set the tone.

Tom Hammond, Scott Assinck, Tim Smart, Norm Davis, Brad Hackert, and Mike Underwood each collected two hits for Stouffville. Mike Underwood and Christ VanKoughnet shared the pitching duties.

In game two, left handed pitcher Paul Koert was sharp as the Myers unit blanked St. Catharines 10-0.

Hammond had three hits in three tires to lead the offence.

Game three saw Stouffville and Fisherville battle to a 1-1 tie.

Underwood took to the mound and was outstanding for Stouffville, receiving strong support from his defence.

Evan Boyd, Assinck, Smart, and Shawn Sargeant combined to produce the Stouffville run.

But Stouffville couldn't contain Owen Sound in the title match up.

In league play last week, the Myers outfit defeated Newmarket 8-7 and downed Port Perry 4-1.

Boyd collected three hits and scored three times in the Newmarket contest.

Underwood recorded nine strikeouts against Port Perry.

The bantams play their home game Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. on diamond one.

Joseph hits the Stouffville links for a good cause

SPORT NOTES

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Ever since this spring's Stanley Cup playoffs, Curtis Joseph sightings are becoming as talked about as solar eclipses, blue birds, and even Elvis.

The suddenly spectacular goalie with the St. Louis Blues is being used as a drawing card for golf tournaments throughout Whitchurch-Stouffville. The nimble netminder, who played shortstop with the 1988 OASA Junior A fastball championship-winning Whitchurch-Stouffville Vandorf Juniors, played in Monday's Brett Hull Celebrity Tournament at Emerald Hills Golf Course. Apparently, the capable keeper of the cord cottage is a member of the course.

Joseph's name is also being dangled as bait for a tournament being held at the Maples July 22 as a benefit for the York Region Branch of the Canadian Mental Health Association. The event, which is being hosted by Newmarket Nautilus, is being billed as "The" benefit golf tournament.

The Maples will also be the site of the first annual Metropolitan Toronto Police Amateur Athletes Association Golf Tournament which is to replace the force's old Miss Toronto Pageant. The Leafs Doug Gilmour, Peter Zedel, and Mark Osborne are all on the committee, and should be present, along with other members of the team, says Maps pro Tom Aird. Being as this one is at the Maples, with so many Leafs present, Joseph may well avoid it.

Aird figures there should be some 20-25 NHLers present at the five-man team scramble event, which he hopes will raise from \$20-25,000 for the Hospital for Sick Children.

Of course, the Maples will also host the sixth annual Multiple Sclerosis Tournament Aug. 16, which is usually good for a \$10,000 contribution to M.S.

The Whitchurch-Stouffville Chamber of Commerce is holding its annual tournament June 28 at the John Evelyn Golf Centre. There will be a shot a Dean Myers Motors car, as well as the usual assortment of prizes. Phone 642-4227 for more info on this one.

Tim Lavell, his brother Mike, and his crew of five willing student volunteers were all at the Rec Centre at 7:30 a.m. last Friday morning to greet the dump trucks dropping off sand and gravel for the town's two new beach volleyball courts. The eager teens spent the day raking in the sand and gravel, and were just a part of a tremendous community effort. It all started with the town coughing up a maximum of \$2,000 for the project after Lavell made a presentation last month.

Standard Aggregates donated 100 tonnes of sand. Gormley Aggregates dropped off more sand at a reduced rate, and Peter Turner Excavating pitched in with \$500 of free work. Stomark Rentals lent a bobcat for the day, with Bill Milos, father of Stouffville District Secondary School student volunteer Marcus, driving the cat. The Stouffville Optimists chipped in with the nets and some volleyballs.

It looks like the new courts are going to be a hit.

Lavell says a beach volleyball club has already been formed, and will play three nights a week throughout the summer season. An adult league will take over the courts Tuesday nights, with the public welcome to use the new facility any other times.

There is to be a beach volleyball tournament at the courts July 3 as part of this year's Strawberry Festival. Called the Formosa Springs Open, it will include 16 teams of two players each, male or female.

If there is enough interest, a recreational fours tournament will be held the next day.

The Parks and Recreation Dept. is also getting in on the act, as a beach volleyball camp is to be held the second and third weeks of July.

This instructional camp will run in the afternoon, with 10-15-year olds welcome.

Call the Rec Office for details.

The Stouffville District Secondary School Spartans boys' softball co-coach phoned me the other day to tell me the team's new Dan McNeil Memorial Trophy was donated by Ian Boyd of Boyd's Source for Sports.

As for Dan's #10 Spartans sweater, which was encased in a glass and wooden frame, and presented by Sheila and Bob McNeil at the school's annual athletic awards night June 3, it was a project of the school's phys ed department.