

Sports

York Region Senior Games were a success



SPORT NOTES
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Back pointed to the efforts of Jean Smith, Lillian Thompson and Gladys Clarkson of the Stouffville Legion's Women's Auxiliary, who co-ordinated the food for the banquet.

He also expressed his gratitude to the Stouffville Lions, whose past president Thom Winters presented a cheque to games officials covering the cost of the medals during last Tuesday's lawn bowling competition.

Stephan Hirman was awarded a pair of gold medals in swimming events held June 7 at the town pool, competing in the 65 and over category.

The Vivian Sideroad resident won the 100-yard prediction swimming event, as well as the 25-yard sprint.

Hirman came back to land a bronze medal at the table tennis singles competition last Thursday at the Rec Centre.

The games are scheduled to be held in Markham next year.

GOOD YEAR FOR ACTON
Keith Acton was off to the Philadelphia Flyers team party when I called late last week to congratulate him on his successful coaching debut.

A former Flyers player, Acton was an assistant coach with the team, which went all the way to the National Hockey League eastern conference finals, losing to the Stanley Cup finalist New Jersey Devils.

Acton's wife Susan said everyone's pretty happy that the Flyers went as far as they did after a long playoff drought.

She said the Actons should be coming home to Stouffville around July 1, just in time for the Strawberry Festival.

MCININCH FINISHES THIRD

Amanda McIninch, daughter of former Eglinton Equestrian Club general manager Michele Leroux, was third in the novice division at the second Central Ontario Region of Pony Club CNE Show Jump qualifier June 11 at the Pickering Horse Centre.

The Cedar Valley resident is now a member of the Whitchurch Pony Club.

Top finishers in the qualifiers will represent the Central Ontario Region at the CNE Pony Club Festival in August, competing against champions from other parts of Canada.

NOMINATIONS ARE WELCOMED

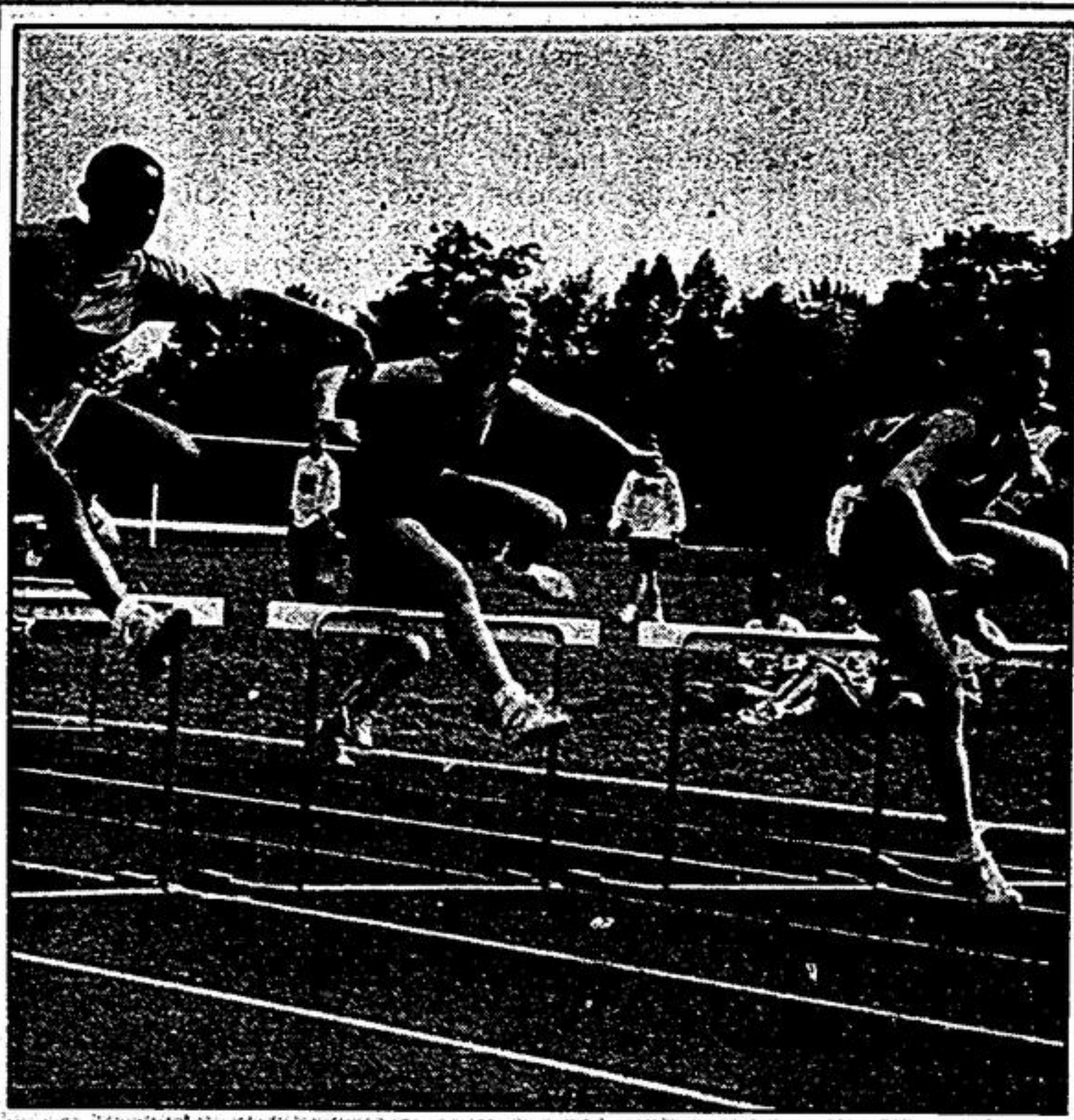
The Tribune's Athlete of the Week feature, sponsored by the Stouffville IGA, has attracted considerable interest in the past year or so.

We're always interested in hearing from a proud poppa or momma, aunt or grandparent about the athletic exploits of someone in their family.

While the feature is mainly for the kids, exceptions are made in the case of exceptional performances by adults.

Please feel free to phone me with suggestions.

It doesn't necessarily have to be a gold medal winning performance as much as a commendable feat for the individual involved.



High steppers

The Stouffville District Secondary School track played host to the Royal Canadian Legion District E Qualifier meet on Saturday. Part of the action saw (from far left): Chantalle Nellson, Sarah Hebbes and Beth Gaudry take part in the girls' 15 and under 80-metre hurdles. Gaudry won the event.

Photo/CHERYL JOHNSON

Rebels gain split in recent fastball action

Rob Watson was a perfect three for three, upping his batting average to a lofty .619 while scoring four runs to lead the Claremont Rebels to a 13-4 win over North York in a road game Wednesday.

But the Rebels were without Watson and ace pitcher Scott Evans at home the next night, falling 6-0 to the Scarborough Diamonds in North York Men's Fastball League action.

Tim Evans pitched for the Rebels in the victory over North York, furthering his own cause by stroking four safeties, including a triple. Evans had three runs batted in.

Evans' first-inning triple scored

Jason Yoshida, who had singled and Watson, who reached base on a walk. Watson's single in the third triggered a six-run Rebels uprising, with Dave Jones two-run double the big blow.

Watson closed out the Claremont scoring in the sixth when he led off with a single, then scored on Jim Cross' sacrifice fly.

Dave Jackson had three singles for the Rebels and scored three times.

The Rebels were limited to a total of four singles against Scarborough, with Watson, Jackson, Jones and Tim Evans picking up one each.

Ricci's batters experience a slugfest to post two wins

The Ricci's Sports Bar, mite Buttermakers amassed a total of

50 runs to post a pair of victories last week.

The Buttermakers' bats broke loose on the road against Pickering on Tuesday, coming home with a convincing 34-4 win.

Playing host to Port Perry on Thursday, the Buttermakers continued their torrid hitting, sending the visitors home with a 16-10 defeat.

Marcus Makinen handled starting pitching duties against Pickering and was credited with the win.

Jonny Wonch made his pitching debut in relief.

Chad Wilson took to the pitching rubber against Port Perry to earn the victory, with Wonch coming on in relief once again.

Michael Root directed the Buttermakers' offence in both victories.

In the first contest, Root swatted a home run, a triple and a single.

In the second contest, Root smashed another round tripper, to go with a double and a single.

Sluggers bantams downed in tourney semis

The Stouffville Sluggers bantam girls' rep softball team upped its overall record to nine wins and two losses in recent weeks.

The Sluggers were semi-finalists at the recent Dorothy Hill Tournament in London, losing their first game 4-2 to Brampton II, but rallying to edge Seaforth 2-1 to earn a trip to the semis.

The Sluggers took an early lead against Bingham in the game to decide which team would advance to the finals, but fell 7-3.

In the loss to Brampton, Erin Skubiski struck out four in her six innings pitched. Lindsay Murray had two hits for Stouffville, with Dawn Williamson and Amy Ball getting a hit apiece. Williamson pitched the first five innings in the win over

Seaforth, with Skubiski striking out four in her two-inning stint. Julia Peters and Kelly Higgins had hits for the Sluggers. In the semi-final loss to Bingham's Ball and Peters each had two hits. Murray, Skubiski, Sarah Morrison and Williamson had one hit each.

In league play, the Sluggers travelled to Port Perry on May 30, returning with a 28-4 win and extending their league record to seven victories and no losses.

In an exhibition game against the Goodwood midgets, the Sluggers fell behind 10-3 but recovered to post an 18-15 win.

The Sluggers head to Brampton for a tournament this weekend.

Saabas' big hit propels Fullerton's

Judy Saabas belted a grand slam home run to lead the way as Fullerton's Place defeated Colley, Borland and Vale 15-12 in Tuesday Night Ladies Fun Softball League play on June 13.

In other league contests, Rhonda Barrett socked a round tripper to help IPI to a 14-10 triumph over White Rodgers.

RFP got into a slugfest with Phil Faulkner Auctions and prevailed with a 22-15 decision.



Stouffville Indians' shortstop Jamie O'Connor (left), applies a tag to this Uxbridge baserunner, during action in the Stouffville Baseball Association's Bantam Tournament at the Town Park diamond on Saturday. The runner was safe and Uxbridge won this game 12-0.

Photo/CHERYL JOHNSON

Uxbridge team wins Stouffville ball tourney

A Gale whipped through the town park as the Stouffville Baseball Association held its bantam tournament over the weekend.

The Gale was Jeremy Gale, who had 17 hits, including five out of the park home runs, to lead Uxbridge to victory in the eight-team competition.

The Uxbridge squad found Sunday's heat wave to its liking, defeating previously undefeated Simcoe twice to take the title. Uxbridge, which had lost on Saturday, downed Simcoe 8-4 Sunday morning, then recorded a win over Port Hope, giving them a berth in the finals. Uxbridge then took the title with an 11-4 triumph over Simcoe.

The Stouffville Indians went down to defeat in their first two games, eliminating them from the tournament. The home crew fell 17-3 to Port Hope Friday evening, then were blanked 12-0 by Uxbridge in their second outing.

Easy win for Vandorf

Brendon Garth cracked two home runs and Matt Bonner made several good catches as Vandorf 1 downed Goodwood 16-6 in WSSA Five Pitch action this week.

Elyse Holt was solid at first base for Goodwood, while Kelly Bainbridge pitched and played the infield well.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



MIKE GREEN

Mike put the finishing touches on a distinguished high school athletic career by being named Stouffville District Secondary School Spartans senior boys volleyball MVP at the school's annual Athletic Ceremony June 7. Mike was one of the original Sod Busters who laid the sod for the Stouffville Track facility in 1991.

Well done Mike!

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