

Midget Clippers ice tourney title

The Print Service midget Clippers won all four games played to take the title at the Whitchurch-Stouffville Minor Hockey Association tournament last weekend at the Rec Centre.

The Clippers just managed to squeak into the championship final despite their perfect record of three wins and no losses in the preliminaries, due to the tourney's point base system.

But once there, they started fast on a goal by defenceman Kyle Harrison on a looping shot from centre ice, but ended up hanging on for a 6-5 win over Owen Sound in a back-and-forth affair.

Clippers goalie Jeremy Marshman made some key saves late in the third period to preserve the win.

The Stouffville crew also posted wins of 8-0 over Malvern, 5-2 over Wexford, and a 4-3 over Leamington.

BANTAM CLIPPERS TAKE SECOND PLACE IN TOURNAMENT

The Edwards Murphy bantam Clippers were hot, but their Cambridge opponents were hotter as the two teams squared off in the championship game of the Whitchurch-Stouffville Minor Hockey Association bantam tournament at the Rec Centre last Sunday.

The Clippers, who advanced to the final by

outscored the opposition 16-1 in winning their first three matches, were finally stopped 8-3 by the Cambridge crew.

The Clippers opened up the tournament with a 5-0 win over Chinguacousy as Graham Smith was flawless in goal.

The Clippers controlled all facets of the game in a 10-1 win over local rival Uxbridge in their next outing.

A berth in the final was guaranteed when the Clippers won their third game over Cedar Hill 1-0.

George Papasoglou earned the shutout.

The Clippers, who were idle in league action last week, return to the Rec Centre on Friday to host Keswick at 7:10 p.m.



And the run goes on...



On the Run

Fred Robbins

The uplifting moments of a quiet long run on your own may be fulfilling.

In the stillness of the hour, or moments your body cruises along almost as if on auto pilot. Your mind then wanders through the hallways of your brain to explore and entertain a host of items. You quickly think of the lists on your notice board. You stop to take a mental note, "finish this first."

No, that was not your wife talking but an assessment of which item becomes important. Somehow your problem solving senses have been transported to another level. Yes you can see more clearly now, as you prioritize that list. Next may be the conflict at work.

How will you even get all those files completed? Guess what they will be there tomorrow. Maybe that is why it is called a job.

Life, is much richer now as you reach the final few miles of your run, your hallways are as empty as the streets you run on. That concession road doesn't take long to finish. Time has just flown by.

There are moments when running still may be hazardous to your sport. The sun setting earlier leaves the darkened streets in blackness. The recent time change has forced most to readjust their running or just plain old quit.

The group run idea continues and most are encouraged. The group can be seen easier as the cluster weaves through the roads in town. The lone runner may just get lost in the dark night, cut off at some intersection. The mass of runners moving through town brings out the best and yet beginners are still show. The pace for some is a jog for others a run, yet all manage to get back to the meeting point at the recreation centre.

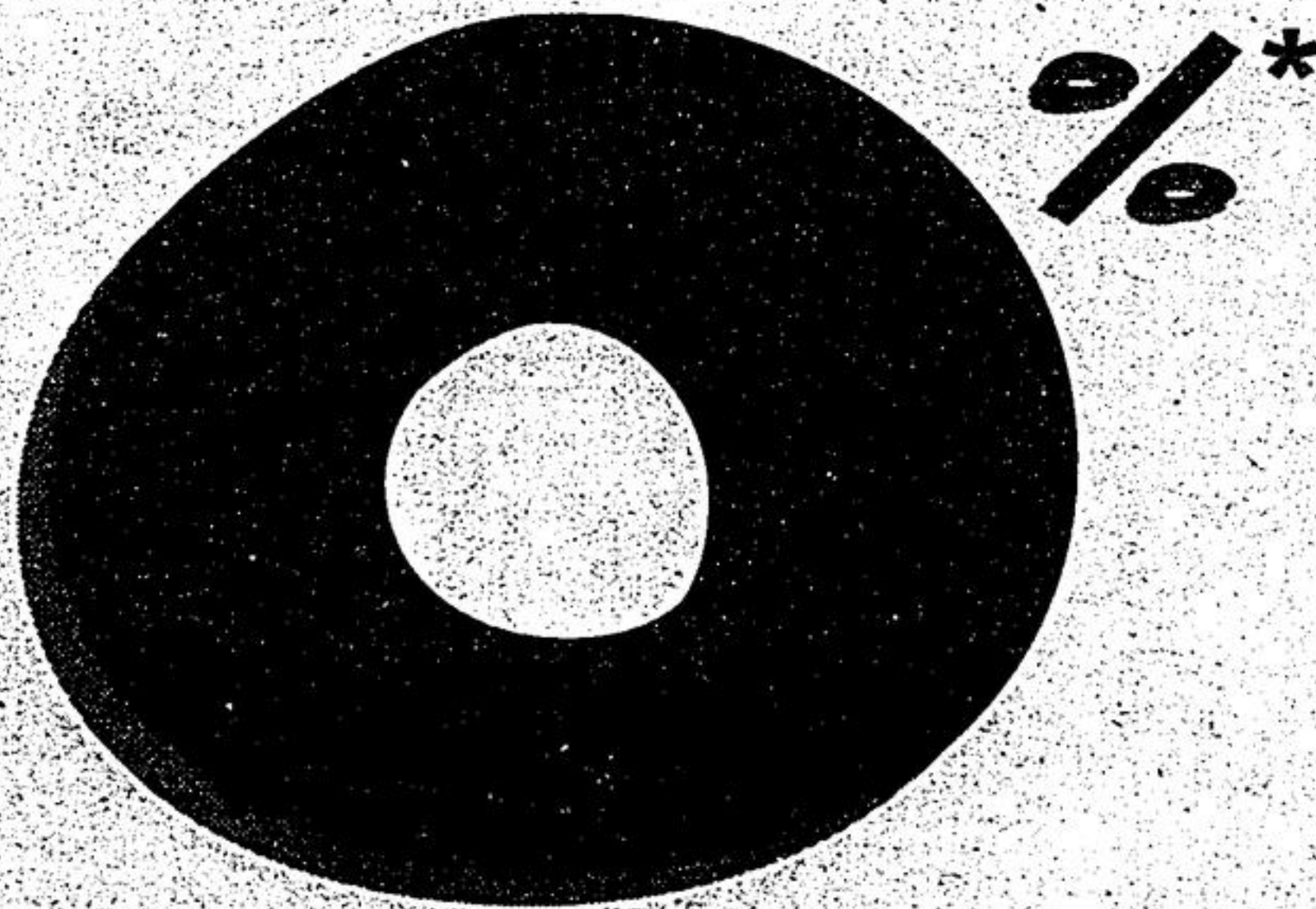
The exchange of planned races or even the up dates of races coming is carried on. Some laugh when they heard the crazy names of the races coming. The Fowl 5K, where each age winner gets a frozen turkey (U.S. Thanksgiving just two weekends ago). The Santa Claus Shuffle 5K. So cold you don't want to break into a sweat.

Then there is Stouffville's own Saint Nick's Quick Sprint - 1 Mile Run. The snickers continue, since when is a mile a sprint. Some recognize the feat of finishing even if it is a mile.

As each individual goes off, to a dinner waiting in the oven, or a wife and family to welcome them home. Each has gone the distance again the route has changed yet another week. Next time maybe for Jeff we will do the "usual".

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