

# Attack win streak comes to an end

The York Attack were a big hit in Indianapolis, but couldn't find the range on the home field last week.

The Stouffville-based under-13 girls' rep soccer team won both games played at the annual Scarborough-Indianapolis Peace Games played over the July 25 weekend in the Indiana city.

The York crew edged the host Indianapolis Soccer Academy Team 1-0 and 3-0 in exhibition contests between the two clubs.

But back home at the Whitchurch-Highlands Public School field on July 30, the Attack finally tasted defeat when they were nipped 1-0 by Etobicoke in the Central Girls Soccer League battle for first place.

It was the first loss in the last six games for the York outfit.

The visitors took advantage of a less than inspired performance by the Attack as they scored the game's only goal midway through the game's second half.

The loss left the York unit with a season record of seven wins and just two losses, two points behind Etobicoke.

It was the second and final match between the two teams, with Etobicoke prevailing by the same score earlier in the season at home.

"We had numerous opportunities, many chances but we just couldn't score," said Attack coach Alfons Rubbens. "We just couldn't sustain enough pressure."

Rubbens credited sweeper Tara Blainey and goalkeeper Jaime Robins with keeping the score close.

"It was Tara's best game of the season," he said. "And Jamie's positioning is getting better and better. She couldn't be faulted for the goal Etobicoke scored."

In the double win in Indianapolis, Julie Bagshaw had the lone goal in the first contest.

Andrea Sadowski, Emma

Colucci and Marlee Brooks scored in the second match.

Robins was impressive in the York net in earning the two shutouts.

The Claremont Rebels went up against the Oshawa Heat Tuesday night in Pickering, and gave the International Softball Congress (ISC) Ontario Travel League squad a run for the money.

The Rebels rode a fast start to a 5-5 draw in the exhibition match up.

Rebels pitcher Paul Koert was masterful for six of seven innings, striking out 13 batters.

The left hander blanked the Heat over the first three innings while the Rebels built up a 5-0 lead.

But Koert was touched for four

The soccer exhibitions were part of a series of games involving teams for the two twinned municipal centres, with 820 athletes taking part.

Rubbens said his team must win all three remaining games if they are to challenge Etobicoke for first place in the Central League standings.

# Rebels and Heat tie one on

runs on three walks, three singles and a hit batsman in the fourth.

The Heat squared things when they bunched a single and a double in the sixth.

The visitors led 3-0 after their first at bat as Evan Boyd tripled home Tom Watson and Brad Evans.

Greg Horne beat out an inside-the-park home run, and Dave Jones singled home Brent Bonner, in the second frame.

But that was all for the Rebels, who were limited to just one base runner over the final five innings.

The Heat lineup included former Stouffville Merchants Juniors Darren Crawford, Jason Yoshida and Hubert Basilio.

The Rebels, who were scheduled to host the Oshawa Juniors last night, are idle until Aug. 13 when they play the Stouffville Mennos in Stouffville.



**PAUL KOERT**  
Rebels pitcher cooled off Heat by fanning 13 batters

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