

# SPORTS

## Squirt boys earn bronze at provincials

Devon McDougall pitched his heart out while Nick West swung a hot bat as the Stouffville squirt boys finished third at the Ontario Amateur Softball Association (OASA) championships in Trenton over the weekend.

McDougall pitched all but a few innings of the provincial showdown, helping lead the Stouffville crew to three wins in five games in the double knockout event.

The pitcher endured bumps and bruises while refusing to give in.

"Devon just worked so hard out there," said squirts coach Lori Doner. "He was our star."

McDougall also made a strong contribution at the plate throughout the tourney.

West headed up the Stouffville offence. Hitting in the clean up spot in the order, he clubbed a home run and a triple and contributed numerous other key hits.

"Nick was hitting everything in sight," said Doner.

The squirts started off with a 15-5 win over the host team then dropped their first of two games to Napanee by a 10-6 count.

The Stouffville outfit then downed

Orleans 6-4, then earned the right to contest the semi-finals with a 7-5 victory over Trenton.

But the squirts couldn't keep up to Napanee in the game to decide who would take on Newmarket in the championship round.

Kevin McMillan also made a big contribution to the Stouffville offence, collecting three triples.

Defensively, Jon Wonch was solid behind the plate, catching all but three innings of the tournament for Stouffville. David Virro played errorless ball at third base. Second baseman Landon Wideman made two double plays.

The squirts have four games left in the regular schedule before the league playoff tournament in Newmarket the weekend of Aug. 29.

## Peewees win bronze at tourney

The Stouffville peewee boys' rep fastball team was swinging the bats at the recent Scarborough Tournament.

The Stouffville boys collected 46 runs as they won five of their seven games to take the bronze medal at the event.

The peewees kicked off the competition with a flourish as they routed Peterborough 14-3.

Andrew Frank scored four runs for the winners, with Dale Boadway crossing the plate three times. Rod Assinck limited Peterborough to just four hits and was the winning pitcher.

It was Mike Scott's turn to limit the



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York Attack's Ashley Sherwood (right), and her Oshawa Turul counterpart have their eyes closed as they jostle for possession of the ball during last Thursday's Central Girls Soccer League under-13 contest at the Whitchurch Highlands Public School field. The Attack won the game 3-1.

## Girls go on the Attack

A short-staffed York Attack under-13 rep girls' soccer team rallied the wagons around an untried recruit Thursday night at the Whitchurch Highlands Public School field.

The Stouffville-based Attack rebounded from an early deficit to defeat Oshawa Turul 3-1 in a Central Girls Soccer League match played in the pouring rain.

The York squad, which was without five regulars, played the entire game a player short. Whitchurch-Stouffville Soccer Club under-13 girls' house league call-up Lindsay Goodis replaced Jaimie Robins in the Attack goal.

It was her first game as a goalkeeper.

Turul opened the scoring 15 minutes into the game. But that was it for the visitors as the Attack tied it within two minutes, then barred the door in front of Goodis the rest of the

way while scoring another pair to win it.

"The girls realized they had to protect Lindsay so they didn't allow one more shot on goal," said Attack coach Alfons Rubbens.

Rubbens praised Goodis for her willingness to help his team out.

"She had such a great attitude out there."

Cara Blainey scored twice for the York crew, with Ashley Sherwood adding the third marker.

The win, which upped the Attack season record to eight wins and two losses, kept the team in the race for first place in the Central league standings.

Rubbens said his players were determined to get back on track after having their six game winning streak snapped by first place Etobicoke the previous week.

"The girls really played well,"

said Rubbens. "They recognized they had a poor game against Etobicoke last week."

Rubbens said everything was working for his team Thursday. "We played absolutely awesome soccer. The passing worked, the shooting worked and the headers worked. It was a big win because Oshawa is right on our heels in third place."

Rubbens was particularly pleased with the play of Caitlin Mallone, who showed signs of bouncing back after being hampered by illness.

"Caitlin came back into her old form, she played a very strong game at sweeper."

The Attack, who went into Thursday's game two points behind Etobicoke, have two remaining regular season games. They travel to Barrie this Thursday and then close out the schedule at home Aug. 20 against Scarborough's Olympic Flame.

### ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

#### DREW STAPLEY



Drew made his big breakthrough in Whitchurch-Stouffville Soccer Club under six Houseleague play July 29, scoring his first ever goal for his Town and Country Animal Hospital team. Drew also smothered many potential opposition scores while playing in goal for half the game.

Way to go, Drew!

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