

# Mennos off to eliminations

The Stouffville Mennos tuned up for their participation this weekend in the provincial intermediate elimination championships in St. Thomas by winning two Oshawa City and District Fastball League contests.

Playing in Markham Monday, the Mennos received a stellar relief effort from Paul Boynton, who tossed four innings of shutout ball, in a 6-2 win over the Majors.

Leading 2-0 through two innings, the Mennos padded their lead to 6-0 in the third, buoyed by a three-run homer by Jeff Boaway.

The Majors accounted for their two runs in their half of the third inning off starter Byron Baranieski.

With the Majors mounting a potential rally in the final frame, the Mennos received a clutch defensive play by Rich Burkholder, who made a great pivot on a double play, to help end the contest.

Last Thursday, Boynton delivered a run-scoring single in the bottom of the

seventh inning to lift the Mennos to a 7-6 win over the Toronto Indians.

Trailing 2-0 after a half inning before a large gathering at Memorial Park, the Mennos tied the game in their half of the inning on a two-run triple by Scott Evans.

After the Indians scored three runs in the third to regain a 5-2 lead, the Mennos responded with a run in the third and two in the fifth on a two-run homer by Evans to tie the game at 5-5.

A run-scoring single by Chris Burkholder in the sixth inning enabled the Mennos to take a 6-5 lead.

Entering the game with just one loss, the Indians tied the game in their half of the seventh inning and set the stage for the Mennos' final at bat.

Baranieski won the game in relief of Evans, who surrendered the first two runs in the first inning and then moved to play left field.

Now 12-4 on the season, the Mennos' first game in the eliminations will be against Sebringville Friday at 6:30 p.m.

# Gibson runs off with top honours

Hayden Gibson led a contingent of participants from the Stouffville-based York Region Runners Club at Saturday's Minor Track Association provincial championships at York University after being first to cross the finish line in the atom boys' 400 metre race.

The 11-year-old Stouffville resident won the event with a personal best time of 1:05.4.

Also competing in the 200m, Gibson placed fifth.

Among other results posted by club members, Josh Herrington claimed a bronze medal in the senior boys' 400m

after being clocked in 59.07 seconds.

Herrington also finished sixth in the 200m.

Kate Schlassler placed seventh in the senior girls' triple jump.

Adrian Gavrilov finished eighth in the atom boys' 800m in a time of 2:46.

In the tyke division, Mark Gavrilov was fourth in the boys' 400m and the 800m.

Halle Ashby received ribbons in the 100m girls' sprint where she had qualified for the finals and placed fourth.

She also finished fifth in the long jump.

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