

# SPORTS

NEWS  
and  
VIEWS  
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A banquet for the Millionaires has been arranged by the Markham Council. Although nothing definite is known yet concerning the program, it is known that a number of sports enthusiasts in the village pressed for some recognition of the Markham finalists.

The local Intermediate club is getting set for its regular May 24th tournament which has always been a big attraction in the past years. As yet it is not known what teams will comprise the opposition, although the powerful Waterdown squad which defeated the locals last year, is being sought for the pre-season contest.

The game between Brantford Burtols Sr. 'B' champions and St. Michaels Majors which was to be played in Brantford last week was called off because the small ice surface of the Brantford arena didn't appeal to the St. Mike's squad. For a team which has played the majority of its games on large ice surfaces all season, as the Irish have, the smaller arena would no doubt be a handicap to them.

Norm Stunden brilliant goaltender for the Marham seniors, was voted unanimously by his fellow players, as the one and only choice for the O.H.A., most valuable player award. Norm is well-known in these parts not only for his outstanding hockey ability but for his baseball prowess. Stouffville Intermediates are hopeful of bringing him to town here this summer to bolster the local pitching staff since Miller has gone to Oshawa seniors. Norm is also tops in the softball field and has led Buttonville to the championship for the last four years.

## Ball Juveniles Grouped In Lakeshore League

A practice will be held in the ball park on Tuesday, May 8th at 7 o'clock sharp for all boys under 19 years of age on May 1st.

Stouffville Juveniles this year are grouped in the Lakeshore league with two sections as follows: Stouffville, Lindsay, Little Britain and Oshawa; and in the second section, Oshawa, Bowmanville, Port Hope and Cobourg. Oshawa clubs are 'A' clubs, all others are 'B' category.

## Twp. Softball League Organized This Week

With the ball diamonds around the various communities drying up in a hurry the Township Softball League is holding its organization meeting this week. There will be two teams missing from the six team group although it is expected that two more are going to enter to fill the gap. Cedar Grove who found the going somewhat expensive last season decided to drop out and Agincourt have decided to enter their team in the Scarborough league. This team will be missed as it was a constant threat last year and put up a good fight in the playoffs. The two new entries will probably come from Claremont and Thornhill. The Thornhill crew made their first showing last season in the first round of the O.A.S.A. finals and although defeated by Buttonville they have many potential players and it will be interesting to see how they show up with the other teams in the group. The other four entries will be Buttonville, Peaches, Unionville, and Markham.

## System of Fines Adopted by O.H.A. For Abusive Talk

A \$10 fine, rather than 3 game suspension, will be levied against O.H.A. players, in every series, if they are guilty of using abusive language during a game, it was decided at the O.H.A. convention on Saturday.

The change was suggested by W. A. Hewitt, and the convention backed him up unanimously. He said the suspension punished the team instead of the player.

However, a part of the suspension rule will remain. If a second offense is committed in the same season, the player will get a one-game suspension. For a subsequent offense, both penalties will be handed out.

The \$10 fine will also be given to any player or official who is ordered from the bench or any player who is given a match misconduct penalty. This, it is expected will greatly reduce the growing tendency to argue about anything and everything a referee decides.

So often a "calculated risk" turns out to be no safer than an uncalculated one, for the reason that there were errors in the calculation.

The township softball league will hold its organization meeting on Thursday night of this week commencing at 9 p.m. at the highway Inn on No. 7 Unionville.

## Peaches A.C. Defeated In Fifth Game of T.H.L. Semi-Finals

Goalie George Timbers Sensational

Peaches A.C., after a long and successful season of hockey were forced to hang up their skates on Thursday night as they went down to defeat at the hands of Toronto Monarchs in the local arena. The loss came after five games between the two clubs in which each team had gained a win and a tie. In case the fifth game had ended in a tie, it was to be completed as the schedule was dragging on too far. Peaches A.C. took the first game of the five game series 1-0 on a late tally by Neil Brown. The second contest played in Ravina Gardens ended in a 1-1 deadlock, with Danny Smith banging in the equalizer near the end of the game. The third meeting was won by Monarchs 1-0 and although the T.H.L. had the next game scheduled for Sunday, the locals refused to play it. The Monarchs then had the choice of rinks and they wished to play it at Dixie which was their home arena during the regular season. The locals were badly outplayed in the first half and but for sensational work of George Timbers in the nets, the score would have been in the double figures. Goalie Timbers pulled off some almost impossible saves as he caught and kicked or rubber from all sides and angles. Spectators agreed that it was one of the best exhibitions of goal keeping they had witnessed all season. With but a minute and fifteen seconds remaining in the game Coach Warriner pulled Timbers from the cage and as the puck was dropped M. Grove slipped the rubber to D. Smith standing in front of the net and the game was tied up. The locals continued to press and on two occasions D. Thomas broke through in the clear but failed to score.

The fifth and final game was the fastest game of the series and although the visitors notched three tallies in the early stages, the locals kept fighting but couldn't find the range. Late in the game the Monarchs added another but with only a couple of minutes to go D. Smith rolled the rubber into the cage to break the goose egg. The winners held out and went off the ice with the all-important victory under their belts. It has been a good season for the local seventh concession club which entered the league in order to play hockey and never expected to hit the semi-finals. In the playoffs the locals defeated four teams and out of a total of sixteen games they lost only three. Murray Lewis was the top scorer during the season with eighteen goals; while Murray Grove was second with fourteen. Don Thomas, Ed. Mason, and Denny Smith followed in that order. The locals receive crests from the T.H.L. for being group champions. Much credit goes to Jack Warriner who stuck by the club all season and brought the club from just a lot of willing players to a group which came close to capturing the championship.

## Some Major Changes In O.H.A. Grouping

The Major series in the O.H.A. which was nearly a "bust" at the Gardens this past winter, so far as crowds have been concerned, is not dead yet by a long shot, according to business manager Geo. Panter.

Sault Ste. Marie will enter if permitted, and has an arena with 6,000 capacity. Sudbury likewise, with a 7,000 capacity arena will come in if allowed. Kingston wants a senior entry in the O.H.A. or Quebec Major series. Niagara Falls has a Santa Claus who is ready to put \$10,000 into a major league club. Syracuse wants to be admitted and has an arena seating 7,000.

Sponsors of the St. Catharines Teepees are said to be fed up with the handling of the junior club which lost them \$15,000 in the current season, and are angling for a senior entry. The O.H.A. believes that if northern teams are admitted, North Bay will come up with a club as well.

Peterborough will enter the Major series later, or as soon as a new arena can be constructed. Some \$600,000 has already been subscribed for this purpose.

The new Allan Cup grouping (Senior 'A') which is in the making, includes Sarnia, Chatham, Woodstock, Brantford and Owen Sound. None of these the O.H.A. feels, are quite strong enough for major series competition, but are too strong for senior 'B' company with Markham and Stouffville.

## Intermediates May Quit the Tri-County League --- Try for Better Competition in O.B.A.

On Friday night representatives of the local Intermediate ball club journeyed to Sunderland to see if they could iron out some of the problems confronting the teams. The league is made up of some eighteen teams and it has been the custom to group the teams within a certain radius. This idea helps to cut down travelling expenses but doesn't give some of the teams the opposition that makes for good ball. If the radius was lengthened it would bring in towns where the ball is of a much

higher calibre than that played by a few towns situated close together. The local squad want to give their fans the type of ball where competition is strong and the interest is keen. It is the wish of some of the fellows who represent our local club that it would be much better if they could get out of the Tri-County League and go further afield for competition. Before any agreement can be reached among the local players they want to consult their manager Bob Hassard. Further word should be forthcoming in the near future.

## Midgets Lose a Close Decision In First Clancy Playoff Game

The local Midgets led by Don Forgie took the first game of their best of three series with Toronto St. Anthonies on Friday night. The return contest was played at Stouffville on Saturday night, but the locals weren't so fortunate as in the first game and lost 2-1. The Lions had the best part of the play in the first half but couldn't get any hard shots on the net. They held the puck inside the visitors' blue line for the greater part of the time and in a scramble around the cage Eric Davis slipped the rubber into the twine to give his team a

one goal lead. Near the end of the opening twenty minutes the locals became very loose and allowed an attacking forward to skate right in on goalie Hallman to tie the score. In the second half the Toronto squad fought hard at the drop of the puck and added another to their total to take the game. Some of the Stouffville players were late in coming and didn't have time to get warmed up. In the final period a wild fight broke out and it was some time before referee Wally Dwyer could get things underway. The two teams meet again for the third game this week.

## BALSAM AND MT. ZION

Mrs. A. C. Luffman's mother Mrs. Anderson, passed away on Monday at the Cobourg Hospital.

Mrs. E. Carson spent a few days last week in Toronto.

Mrs. E. Mills of Mebburn spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. T. Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Smith and family of Prospect visited on Sunday with Mrs. and Mrs. Orr Graham.

A number of girls gathered together last Saturday night at the home of Miss Myrna Jones and presented Miss Betty Appleby with a kitchen gadget shower, prior to her marriage the middle of May.

Mr. and Mrs. Alf Parrott and Grant of Ashburn visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. B. Jamieson.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl McMullen and family of Claremont spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Pilkey.

Another euchre party will be held this Friday night at the Mt. Zion school. Winners last week were Mrs. Percy Jones and Mr. Edgar Evans.

Starting next Sunday, May 6th for the summer months, Sunday School will be at 10 a.m. and church at 7.30 p.m.

The W.A. will meet Wednesday, May 9th at the home of Mrs. W. Gates. Roll call will be a verse on "spring." There will be a plant exchange at this meeting.

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THURSDAY

(All Clancy games) — 7.15 bantam gr. playdown, Rhodes, Shopseys, St. Michael's, Leaside and T.N. Lions stand ready; 8.00 bantam gr. playdown, Boys Brig. or Cameron vs. St. Margaret's or Metal Art; 8.45 midget gr. playdown, St. Anthony's, Red Wings and East Toronto stand ready; 9.30 juvenile gr. playdown, Jacksons, Nobles and Fairbank stand ready; 10.20, inter. gr. playdown, O.H. Evans, Famous Door, T. Millionaires and Scarborough

Rangers stand ready.

FRIDAY

7.15, Clancy bantam gr. playdown St. Margaret's vs Leaside United; 8, T.H.L. senior final, Balmly Beach vs Sarnia; 8.45, Clancy junior gr. playdown, Train Puddy, Scarborough, Greenwood and Radio A stand ready; 9.30, Clancy inter. playdown (sudden death), Pyrene, Skinner, Tophatters or LaVogue vs Grant C. Leaside C, Yuill or Anderson C; 10.20 Clancy inter. gr. playdown, Famous Door, O.H. Evans; T. Millionaires and Scarborough stand ready.

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