

Sports

Tribune

Peewees start tonight

STOUFFVILLE - O.M.H.A. Peewees swing into action here, Thursday, Oct. 19 at 7 o'clock. League action will be provided by Uxbridge, here for the opener, Port Perry, Pickering, Newcastle and West Rouge.

Steve Schell back for his final year appears again in his hard-skating role of leader. Two new faces to Stouffville ranks will be Bobby Hughes and Bob Kemp. Murray Johnson, up from Novice, will replace his brother Malcolm in the lineup. Malcolm has graduated to Bantam.

George Stark will coach this year's club along with handling the coaching duties of the 'B' squad.

An affair with Autumn

By Larry R. Johnston
Cool, crisp air. Brightly coloured landscapes. Wood Smoke. Canada Geese. This is autumn. A time when the spirit is lifted perhaps by the same unexplained impulse which creates the annual phenomenon of migration. For the human animal, this impulse can be powerful enough to have him rise in the small hours of morning, drive a hundred or more miles and penetrate the most inhospitable terrain in the land, to either hunt or simply observe the migration of waterfowl. For the most part, he is unable to explain the motivating forces behind the unusual effort, but don't think it absurd for a moment.

At Point Pelee, Long Point, Rondeau Park, Niska and Jack Miner's Bird Sanctuary at Kingsville, thousands of bird watchers gather to view large concentrations of waterfowl. These stop-over points may hold the birds for a few days, weeks or months but as the big flocks move south, they are replaced by new arrivals. To the observer, this almost constant action, combined with a wide variety of waterfowl, provides a generous portion of whatever it is that compels birdwatchers to pursue their pastime.

For centuries, waterfowl have travelled south along clearly defined migration routes. Some biologists believe landmarks such as rivers and mountain ranges are used for navigational purposes while others theorize that the positions of the sun and moon provide the sole means of guidance. No matter what means are employed, the birds seem to follow their chosen routes without flaw and in Ontario, many of these routes merge at the locations previously mentioned.

Naturalists, whether they be hunters or bird watchers, often wonder where the birds come from and where they are going and a great deal of research has been carried out in this area. Bird banding operations carried on over a period of years has enabled research people to determine that Black Ducks from the James Bay area often winter in Chesapeake Bay, along the New Jersey Coast. Wood Ducks from the marshes of Central Ontario may be found in Venezuela. Canada Geese from Winisk in Polar Bear Provincial Park, may be found wintering along the salt water mud flats of Louisiana.

Responsible hunters who collect banded waterfowl, remove the band and send it to Washington D.C. where all waterfowl information pertinent to migration, is computerized. This year, special bands have been placed on the legs of waterfowl, offering a \$10 reward for the band's return.

Moving south along with the waterfowl, are songbirds, birds of prey and birds which fall into the miscellaneous category such as crows and woodcock. Most of these birds may be observed with little difficulty except for the woodcock, which prefers the privacy of off-beat coverage where worms may be prodded with its oversized bill. Privacy of off-beat coverage where worms may be prodded with its oversized bill.

A week-end trip to one of the "birdie" areas mentioned should prove interesting for you whether you're an avid naturalist or not. If time is a limiting factor, you will find birds migrating throughout the province and a few hours in the out-of-doors this weekend should prove to be time well spent.

'Raiders' fade to 'overtired' Oshawa club

STOUFFVILLE - Wexford outshot Oshawa in the third and only capitalized on Oshawa's penalty to Tom Newton and Joe Thoma, when both went off at 13:52. Major and Matt Leslie scored while they had the 'Legionaires' shorthanded. Tom Olsen put the game out of reach while both teams were shorthanded.

Rough play marred the final frame and timekeeper, Rodger Todd was looking for places to put people. The 'Raiders' were without Bob France, suspended for this game for last Sunday's disagreement with the referee. Scott Gibson is still out with a back injury.

Unbeaten Belleville is here this Sunday night at 7.30. The 'Raiders' play their first away game at Pickering, Friday.

To make study recreation use of dam site

STOUFFVILLE - The Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Authority has agreed to study a proposal made to it by the Council of the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville, for a plan of recreational facilities at the Stouffville dam and reservoir.

The plan was developed by the Town's recreation committee and includes the development of supervised activities and instruction in swimming, canoeing, sailing, and skin diving, and the possibility of such wintertime activities as snowmobiling, skating and tobogganing.

Authority staff will present its recommendations to the Executive Committee.

The prime function of the Stouffville dam and reservoir is flood control, and the area is administered by the Conservation Authority.



Reeve Nesbitt makes Goodwood Hall opening 'official'

Uxbridge Twp. reeve Bob Nesbitt snipped the red ribbon, Friday, to officially open Goodwood's new Community Hall. Participating in the ceremony were - Arthur Latcham (left), donor of the building and deputy-reeve Don Jackson. - Jim Thomas.

Seven teams in Midget 'B' loop

STOUFFVILLE - The '72-'73 O.M.H.A. Midget league will be the strongest in several years. Stouffville, 'B' finalists in the past season will be joined by the '72 'C' finalists, Port Perry. Completing the group are - Uxbridge, West Rouge, Pickering, Newcastle and a new entry from Orono.

Coach Gord Tarr expects to have 12 players signed for the first exhibition tilt against East Gwillimbury (tonight), Thursday, at a 9.15 game in Stouffville.

Rick Marshman, graduating from Bantam, has been impressive in goal and will probably start in net. Daryl Wright, recovering from an injury, Wayne Norton and Nick Fiore will form the nucleus of the team. Coach Tarr is being assisted by Earl Crowder and Bill Grove.

The league home-opener is Thursday, Oct. 26 at 9.15.

Swiss-trip jackets

STOUFFVILLE - When the boys chosen for the Switzerland-bound Bantam hockey team set off in January, they will be sporting jackets donated by the municipality they are representing.

On Oct. 10, Whitchurch-Stouffville Council unanimously endorsed a resolution to purchase 25 jackets at \$25 apiece, for members of the team, manager and coaches.

The Recreation Committee have already designed and arranged to supply crests.

Mayor Ken Laushway agreed that the community would benefit, in public-relations, through the tour and that it was a tremendous opportunity for the Bantam boys who would remember the event all their lives.

"I think the crest should have something on it to recognize the tour", he concluded.

All agreed but, it was decided that since the crest was "full of words" already, a bar with specific recognition of the Swiss tournament, should go underneath.

Peewee 'B' home start Friday

STOUFFVILLE - Marion Grove had her 'strike' ball working well, Oct. 3, in the Legion Ladies Bowling League, chalking up a high (flat) single of 339. With a handicap, it soared to 370. Tiny Stewart had the high triple (flat), with a 625. Marion Grove counted a 716, with handicap.

Over 200 were Marion Grove, 339; Opal Lehman, 258; Brenda Farthing, 213; Vi Jennings, 208; Betty-Ann Graham, 218; Lois Bartley, 220; Aldine Sinclair, 216; Betty Turner, 238-213; Tiny Stewart, 255-205; Hazel Wilson, 214; Sadie Greensheid, 223-211.

On Oct. 10, it was Betty Turner with a 290 single and a 696 triple. With handicap, it was Barbara Hughes, 266 single and Aldine Sinclair, 758 triple.

Over 200 were - Betty Turner, 290-209; Ev. McKay, 224; Doris Farthing, 219; Ruth Sheppard, 218; Tiny Stewart, 207; Hazel Wilson, 204; Gaye Lehman, 227-203; Opal Lehman, 242-227-211; Joan VanKoughnet, 213; Norma Tranmer, 204; Lois Bartley, 207; Ann Fretz, 229; Aldine Sinclair, 227-226-206; Sadie Greensheid, 210.

214; Barbara Hughes, 222; Marg Gutkind, 210.

Local players star in Jr. 'A'

STOUFFVILLE - Bob Bangay, Ninth Line South, scored twice, Sunday to lead Richmond Hill 'Rams' to a 6-0 win over Kingston in Provincial Jr. 'A' play. The 'Rams' are undefeated in six starts this year. Playing with Bangay are - Mike Jones and Don Reesor, both players with Stouffville O.M.H.A. teams in '71-'72.

Bill Hassard, Lloyd Avenue, with the Wexford 'Raiders' in the same Provincial 'A' group is having his best year to date in leading the Wexford Club. Bill was the last cut from the Oshawa Generals of the O.H.A. Major 'A' league. Hassard is being used in a multiple role of powerplay specialist and killing penalties while taking his regular shift.

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On Oct. 12, Judy Armstrong was top bowler with a 621 triple and a single of 245.

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