

# Mennos send crowd home happy

The Stouffville Mennos logged a little overtime during their Oshawa City and District Fastball League contest against the Oshawa BB Juniors played before a large gathering of onlookers as part of a Whitchurch-Stouffville Softball Association night at Memorial Park Thursday.

The extra effort paid off in a 5-4 come-from-behind win in eight innings.

Trailing 4-1 entering the bottom of the fifth inning, the Mennos began to mount their comeback as they scored one run to cut their deficit to 4-2.

The Mennos then scored one run in the sixth and the game-tying run in the seventh, buoyed by a clutch pinch hit RBI by Jay Nesbitt, to force extra innings.

In the top of the eighth inning, which saw the international rule for tiebreakers utilized in which the batter from the previous inning started from second base, Oshawa attempted a sacrifice bunt to move their runner to third base.

But Mennos' third baseman Robert Kay fielded the ball and made a quick relay throw to shortstop Jeff Boadway, who tagged the runner out.

After Oshawa failed to score in their half of the frame, the Mennos won the game in their trip to the plate when Shawn Boadway sent a fly ball deep to centre field, moving the base runner to third base.

Rich Burkholder then hit a sacrifice fly to score the winning run.

Mennos' pitcher Travis Connor went three innings in relief of starter Greg Dalgarno to earn the win.

Despite stranding 11 runners during the contest, the Mennos out-hit Oshawa 11-6 with Shawn Boadway and his brother Dale each supplying two hits. Burkholder drove in a pair of runs.

Now 2-4 on the season, the Mennos are scheduled to play a road game against defending league champion Scarborough Tuesday and then host the Oshawa Juniors Thursday at 8:30 p.m.

Prior to the game, Canadian national women's team pitcher Jen Caira put on a clinic for youngsters, demonstrating different pitches and offering encouragement and instruction.

## Yankees remain on roll

The Stouffville Yankees mosquitoes are on a roll after winning

recent back to back games and now own a 4-1 won-loss record in the York Simcoe Baseball Association Select League standings.

Playing host to the Vaughan Vikings June 6, the first-year Yankees cruised to a 13-5 win.

Owen McKnight was the winning pitcher.

With little time to dwell on what they had accomplished, the Yankees hosted the Markham Mariners the following day and emerged with a 16-7 win.

Jayden Spylo was the winning pitcher.

The Yankees are scheduled to host Vaughan at Memorial Park Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

## Gajan eliminated at Ontario match play championships

Gajan Sivabalasingham was eliminated in the second round of the Golf Association of Ontario's Men's Match Play Championship after falling to eighth seed Stephane Dubois of Brantford on the 19th hole at The Lake Joseph Club near Port Carling Wednesday.

Seeded 25th, the 18-year-old Balantrae resident won his first round match over Brad Burgess 2 and 1.



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## CLOSE CALL

First baseman Jack Pridham of the orange squad makes the catch as baserunner Marco Karanopoulos of the red squad hits the bag during Stouffville Yankees house league junior rookie baseball action at the Glad Park diamond Monday.

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