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Mennos hammer Oshawa, head for Meaford

The Stouffville Mennos have been accustomed to being on the receiving end of mercy-shortened Oshawa City and District Fastball League contests this season.

But when they took to the road for a game against the Oshawa Rebels Tuesday, the Mennos were the ones who administered a beat down, mercying the Rebels 9-2 in five innings.

The Mennos' bats erupted with 12 hits off losing pitcher Brian Mather.

Trailing 1-0 after one inning, the Mennos' offence went to work when Jeff Boadway tripled and paved the way for a three-run outburst to give them a 3-1 lead through two innings.

After the Rebels scored a run in the third inning to trail by a run, the Mennos, buoyed by a two-run homer by Jay Nesbitt, erupted with four runs in the fourth inning to take a 7-2 advantage.

The Mennos added two more runs in the fifth to round out the scoring and end the contest.

Travis Connor worked the first three innings to earn the win while Greg Dalgarno tossed the final two frames.

Mennos' centre fielder Shawn Boadway had three hits while Nesbitt, leadoff hitter Rich Burkholder and short stop Jeff Boadway each had two.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Now 6-10 on the season, the Mennos resume league action Thursday at 8:30 p.m. at Memorial Park against Lake Simcoe.

This weekend, the Mennos are in Meaford for the Tom Sims Memorial Fastball Tournament.

Rutledge back in Stouffville, retains Canadian PGA title

Jim Rutledge successfully defended his PGA Seniors Championship of Canada title at Emerald Hills Golf Club last week.

A native of Victoria, B.C., Rutledge won his second straight title after finishing 17 under par through the gruelling three-round event with a 199 (65-65-69).

Leading the event from start to finish, Rutledge's final three-round score matched his own tournament record from 2010.

Rutledge, 52, finished 13 shots ahead of Yvan Beauchemin of Louisville, Que., and Norm Jarvis of Prince Albert, Sask. who tied for second at four under.

A former competitor on the PGA and Nationwide tours, Rutledge

now plays on the PGA's Champions Tour. He was a regular on the Canadian Tour when it made stops at Whitchurch-Stouffville courses, especially during the 1980s.

Yustin bounced in third round of match play

Matthew Yustin was eliminated in the third round at the Canadian Junior Golf Association PING Canadian Junior Match Play Championships at the St. Andrew's Valley Golf Club in Aurora Wednesday.

Seeded 11th in the boys 14 and under division, the Gormley resident lost his match to sixth seeded Henry Moon of Thornhill 2 and 1.

Through the first two rounds of stroke play conducted Monday and Tuesday, Yustin finished 15 over par at 159 (76-81).

Disappointment on track for EHR Team in Saskatoon

The Stouffville-based EHR Team Three Red saw its streak in reaching the victory podium in the Canadian Tire NASCAR series come to a halt when they took to the Auto Clearing Motor Speedway oval in Saskatoon for the Velocity Prairie Thunder presented by Bayer Crop Science Wednesday.

With Jason Hathaway driving

the team's Snap-on Tools/Rockstar Energy Drink/Vortex Brake Pads Dodge in the 250-lap event, mechanical failures concluded their race after 195 laps that placed him in 21st place when the event concluded.

Starting the race in the ninth position on the .333-mile oval, Hathaway got off to a good start and appeared to be in good position as he held the lead from lap 161 to 194 before incurring his misfortune that began with a restart on lap 195 when he felt something break in the rear end of his car.

Hathaway was relegated to the pits to the attention of his crew where they diagnosed a broken suspension part.

"We had a wicked car tonight and I was comfortable with the car out front leading," Hathaway said. "A finish like this is hard for our team. We found something in the last three races and to have the western swing end like this is heart-breaking.

"I am so proud of my guys, though. They give me all they have each weekend. We have shown just how strong our team is this season and that we are in the hunt up front. We will be back up front again," he vowed.

The team's next scheduled event is the Grand Prix de Trois-Rivieres in Trois-Rivieres, Que. Aug. 3 to 5.

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