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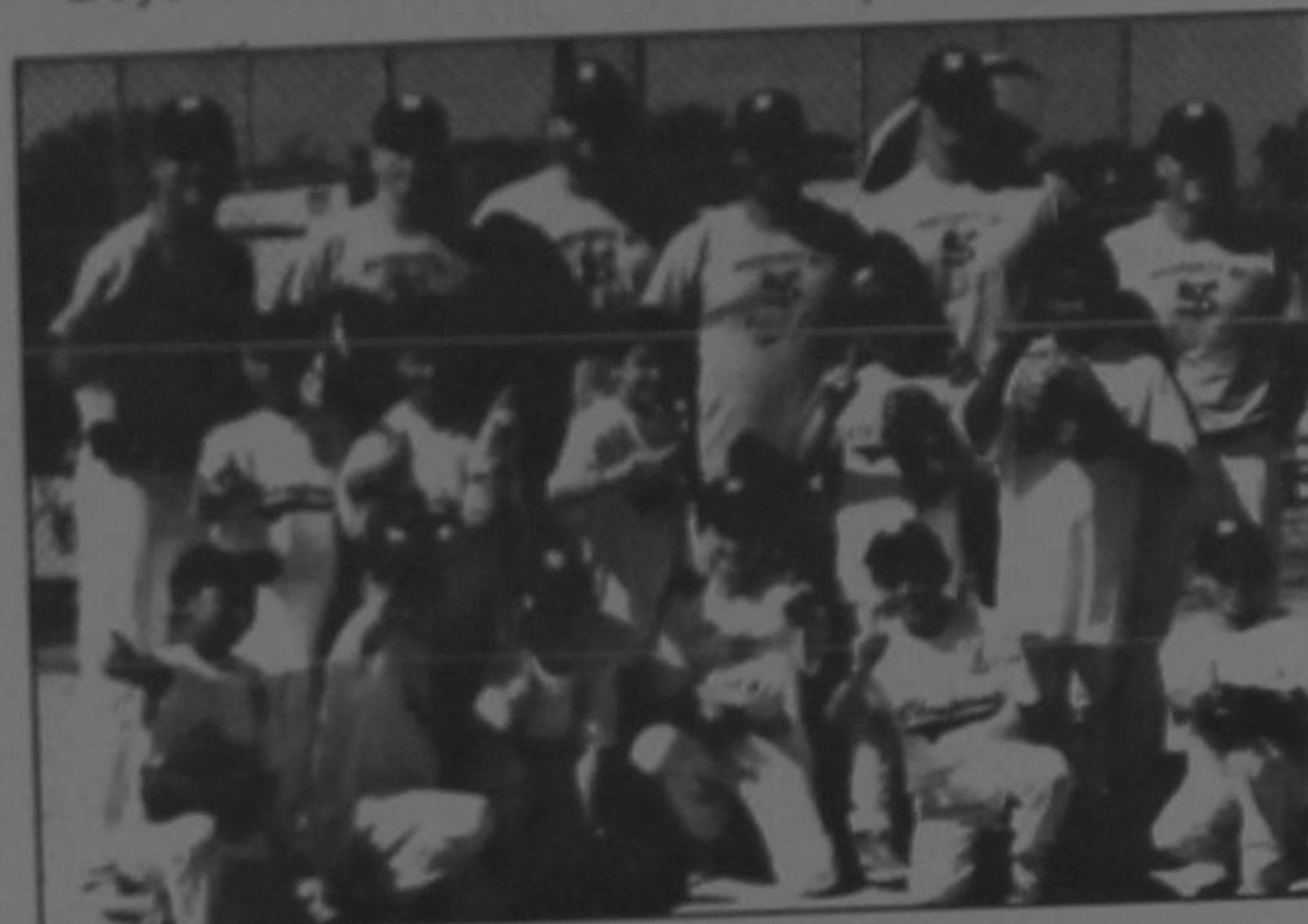
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A Winning Performance

Boys of summer take Rookie finals



Stouffville players celebrate their triumph in the Rookie A Tier York Simcoe finals in August.

By Kinjal Dagli Shah

A team of 9-year-old baseball players have done the Town of Stouffville proud by winning the Rookie A Tier York Simcoe finals held in Richmond Hill over the August 8-10 weekend.

The first team for the Stouffville Baseball Association, they went 6-10-3 during the regular season, finishing fourth in their tier of seven teams.

"The boys came together as a team, played as a team and represented each other and the Stouffville Baseball Association with the utmost class throughout the championship run. I was proud to see them come together and support one another all weekend," said head coach Peter Tassopoulos.

The winning lineup comprised Jack Treacy, Joseph Clugston, Jack Pridham, Christos Tassopoulos, Kyle Baston, Kyri Kourvisianos, Xavier Damianidis, Luigi Savaia, Jahmani Brown, Jalen Won, Alexander Tassopoulos and Ronan Gray. Supporting them were head coach Peter Tassopoulos, assistant coaches Ryan Treacy, Brandon Pridham, Jeff Clugston, Darron Baston, Ming Wong and team manager Julie Treacy. Also cheering them on were an enthusiastic group of parents.

Kyri Kourvisianos, one of the Stouffville players and a Grade 4 student at Oscar Peterson Public School, wore his 'Champions' jersey with pride for a few days after the tournament.

"I was so happy when we won. We were losing, but then we did a group huddle and did some chants, which helped us score and win. We got freezies and we dumped water on our coach," said the shy youngster.

His mother, Anthie Kourvisianos, added, "It is exciting to watch them play. All the parents are super proud of their children. They have been practising and have improved a lot. It paid off."

The team is now off to compete in the Provincial Tournament in Windsor over the Labour Day Weekend.

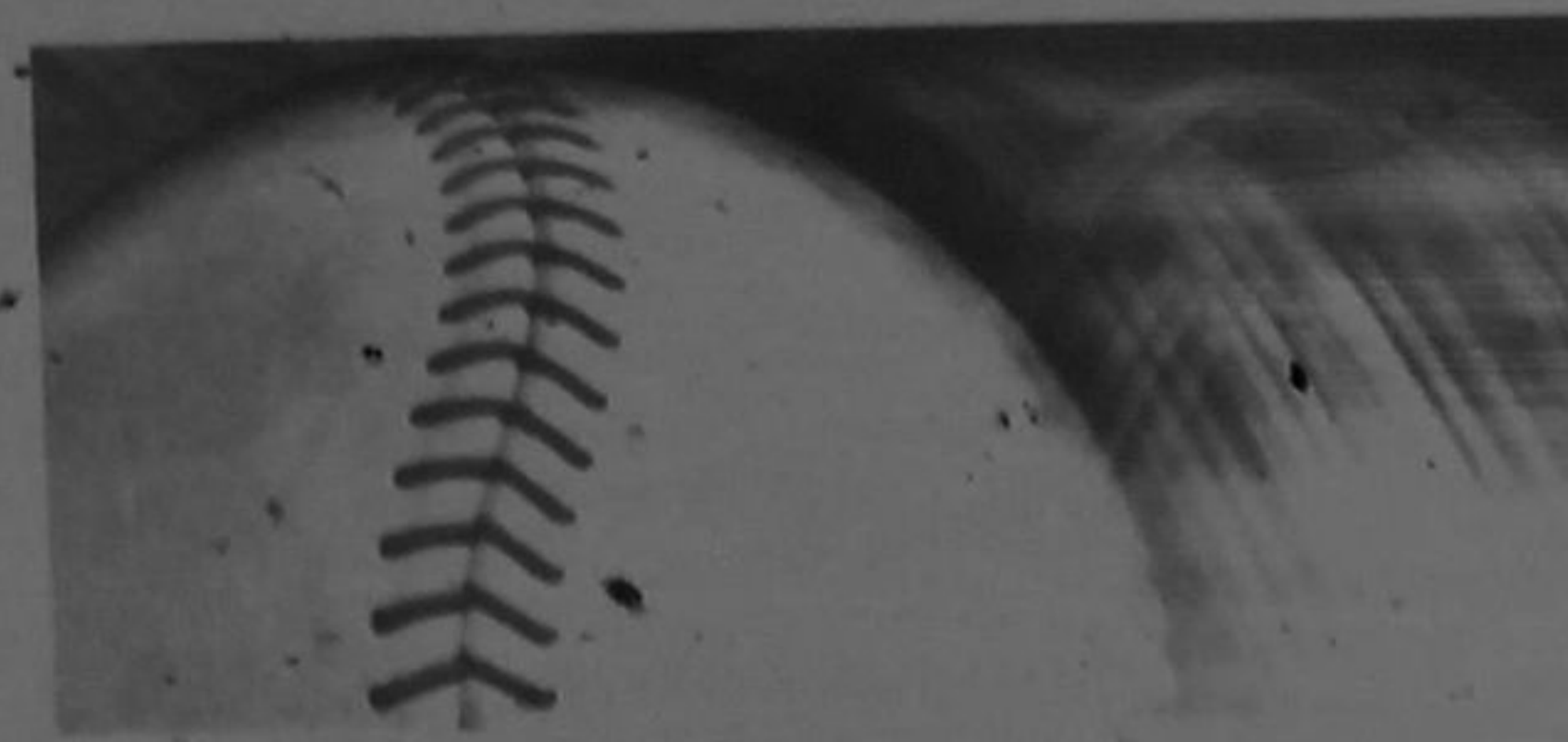
"We try to compete in two to three tournaments each season in addition to our regional and provincial playoff tournaments," said manager Julie Treacy.

"This year, we competed in two other tournaments in London and Ajax and selected them based on competition within the tournament and the tournament format. We played 19 regular season games, against teams as far away as Barrie and as close as Markham."

Assistant coach Jeff Clugston said, "We are all very proud of how well they played, and also how well they represented our town. The entire team gave it all they had, and supported each other. It was a great experience for everyone involved."

While they ride high on their victory, the compliments keep coming. Assistant coach Brandon Pridham observed, "As a coaching staff, we are extremely proud of this group of local Stouffville players who performed so well under the pressure of our league championship playoff tournament. They accomplished something that they, along with our parent group, should truly be proud of in representing the town of Stouffville and all the Yankee players who are currently playing the great game of baseball in this town."

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SEPTEMBER EVENTS AT THE LEGION



LEGION GOLF TOURNAMENT
Sept. 6th, 2014 at Bushwood Golf Club.
Sign-up sheet is in the Clubroom.
\$100.00 for golf, cart and supper.
Payment due by Sept. 1st. No exceptions!
No tee off time set at the moment.
Will let you know.

LEGION WEEK - SEPT. 15 - 21

Monday EUCHRE TOURNAMENT
Starts at 7 p.m. / \$5 ENTRY FEE

Tuesday CAR CRUISE NIGHT
Car Show and B.B.Q. Starting at 5 p.m.

Wednesday SHUFFLEBOARD
Starting at 7 p.m. / \$5 ENTRY FEE

Thursday DARTS TOURNAMENT
Starting at 7:00 p.m. / \$5 ENTRY FEE

Friday STEAK BBQ
Starting at 5:00 p.m. / \$12 PER PERSON

Saturday PIG ROAST and ROAST BEEF
on a bun, salads & corn on the cob
\$15 PER PERSON / Jumping castle, petting zoo,
balloon splash and entertainment by Bill Dickinson,
Full moon and Larry Gougen.

Sunday SHUFFLEBOARD & POOL TOURNAMENT
Starting at 1:00 p.m. / \$5 PER ENTRY

WE HAVE LUNCHESES
Wed: - Fri. / 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

SUPPERS Thursday and Friday at 5:00 p.m.

CAR SHOWS
We will also be having a car show the
first 3 Tuesdays of Sept. at 5:00 p.m.

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