

McAlden Says MMHL Will Definitely Operate Again

HALIFAX, (CP) — Secretary-treasurer Chris McAlden of the Maritime Major Hockey League said Friday the league will definitely operate as a major loop again this season.

"The picture for major hockey is brighter than it was this time a year ago," he said. "Sydney and Charlottetown have already announced they are ready, and a new group is making plans to take over Halifax franchise. The only team I have not heard from is Glace Bay."

McAlden's remark came with some fans considering the league folded with the sale of six players by Halifax and an announcement by the club backers that the franchise was for sale. Glace Bay Miners also were balking at entering a league containing Charlottetown because of the long travel distances.

POSSIBLE ANSWER

McAlden, however, said an unbalanced schedule might be the answer: even though all teams would play the same number of games.

He said one reason for an attention drop last season was because the league had no colorful, swashbuckling club like the Islanders of other years. But McAlden said Islanders plan to have a colorful club led by an outstanding coach this year.

McAlden said he expects to meet this week with a group interested in taking over the Halifax franchise. And if they should decide against operating, he said, there are two other groups willing to back a Halifax team.

WILL BE MAJOR

"Definitely it will be a major league. None of the clubs want Allan Cup hockey. If we turned to Allan, we would lose most of our players. Under the major series setup, it is possible to bring in 25 players. This, of course, would not be permitted in an Allan Cup league."

The Maritime Hockey League is the only major loop in Canada and Halifax Atlantics have won the title for the last two years.

But Atlantics last week sold six players—all they owned—to Sudbury Wolves of the Ontario Hockey Association and said their franchise was also for sale.



Gray Fires 70 To Lead Field In NB-PEI Amateur And Open

FREDERICTON (CP)—A par 70 gave Bob Gray of Charlottetown the amateur and open leadership Monday after rain and lightning tipped off the first morning's play in the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island golf tournament.

The defending pro champion, Archie Skinner of St. Andrews, led his class with a 73.

Torrents of rain halted the tournament shortly after it opened. As a result, the fourth, fifth and sixth divisions will play only 36 holes instead of 54. Amateur and open qualifiers, as well as the pros, are scheduled to complete 72 before the meet ends Tuesday.

The field comprises 209 entries from 20 clubs in the two provinces. MacKenzie was well off the pace with an 80.

B. W. Isner of Moncton did the opening round in 72 while Bill Davidson, Riverside, and four Moncton golf club members—Ralph Harley, Roy Morrison, Laurie Roland and E. E. Jokin—came next with 73 each.

SIMMONDS JUNIOR LEADER

In the junior competition, 77 gave the lead to Harry Simmonds of Charlottetown. Tied for second place were defending champ Doug Lewis, Moncton, and Ernest Hickey, Bathurst, with 78.

Among the 12 professionals, Cecil Dowling of Charlottetown required one more stroke than Skinner and Allen Ogilvie of Moncton stood third with a 75.

First round scores included: Professionals — Jimmy Walker, Kentville, 78; George Griffin, Bridgewater, 84.

First division — D. J. Huestis, Summerside, 77; N. E. McLeod, Summerside, 80; Frank McInnis, Charlottetown, 83.

Second division — A. G. Macmillan, Charlottetown, 77; Harry Simmonds, Charlottetown, 77; Don

Macdonald, Charlottetown, 82; H. Saunders, Charlottetown, 82; Errol Nicholson, Charlottetown, 83.

Third division — T. N. Rogers, Charlottetown, 80; E. I. Praught, Charlottetown, 92.

Juniors Errol Nicholson, Charlottetown, 83.

Outstanding Racing Meet At Charlottetown Tonight

An added attraction for racing fans is the Charlottetown Raceway tonight will be the one dash curtain raiser. This will be the first time that such an event has been staged here. There will be no pari-mutuel betting on this heat.

Bessie Budlong, making her first appearance of the season, is entered in the classified trot and pace along with Esso, Little Delbert, Faigo, Abner MacGraw, Belle Budlong, Mary Merk and Miss Donna Mae. In their last performance were Faigo and Mary Merk were double winners with times of 2:14 4-5 and 2:14 respectively.

Direct Mile and Babe Britton who thrilled fans with their driving finish in the Junior Free For All here earlier this month are entered in the classified pace with Giffagan, Chocolate Dip and Jerry's Nightmarer. The curtain raiser will get under way at 7:30 (standard time).

The game was handled by Glen Matheson with Stan Ryan and George Kays on the bases.

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Packers In Second Place After Win Over Wheelers

Canada Packers defeated the Bike Shop 12-6 yesterday evening to move into sole possession of second place in the City Softball League with 20 points. The Wheelers are in third place with 18 points.

The Meatmen put the wood to the Wheelers as they knocked the spokes out of the smooth working Bike Shop machine. Jimmy Dowling, George Bradley and Gene Ward connected for home runs to spark the Packers attack.

Bradley hit a bases loaded home run in the fourth inning to put the Packers into a lead and they never looked back. Dowling hit a triple in addition to his home run. Playing coach Len Arsenault pounded out a triple.

Joe Gallant and Lester Taylor slammed home runs for the Wheelers. Gallant also had a double for two hits in three trips. Playing coach Wally Shepard had two hits in three trips.

Mike Connolly in his first start of the year tossed a six-hitter for the Packers while Wally Shepard hurled a 10-hitter in absorbing the loss.

Ernie Trainor played a strong defensive game for the Wheelers and Reg Hughes stood out for the Packers.

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Big Stock Car Racing Meet Tonight At Covehead

Stock car racing fans will have the opportunity tonight of seeing some of the best racing of the season when cars from Summerside, Kensington, Charlottetown, Mount Stewart and Montague will participate in a meet which promises to produce plenty of thrills and close competition at the Covehead race track.

Tremendous crowds attended the race meets held at this track last year and the quarter mile oval was never in finer shape. Since many of the drivers have had a chance to get their machines limbered up, no quarter will be asked and none given.

Racing under the lights at Covehead has always proved to be a popular form of entertainment and a large crowd is expected to be on hand when the cars are given the green flag tonight. There will be canteen service on the grounds.

Starters With Positions For Tuesday Night July 20th 1954

FIRST DASH 8:00 P.M. STANDARD TIME
CLASSIFIED TROT AND PACE—TWO DASHES \$175.00 EACH
1. Bessie Budlong; 2. Esso; S-3 Little Delbert; 4. Faigo; 5. Abner McGraw; 6. Bell Budlong; S-7, Mary Merk; 8. Miss Donna Mae — 5-Stable.

CLASSIFIED PACE—TWO DASHES \$150.00 EACH
1. Carl Frisco; 2. Laurel Chief; 3. Dean Swift; 4. Barbara Ann Queen; 5. Dale B; 6. Antico; 7. Keppoch Girl; 8. Steepy Sam — also eligible — Bob Clegg, Lady Abner.

CLASSIFIED TROT—TWO DASHES \$175.00 EACH
1. Tartan; 2. Real Fingo; 3. Roma Budlong; 4. Arionway; 5. Peggy Ellis; 6. Jenny Kalmuck; 7. Derrick; 8. Pet Hanover... also Winnie's Last, Judy Kalmuck.

CLASSIFIED PACE—TWO DASHES \$225.00 EACH
1. Direct Mile; S-2, Jerry's Nightmare; 3. Babe Britton; 4. Gahagan; S-5, Chocolate Dip.
7:30 P.M. Standard Time
CURTAIN RINGER — ONE DASH \$100.00 — 50% — 33% — 15%
1. Hoosier Doctor; 2. C. P. Clegg; 3. Stanley's Boy; 4. Orange Hal; 5. Wait For Me; 6. Laddie Seymour; 7. America's Ace; 8. Rebecca's Money—also eligible—Bobby Hunter, Kitty McKay.

Starters With Positions For Saturday Night July 24th 1954

FIRST DASH 8:30 P.M. STANDARD TIME
CLASSIFIED PACE—TWO DASHES \$150.00 EACH
1. Prince Budlong; 2. Eva Budlong; 3. Mighty Deb; 4. Marion E.; 5. True Hal; S-6, Royal Scott Jr.; S-7, Silk Hal; 8. Billy Budlong — also eligible. Miss Comandora.

CLASSIFIED PACE—TWO DASHES \$150.00 EACH
SS-1, Judy Budlong; 2. Sister Verba Hoo; 3. Chevie G.; SS-4, Sea Plant; 5. Suffolk Chief; 6. Carl Aubrey; S-7, Colonel Budlong; S-8, Premier J. Walter—also eligible. Propane. S-a stable — SS-stable.

CLASSIFIED TROT—TWO DASHES \$175.00 EACH
1. Chet Lynn Clegg; 2. Bud's Echo; 3. Frisco The Great; 4. Joannale; 5. Waymark; 6. Feather Duster; 7. Sir Chuck; 8. Rajah Hanover — also eligible. Guy Harvester.

CLASSIFIED PACE—TWO DASHES \$225.00 EACH
S-1, A. G. Scott; S-2, Direct Mile; 3. Johnnie Kalmuck; 4. Babe Britton; 5. Gahagan.
8:00 P.M. STANDARD TIME
CURTAIN RAISER—ONE DASH \$100.00—50% — 33% — 15%
1. Jimmy Budlong; 2. Bonnie's Girl; 3. Royal Train; 4. Muriel E.; 5. Bonnie Dale; 6. Anyway; 7. Miss Pali; 8. Sunny B.—also eligible—Joppa Maid.

Carson Hurls Six-Hitter

SHELBURNE, N.S. (CP)—Benny Carson, a native of Charlottetown, P.E.I., hurled six-hit ball Monday as Barrington Braves defeated Clarks Harbor Clover Leafs 5-2 in the Shelburne County Baseball League. Carson had nine strikeouts and allowed only one earned run. He walked five. He also helped his own cause with two hits, one of them a double.

Dodgers And Flyers Play City League Game Tonight

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Baseball Standings

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
American League

Team	W	L	Pct.	GBL
Cleveland	61	28	.685	—
New York	61	29	.678	1/2
Chicago	57	33	.633	4 1/2
Detroit	37	49	.430	22 1/2
Boston	37	50	.425	23
Washington	37	50	.425	23
Baltimore	32	57	.360	29
Philadelphia	30	54	.357	28 1/2

Softball Practice

A softball practice for Canada Packers will be held on the Parkdale Diamond this evening at seven o'clock.

Cornwall-York Pt. Swimming Test

The Cornwall-York Point Swimming and Water Safety Course was completed on Wednesday July 14th when the Instructor, Mr. Angus MacLaren, presented the classes for examination.

This course was sponsored by the Women's Institutes under the chairmanship of Mrs. Hector Scott. Mr. Kent Ellis, tested the swimmers and presented Red Cross awards to those who fulfilled the requirements:

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Outfielders Lead Batting Parade In Major Circuits

NEW YORK (AP)—A trio of lefthanded - hitting outfielders—Brooklyn's Duke Snider, Don Mueller of the Giants and Cincinnati's Gus Bell—are running one-two-three in the National League batting derby.

Snider, the leader for several weeks, is being pressed by Mueller and now Bell is among the title aspirants. Snider, a long-ball slugger, is batting .359, while the spry hitting Mueller is up to .356. Bell has moved into contention with a .341 mark.

Irv Noren threatens to make a runaway of the American League hitting race. The Yankee outfielder is batting .386 and holds a 22-point bulge over his closest pursuer. Figures include Sunday's games.

Snider's averages dipped eight points during the week as the 27-year-old Californian went 6-for-24. Mueller, runner-up a week ago, had eight hits in 23 trips and his average failed to change. Bell, with a 9-for-30, lost three points while remaining third.

St. Louis teammates Red Schoendienst and Stan Musial share fourth place at .333 each. Each gained two points after being tied for fifth last week.

Noren boosted his average 22 points during the week. The 29-year-old left - handed hitter collected 11 hits in 18 at bats—a .611 pace—to pull away from the pack. Cleveland's Bobby Avila appears to be the only player within striking distance of Noren. The Mexican second baseman maintains the runner-up position with a .344 average. Avila gained three points with 8 for-21.

Minnie Minoso of the White Sox in advancing to third, increased his average nine points to .322. Tied for fifth a week ago, the fleet-footed Cuban delivered nine safeties in 20 times at bat.

Willie Mays of the Giants maintains his National League home run lead with 33 and Musial still is tops in runs batted in with 84. Mickey Mantle of the Yankees continues to set the American League home run pace with 18, while Minoso heads the RBI department with 72.

Paul "Scooter" Murphy hit a grand slam home run in the last inning to give the Phillies a 6-3 victory over the Giants in a Little League baseball game at Memorial Field yesterday. Murphy also collected a double in an earlier trip to the plate.

George Dunn was the winning pitcher while Russell Shepard suffered the loss.

Following is the baseball schedule for today:
9 a.m.—Minor League boys 9 and 10 years old.
10:30—Bantam Yankees vs. Cardinals.
2 p.m.—Little League Indians vs. Giants.

Stock Car Racing Covehead

Another of Covehead's Stock Car races where you will see plenty of thrills and spills.

All Stock Cars wishing to participate will be classified on arrival.

There will be Stock Cars from Summerside, Kensington, Charlottetown, Montague, Mount Stewart and surrounding districts.

We promise you as good a race meet as seen any time last season.

Purses will be 50% of the gate receipts for drivers.

A point system is kept at this track for all winning cars. The W. G. Barbour Trophy will be presented to the car with the highest number of points at a race meet of a later date.

All Stock Cars must be in the pit by 7:30 p.m. Standard Time.

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