SPORTS FRONT

By NICK FILLMORE

Sink Or Swim

AS THE OLD saying goes, the Northumberland Strait Marathon Swim will 'sink or swim' today.

I say this because even though some of the world's greatest marathon swimmers are competing in the nine mile Cape Tormentine to Borden jaunt, the swim is still not financially stable and a number of 'backward-minded' persons are still questioning the feasibility of an annual swim.

Today's field of 13 swimmers have, in a great many cases, come for the Northumberland crossing as a favor to the persons organizing the competition and with the though that it will be held next year with more prize money.

More money must be raised if a swim is to be held in 1965.

Officials should get a good idea of the tourist and Island interest in the swim today.

I spoke with some of the officials of the Marathon Swimming Federation a couple of days ago and they told me that St. Jean, Que., has benefitted considerably from its 26-mile marathon competition. The town gets many tourist dollars with an additional 30,000 persons visiting for a three day period.

With fine weather, a good race and more donations the marathon will be a big success and Big Jim Pendergast will undoubtably receive another deserved pat on the back.

What About Maritimers?

MOST OF the interest today will likely be focused on the professional entries. Where is this going to leave the Maritimers?

A major problem with Maritime sports has been that spectators are reluctant to support their own athletes. If it's hockey they want to wach players from Quebec and Ontario.. If it's baseball they want to watch Americans. Sure the imports are good — they know how to sell the game — but how are our own athletes going to develop if we aren't willing to give them a hand.

The four Maritime entries are swimming just for the love of the sport. I feel there is an outside chance one of them might finish in the top five but if the swim is a success and more money is up for grabs next year you can bet there will be so many pros that the local competitors won't finish in the top 10.

I would like to see a trophy for the top Maritimer plus a sizeable money award. Last year there were seven Maritimers. This year there are only four. If the locals aren't incouraged the first thing we know it will be an all-pro swim without a Maritimer in the whole lot.

Off The Cuff

TED WILLIAMS, former Boston Red Sox star, underwent back surgery at a Boston hospital earlier this week and doctors said the operation to relieve pressure on a spinal nerve went 'very well'. Williams' condition was described as good .... **GARY PLAYER**, in Montreal for the Canadian Open, has only played in 15 tournaments this season but has won more than $50,000. He said he plans to curtail his activities next year. " I want to spend more time with my family. Next year I plan to play for seven months and return home to South Africa for five months"................ A bo-bo appeared in yesterday's column. **EDGEWOOD SCOTT** is owned by Messrs. Howatt, Ramsay and Mayhaw, not Stanley Mahew alone .... Mrs. **WILLIE SHOEMAKER** can't go to the races because she's allergic to horses .... **GEORGE KNUDSON** has entered the Canadian Professional Golf Association's tournament set for Halifax later this month. **AL BALDING** is defending champion .... Boxing promoter **FRANK MCINTOSH** has lined up two outstanding 10-rounders for the Halifax Forum, Aug. 18. There will be a re-match between **JACK CARTER** and Buddy Dale and a scrap between Les Sprague and a top flight opponent from American circles .... When the Northumberland Strait Marathon swim begins today, 9:30 a.m., current of 1.3 miles per hour will be pulling down the Strait toward both the Island and mainland. At approximately 11:15 the entire tide will be flowing down the Strait. At 2:20 the tidal pull will reverse gradually until high time, 5:20 p.m. .... Providing weather conditions are favourable, officials expect the winning swimmer to arrive at Borden between 4 and 4:30 p.m.

SPORT OF KINGS

Mt. Stewart Blasts Souris; 'Town' Pitchers Are Tough

By ED CLINTON
SOURIS BUREAU OF THE GUARDIAN

The Mt. Stewart Huskies came to town on Sunday past, romped around for awhile, and went home with an easy victory under their belts over the Souris Centennials. Final score of the lop-sided match was fifteen to zero. Art "Big Scottie" Coffin went all the way for the Huskies allowing only two hits, and they were back to back singles in the sixth inning, ruining his chance at a no-hitter.

Everyone on the Mt. Stewart team joined in the slaughter to such an extent that it was hard to pick out individual players, with the possible exception of speedster Johnnie MacEachern, who looked really lively on the base-paths. Man, can that lad run. He also played an effective game definsively. The victory assued the Huskies of remaining in second place in their close batte with Morell for that position.

The player we felt sorry for was Maynard "Redball" Paquet. Red pitches for Souris, and it's strictly a one-man show. Red struck out fourteen, and assisted on six other put outs, leaving only seven for his mates. It was a shoddy defensive display by the Souris team, who are badly in need of help both defensively and at the plate.

One again regeristration time for Island baseball playoffs has rolled around, and once again, King's County will be in the thick of things. We understand that a number of teams from Kings County have been entered in the Intermediate Rural playoffs, the provincial champion, is usually from this County.

We may miss a few, but, as far as we know now, here are the teams, with the exception of the intermediates, who are registered from this County. In the Junior ranks, there are two teams, one known as the King's County Centennials, and the Legion entry from Souris. Midget ranks will see at least two entries, one from Montague, and the other from Souris. These two centers may have teams entered, but, we haven't heard of them.

The Souris Town Baseball League is having its closest race since the league was formed four years ago. At the present time, only one game separates the top and bottom teams. The defending champions, MacLeans Uptowners are currently in first place, with the Centertowners second, and the Star Grocery Downtowners in third position. It should be quite a battle before the regular schedule ends the latter part of August.

The pitchers in the league are real tough this year, and this is evident when one looks at the top seven batters. Only four are over three hundred, and the seventh place hitter is in at only two thirty-five. For example, in Monday night's game between the Centers and Ups, each side collected only four hits each.

Eric White, pitching for the Uptowners has tied a league record, and when you read this, may have broken the record. He currently has four victories, and this is the highest number by a pitcher during the regular schedule. At the present time he is tied with Danny Mahar, who accomplished this feat twice, along with Westie MacPhee, and Maynard Paquet. The ironic parties that all the above mentioned pitchers have been members of the Uptowners.

The schedule for the KCBL for Sunday is: Souris at Peakes, Morell at Mt. Stewart, and Vernon River at Georgetown. It's possible that a postponed game with Cardigan at Mt. Stewart might be added to the schedule. In their first meeting, Peakes blanked Souris 12-0, while Morell whipped Mt. Stewart 16-7. Vernon River and Georgetown will be meeting for the first time. If Cardigan and Mt. Stewart play, it will be their first meeting.

SOURIS TOWN BASEBALL LEAGUE
Standings:

	W	L	Avg	GBL
Uptowners	4	3	.572	
Centertowners	3	3	.500	½
Downtowners	2	3	.400	1

Top Seven

	AB	R	H	Avg
D. Gallant, DT	12	8	6	.500
A. Clinton, DT	16	5	6	.375
E. MacLean, CT	14	3	5	.357
A. McCormack, UT	19	4	6	.316
J. Rogers, UT	12	6	3	.250
J. MacQuaid, CT	13	5	3	.231
D. Birt, UT	13	4	3	.231

Hits: 4 players tied with 6.
Runs: D. Gallant (DT), M. McCormack (UT) 8.
Doubles: D. Gallant (DT), A. Clinton (DT) 2.
Triples: E. Gallant (DT), D. Jennings (CT) 1.
Home Runs: P. Grant (UT) 1.
Strikeouts: E. White (UT) 41 .800.
Pitching: E. White (UT) 31.

SHOWN ABOVE is Morgan Mitchell (right) as he reaches in to a box held by Rev. Arthur Pendergast to draw for his position in the Northumberland Strait swim. The swim will get underway this morning at 9.00 a.m., from Cape Tormentine.

Centennial Day Held At Tignish

A Centennial Aquatic Sports day for the youth of the Tignish area held at Anglo-Park on Thursday was highly successful and climaxed another Red Cross Water Safety swimming course.

The Aquatic day carried out under the supervision of Marilyn MacLean, red cross field supervisor for the area, has grown into a very popular sport day topped off by a picnic.

Supervised and sponsored by the Tignish Sports Recreation Association, a large number of young people participated in the full days events. The Tignish Centennial trophy went to the three high point getters in the water and land sports events.

The various events and winners were:

Bobbing Girls, 1. Peggy Hogan, 2. Susan Mailette, 3. Laura Hogan.

Bobbing Boys. 1. Freddie Ready, 2. Glen McRae, 3. Percy Morrissey.

Junior Girl Freestyle. 1. Eileen Shea, 2. Irma Broderick, 3. Wilma Hogan.

Junior Boys Freestyle. 1. Allan McInnis, 2. John LeClair, 3. Earnest Richard.

BEGINNERS JUNIORS

Floating girls, 1. Linda Cheverie, 2. Helen McPhee, 3. Irma Broderick and Peggy Perry.

Boys open Freestyle. 1. Allan McInnis, 2. John LeClair, 3. Freddie Ready.

Girls open freestyle. 1. Irma Broderick, 2. Brenda Keough, 3. Shirley Keough.

Boys open backstroke, 1. Michael Broderick, 2. Roy Gavin.

Girls open backstroke. 1. Nancy Buote, 2. Janet Trainor, 3. Midge Eldershaw.

Beginners Girls Dog Paddle. 1. Brenda McPhee, 2. Peggy Perry, 3. Karen Gaudet.

Boys Beginners Dog Paddle. 1. Freddie Ready, 2. Leonard Gavin, 3. Roy Gavin.

Girls and Boys — Breast stroke. 1. Midge Eldershaw, 2. Nancy Buote, 3. Michael Broderick.

LAND RACES

9 yrs and under. Girls — 1. Noreen Arsenault, 2. Cathy McRae, 3. Bernice Buote and Linda Cheverie.

Boys 10 yrs — 1. Danny Arsenault, 2. Glenn McRae and Larry Arsenault, 3. Johnnie LeClair.

Girls, 6, 7, 8, yrs. — 1. Elsie Pedersen, 2, Agnes LeClair, 3. Darlene Buote.

Boys 11 and 12 — 1. Percy Morrissey, 2. Gary Richard, 3. Cletus Harper.

Girls 10 yrs. — 1. Myra Ready 2. Lorraine Gaudet, 3. Lucy Gaudet.

Boys 13 and 14 — 1. Howard Hogan, 2. Michael Broderick, 3. Richard Shea.

Girls 11 and 12 yrs. — 1. Laura Hogan, 2. Wilma Hogan and Elaine Gavin, 3. Shirley Keough and Marcella Perry.

Girls 13 and 14 — 1. Shirley Mockler, 2. Nancy Buote, 3. Betty Gavin.

Girls 15 and 16 — 1. Midge Eldershaw, 2. Janet Trainor, 3. Stella Gavin.

Girls Open — 1. Shirley Mockler and Midge Eldershaw, 2. Nancy Buote, 3. Janet Trainor.

Mile, Girls open — 1. Shirley Mockler, 2. Stella Gavin, 3. Betty Gavin.

Women's open — 1. Mrs. Frank LeClair, Summerside; 2. Mrs. Irving Mockler, 3. Mrs. Milton Keough.

Boys open — 1. Bobby Boyce, 2. Michael Broderick, 3. Richard Shea.

Mile, Boys open — 1. Michael Broderick, 2. Freddie Ready, 3. Richard Shea.

Next Week's Minor Games

The following is the schedule for the Charlottetown minor league program for next week:

MONDAY
9:00 — Yankees vs. Tigers; White Sox vs. Indians; Twins vs. Red Sox.
1:30 — Colts vs. Dodgers, Phillies vs. Cards (Farm); Giants vs. Cubs (Farm).

TUESDAY
9:00 — Red Sox vs. Tigers, Indians vs. Yankees; Twins vs White Sox.
1:30 — Braves vs. Colts; Orioles vs. Senators (Farm).

WEDNESDAY
9:00 — Twins vs. Tigers; White Sox vs. Yankees; Indians vs. Red Sox.
1:30 — Braves vs. Dodgers; Cubs vs. Senators (Farm); Cardinals vs. Phillies (Farm).

THURSDAY
9.00 — White Sox vs. Tigers; Twins vs. Yankees; Red Sox vs. Indians.
1.30 — Dodgers vs. Colts; Orioles vs. Giants (Farm).

FRIDAY
9:00 — Yankees vs. Red Sox; Indians vs. White Sox; Tigers vs. Twins.
1:30 — Colts vs. Braves; Cardinals vs. Senators (farm); Phillies vs. Cubs (Farm).

SATURDAY
9:00 — Colts vs. Braves.

Johnny's Hawks Meet The Park

Johnny's Flying Hawks will tangle with the National Park All-Stars in Charlottetown city league softball action at the new diamond today. Game time is set for 1.30 p.m. and all players are requested to be on time.

SET FOR TONIGHT'S RACES

Shown above are Joanne Scantlebury (left) and Tony Kelly. Joanne will be the leading majorette in tonight's activity at the Covehead race track. Tony is one of the top drivers who will be competing in the Centennial Invitational racing action. The program will get underway at the Covehead track at 8 p.m. Representatives from St. John N.B.; Halifax, N.S., and Woodstock, N.B., are expected to be taking part in tonight's races.

WILLEMESE IS FAVORITE

Strait Swim Contestants Will Hit The Water Today

By A.C. HOLMAN.

Today some time around four in the afternoon the speculation will be over—by that time the winner of the Northumberland Strait Swim should be ashore in Borden harbor.

Who will it be? Unless there is a complete upset it will have to be anyone of the five swimmers who are among the best in the world. They are: Herman Willemse of Holland; George Park of Toronto; Carlos Larriera, Argentina; Jorge Messadra, also of Argentine or Abdel Latif Abou-Heif of Egypt.

Many of the swimmers themselves think it will be Willemse, winner for the last five years in the 26 mile Atlantic City Swim. But, as George Park, the top Canadian in the swim said last night, "anyone of the five can take it, it depends on what kind of a day it will be, what the wind and the water will be like and whoever has the luck."

Abou-Hief, the pride of the United Arab Republic, "Crocodile of the Nile", he is the top point getter in the newly formed World Federation of Marathon Swimmers and he cannot be forgotten when one is talking of potential winners. He is top point man by virtue of the fact he was the winner of the 38 mile Santa Fe-Cordona swim, where Willemse placed third. He had another first in the Capri-Naples Swim in Italy that Willemse didn't enter. He was second to Willemse in the Atlantic City Swim on July 21. So in additon to the lure of the $1200 first place money there is also the points to shoot for, as the Strait Swim is one of the eight swim recognized by the Federation in their point system to determine a world champion.

Yesterday at Borden there was the swimmers' briefing session followed by the drawing of lots to determine which of the boatmen each swimmer would get. This is a vital factor in the swim because of the heavy tidal current that are prevalent in the Strait at the point where the swim takes place. Charles Grover, the 44 year old swimmer from Boston thinks that this could be a "pilot's swim". By that he means a boatman who knows the Strait well can give better advice to his swimmer and therefore make his job less difficult, a decided advantage in a swim of this kind and calibre.

Following the drawing for the boatmen the swimmers gleaned every bit of information they could from the men who will be guiding them today.

Yesterday word was received by the swim committee that last year's champion Jean La-Coursiere of Point-Aux-Trempes, Quebec will not be here this year to defend his title. The reasons he offered in a letter to the committee were that both his trainer and the company he works for wished him not to participate. Speculation by some of the swimmers is that he is resting up for the Lake St. John Swim that takes place on August 8 in his home province.

At press time Gail Close of Atlantic City, New Jersey had not showed up in Borden, but her entry money is in and there is still a chance she will be at Cape Tormentine in the morning.

She is just one of four women entered in the big race. There is also Wendy Birch, who is just 21 today, Wendy is another Atlantic City girl; Helen Carragher, from Ebbsfleet, P.E.I., one of the two Islanders in the swim. This is her second try, as she entered last year too. The other woman in the water today is Jean Anderson from Toronto, Ontario.

Morgan Mitchell of Charlottetown is the other Islander competing this year. Morgan was in the race last year also and he and Miss Carragher will be doing battle for the extra $100 for the first Islander to finish.

Other Maritimers in the race include Ronald Burns of Cape Tormentine, N.B., and Ralph Brooks of Hatfield Point, N.B, Ralph is only fourteen years old and he is swimming this time purely for the competition. He is the only amateur entered and he will leave five minutes before the race begins and will not be after any of the prize money. This way he will be able to protect his amateur status.

There is $3,000 on the line and as the old saying goes, "its anybody's game". Anyone of the 12 human fish can claim a piece of it.

Allied Youth Club Holds Track Meet

The provincial allied youth club staged a track and field meet at Hampton yesterday. The following are the results of the meet:

Boys, 13 years and under: Garnet Gallant, Rustico; Stanley Hardy, Augustine Cove; Billy MacFadyen, Augustine Cove and Douglas Clow of Mount Albion.

Girls, 13 years and under: Sandra Stewart, Little Sands; Cindy Harris, Murray Harbor; Elaine Meney, Little Sands.

Boys, 16 years: D. MacDonald, Augustine Cove; Roy Hogan, Tignish; John Broderick, Tignish.

Boys, 15 years and under: Ron MacDonald, North Rustico; Eric MacWilliams, Augustine Cove; Stanley Hardy, Augustine Cove.

Girls, 15 years and under: Marilyn Mutch, Mt. Albion; Sheila Kelly, Morell; Henry Phaggenhoef, Mt. Albion.

Girls, 16 years: Peggy Hogan, Tignish; Valerie Crane, Mt. Albion; Donna Jenkins, Mt. Albion.

Girls, Open: Wanda MacLeod Mount Albion; Allie Plaggenhsef, Mt. Albion; Faye Clow, Mount Albion.

Boys, Open: Ron MacDonald, North Rustico; Brendon Gallant, North Rustico; Julien Gaudin, North Rustico.

Piggy Back: Stella Maris and North Rustico; Stella Maris and North Rustico.

Wheelbarrow (mixed) Mt. Albion - Tignish; Tignish; Mt. Albion.

Three legged race: R. Stella Maris, North Rustico and Mt. Albion; Stella Maris and Augustine Cove; Tignish.

Relay race (Girls): Mt. Albion; Tignish; Little Sands.

Relay race (Girls): Stella Maris, Augustine Cove, Mt. Albion.

BASEBALL SCORES

American League

First
Detroit 003 000 000— 3 7 2
Cleveland 131 000 43x—12 13 0
Rakow (6-8), Regan (2), Hamilton (7), Fox (8) and Freehan; Kralick, Bell (6-4) (3) and Azcue. HRs: Cleve. — Chance (12), Wagner (26).
Chicago 021 001 200— 6 12 2
Wash. 000 000 000— 0 4 2
Pizarro (14-5) and Martin; Daniels (5-9), Rudolph (4), Koch (7), Ridzik (9) and Leppert. HR: Chi.—Hansen (12).

National League

First
Houston 000 000 000— 0 2 1
New York 000 010 02x— 3 11 0
Larsen (1-4), Woodeshick (8) and Grote; Lary (2-3) and Gonder, Cannizzaro (9).
Second
Houston 010 000 010— 2 7 1
New York 100 014 00x— 6 12 0
Johnson (8-11), Raymond (6), Nottebart (8) and Grote; Fisher (7-12) and Cannizzarro. HRs: Hou.—Grote (3). N.Y.—Kranepool (4).
Los Angeles 000 001 000— 1 9 1
Phila. 200 000 13x— 6 6 1
Moeller (5-10), Perranoski (7) B. Miller (8) and Camilli; Short (10-5), Baldschun (8) and Dalrumple. HR: Phila. — Callison (18).
San. Fran. 011 010 203— 8 10 1
Pittsburgh 002 000 004— 6 12 6
Bolin, Shaw (6-4) (3), Perry (5), O'Dell (9) and Crandall; Veale (12-7), Blass (7), Sisk (7) and Pagliaroni.

PROBABLE PITCHERS

Probable pitchers in today's major league baseball games, won - lost records in parentheses:

American League

New York, Terry (3-8), at Minnesota, Stigman (5-9)
Detroit, Regan (4-8) or McLain (1-3) at Cleveland, Ramos (4-8)
Baltimore, Bertaina (0-0) at Kansas City, Pena (8-9) (N)
Boston, Wilson (11-5) at Los Angeles, Newman (8-4) (N)
Chicago, Buzhardt (8-5) at Washington, Stenhouse (1-6)

National League

Houston, Brown (2-9) at New York, Jackson (5-11)
Los Angeles, Drysdale (13-9) at Philadelphia, Mahaffey (10-5) (N)
Milwaukee, Lemaster (10-7) at Chicago, Jackson (13-9)
Cincinnati, Jay (5-8) at St. Louis, Gibson (8-8)
San Francisco, Perry (7-8) at Pittsburgh, Gibbon (7-4)

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Ball Action At Souris

SOURIS — Uptowners defeated Downtowners 9-5 yesterday in a regular town league game here.

Three pitchers put in appearances for the winning team. Peter Grant started and was relieved by Donny Birt in the second. Eric White came in for Birt in the third, and was credited with the win, his fifth of the season.

The three-man mound staff gave up a total of 3 hits, 11 walks, and struck out 5.

Gus Clinton started for the losers with the final loss credited to him. He was relieved by Dave Kassner in the fourth inning. Between them they allowed 9 hits, 10 walks and struck out 9.

Top batter for the winning team was Guy MacIntosh, who hit 2 for 4. For the losers Dave Gallan and Fred Robertson shared honors with 1 for 2 performances.

A Sunday doubleheader is scheduled to start at 1:15 with Centretowners taking on Uptowners in the first game and the Downtowners in the second.

League standing as of yesterday's game:

	W	L	P
Uptowners	5	3	10
Centretowners	3	3	6
Downtowners	2	4	4

Go-Kart Races Going Tonight

The Centennial Invitational Kart races are scheduled for Charlottetown's Covehead Park Saturday evening, with drivers from Saint John, Halifax and Charlottetown taking part.

Championships in the Stock "A" and Super "A" will be held. Race time is 8 p.m.

The Maritime's top drivers including Al LeBlanc, Saint John, Tony Kelly, Merrill and Keith MacLean will be taking part. The MacLean brothers are defending Maritime champs in their division and Kelly is the leading Maritime driver in the Super "A" class.

Special events are on the program, including a judges-starters race and a women's race.

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4—SUNNY KING
5—STALAG HANOVER
6—ANTHONY L.

RACES 2 AND 6
1—JOLLY DICK
2—MISS HEATHER HAL
3—ECHO RIDGE EDDY
4—MISS COOL EYES
5—BOOMTOWN

RACES 3 AND 7
1—DURATION
2—DUNLOP B.
3—GARTH'S BEST
4—THE SHEIK
5—VICTORY SCOTT
6—MIGHTY WARRIOR

RACES 4 AND 8
1—SANTIAGO
2—EDGEWOOD HEDRICK
3—HELEN'S DREAM
4—DONNA WAY
5—ROGER PARLAY
6—ARMOND'S BUDDY
7—BILLY RICE

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