



Diamond Dirt

FASTBALL

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Tying run is at the plate...



Kitchener ON Hallman Twins OF Frederick Terkelsen got mugged at the ball park, or was he the “mugger”. Freddie displays his “Player of the Game” mug after a pat on the back from Field Manager Steve Kooser following his ISC record-tying seven (yep - count ‘em -7) rbis against the Toronto ON Gators.

And that brings the tying run to the plate is a descriptor liberally used in fastball scenarios, often depicting a batter who could launch a homer to tie a low-scoring game.

Thursday afternoon, after a mind-boggling 23 runs had already crossed the plate, the outcome of the Hallman *(continued Page 3)*

JAY’S PICKS – Day #7

(Projected winner **bold, underlined**)

Thursday’s record – 5-1

Record to date – 63-23

Friday August 15

These four games are elimination
– the winner advances and the
loser is eliminated

12:00 - Swashbucklers vs Twins

2:00 – Gremlins vs K egl Knights

4:00 – Winner 12:00 vs Cal A’s

6:00 – Winner 2:00 vs Scarborough

The winner of the following
game goes directly to Saturday
Night’s Championship game

8:00 – Hill United vs PA Power

Saturday August 16

Four teams remaining

12:00 - Game #92

Winner Fri 4:00 vs

Winner Fri. 6:00

2:00 pm – Winner 12:00 noon vs
Loser of Hill United vs PA Power

7:00 PM Championship

Winner of 2:00 pm vs

Winner of Hill United vs PA Power



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- #87 Swashbucklers 3
Circle Tap 2 (10 innings)
- #88 Hallman Twins 13
Toronto Gators 10
- #89 Randy's A's 3
NY Gremlins 11
- #84 Fargo Kegel 1
Bloomington Stix 0
- #85 Hill United 10
Scarborough 3
- #86 PA Power 2 Cal A's 1

ROOF 50/50

Sunday - #0391039 - \$200
Donna Stere, Brantford ON
Mon. 2 pm - #0454237 - \$85 -
"Unclaimed"

Mon. 8 pm #0315067 - \$185
David Ganton, Reese MI
Tues. 2 pm #0535173 - \$152
Shawn Laframboise
Tues. 8 pm - #0287002
"Unclaimed"

Wed. 2 pm - #0454490 - \$130
Bill Elliott

Wed. 8 pm - #0314 290 - \$250
"Unclaimed"

Thur. 2:00 pm & 8pm

Please check with ROOF
representatives in the bright yellow t-
shirts at the Country 106.7 tent
between Diamonds 2-3 at PHBY.

KSA/ISC Legacy Grant



The KSA / ISC Legacy Grant presentation on Thursday evening was a whopping \$5,000 to the Stanley Park Optimist Ball program for capital equipment including batting helmets and safety shields for infielders. **Gord Dearborn** (left) past president of Kitchener Sports Association, presents the cheque to Stanley Park representatives **John Sherritt** (coach), **Craig Findlay** (supervisor), and sisters **Janine** (Senior 3-Pitch league) and **Julie Sherritt** (Senior T-Ball league).

KSA has collaborated with the ISC and the local 2014 ISC Host Committee to provide one-time capital funding to local minor ball programs as a Legacy from the success of hosting the 2014 World Championship.

Tonight's presentation will be to the New Hamburg Minor Softball Association for a pitching machine.

NIAGARA SNAPPERS ISC II CHAMPS

Making their first return to the final four of the ISC II since 2007 when they finished 3rd, the Niagara Snappers rolled a lucky 11, with 11 hits to score 11 runs in dispatching Westerville OH Capitols 11-4. After trailing 2-0 in the first inning, Port Elgin's **Blake Underwood** turned the tide with a 3-run homer and Snappers never trailed again. **Tom Berube** was the winning pitcher.

The order of finish for other teams on Thursday was 3rd - Ottawa Broker4 tickets 4th - Waterdown Hammer Tied for 5th - Kitchener Diamond Jaxx and Shakespeare Falcons..

HARDWARE


Underwood was MVP while top pitcher was **Joran Graham** (Ottawa Brokers4Tickets), while Warton Nationals' **L.T. Jacques** was named top designated hitter and top overall hitter sporting a .533 batting average.

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Kitchener ON Hallman Twins and Toronto ON Gators lineups booth resembled the 1927 New York Yankees “Murderers’ Row” as the long ball was evident for hitters in the wind-assisted park on Thursday afternoon. Twins outlasted the Gators 13-10, and with the loss Gators Greg Garrity and Blair Setford leave the diamond for the last time in the 2014 Tournament.

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Twins match-up with the revamped and new-look Toronto Gators was still not finalized. Trailing 13-9 in B7, Gators 3B **Tyler Wright** walked, CF **Ben Oka** singled (Enoka’s four hits went for the “cycle”, a rarity in the sport), OF **Dustin Houtz** singled scoring Wright and setting the stage for additional dramatics. With two out and the game on the line, **Greg**

Garrity, who had assumed pitching chores for the Gators, positioned himself in the batter’s box. Representing the tying run in a 13-10 game is memorable, and Garrity, a batter of renown and very capable of stroking a home run had the Gators season in his grasp. Twin 3rd pitcher of the day, **Ryan French** knew the consequences of an errant wheel-house pitch based on Garrity’s reputation and prowess. French was cagey, enticing Garrity’s rip at the ball to result in a fly

out to 1st base. Thus ended the slugfest – a troubling night-mare for opposing managers Twins’ **Steve Kooser** and Gators’ **Blair Setford**, Gators finish 10th and the host Twins are alive for Day #7.

In the evening nightcap #5 seeded Scarborough ON Force started strongly, with **Andy Skelton**, **Donny Hale** and **Jake Taylor** notching hits in B1 off #1 seeded Hill United Chiefs P **Adam Folkard**, staking the Force to an early 1-0 lead. In T4, Chiefs’ 1B **Steve Mullaley’s** hard hit twisting flare to right field resulted in a three-base error, allowing Mullaley to eventually score on **Mark Johnson’s** fielder’s choice to tie the game at a run apiece. Force OFs **Dave Brownhill** and **Craig Buttar** lit up Folkard with solo dingers in B4 and B5, and an upset appeared to be in the cards for the Force. In T6, Chiefs **Nick Shailes** singled and Mullaley launched a centre-field torpedo to tie the game at three, . **Jason Hill** (back from a hand injury after being hit by pitch) duplicated Mullaley’s automatic and Chiefs were up 4-3. P **Max Montero** replaced Force starter **Don Scott** and got two quick Ks. With two out, Chiefs were not to be denied, and the flood gates opened as C **Jason Sanford** homered, followed by a single from **Craig Crawford**, **Brad Ezekiel’s** walk, hits by **Jeff Ellsowrth**, Shailes again and Mullaley’ second home run of the evening... and the inning!!!.

Chiefs 10 Force 3.

The nightcap, with first pitch at 10:40 pm, saw P **Ramon Jones** (3-0) strike out 17 in leading PA Power to a 2-1 nail-biter over Cal A’s. Argentinian OF **Manuel Goday’s** 4th inning HR was the difference.

Also winning right to play today were the Swashbucklers, Gremlins and Kegel Knights.



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Donna's Diner volunteers provide free smiles galore while serving a wide selection of non-traditional ball-park food. (Hot dogs, pig tails, french fries are available in the parks central food court). Kitchener Minor Girls Softball Association volunteer **Lea Stewart**, and mother / daughter combination **Tracey & Haylea Heimpel** were kept busy.



Eleven years ago **Michael Brown**, a graduate of Kitchener's Forest Heights Collegiate, received a scholarship from Kitchener Sports Association. This week, while competing as an OF with the Waterdown Hammer, he served as a Host Committee member with responsibilities for social media while his dad **Ron Brown** of Goderich, is a volunteer games controller.

ATTENDANCE BUILDING



Thursday afternoon' crowd on Diamond 1 was enthusiastic in appreciating the fine play of the elite players in the main draw. For the evening games, both the lower and upper bleachers were packed to capacity, with many fans standing and others enjoying the comfort of lawn chairs beyond the outfield fence.

Quiz Answers - Yesterday's Pitching Achievements

1. Most career wins (70-Michel White 1980-2006)
2. Most consecutive world tournament wins
(23 – Gerald Muizelaar 2001-2004)
3. Most career wins as a pitcher competing this week
(56 – Darren Zack 1992-2012-Darren is playing in 2014 Masters)
4. Most career wins as pitcher competing in 2014 "open" draw
(46 – Gerald Muizelaar)
5. Most career "no-hit" games (8 – Peter Meredith 1982-1998)
6. Most wins as a pitcher in single tournament (10 - Darren Zack – 1995)
7. Most consecutive "no-hit" innings (19 – Adam Folkard 2013)
8. Most perfect games in career (4- Mike Piechnik 1985-2002)
9. Most consecutive scoreless innings (69" – Darren Zack - 1995)
10. Most strikeouts in one tournament
(150 in 73" innings – Darren Zack – 1995)

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