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Wanderosa midget Braves go on winning streak

After a successful outing against Barrie the previous week the Bolton Wanderosa midget Braves continued their winning ways.

Bolton 13, Aurora 10

Their July 16 opponent was Aurora, the first place team which had only one loss in regular season play. Having been badly outplayed by this team in past games Bolton made up for it on this night, winning 13-10.

Aiden Long started the game on the mound and put in four strong innings allowing just two runs. Andrew Reid pitched in the fifth inning with not as much success with Luke Ratcliffe finishing the extended inning. A total of eight Aurora runs scored. Chad Manning finished the final three innings as pitcher with no other runs scoring.

The fielders were strong and played a next to error-free game. Aurora runners were tagged out at the plate three times by catcher Curtis Braun. The last time was a sweet play when an Aurora player was tagged out in a rundown between first and second and then immediately the throw went to home to catch another runner stealing.

The Braves' bats came alive for this game and runners crossed home plate 13 times scoring eight runs in the first inning. Singles were hit by Reid (3), Braun (2), Manning, Cody Renzetti, Vince Capitano and Jonathan Conte. Ratcliffe hit a double and Jeff Vickers a triple.

Bolton 10, Thornhill 7

The next game played was against Thornhill on July 19 at their park. This was another team Bolton had struggled with in the past, but the Braves' bats continued to be strong, powering Bolton to a 10-7 triumph.

Ratcliffe hit a single and scored twice. Vickers had a single and two RBIs. Reid had a single, double and two RBIs. Jeff Thompson and Adam MacDonald each had singles. The Braves capitalized on Thornhill errors and twice innings were extended as the Braves batted through their lineup.

Thompson took to the mound and threw a very successful game. The first six innings were shutout ball with the exception of the fourth when Thornhill managed to score three runs. Thompson started the seventh but was tiring with the pitch count over 100. Braun came in to effectively finish the inning. The outfield crew of Long, Conte, Ratcliffe and Patrick Oatway did an exceptional job catching and shutting down scoring opportunities on the opposition's long balls.

Bolton 12,

Markham 6

The next game was against Markham on home turf July 23 with the Braves winning 12-6 for their fourth win in a row.

The teams appeared to be evenly matched in the early going. Braun was starting pitcher going four innings with six strikeouts and just three runs scoring. Renzetti was next to the mound also pitching four innings and allowing just three runs with three strikeouts. The fielders played a fantastic game keeping scoring chances to a minimum. Right-fielder Long had an excellent game catching fly balls and once, with two runners on base, came out of nowhere to snag a ball going into the gap.

The Bolton bats were fairly quiet until the fifth inning and then began to sizzle as the opposing pitcher began to tire. Conte had his best game of the season hitting a double and two triples, earning three RBIs. Long also had an RBI triple. Other singles were hit by Braun (3), Vickers, Thompson, Reid and MacDonald each with two and Renzetti. Oatway crossed home plate twice having earned first base on walks.

Thompson came in as the closer and despite loading the bases on walks, came out damage free by striking out three in the inning.

Many thanks were extended to Wanderosa Wood Products for being the team's sponsor.

Braves lose doubleheader but rebound with win

Thornhill spelled trouble for the Wanderosa Braves in a doubleheader at the north hill diamond July 9.

Both games were close with the exception of one bad inning in each.

Thornhill 8, Bolton 1

Curtis Braun was starting pitcher in the first game and with the team's defensive play only one runner reached base in the first two innings. The wheels fell off in the third when five Thornhill runs scored and an additional two in the fourth inning. Chad Manning finished the game on the mound and did a superb job allowing just one run in the three innings pitched.

The Braves' offence was sadly lacking in this game. The only player to reach home was Andrew Reid in the first inning, on with a single and scoring on Jeff Thompson's triple. The bats went dead for the remainder of the game and the only other players to reach base on hits were Luke Ratcliffe and Adam MacDonald each with singles.

Thornhill 3, Bolton 2

The second game of the

night had Thompson on the mound for Bolton. Thornhill was able to score three runs in the first inning and then the defense kicked in and did not allow another run in the next four innings.

Again the Bolton bats struggled and only managed two runs with both RBIs earned by Jeff Vickers. The first batter, Ratcliffe, earned first base with a walk followed by Vickers with a triple. The fifth inning saw Jonathan Conte on base again with a walk, advance to second on a passed ball and steal third. Vickers ran to first on a dropped third strike allowing Conte to reach home safely.

Ratcliffe pitched the last two innings of the game and ran into trouble in the last inning. Several Thornhill players crossed home plate but due to time restraints the game had to be curfewed and the score reverted back to the last complete inning to give the Braves the 3-2 loss.

Braves beat Red Sox

On July 12 the Braves travelled to Barrie and played a strong game against the Red Sox and came away with the win.

Ratcliffe led the game off with a single, advanced on Vickers' sacrifice bunt, stole a base and came home on a passed ball. Aiden Long was the Braves starting pitcher and pitched two full innings

with only one unearned run scoring. Third baseman Vince Capitano made a nice tag out on a throw from Cody Renzetti as a runner was trying to gain an extra base. Outfielders Manning and Patrick Oatway made some great catches on fly balls to end innings. Renzetti went to the mound during the third inning and completed the fourth with three runs added to Barrie's tally.

The Braves would not add to their own score until the fifth inning and chipped away adding a run or two each inning. Singles were hit by Ratcliffe, Manning, Renzetti (2), MacDonald, and Thompson (2). Runs were scored by MacDonald and Renzetti. Vickers scored the tying run and Reid came home with the go-ahead off Renzetti's hit. The final Braves' run was scored by Thompson.

Thompson pitched innings five through eight and with the help of strong fielding did not allow any runs. A double play in the fifth, with MacDonald catching a pop-up and throwing to Renzetti at first for the second out and in the eighth, a throw for an out from the knees by shortstop Braun, helped secure the win. With a total team contribution, it was a very satisfying win ending with a score of 6-4.

Goalies hot in Valleywood soccer

Great goalkeeping resulted in quite a few shutouts in recent Valleywood soccer play.

Under 8 Division

Valleywood Vikings 4, West Caledon Soccer 0

Braden Hayes scored two goals while Ryan Blechner and Luke Germond scored one goal each for the winning team.

Heritage Fish & Chips 4, Mr. Sub 2

Quade McKinnon scored two goals while Tyler Pimental and Natalie Fougere scored one goal each for Heritage Fish & Chips.

Brady Ricci and Dante Tramontozzi each scored one goal for Mr. Sub.

Bolton FC 5, Hawaiian Tropic 0

Noah Lemos scored a hat trick while Brandon Fisher scored two goals for Bolton FC.

Laurel Spring Farms 1, Rowntree Montessori 0

Gavin Rowe scored this games only goal.

Valleywood Residents Association 5, Nerds On Site 1

Sarah Atherley, Zachery Smith, Frank Previte, Zachary Sunderland and Matthew Tiveron all scored one goal each for the winning team.

Derek Papp scored the only goal for Nerds on Site.

Under 10 Girls

Robert Brakel & Assoc. 2, FTN Laminating 0

Alessandra Previte and Daniella Clarke scored one goal each for Robert Brakel & Assoc.

EPI Electric 1, The Central Group 0

Marissa Palermo scored this game's only goal.

Under 10 Boys

Santak Automotive 4, G&R Precision 2

Luca Durante scored two goals while Morgan Chandler and Cole Eddy scored one goal each for Santak.

Nicolas Salazar and Nicolas Karas scored one goal each for G&R Precision.

Time Plus 4, Fortinos 1

Robert Delic scored two goals while Devin Alldrit and Joshua Hall scored one goal each for the winning team.

Christopher McGaren scored the only goal for Fortinos.

Under 14 Girls

XPress Solutions 2, Bill Winkels Re/Max 0

Amanda Vivieros and Taylor Tolmie scored one goal each for the winning team.