

Bantam reps on a learning curve

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outs in the top of the third with the help of strong fielding by Francesco Amanteo and Matthew Ardizzi. Daniel Luccia crushed a ball to the outfield recording a three-run, in the park home run, the first for any Armstrong player this season.

The player of the game was undoubtedly Daniel Luccia.

Peewee

The Royal LePage (K2) team traveled to Bradford last Monday to face the Lions sponsored club.

The game was a hard fought affair that was not without controversy, and unfortunately the rule book interpretation did not favor our hometown squad.

The highlight was a textbook double play, as pitcher Josh Baird picked up a ground ball, making the toss to second baseman Brandon D'Amato, who made a perfect throw to first baseman Ryan Groombridge, and an easy two outs. Just like they practised.

Player of the game was Christian Milani. It was a tough 16-12 loss.

Rhind Electric (K3) recorded two wins this past week on their home diamond.

In the first game, they squeaked by Aspen Ridge Homes (A1) 8-7. With the visiting team up by four runs going into the bottom of the sixth inning, the game was called for time and the score reverted back to the last complete inning, the fifth, giving Rhind Electric the win. Sebastian Fritz made his pitching debut and did an admirable job in his first outing. He recorded seven strikeouts in three innings, and allowed only five runs. The offence was a little sluggish for the first time this season, but Dennis Orr

led his team going three-for-three.

Last Tuesday, they played host to Scotia Bank (A2) in a make-up game from May, and this match was all about offence, with Rhind Electric coming out on top of the 16-14 score. The big hitter on the night was Scott Rhind, who made some adjustments at the plate that paid off in a big way as he smashed out three doubles and scored three runs. Dylan Love has been making the most of batting practice as he also went three-for-three with a double, two singles and three RBIs.

First year Cobras continue to learn the game

Last Tuesday the bantam rep Cobras played host to the Barrie Red Sox major bantams in Nobleton, and once again failed to find the win column, as they managed only six hits and a solitary run against a powerful visiting team.

Ryan Forletta was the starting pitcher and after a couple of shaky innings, where he had trouble keeping his pitches down, he settled down and put in a respectable four innings of work.

The motto of the big league Toronto Blue Jays pitching staff is "Pound Down," a short form for "pound the strike zone and keep the ball down around the batter's knees." The Cobra pitchers are slowly learning that this baseball maxim has some validity.

Josh Lipscombe appears to have bought into the idea, encouraged by his pitching-coach father, and young Forletta gave notice in his last two innings last week that he also sees the wisdom of this approach. Where the ball was finding our outfielders, especially Brandon Oukes and Daniel Lisi, on the fly in the first two innings, by frames three and four it was the infielders

who were being put to the test; a sure sign that Forletta was indeed keeping his pitches low and beginning to understand the craft of pitching.

At the end of four frames, the ball was turned over to Stephen Leonard and newcomer Joel Winer. Winer, in particular, showed well and has moved himself up the ladder in the pitching rotation. He will likely see a start before too long.

Coming through with solid hits at the plate were Brady Boccia, Oukes, Lisi, Dylan Rochon, Lipscombe and Danton Brinovec. Brinovec's drive, in particular, was satisfying as he has been in a brief slump and he badly needed the RBI that cashed in second baseman Rochon with the Cobras only run.

At this early stage in the season, the coaches are still moving some players around, trying to see who best fits in at which position, in addition giving them the experience needed to fully understand the game from every position. The Cobras are fortunate in that they have a lot of fine athletes on their roster, just not a lot of players with rep baseball experience.

The team got some bad news last week when it was learned that Taylor Joseph suffered a shoulder injury and will be lost for the better part of a month. With school trips and family holidays beginning to thin the ranks, there will be plenty of playing time for those who stay behind and the team will be calling up one or two peewee players, and possibly bantam house leaguers as well, to see them through the holidays crisis.

Sponsor of the Week

The King Township Baseball Association (KTBA) would like to thank our sponsor of the week, Glen Hulse Plumbing, sponsor of the peewee 1 team, for their continued contribution.

Player of the Week

KTBA's Player of the Week award goes to Daniel Luccia of the Armstrong Petroleums mosquito 1 team. Daniel is playing only his second year of ball, but has been playing like a seasoned veteran. He has been successful when called upon to pitch, giving his team a chance to win every time he takes to the mound. He has definitely shown that he can hit the long ball, with his in the park home run this past week. Congratulations Daniel, much success in your baseball future.



MOVIES AT SPORTS PARK

A good crowd was out last Wednesday night to see Charlotte's Web, the first in the series of Movies on the Lawn at Nobleton Sports Park. The next movie night will be next Wednesday (June 27), when The Princess Bride will be shown. The gates will open at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$5 per person.

Photo courtesy of Jeff Laidlaw

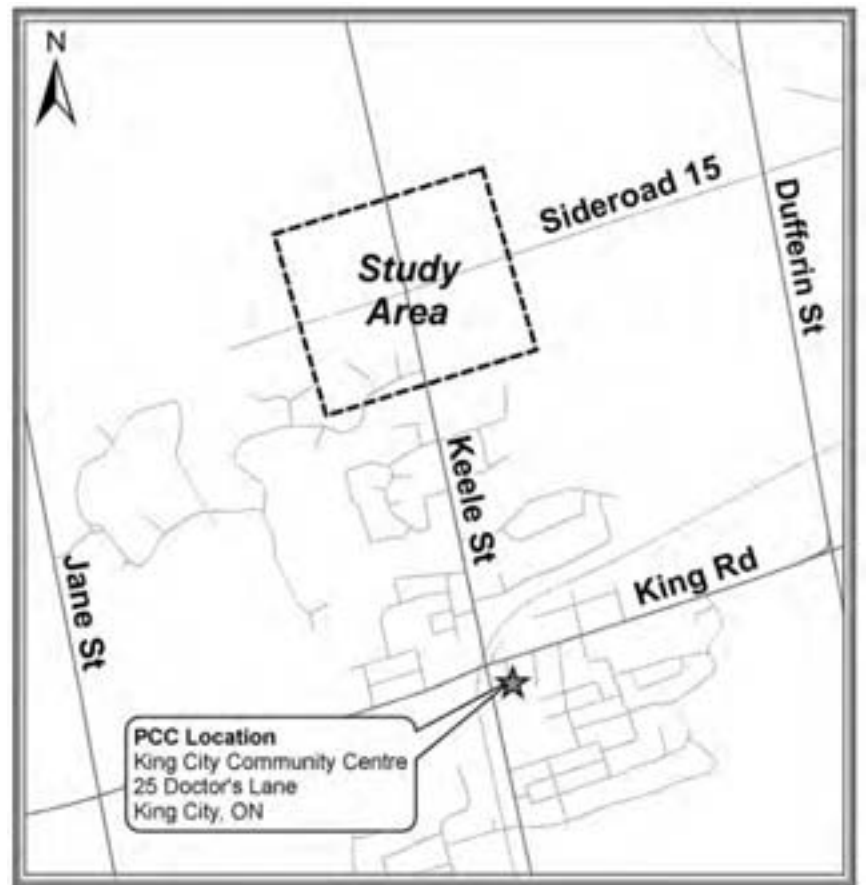


The Regional Municipality of York

NOTICE OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION CENTRE

CLASS ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT KEELE STREET (Y.R. 6) AND 15TH SIDEROAD INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS Township of King

The Regional Municipality of York is undertaking a Class Environmental Assessment study to improve traffic operations and safety, and to accommodate existing and future traffic requirements, at the Keele Street (Y.R. 6) and 15th Sideroad intersection. The consulting firms of NCE Limited and Gartner Lee Limited are undertaking the study on behalf of York Region.



The project is being planned under **Schedule B** of the *Municipal Class Environmental Assessment* (June 2000) under the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*. Public and review agencies are invited to provide input and comment for incorporation into the overall planning and recommended design of the intersection improvements.

To provide details on the study, alternatives considered, the recommended design, as well as to receive input and comment from interested parties, a Public Consultation Centre will be held:

Date: Tuesday, June 26, 2007
Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Location: King City Community Centre
 25 Doctor's Lane, King City
Project No.: 8151

The public will have the opportunity to review the information on the problem/opportunity, study processes and objectives, and the evaluation of the alternative solutions under consideration. York Region staff and their consultants will be on hand to discuss and answer questions on the preferred solution, including the alternative design concepts developed for the preferred solution (as well as their evaluation and the recommended design), and mitigation measures to reduce potential effects on the existing environment.

For further information or if you are unable to attend the Public Consultation Centre and wish to provide your views, please contact:

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Thank you for your participation in this study