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Baseball is the only major sport that appears backwards in a mirror. ~George Carlin, *Brain Droppings*, 1997

Hawks and Reds battle to the end...

May 9th Leaside	L 8-3
May 10th Thornhill	L 8-2
May 14th Simcoe County	L 7-1
May 23rd Simcoe County	W 17-1
May 25th Leaside	L 4-3
May 30th Oshawa	L 10-5
June 5th East York	L 4-3
June 6th Thornhill	L 6-1
June 11th Simcoe County	W 9-4

On the hill for Newmarket last week was Ryan Aida (0-1, 6.73 era) Riding in on a tough loss handed out in East York Monday night Ryan was looking to shine and get the team back on track. Enter "kick ball" team. The Hawks came out looking like 3rd graders wearing frying pans on their hands and swinging 4x8 sheets of plywood at the dish. "For the most part, guys were pressing and it showed" said newly appointed water boy Neal baker. It could be seen all around the field that players were trying to win the game with one swing of the bat or one defensive play. The Thornhill Reds could smell the win from the time

the game started. Ryan, Brent and others pitched their hearts out and came up a little short. "Our biggest problem this season has been our effectiveness during the game. We seem to play a great 6th to 8th inning but more often than not, we have been put into a hole too deep to get out by then" Stated seldom used closer Mark West.. Storming back on more than one occasion the Hawks had runners on and seemed to just miss the well timed hit that could have brought in a win. After the game, dirty laundry was aired in a team only meeting that lasted most of the night. Players, coaches and that



Baker: upset that no one would let him into the team meeting...he shook it off.

little dead mouse in the garbage can all spoke up and came to one conclusion. The time is now. Turn it around or hang em up. We are to play like a team, win like a team and show up prepared and ready to put the best we have on the field every night.

Upcoming games...

- **Tonight: Home Vs. East York**
- Thursday June 15th @ Martingrove 8:00 pm
- Sunday June 18th @ Oshawa 6:00 pm
- **Tuesday June 20th: Home Vs. Leaside 7:30 pm**
- Wednesday June 21st @ Thornhill 7:30 pm

Home games in **BOLD**

The Quotes of the week...

Back then, my idol was Bugs Bunny, because I saw a cartoon of him playing ball - you know, the one where he plays every position himself with nobody else on the field but him? Now that I think of it, Bugs is still my idol. You have to love a ballplayer like that. ~Nomar Garciaparra

A baseball game is simply a nervous breakdown divided into nine innings. ~Earl Wilson
No game in the world is as tidy and dramatically neat as baseball, with cause and effect, crime and punishment, motive and result, so cleanly defined. ~Paul Gallico

There are three things in my life which I really love: God, my family, and baseball. The only problem - once baseball season starts, I change the order around a bit. ~Al Gallagher, 1971

First aid with Gordon Donald Strong (RN)

Male nursing has become the latest craze for the cool kids in the nation. Daily we see numbers growing of male nurses and colleges are turning people down at the door!!! The TTE caught up with Gord Strong this week and he had some insight that may help the Hawks along this bumpy patch that they have found. *"Getting in a funk is contagious"* Gord began. *"Trust me, I know all about dangers of slumps and how it can drain the life out of a team but at this point there is nothing that can be done aside from some good old fashion fun."* He added. "When you



Gord Strong (RN)

find yourself trying too hard, pressing at the plate, thinking of the last at bat, you have already dug yourself a grave that you have to climb out of. This team is the most talented, attractive and amusing team to watch. I love to see them win, play hard and enjoy themselves. This year I have not seen that. Change things up, pick up the guy beside you, cheer

hoot and holler your way to a good time. Baseball is a game that some people find slow and boring, in the past, the Hawks have brought a brand to the park that is exciting, fun to watch and great to talk about. Lets see if you can get back to that and play with your hearts on your sleeves!" Thanks to Gord for his time and well spoken words, we look forward to the Future when he will bless us with his presence again.

*Next week the Hot Corner chats with Dr. Angeler Falangelier

Cougars Tamed by well hit balls, strikeouts and solid defense.

Spot starter Neal Baker (0-1, 2.61 era) took the hill on a cold and windy Sunday night. Baker went three strong innings only facing 10 batters. This start allowed the Hawks offense to explode. With patience at the plate and well struck balls, Newmarket was lead by Bubbles at the plate. Driving in 3 while stroking a double and a triple. Wes Bristol got it started and drove in 2 runs with a 1st inning dou-

ble. From there, the game was pretty much over, Barrie had no chance to get back in the game with D Mac and Lew throwing 5 combined innings of well pitched ball and giving way to

"Neal Baker made a batter buckle when he threw his curveball" - Neal Baker, speaking in the third person.

closer Mark West to come in and SLAM the door shut with 3 strikeouts. Getting this win was huge for the Hawks to attempt a momentum building season. "There was no way to go but up" Stated Rich Lunney. "The boys stuck with the game plan and played OUR brand of baseball." He added. Great game for the team, lets see some more of that intensity!!!

Chan Gone until Elims...

Jeff Chan packed up the car and hit the road Yesterday kicking off his 4500km drive to the west coast. TTE will be without it's co writer the remainder of the season and the spot will be filled with additions by John Suomi as well as some journal notes from Jeff and his encounters on this trip. Jeremy Boyne, pending his release from the mental institution will also be creating entries for your read-

ing pleasure. The Hawks Hot Corner would like to send out one last good game to the Asian kid (pictured right) and wish him well on his endeavors. It won't be the same without his bat in the lineup, his glove in the field and his whit in the writing. All the best Jeff, the team can't wait to see you when you get back. Online versions of this newsletter can be found at:

www.newmarkethawks.com



Chan Before he left for Vancouver

Stats, schedule and links can also be followed from the website and be sure to check out the latest photos in the photo section!!!

Look Out Old Mac is Back...

Well, he's not really Old Mac by Hawks standards. In fact, his career with the Hawks is only a few innings old, but Dave McPherson looks to be another solid pick up for the Hawks. Contract details have not been released but word on the street is that it is a 3 to 6 figure deal depending on where the decimal place is put. Mac has been tormenting the province with an arsenal the size of... well, something really big and looks to add even more depth to an already imposing pitching staff. Part time writer and entertainment coordinator John Suomi caught up with Mac at his palatial estate in Upper Coboconk.

JS: So Mac, you bring some much needed experience to the Hawks roster.

DM: Yeah...I'm not a huge guy, in fact, I spend a lot of time with Dave Valentini at

Woodbine, but I'm wiry you know. Kinda gamey. Like a Cornish Hen drizzled with a nice peppercorn sauce and served with those little potatoes and the things that look like carrots but they're really not and...

JS: Dave, stay on track please. What would you say is your advantage on the hill?

DM: Well Suomi, look at me. I'm pretty good looking. I have always thought that I looked good in green, so you do the math.

I mean Brent Heaslip is smart because of his glasses, Neal Baker buckles knees and Ryan Aida looks like the guy from Almost Famous, but when it comes down to it...umm...I forget my point.

JS: Right. You pitched for the London Monarchs of the CBL in 2003. How did that help you?

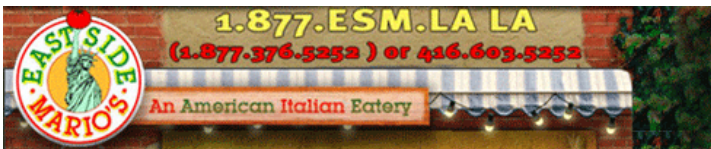
DM: I gained a lot of experience. For one, don't sign a contract in a league that goes defunct. And London by the way, is not ruled by the Queen. You know, a lot of people don't know that but it's true.

JS: Thanks Dave. I don't feel like asking any more questions if that's alright
DM: Yeah no problem.

But can you tell me where to get a good Cornish Hen in Newmarket?



Dave Macpherson pictured when playing with North York. (1999)



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Centre Ice Sports looking into sponsorship...

"Centre ice sports" in Bradford is looking into helping the team out financially this season. Jeff Carter, founder, Owner and all round nice guy has been in long talks with the Hawks and over the last few years has played a rather large role in the equipment and accessories the team buys. "Jeff has been more than helpful to both the Hawks and the Bulldogs" (High school teams)

Stated Mark West, coach of the OLL Bulldogs and Closer for the Newmarket Hawks. Getting his hands on the



latest in Sports equipment and getting it to us for great prices has made him a team favorite. Weekly we will be looking to spotlight one of our many sponsors. If you are interested in making a difference for the team, contact any player or coach to get your hands on our sponsorship package. (TAX Receipt available upon request.)