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3	Suzanne Hamil	C/IF	Windsor
4	Jessica McCulloch	OF	Windsor
5	April Lounsbury	OF	Harrow
6	Jen Moore	P/OF	Chatham
8	Sherrill Malott	C/IF	Windsor
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10	Carly Allen	P/OF	Cambridge
11	Christine Francis	IF/OF	Windsor
14	Danielle Downes	IF	Windsor
17	Lindsay Verkoeyen	SS	Windsor
18	Kimberly Riberdy	1B	Windsor
	Laura Lauzon	C	Windsor

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OCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

Team Statistics

<u>Player</u>	<u>GP</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BA</u>
Sara Neve	12	43	9	8	6	.209
Sara Smith	12	29	8	7	6	.276
Laura Lauzon	8	16	3	2	5	.188
Jessica McCulloch	11	28	6	5	3	.214
Christine Francis	11	28	7	4	3	.250
Danielle Downes	12	34	6	4	3	.176
Suzanne Hamil	12	40	11	9	3	.275
Jen Moore	8	7	2	3	3	.286
Mandy Grummit	12	42	14	11	2	.333
Lindsay Verkoeyen	12	32	8	3	1	.250
Kim Riberdy	4	3	1	0	1	.333
April Lounsbury	12	33	10	9	1	.303
Carly Allen	6	4	0	0	0	.000
Sherill Malott	6	1	1	3	1	.273

Pitching Statistics

<u>Player</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>RA</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>ERA</u>
Sara Smith	6	1	44.2	12	5	12	45	0.79
Jen Moore	1	2	19.2	28	23	23	10	8.39
Carly Allen	0	0	8.1	13	11	7	2	9.51
Laura Lauzon	1	1	6.1	10	10	6	0	11.48

Wildcats silver The Windsor Wildcats novice girls fastball team won a silver medal at the Commerce Classic in Commerce, Mich. The Wildcats had a 4-1 record and lost to T.C. Pride 10-3 in the final.

Canadian women's softball Canada opened the U.S. Cup international women's softball tournament with two victories in Honolulu.

Expos win silver The Windsor Lady Expos won silver medals in two divisions at the Chatham Friendship Fastball Tournament held on the weekend.

The mites, behind the MVP play of Alex Bondy, went 4-1, losing to LaSalle Turtle Club in the final.

The squirts, led by their own MVP Geraldine Hannam, also went 4-1, losing 11-7 to Pickering in the championship game.

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Bob Schroeder


Wildcats roll The Windsor Wildcats novice team took gold at the Plymouth Pride Summer Classic in Michigan.

The club rolled through the 14-team tournament with a perfect 5-0 mark.

Right-handed pitcher Ellen Sinclair was named the tournament's MVP. She posted a 4-0 mark that included a two-hitter in the

championship final, which Windsor won 7-0 over Springfield. Catcher Brittany Hederson was named defensive player of the tournament and an all-star along with first baseman Kaitlyn Bondy and outfielder Kim Micallef.

By virtue of the club's win, the Wildcats have qualified for the USSSA Fast Pitch World Series July 28 to Aug. 3 in St. Louis.

FASTBALL

Windsor Regional League

	W	L	T
Metro Catering	9	2	0
Chicago Louies	7	4	1
Windsor Body	5	6	2
Forest Glade	4	7	2
Faces	3	9	1

Tonight's Games Windsor Body vs. Forest Glade, 6:30 p.m.
 Metro Catering, Chicago, 6:30 p.m.
 Faces vs. Forest Glade, 8:30 p.m.
Thursday Games Metro Catering vs. Faces, 6:30 p.m.
 Windsor Body vs. Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

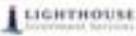
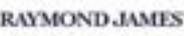
FASTBALL

Windsor Regional League

Final Standings

Metro	16	6	0
Windsor Body	12	10	2
Chicagos	11	10	2
Forest Glade	9	12	2
Faces	5	15	1

Quarter-finals
Tonight's Game Faces at Forest Glade, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday Game Forest Glade at Faces, 6:30 p.m.
Semi-finals
Thursday Game Chicagos at Windsor Body, 8:30 p.m.
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Novice Wildcats strike provincial gold

By JIM PARKER
STAR SPORTS WRITER

The Windsor Wildcats' novice girls fastball team took gold at the provincial qualifying tournament in Oshweken.

The Wildcats went 4-1 in the tournament and defeated Jordan 1-0 in extra innings in the final.

Pitcher Ellen Sinclair was 4-0 and allowed just one run in 26 innings of work as the Wildcats earned a spot at the provincials, set for July 25-27 in Oakville.

LOCAL BASEBALL

Silver lining The Windsor Lady Expos bantam team took the silver medal at the Chatham Annual Tournament.

The team of 15- and 16-year-olds went 4-1 in the 10-team tournament with the only loss coming in the final by an 8-2 count to Oshawa.

Third baseman Katie Masse was named the tournament's most valuable player. She had an .850 batting average for the tournament.

Mites fall The Windsor Lady Expos' Mite team finished with a silver medal at the Niagara Falls Invitational Tournament.

The team of player, who range in age from eight to 10, fell to St. Catharines by an 8-2 count in the final.

Real power Holly Theriault, who plays for the Windsor Lady Expos novice team of 12- and 13-year-olds, showed some power at the Niagara Falls Invitational.

Theriault walked away the winner in the home run hitting contest.

WILDCATS TO PLAY HOST

The Windsor Wildcats girls fastball bantam team is gearing up to host the provincial championships after a bronze-medal finish at the weekend qualifier in London.

Leanne Harris led Windsor hitters with a .579 tournament average.

Tuesday, the Wildcats beat St. Macomb 6-5 in extra innings to finish the season with a 17-2-1 record.

The Ontario Tier I Championships are July 25-27 at Jackson Park. — Star Staff

Wildcats on roll The Windsor Wildcats earned another win and suffered their first loss Wednesday at the Girls Fastpitch Championship in Guelph.

The Wildcats defeated the Saskatoon Selects 4-3 and then fell 5-2 to the Port Perry Angels. The Wildcats, 5-1, are tied for first place in the red pool with Port Perry.



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Canadians lose Windsor South Canadians lost a heart breaker, 7-6 in the bottom of the seventh inning, to British Columbia in the final of the Canadian Little League Girls Softball championships Thursday night in Victoria, B.C. The Canadians lost to the same team they had beaten in semifinal action.

WSC in B.C. final Windsor South Canadians will play in the Canadian Little League Girls Softball championship tonight in Victoria, B.C.

The South Canadians reached the final with a 4-0 victory over a British Columbia team in a semifinal late Tuesday night. They are scheduled to face either Alberta or B.C. in the final.

Kelly Carr was the winning pitcher in Tuesday's semi.

Jenna Lamantia sparked the offence with three hits and Rachel Legaspi scored all four runs.

Wildcats lose in Guelph The Windsor Wildcats dropped a 9-0 decision to the Winnipeg Lightning 86s Saturday to end their championship chase at the Canadian Midget Fast Pitch Championship in Guelph.

It was the third game of the day for the Wildcats, who earlier rallied to beat Richmond, B.C. 5-4 and then knocked out Brampton 1-0.

Kerri Maurina got the win against Brampton with relief help from Sarah Ytsma.

Outfielder Jen Hitchcock doubled in the only run of the game while Shelby Aldous went three-for-three.

Two down The Windsor Wildcats dropped their first two games Wednesday at the Canadian Bantam Girls (age 16 and under) championship in Delta, B.C.

Andrea Germanese had two hits for the Wildcats in a 5-2 loss to Surrey, B.C.

Tasha MacFarland had two hits and drove in both runs in Windsor's 5-2 loss to Calgary later in the day.

The Wildcats have three games left in pool play and need to finish in the top eight of the 13-team tournament in order to advance to the next round.

Baggio kudos Michelle Baggio of the Windsor Wildcats was named to the Canadian National all-star team. The second baseman hit .522 for the Wildcats, who represented Ontario at the Canadian midget fastball championships in Guelph.

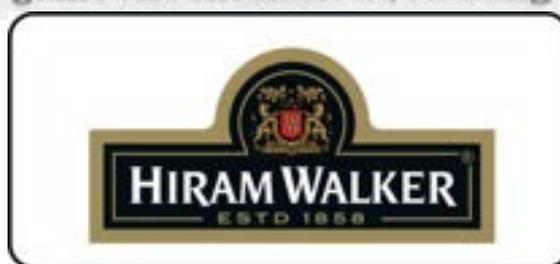


Fastball bronze Windsor Metro Catering placed third in the Industrial Division of the Ontario Fastball Championships on the weekend in Goderich.

Saints roll The St. Clair Saints won three of their opening four games in the OCAA women's fastball league.

Friday, the Saints swept a home doubleheader against Canadore, 3-0 and 10-2. Saturday, they split against Seneca, winning the first 9-3 and dropping the second 10-6.

Pitcher Sara Smith got the weekend rolling with a complete-game one-hit shutout, striking out 13 in the 3-0 win over Canadore.



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Switzer makes versatility pay

Ability in two sports earns scholarship

By MARY CATON
STAR SPORTS WRITER

Krista Switzer was fishing for a softball scholarship when she landed one for track and field instead.

The Holy Names' grad inquired about the University of Detroit Mercy softball team, which has featured former Windsor Wildcats Laura Gignac, Dayna Rodrigues and Andrea Sikora and will add fellow Wildcats teammate and Holy Names alumnus Michelle Baggio this fall.

Titans coach Bob Wilkerson had already used up his allotment of scholarship money but he noticed that Switzer threw javelin, so he passed on her resume to track coach Guy Murray.

The end result was a combined academic/athletic financial package worth \$20,000 US per year with a bonus opportunity to play softball as well.

Michigan high schools don't offer javelin so getting a freshman with throwing experience is a bonus for Murray.

"She's advanced," he said. "She's already had good coaching so she's kind of a step up."

Won OFSAA gold

Switzer won OFSAA gold as a Grade 10 midget. She was sixth as a junior and reached the OFSAA West Regionals this past spring as a senior.

She's never thrown for a club team through the summer because of softball so Murray sees plenty of untapped potential.

"I hope in four years she can do some real damage in the league," he said.

Switzer will follow in the footsteps of Gignac, who threw for the Titans this past spring after using up her eligibility as a softball player. Gignac set a school record and finished second in the Horizon League.

Back to softball, both Switzer and Baggio played for the Wildcats' midget team,



TWO-SPORT STAR: Christa Switzer has a softball and javelin U.S. scholarship. Star photo: Brent Foster

which finished fourth at the recent national championships in Guelph.

Wilkerson envisions her as a utility player.

"I've seen her do everything but catch," Wilkerson said. "Her versatility was a key selling point on letting her do two sports. She seems like our kind of kid. She seems like a team player."

The fact that she'll get to compete in two sports and stay close to home is a great fit for the 17-year-old.

"I wanted to stay close to my family and friends," she said. "This way, they can come and see my games."

Switzer intends to study biology with an eye towards sports medicine as a career.



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Canada to field Baggio at worlds

Windsor's Michelle Baggio will represent Canada next month at the VII Junior Women's World Softball Championships (age 19 and under) in Nanjing, China.

It's the second straight year the Holy Names high school product will represent Canada on the international stage. She was Canada's starting second baseman at last year's Pan American Championships in Hermosillo, Mexico where Canada won a silver medal.

"The Pan Ams were wonderful, but it's the world championships this time so there's that added excitement," the 18-year-old Baggio said.

She leaves for China Oct. 4 with the 16-team tournament set to run Oct. 12-20. Baggio hopes the event will be a springboard to one day making the national senior team.

"I'd love to go to the Olympics and wear the maple leaf," she said.



JIM PARKER
LOCAL BASEBALL

In the meantime, Baggio has just begun a scholarship at the University of Detroit Mercy. She homered in her first at-bat as UDM swept all four games at a tournament at Eastern Michigan University on the weekend.

"It was my first at-bat and I hit the second pitch," Baggio said of the hit against Hillsdale. "It was pretty cool."

Bezaire's break Windsor's Bevan Bezaire has landed a scholarship at Parkland Community College in Champagne, Ill.

The 18-year-old Bezaire had a solid season with the Tecumseh Thunder and Villanova Wildcats.

"A month before school I didn't know what I was

going to do," the six-foot-two, 190-pound Bezaire said.

"I played summer ball with Tecumseh and this came up after we played in Fort Wayne, Ind."

The right-handed pitcher joins Leamington's Lance Tofflemire at the two-year school and says the program has a solid background.

"I know they've had a few people go on to (Division I) university and minor pro, so it's really exciting," Bezaire said.

He's also got a chance to take in a little NCAA Big Ten football. Parkland is an offshoot campus for the University of Illinois and Bezaire and his teammates do fundraising during the Illinois football games.

"We get to catch some of the games," Bezaire said.

Expos excel Five members of this year's Windsor Expos' bantam minor team are working out

with Team Ontario in Toronto.

Windsor's Robert Pittman, Max Sprague and Cody Sermac along with LaSalle's Mitch Delaney and Tecumseh's Brandon Lindquist caught the attention of Team Ontario scouts after helping the Expos to a second-place finish at the Ontario Baseball Association tournament earlier this month where Windsor went 6-2.

Lindquist and Pittman are both right-handed pitchers while Sprague and Sermac are left-handed pitchers.

Delaney plays third base and the outfield. The five will continue to work with Team Ontario for the next four weeks before heading to a showcase tournament in Tennessee next month.

That team will serve as the foundation for Team Ontario's developmental squad for the 2005 season.

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Saints

Women's Fastball
Saints vs. Conestoga
Sat., Sept. 27, 2:00 p.m. & 4:00 p.m.

Men's & Women's Soccer
Saints vs. Humber
Sat., Sept. 27, 2:00 p.m.
Saints vs. George Brown
Sun., Sept. 28, 1:00 p.m.
at St. Clair College

Cross Country Invitational
Sat., Sept. 27, 11:00 a.m.
at Malden Park



Varsity sports

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Saints' fastball

St. Clair's Sara Smith pitched the distance, gave up 10 hits and struck out five batters in the Saints' 5-4 fastball win over Mohawk Sunday. Third basemen Sue Hamil went 2-for-3 and scored a pair of runs. Jen Moore gave up the loss in the second game, dropping an 11-5 decision to Mohawk. Mandy Grummit and Danielle Downes each had three hits and scored a run for the Saints. The Saints won both Saturday games, 2-1 and 4-3 over Cambrian.

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Team of the Week



The Windsor Lady Expos girls bantam fastball team won the gold medal at the NSA Port Huron Tournament. Front row, from left: Shannon Bedward, Rachel Zanutto, manager Kelli Paquette; middle row, from left: Michelle Brousseau, Deanna Rozek, Michelle Maynard, Keri Bagley, Jalie Lee Nykokak; back row, from left: Melissa Bowyer, coach Glen Baltzer, Katie Masse, Katie Milette, Kayla Robinson, Ashley Vincent, Jill Peters, coach Dave Nykolak, Kandice Bagley, Krista Robinson, coach Gary Rozek. Absent: Shonna Spencer.

Fastball

WOMEN

	W	L	T	P
St. Clair	8	2	0	16
Seneca	8	2	0	16
Durham	8	0	0	16
Mohawk	6	4	0	12
Conestoga	2	8	0	4
Canadore	1	9	0	2
Cambrian	1	9	0	2

Friday Games St. Clair at Durham (2), 6 p.m.

Saints

Varsity sports

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St. Clair hosts OCAA opener

Women's fastball title bid starts today vs. Conestoga

BY MARY CATON
STAR SPORTS WRITER

Beware Conestoga.

The St. Clair Saints may be just a little surly for today's 9:30 a.m. women's fastball game at Mic Mac Park.

A little hard luck with the OCAA tiebreaker system means the Saints missed out on a first-round bye at the championship tournament, which opens today and ends Saturday.

The Saints posted an 8-4 record that left them in a three-way tie with Seneca and Mohawk behind the unbeaten 12-0 Durham Lords. When the dust settled on the final standings, Seneca got second, Mohawk third and St. Clair fourth.

The sixth-place Conestoga Condors (2-6) are the Saints' first opponent today and the reason they didn't get to sleep in.

The winner will face Durham at 1 p.m. on one of the John Ivan diamonds.

Shot at the medal round

"I really would love to steal that game (against Durham)," Saints coach Bill Smith said. "If we did, it means we're into the medal round."

First, Smith will have to ignite an offence reduced to embers over the final weeks of the season.

"That will probably be our Achilles heel this weekend," he said. "We've had some outbursts of batting and we hit well at the beginning of the year but we haven't hit with any consistency for the last six games."

They won three of their final four games by a single run.

"Our leadoff, Mandy Grummitt, is probably our leading batter," Smith said. "Last year, we hit the ball really well and we had maybe five players in the top 25 hitters in the league but I don't know if I even have one this year. As a result, defence has held us in games."

Smith will start his daughter, Sara, against Conestoga.

Error-prone Saints fall to Durham

St. Clair ousted from OCAA fastball tourney

BY MARY CATON
STAR SPORTS WRITER

The St. Clair Saints know a little about how the Boston Red Sox are feeling.

The Saints lost a pivotal game against the Durham Lords 3-2 in the bottom of the seventh inning Friday at the OCAA women's fastball championships.

As a result, St. Clair can only watch the tournament wrap up today at Mic Mac Park after getting knocked out of the event 1-0 by Mohawk late Friday afternoon.

The Saints opened the double-knock-out format with a 20-1 mercy-rule win over the Conestoga Condors.

Although the score would indicate an onslaught of offence, that wasn't really the case against the 2-10 Condors.

Rather, Conestoga's pitchers pushed a dozen runs across the plate with either walks or wild pitches, although St. Clair's Mandy Grummitt drove in three runs on as many singles.

"The pitching will be a lot different against Durham," Grummitt warned.

The lopsided affair allowed Saints coach Bill Smith to save his top pitcher, daughter Sara Smith, for the second-game showdown with Durham.

Smith pitched just two easy innings against Conestoga but went all seven against the unbeaten Lords.

"I'll go as hard as I can against Durham," said Smith after the Conestoga game.



Sara Smith



Bill Smith

She did, but poor baserunning and critical errors cost St. Clair the game.

A fielding error by Grummitt at second kept a Durham rally alive in the third inning and allowed Windsor native and Durham right-fielder Vanessa Chaborek to hit an opposite-field RBI single for a 2-0 lead.

The Saints rallied to tie it in the fourth on a two-run single by Danielle Downes.

The rally ended with the potential go-ahead run at third when Laura Lauzon hit into an inning-ending double play.

Picked off

In the top of the sixth, the Saints had another opportunity to break the tie until baserunner April Lounsbury got picked off third by Durham catcher Karen Giffin.

Things got worse for Lounsbury in the bottom of the seventh.

Durham got two runners aboard on successive bunt singles and scored the winner from second when Erin Smith's single to left squirted through Lounsbury's legs.

"We have them at the end and then we seem to get rattled," said Downes, referring to a regular-season loss to Durham in the bottom of the seventh.

They simply couldn't regroup against Mohawk where winning pitcher Krystal Eckersall held the Saints to just three singles.

Sara Smith again pitched seven innings for St. Clair.

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FASTBALL RESULTS

Friday's Results

St. Clair 20 Conestoga 1 Canadore 9 Mohawk 7
Durham 3 St. Clair 2 Seneca 7 Canadore 4
Canadore 9 Conestoga 2 Mohawk 1 St. Clair 0
Durham 9 Seneca 6

Today's Games

Mohawk vs. Canadore, 9:30 a.m.
Bronze medal game
Winner of Game 8 vs. Seneca, 12:30 p.m.
Gold medal game
Winner of Game 9 vs. Durham, 3:30 p.m.



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At Mic Mac Park

Friday's Results

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 Canadore 9 Conestoga 2
 Mohawk 1 St. Clair 0
 Durham 9 Seneca 6

Today's Games

Mohawk vs. Canadore, 9:30 a.m.

Bronze medal game

Winner of Game 8 vs. Seneca, 12:30 p.m.

Gold medal game

Winner of Game 9 vs. Durham, 3:30 p.m.

Durham claims gold in OCAA fastball final

Host St. Clair misses medal round of tourney

STAR STAFF

LOCAL ROUNDUP

The Durham Lords closed out their OCAA women's fastball season by winning their second straight title and fourth in the last five years.

Durham pitcher Erin Smith, on the strength of a complete game and seven-inning shutout, helped Durham to a 7-0 decision over Seneca College in the gold-medal game at John Ivan Field in Windsor.

Smith, who finished the season with a perfect 7-0 mark in conference play, surrendered only four hits and registered seven strikeouts. Offensively, her two-for-four showing included one run and one RBI.

With this championship, Durham may have recorded its most impressive run toward an OCAA title by way of their undefeated mark — which ran to 15-0 following three wins over the two-day, six-team tournament.

Mohawk College, which entered the tournament as the No. 3 seed, captured the bronze medal.

The St. Clair Saints defeated Conestoga 20-1,



Bill Smith

St. Clair Field Manager

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