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MESSAGE FROM THE DEPUTY CONSUL GENERAL

Dear Members of the Londoner German Canadian Football Club,

This year you are celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Londoner German Canadian Football (Soccer) Club. You can indeed be proud to look back on such a long and lasting contribution to the local London soccer culture. And you are in the comfortable position to be able to look into the future with confidence and courage.

My sincerest congratulations for this achievement!

Founded in 1934, the Club has very actively contributed to the vibrant soccer culture of the London community. Over the years it has been the focus-point for many German Canadians and became a place to celebrate and share the joyful spirit of love for soccer, especially among the young generation. I am very grateful for the excellent work you have contributed over all the years.

I wish your Club all the best for the future and a successful continuation of your work for many years to come.

Sincerely yours,

Stefanie von Oppenkowski

~ Deputy Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany ~



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The German Canadian Football Club
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Dear Members,

On behalf of the Government of Canada, and the people of London, I would like to extend sincere congratulations to the German Canadian Football Club of London, Ontario on the occasion of your 75th Anniversary.

Since your establishment in 1934, you have grown from a single men's team to your present vibrant soccer program including: four Men's Masters teams, three Ladies teams, one Ladies 30+ team and three youth teams. It is a testament to the welcoming nature and the stellar reputation of the Club.

The history of your Club indicates an impressive legacy of commitment to the game and the community. Your dedication is both inspiring and motivating and has provided an important athletic link between generations.

By providing athletic programs for the residents of London you play a critical role in making London a great city and so we again congratulate you on this milestone anniversary.

Kind regards,

Ed Holder
Member of Parliament
London West



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July 2009

*On behalf of the Government of Ontario,
it is my pleasure to congratulate the*

German Canadian Football Club

On the occasion of your

75th Anniversary Celebration

*Congratulations on 75 years of success!
This milestone is a remarkable achievement that represents
years of hard work and dedication for our local athletes.*

*The German Canadian Football Club has made
significant long term contributions to amateur sport
in the City of London.*

*I wish you continued success as you embark
on the next 75 years.*



Kindest personal regards,

***Chris Bentley, M.P.P.
London West***



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Office of the Mayor

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the City of London, I extend warm congratulations to the German Canadian Football Club on its 75th anniversary. Since establishing in 1934, the Club has provided a vast array of professional and recreational soccer programming for residents and visitors alike.

In London, we recognize the valuable role sports play in ensuring a well-balanced community. We also appreciate the complementary roles of staff and volunteers working together to stage exciting competitions and special events.

As such, I commend the many GCFC organizers and athletes for their ongoing community leadership. We are indeed enriched by your contributions, and together, you have helped to make London one of the best places in the world to live, work and play.

As you celebrate this major milestone, we wish the Football Club much continued success with its growing, vibrant soccer program and may everyone in attendance enjoy lots of fun and make plenty of happy memories.

Sincerely,

AM DeCicco - Best

Anne Marie DeCicco-Best
Mayor



For the Good of the Game

Dear Mr Belle,

Thank you for your mail and for informing us on your upcoming 75th anniversary, which is indeed a remarkable feat in a country where football does not enjoy the exalted status it has in the rest of the world.

On behalf of President Joseph S. Blatter, I would nevertheless like to congratulate you on this momentous anniversary and wish you further great success for the future.

With kind regards from Switzerland,

Julia Ferguson

Deputy Head of Public Relations
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July 20, 2009

Jürgen Belle, President
German Canadian Football Club (London)
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Re: 75th Anniversary Celebrations

Dear Mr. Belle,

On behalf of The Ontario Soccer Association, I wish to convey my sincere congratulations to the German Canadian Football Club (London) on the occasion of your 75th Anniversary.

Soccer is today Ontario and Canada's major participation sport and the phenomenal growth experienced in recent years is due in large measure to tireless efforts at the grassroots level by the many dedicated players, parents, coaches, officials, administrators and executives who follow their vision and help realize the potential of "The Beautiful Game".

The City of London and the Province of Ontario are richer today for the enhanced quality of life enjoyed by Soccer participants at all levels, from recreational house league to the highly competitive teams, for whom the German Canadian Football Club provides opportunities for personal growth, development and achievement through teamwork.

The Ontario Soccer Association recognizes the hard work and commends the splendid achievements of your Club in developing and promoting Soccer in your community. I assure you that the OSA is committed to continue providing and improving support for your Club at the provincial level, and we look forward to pursuing with you our shared vision to develop the game to its full potential.

Please accept my best wishes for a most enjoyable and memorable celebration, as well as every success in the years to come.

Clive Wilkinson
President
The Ontario Soccer Association



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July 9th 2009

German-Canadian Football Club.
c/o.. Mr. J. Belle
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Dear Mr. Belle:

75th Anniversary.

It is with the greatest of pleasure that the Elgin-Middlesex Soccer Association offers its congratulations to the German-Canadian Football Club on its 75th anniversary.

The achievements of the Club are legendary and need to be recognized, as the front-runner, in promoting the sport of football (soccer), not only within the EMSA district but throughout Ontario. You have helped turn our game into the most participated sport in Canada.

Congratulations on achieving 75 years in what must have been, at the beginning, a difficult environment, but you persevered and the results are now very apparent.

The current EMSA Council wishes the Club another 75 years of continued achievement.

Well done, and best wishes for the future.

The EMSA Council

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July 18th 2009

German-Canadian Football Club.

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Dear Mr. Belle:

G.C.F.C. - 75th Anniversary.

As League Commissioner, and on behalf of the membership, it is with utmost pleasure that the Western Ontario Soccer League offers its congratulations to the German-Canadian Football Club on your 75th anniversary.

The German-Canadian Football Club were one of the founding members of WOSL and the League was blessed with teams from the Club for many years.

The achievements of the German-Canadian Football Club must be recognized, particularly for your endeavors in promoting the sport of football for so many years and for achieving such noteworthy longevity.

The Western Ontario Soccer League wishes the German-Canadian Football Club continued success into the future, and for many more years. A team, or teams, from the Club will always be welcomed back into our league.

Congratulations on achieving 75 years.

On behalf of the Western Ontario Soccer League.

Well done, and best wishes for the future.

Cam Vassallo
WOSL - Commissioner

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Schon über viele Generationen ist Fussball ein wichtiger Teil unserer Lebensart, Kultur und Brauch.

Im Deutsch-Kanadischen Verein London erschien der Deutsch - Kanadische Fussballklub als erste Klubgruppe, nur ein knappes Jahr nach dessen Gründung und war für viele die stärkste und führende Gruppe des Klubs.



Heute stellt die Gruppe eine sehr beeindruckende Zahl von acht Mannschaften vor.

Ich gratuliere dem Deutsch-Kanadischen Fussballklub, im Namen des Klubvorstandes, zum 75sten Jubiläum und wünsche viel Erfolg in künftigen Jahren.

Bob Walters, Präsident

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bob Walters' in a cursive script.

For many generations football (soccer) has been an important part of our lifestyle, culture and custom.

In the German-Canadian Club London, the German-Canadian Football Club was the first club group to become active just one scant year after its founding and remained for many years the strongest and leading club group.

Today the German-Canadian Football Club is fielding the impressive number of eight competitive teams.

In the name of the entire executive committee of the German-Canadian Club London I congratulate the German-Canadian Football Club on its 75th anniversary and wish continued success in future.

Bob Walters, President

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bob Walters' in a cursive script.



German Canadian FC

London, Canada

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75th
Anniversary

As President of the German Canadian Football Club, I take pride in presenting our 75th Anniversary Yearbook. Not since 1980 has there been a yearbook of this magnitude. The GCFC's 75th Anniversary is an achievement that not many soccer clubs in Canada are able to proclaim. From the humble beginnings in 1934, to present day, the GCFC has maintained a strong foundation of community, tradition, sport, and friendship and has always been a strong contributor to the soccer culture in the city of London.

I truly hope this commemorative Yearbook will show our readers glimpses into the history of the GCFC. Through the diligent work of many contributors, we have been able to compile newspaper articles, anecdotal stories and photos of the long and colorful history of the FC. I hope that in the years to come former players, family, friends and supporters are able to enjoy and rekindle fond memories of our organization.



In 2009, the GCFC is a strong and vibrant soccer organization. Presently there are four men's Masters (35+) teams, three women's teams, a women's (30+) team and four youth teams. In the years to come, we hope to expand with more teams playing at all skill levels and continuing the strong roots that were planted many years ago.

In conclusion I dedicate this 75th Anniversary Yearbook to all the players, families, friends and supporters past and present. This milestone represents the many years of hard work and the endless volunteer hours spent in making the GCFC what it is today. Without those efforts this 75th anniversary and the commemorative Yearbook would not be possible.

Yours in soccer,

Juergen Belle, President GCFC



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- Budget and cash flow management
- Personal goal setting

Wealth protection

- Life insurance planning
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- Estate organization

Wealth creation

- Investment planning
- Retirement planning



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German Canadian FC - History

THE BEGINNING

In 1934, one year after the founding of the German Canadian Club, a group of young sport minded club members decided to form a soccer team. Two of these men, who were also founding members of the German Canadian Club, were Rudi Haehnel and Otto Meyer. During the first year of operation, a series of exhibition games were played against German Canadian teams from the Windsor, Kitchener and Toronto areas. In 1935 the German Canadian FC entered a team in the recently formed London and District Soccer Association. This league consisted of six teams, CNR, London Hosiery, London Winery, Young Liberals, St. Thomas and the German Canadians. Home games were played both at C.N.R.A. Park on Egerton Street and Chelsea Green Park on Adelaide Street. In those early years the German Canadians struggled and did not win a single league game in the first two years of competition. The German Canadian FC struggled through many years of turmoil and worked hard to maintain their identity but for years was unable to field a contender. Very slowly in the late 1940's, with the influx of many new German immigrants the Germans Canadian FC began rebuilding their soccer program.

In 1952 the German Canadian Club purchased the site at 1 Cove Road on which the club house now stands. That same year, Cove Road Field was built and the GCFC organizers started recruiting talented players to field a strong team in the local League. The hard work by these dedicated coaches and players was promising and the GCFC became more competitive. After the 1956 season due to internal strife most of the German Canadian FC players defected to the newly formed St. Thomas German Canadian Club. With this mass exodus there remained only four veterans to rebuild the soccer team, Carl Zwick, Bert Vernaleken, Jack Bratscher and Hermann Belle. During the winter of 1956-57 Gerhard Czuprina joined the organization and became President (1958-60), secretary and also coached the "A" team. Paul Tratnik was the treasurer. These two men, with the help of those previously mentioned began recruiting many young talented players, enabling the GCFC in later years to become champions and cup winners many times over.

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Vogel again tallied

Teuton defense broke repeated attacks.

	W	L	D	F	A	P
C. N. R.	7	1	2	33	12	16
London Hosiery ...	5	1	4	30	18	14
London Winery ...	6	2	1	24	12	13
Young Liberals ..	2	4	3	20	20	7
St. Thomas	2	5	2	21	30	6
German Canadians	0	9	0	10	46	0

German Eleven Meets Hosiery

GERMAN-CANADIANS — Howarth, Wollheren, Brunner, Pongracz, Dutch, Mikacs, Fischer, Vogel, Haehnel, Oliver, Scheiring, Gellner.

The Beginning

Howarth, the Teutons goalie was the outstanding player in the game

Vogel was the standout for the home team, playing brilliantly on the defence.

Vogel who netted the equalizer

The German Canadians were beaten by the St. Thomas club by a 6-4 score. Fischer, Vogel and Smith scoring for the Teutons

ST. THOMAS, July 21. — German Canadians registered their first win

Three Junior Soccer Tomorrow

**At Kensington, McMahon Parks
and Chelsea Green For
Fixtures**

AT KENSINGTON PARK: German-Canadians will take the Liberals to camp for the week-end game and on form the "Libs" should take the points. The Germans played a good game last week against the Hosiery and held the "Knitters" to a one-goal lead and might also give the Young Liberals a surprise. Referee, A. Kennedy will handle this game which will kick off at 3 p. m.

AT CHELSEA GREEN: London Winery and C.N.R. will provide the entertainment for the Chelsea Green fans. The "Nats" are capable of classy combination and the Grape Juice boys will be on their toes for this game. Both clubs are practically intact from last season and a good game should result. T. Thomson will referee. Kick off 3 pm.

AT McMAHON PARK: London Hosiery will be hosts to the St. Thomas eleven with Jack Scheldt tooting the whistle. The Hosiery took two points from the rugged German-Canadians last week and will give the "Saints" a good battle. If experience counts, the Saints should give a better account of themselves than in previous league games and are expected to garner the points in this game which will start at 3:15 pm.

German Eleven Meets Hosiery

**Two Junior Soccer Games Here
Saturday; One At St.
Thomas**

London Winery will travel to St. Thomas for the week-end game with the "Saints". The Winery team has not had a chance to show their wares this season yet while the "Saints" opened their season last Saturday with a win over the London Hosiery eleven.

T. Thomson will referee this game which will kick off at 3 p.m.

At McMahon Park the London Hosiery will have the German Canadians as their opponents in a return league fixture. The knitters gained a one-goal verdict over the G.Cs. on their own ground and expect to repeat again next Saturday. The knitters will be without the services of Johnny Wallace who now resides in Hamilton and a win for the German Canadians would not be very surprising, while they were badly beaten last week by the Young Liberals who did their scoring in the first twenty-five minutes of the game, it must be noticed that the G.Cs. had only seven men on the field at the time and the second half found the "Libs" on the defensive. Allan Kennedy will handle this game, starting at 3 p.m.

Young Liberals will have a chance to even matters up with the C. N. R. at Chelsea Green. This is also a return league fixture, the "Nats" managed to blank the "Libs" 2-0 in the opening game of the season at Sackville St. and the opinion of the "Libs" boosters at this time would indicate a win for the home team.

Junior Soccer Games Tomorrow

Sackville St., St. Thomas and Chelsea Green Will Be Scenes of Action

At Sackville street: The C.N.R. will engage in a league fixture with the London Winery eleven. Both clubs will be at full strength for this game. The "Nationals" will be out to keep up their league leadership but will have stiff opposition in the "Grapejuice" eleven who went to St. Thomas last week-end and administered a 4-0 defeat to the "Saints" in their own back yard. Kick off 3 p.m. Referee A. Kennedy.

At St. Thomas: London Hosliery will journey to St. Thomas for their league engagement with the "Saints" and will be eager to reverse the score of their previous encounter when the "Saints" defeated the Hosliery boys 2-1 at McMahon Park. With a full team out the Hosliery may be on the big end of the score but will have to battle the full ninety minutes against the St. Thomas eleven who are smarting under their defeat of last week. Kick off at 3 p.m. Referee J. Scheldt.

At Chelsea Green: Young Liberals will have the German Canadians as their opponents in another league fixture. The German Canadians have yet to register a win. Having lost three games in three starts it hardly seems likely that they will break into the win-

Junior Soccer Leaders Win

C.N.R. Defeats London Winery; Hosiery Beat St. Thomas and Young Liberals Win

C.N.R. maintained their undefeated record in winning over the London Winery by 2-1. Farmer and Erunski noting both counters for the "Nationals" in the first half. The Winery gave the "Nationals" defence a busy session during the second period but failed to convert on a penalty kick against Brazier. Another penalty against Davidson the "Nats" goalie, resulted in Gates securing the lone tally for the Winery.

C.N.R.—Davidson, Love, Brazier, Donnelly, McLeod, Morgan, Coull, Erunski, Farmer, Leabirel, McGilliveray, Patterson, Rawlings.

LONDON WINERY — Fickling, Wells, Neale, McColl, Wistow, Woodley, Gates, Ricketts, Delves, Wright, A. Love.

Referee—A. Kennedy.

London Hosliery still hold the top rung of the league ladder by their win over the "Saints" with a 5-3 victory. Stephens, (2), and Langton, (1), giving the Knitters a 3-goal lead at half time. Putting up a stiff fight in the second period the "Saints" garnered three goals but the Hosliery also added two more to their total, Cuthbert and Wylie being the contributors.

ST. THOMAS — C. Luscombe, Stacey, P. Luscombe, Langley, Andrews, Titchner, Warner, Knowles, Stewart, Laing, Gillette.

LONDON HOSIERY — Worton, Foremen, McColl, Cowin, Langton, Stephens, Hall, Beadle, Cuthbert, Wylie, Whitelaw.

Referee—J. Scheldt.

Young Liberals scored a decisive victory over the German-Canadians with a 5-0 score. While the score would indicate a one-sided game such was not the case as the German-Canadians time and again penetrated the "Libs" defence only to boot wild. Howarth, the G.C. goalie saving nicely from Brash, cleared to midfield, Fischer and Vogel ending a nice run to miss the goal. Liberals attacked and Swan found the net, catching Howarth off balance. Leake repeated ten minutes later with a hard drive. With Brash adding the third before half-time. The second period found the G.C.'s pressing strongly and Bruce was visited frequently. Breaking away, the "Libs" added the fourth counter from Brash. McCulloch notching the fifth with a long high drive to make the final score 5-0.

LIBERALS — Bruce, Ramsay, Morgan, Swan, McCulloch, Ramsay, Leake, May, Haines, Brash, Hawkes.

GERMAN-CANADIANS — Howarth, Wollheren, Brunner, Pongracz, Dutch, Mikacs, Fischer, Vogel, Haschnel, Oliver, Scheiring, Gellner.

Referee—T. Thomson.

Three Soccer Tilts Saturday

Nationals Play German Club,
Winery Meets Hosiery,
Liberals At St. Thomas

STANDING

	W	L	D	F	A	P
London Hosiery	3	1	0	15	7	6
C. N. R.	3	0	0	7	1	6
Young Liberals	2	2	0	9	6	4
London Winery	1	1	0	5	2	2
St. Thomas	1	2	0	5	10	2
German Canadians ...	0	4	0	3	18	0

At the C. N. R. grounds the Nationals will oppose the German Canadians on Saturday in a league fixture and can be counted on to annex two points. The "Teutons" can be counted on to put up a stiff battle but against the speedy forward line of the "Nats" it does not seem likely that much can be expected in midfield play. However, a game is never won until the final whistle has been blown and the "Teutons" may furnish a surprise. Jack Scheldt will referee this game, to kick off at 3 p.m.

The Young Liberals will journey to St. Thomas for their week-end engagement. The Saints are out to gather the points in this game and the Liberals will need to be at their best for this fixture. Tommy Warner has signed two new youngsters in Goodman and Babcock to speed up the Saints' forward line. This should be a real tussle with the Saints having ground advantage. T. Thomson will referee the game.

London Winery and the London Hosiery clash promises action during the full ninety minutes. The two teams are fairly even in strength and a division of points is likely. The Knitters have only lost one game in four starts and will be battling to hold top position in the league standing and a loss at this stage would probably send them down to fourth place should the C. N. R. and Liberals win their games during the week-end. The Winery eleven have only played two games this season, winning one and losing one. This game will be played at McMahon Park with A. Kennedy starting the game at 3 p.m.

C.N.R. and Hosiery Win Junior Soccer

St. Thomas and Young Liberals
Tie, While German-Canadians
and Winery Lose

C. N. R. scored an easy victory over the German Canadians in their league game at the National's ground, with a 5-0 verdict. Erunski, Donnelly and Farmer securing the counters for the Nats. Howarth, the Teutons goalie was the outstanding player in the game, saving in fine style to keep the score down to what it was. Called on to save a penalty shot, he made a nice save from Donnelly, who took the spot kick. Erunski booting the first counter in the first half to put the Nats ahead at half-time, 1-0.

Settling down to speedy combination plays, the Nats easily outplayed the Teutons. Farmer notched the second counter with a hard drive. Donnelly secured the next on a scrimmage in the goal area. Another penalty against the Teutons for tripping resulted in Donnelly again finding the net. Farmer adding the fifth counter before the final whistle blew.

C. N. R.—McDowell, Love, Brazier, Donnelly, McLeod, Coull, McGillvary, Farmer, Erunski, Lesbirel, Overton, Duffield, Rawlings.

German Canadians — Howarth, Wohherand, Brunner, Donnelly, Pongraze, Walker, Fogil, Smith, Gellnor and Fischer.

Referee, J. Scheldt, London.

C.N.R. JUNIORS WIN IN SOCCER

Defeat German Canadians 7-0,
While Young Liberals Tie
St. Thomas

At Kensington Park: German Canadians suffered a 7-0 defeat at the hands of the C.N.R. in their league engagement. The C.N.R. opened by pressing hard and after two minutes play McGillivray scored the opening goal. This reverse put the German team on the offensive and making headway on the left, forced a corner which was cleared. Not to be denied they forced the play and a nice shot by the inside left was held by Donnelly. Midfield, play was followed for a while with the 'Teutons' playing a good game both defensively and offensively. On a cross from the right Brunner handled the ball in the penalty area and McLeod scored from the spot kick. The game was played at a fast pace which seemed to be telling on the 'Teutons' defence and a miskick by one of the backs let Farmer through for the third goal for the C.N.R. a few minutes later McGillivray brought the total up to four with a shot from close in. A movement by the right wing of the home team ended with a nice shot from the outside right which was cleared.

On resuming play, swinging from end to end, and after 15 minutes Paterson scored the fifth goal for the railroaders with a nice shot which dropped over the goalkeeper's head. On a rush on the left Green was fouled by Donnelly, but Brunner shot wildly past. The 'Teuton' goalkeeper was having lots of work to handle and he was very safe. Two corners in succession were cleared by the 'Teuton' defence. Vogel was the stand-out for the home team, playing brilliantly on the defence. McLeod scored a beautiful goal from 35 yards out with Howarth making a great attempt to save. A few minutes later Paterson made the score read 7-0 to end the game.

GERMAN CANADIANS. — Howarth, Edwards, Brunner, Vogel, Hachnell, Pongraz, Wohlivrend, Mikacs, Eckert, Smith, Oliver.

C. N. R. — McDowall, Love, Overton, Brazier, McLeod, Morgan, Coull, Paterson, Farmer, McGillivray, Erunski, Donnelly, Lesbirel and Moodie.

Referee — A. Kennedy, London.

Other Scores

Young Liberals 3, St. Thomas 3.

LONDON WINERY AND ST. THOMAS JUNIORS WIN SOCCER TILT

LEAGUE STANDING

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London Hosiery	4	1	3	22	12	11
London Winery	5	2	1	18	10	11
Young Liberals	2	3	3	18	16	7
St. Thomas	2	4	2	18	26	6
Ger-Canadians	0	8	0	4	40	0

London Hosiery and C. N. R. tied one each in their league fixture. Stephens scoring for the Knitters, while Donnelly booted in for the Railroaders to tie the score. The Nats opened strong with the wind in their favor to make the Hosiery defense keep hustling. Worton clearing nicely to keep the sheet clean. Wylie made a nice run after thirty minutes of play to give the Hosiery the lead when on a nicely executed play, Wylie placed to Stephens, who drove past Rawlings. Ten minutes later the Nats tied matters up when Donnelly sent in a lobbing shot which completely fooled Worton.

The second period saw lots of loose play, both clubs failing to convert on golden opportunities. Hands against McColi on the Hosiery defence saw the Nats being awarded a penalty kick which Donnelly sent high over the bar. The Knitters had a slight edge in the exchanges but Coull and Love, on the Nats' defence, broke up the attacks. Excessive heat was beginning to have its effect on the players and both clubs were satisfied to see that no further scoring occurred.

HOSIERY: Worton, McColi, Foreman, Bolton, Cowin, Giles, Stephens, Cuthbert, Wylie, Hall.

C. N. R.: Rawlings, Love, Coull, Moodie, Morgan, Tuffield, McGillivray, Donnelly, McDowall, Erunski.

Referee: F. Worton, London.

The German Canadians were beaten by the St. Thomas club by a 6-4 score. Fischer, Vogel and Smith scoring for the Teutons, while Luscombe, Morriss and Knowles, secured the Saints' goals. Opening with a strong offense the Saints secured the first tally after five minutes when Luscombe beat Howarth. Ten minutes later, Morriss added the second counter. The Teutons battled gamely and after thirty minutes of play, Vogel ran through on a nice play to beat Goodman with a low shot. The resumption saw both clubs playing strongly. The Teutons were putting up a great game but lacked finish around the goal area. The Saints banged in four counters in this period, catching the Teuton defence men too far in midfield to make a breakaway. Playing hard the homesters managed to secure two counters but failed to overcome the big lead held by the Saints.

GERMAN CANADIANS: Howarth, Edwards, Brunner, Haehnel, Watchorn, Wohhrevens, Dutch, Fischer, Vogel, Smith, Gellner and Pongraz.

ST. THOMAS: Goodman, Lacey, Langley, Morriss, Gillick, Andrews, Titchner, Knowles, Luscombe, Cuthbert, Stewart.

Referee: T. Thomson, London.

London Winery gained a 3-2 verdict over the Young Liberals in their league fixture. Young (Winery), and Bruce (Liberals), making the halftime score, 1-1. Feelings ran high in the second stanza, McCulloch sending the Libs in the lead after ten minutes. The Winery retaliated on a strong attack when Dickette scored to even up. A few

London Juniors Oust St. Thomas

ST. THOMAS, July 21. — German Canadians registered their first win of the season when they nosed out the St. Thomas Athletic in the first round of the Brigg Sales Charity Cup by 3-2 here on Saturday.

Knowles and Warner scored for the Saints, while Vogel (2) and Smith registered for the Teutons. The locals opened strong and secured the first counter after two minutes when Titchner placed a nice cross from the right wing to centre, Knowles placing the pass well into the rigging with a first time shot to beat Howarth.

The Teutons replied 20 minutes later when Vogel, on a brilliant piece of footwork, went through to even the score. Saints went into the lead again just before half time when Brunner was penalized for hands in the "area." Warner placed a slow shot to fool Howarth. Five minutes after resuming play the Teutons, who were playing 10 men in the first session, staged a strong offensive and Vogel again tallied with a lobbing drive which passed beneath the cross-bar. The Saints pressed strongly but the Teuton defense broke repeated attacks. Smith put the visitors in the lead when he shot past Luscombe with a long drive from the wing to make the final score.

ST. THOMAS ATHLETIC—Luscombe, Stacey, Warner, Langley, Morrison, Andrews, Titchner, Luscombe, Cuthbert, Knowles, and T. Knowles.

GERMAN-CANADIAN — Howarth, Brunner, Fischer, Edwards, Wohlerend, Pongracz, Haehnel, Gellner, Vogel, Muhl, Smith.

Referee — J. Scheldt, London.

Exhibition game at Woodstock ended C. N. R. 3, Woodstock 2.

Regular meeting of the L. and D. J. F. A. will be held on Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. at 147 Carling street. Referees, delegates and association members are requested to attend.

London Winery Soccer XI Wins

Defeat German Canadians,
While C.N.R. and Hosiery
Play 4-All Tie

JUNIOR SOCCER STANDING									
	W	L	D	F	A	P			
C. N. R.	7	1	2	35	12	16			
London Hosiery	5	1	4	30	18	14			
London Winery	6	2	1	24	12	13			
Young Liberals	2	4	3	20	20	7			
St. Thomas	2	5	2	21	30	8			
German Canadians	0	9	0	10	46	0			

C. N. R. and the London Hosiery battled to a 4-all tie in their final league fixture at Sackville street. The Hosiery opened the scoring early in the first frame when they were awarded a penalty kick when the Nats defense handled in the danger zone, McCall placing the spot kick past Rawlings. The Knitters strengthened their lead when Cuthbert scored on a nice pass from Langton. The Nats settled down to make several attacks on the Hosiery area and opened their tally when, from a corner kick, Morgan secured a poor clearance to send in a high drive to beat Worton. The Nats evened the score just before halftime when Erunski scored from a scrimmage around the Hosiery goalmouth.

The Knitters again went into the lead after a few minutes of play in the second period, Cuthbert scoring on a pass from Giles on the right wing. This was repeated a few minutes later with the same players to put the Knitters two goals in the lead. The Nats continued their attacks and gave the Hosiery defenses plenty to do and on a pass from McDowall, Erunski placed the ball well into the net. Referee Scheldt, awarded a penalty to the Nats for "hands" against Foreman, on the Hosiery defense. This aroused the temper of players and fans but Referee Scheldt refused to alter his decision and Donnelly, taking the spot kick, placed the score on an even basis.

C. N. R.—Rawlings, Love, Overton, Morgan, Moodie, McLeod, Donnelly, Moodie, Paterson, Erunski, Tuffield and McDowall.

HOSIERY — Worton, Foreman, McCall, Cowin, Stephens, Bolton, Giles, Langton, Cuthbert, Hall, Beadle and Wylie.

Referee: H. Scheldt, London.

London Winery took the German Canadians to camp for a 6-2 score in their league engagement at Chelsea Green. Haynes performed in a style to complete the "hat" trick, Gates, Wright and Delves adding one apiece for the Winery. Vogil and Smith secured the counters for the Teutons.

The Winery took the lead after 15 minutes of play when Haynes ran through to beat Howarth. Haynes repeated five minutes later when the Teuton defense failed to clear. The Teutons rallied and gave Neale, Wells and Co., a busy session. Vogil, playing in real form for the Teutons, beat Fickling with a neat shot. Nine minutes later the score was tied when Smith tallied on a pass from Vogil.

Resuming after lemons, the Teutons took the bit in their teeth and gave the Winery defense plenty to do with their freebooting attacks which brought no results except to tire their own forward line. The Winery, however, were taking no chances. Haynes broke through to put the Winery in the lead. Wright and Delves added their donations in the next ten minutes. Gates brought the total up to six when the Teutons were penalized for hands.

LONDON WINERY — Fickling, Wells, Neale, Woodley, Tomlin, Delves, Gates, Wright, Ricket, Forest, Haynes and Wistow.

GERMAN-CANADIANS — Howarth, Brunner, Fischer, Edwards, Wohlerend, Haehnel, Gellner, Milkacs, Vogil, Smith and Muhl.

Referee: A. Kennedy.

London Winery Beats Liberals

Win Mayor Wenige Shield By
5-2, While St. Thomas Beats
German-Canadians

London Winery completed their league schedule by defeating the Young Liberals at Chelsea Green by a 5-2 score to win the Mayor Wenige shield which goes to the runner-up. The Winery finished the schedule one point behind the C.N.R. Both the teams were short-handed, the Winery fielding ten men while the Libs only had eight on the field. Libs opened the score after five minutes of play when Bruce, making a neat play to work close in, drove hard to beat Fickling. Winery evened matters after 20 minutes when Young netted past Stone. Wright put the Winery in the lead just prior to half time with a nice shot to beat Stone.

The second period found the Libs pressing with Ramsay and Bruce executing nice play resulting in Ramsay scoring to place the teams on even terms again. Team strength began to assert itself at this stage and the Winery forwards attacked the tiring Liberal defense to again take the lead when Ricketts booted past Stone. Wright increased the lead a few minutes later with a nice cross from the left wing. The Libs put up a game struggle but failed to stop the Winery line, who increased the lead when Gates sent over a shot from right wing, Ricketts heading into the net to make the final score.

LIBERALS — Stone, Ramsay, Swann, Morgan, R. Ramsay, Leake, Bruce, Hamilton.

WINERY — Fickling, Wells, Neale, McColl, Delves, Wistow, Gates, Young, Haines, Ricketts, Wright, Tomlin.

Referee—T. Thomson, London.

The St. Thomas Athletic Club trounced the German Canadians in a scoring rampage resulting in a 7-3 victory for the Saints. The visitors opened the scoring after five minutes of play, Edwards putting the Teutons in the lead with a hard drive to beat Goodman. The Saints retaliated with Knowles, Gillick and Warner piercing the Teutons' nets in the next 20 minutes. Edwards, at centre for the Teutons, again scored on a pass from Smith. Titchner increased the Saints' lead a few minutes later.

Half time score: St. Thomas 4, German Canadians 2.

Resuming play, the Saints forged ahead, Knowles sending in a beauty to beat Howard. The Teuton goalie was greatly handicapped without any defense to stem the onrushing forwards. Titchner scored from close in. The Teuton forward line again got into operation and Smith scored two counters in quick succession. Titchner again scored for the Saints to make the final tally.

ST. THOMAS — Goodman, Warner, Stacey, Knowles, Gillick, Andrews, Titchner, Langley, H. Knowles, Stewart, Cuthbert.

GERMAN CANADIANS — Howarth, Fischer, Pongracz, Wohlerend, Mikacs, Haehnel, Gellnor, Edwards, Smith, Dutch.

Referee—A. Kennedy, London.

A meeting of the London and District Junior Football Association will be held Tuesday evening, August 13, at 147 Carling street, 8 p.m.

Hosiery Team Beats Germans

Win Right to Enter Cup Finals;
Liberals Tie C.N.R.

London Hosiery defeated the German Canadians at McMahon Park to enter the finals in the Briggs Sales Cup with a 3-1 victory. Langton 2 and Cuthbert 1 tallied for the Knitters while Vogel netted the lone counter for the Teutons. Hosiery took the lead after twenty minutes of play when Dave Langton sent in a hard drive which passed beneath the bar out of Howarth's reach. The Teutons responded with several concerted attacks lead by Vogel who netted the equalizer twenty minutes later. Changing ends found both teams attacking in turn in an effort to break the deadlock. The Hosiery again took the lead midway through the second half when Cuthbert and Langton exhibited some nice footwork to give Cuthbert the opportunity to score. Throwing their forwards into the attack, the Germans tried desperately to even matters up and McColl played brilliantly to stem the attacks, Knitters increased the lead just before the whistle when Langton again worked through the Teuton defense to beat Howard to make the final tally read: London Hosiery 3, German Canadians 1.

London Hosiery: Worton, McColl, Foreman, Cowin, Giles, Beadle, Bolton, Langton, Cuthbert, Whitelaw.

German - Canadians: Howarth, Brunner, Wohlevrend, Pongracz, Fischer, Mikacs, Haehnel, Edwards, Vogel, Smith, Gellnor, Dutch.

Referee: J. Scheldt, London

1953 GERMAN CANADIANS



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Hans Semlich, Simon Sneekes, Eugen Nothof, Rudi Haehnel
Front row (l-r): Rolf Gustaevel, Joe Baum, Heinz Koch, Hans Bludau, Karel Van DeWetering

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Udo Brenne
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Germans tie Dutchmen 3-3,
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Goals by Gunther Klaus and
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1960s

Heinz Feth
was outstanding for the Ger-
mans

Germans face tough Italia
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Germans beat Dutch
in City Cup replay

Gunter Klaus
Captures Golden Boot
1963, 1968

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befanden, die sich besonders gut bewährten.

led by centre forward
Gunter Klaus

goals by Charlie two dramatic
feat a touring West German
soccer team 2-1

goals by Charlie
Papp and Carlo Iszakovits.

Udo Brenne broke open a
tight game

Mellows stars for German-Canadians

Gunter Klaus led
the Germans with five goals.



1960 German Canadians



SOCCER CHAMPIONS — The Rudy Pfaff International Trophy was won by Germany Saturday when they beat Scotland 4-2. Wolfgang Schreter, left, team captain and Herman Belle, president of the German Club show their newly won spoils.

Germans Capture International Cup

Germany won the International Cup Saturday doubling the score on Scotland, 4-2, in the London and District Soccer Association's last scheduled action of the season.

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The Germans cup winners in 1960, allowed the Scots two first half goals by veteran international Sammy 'Cox. One goal came on a free kick and the other on a header.

Gunter Klaus scored the Germans' first goal in the opening half.

In the second period the Germans clicked with Udo Brenne, Klaus and Wolfgang Schroeter getting the goals.



GERMAN CANADIANS claimed the bulk of the honors as the London and District Soccer Association climaxed a successful season with a banquet at Colborne Community Centre last night. The GC eleven took the first division title and Wolfgang Schroeter, left, the most gentlemanly player award and Guenther Klaus, centre, the leading scorer award. John Henderson, right, association secretary made the presentation.

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THE 1960s (Success Years)

In the beginning of the 1960's the greatest obstacle for the GCFC was the ability to retain a permanent goalkeeper. In the interim goalies such as Kurt Teutscher and Edgar Gripp stood between "the pipes". The best standing the GCFC could achieve was a 4th place finish. In 1961 all the hard work came to fruition. Kurt Teutscher became coach and Manager; Julius Kaponya became trainer using professional training techniques to develop the GCFC teams into formidable contenders. In addition the GCFC recruited a young 18 year old goalie from Clarke Rd. High School, Art Kussner. With the inclusion of additional young talented players, Jack Toxepeus, Gunter Klaus, Wolfgang Schroeter, "Seppi" Daiscak, Dario Cucinelli, Henk Koenraads and Michael Lutsch the GCFC began to reap the benefits. The First Division team won the League Championship in 1961, 62 and 63! They also won the International Cup three times between 1960 - 1965. In 1962 the team also won the coveted City (League) Cup!

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CAPTAIN WOLFGANG SCHROETER
- - - scores goal in German victory

Overtime goals give Germans cup

By **BRUCE MECKBACH**

Time finally ran out for Scotland Saturday as Germany scored two goals in overtime to beat the Scots 3-1 and win the London and District Soccer Association International Cup.

Goals by Gunther Klaus and Seppi Daisek in the closing minutes of the second 15-minute overtime period gave Germany the margin of victory in the sudden - death final and the Rudy Pfaff Trophy for the second year in a row and third in four years.

Team captain Wolfgang Schroeter gave the Germans a 1-0 half-time lead. Alex Hogg scored for Scotland with four minutes remaining in regulation time, forcing the overtime.

It was the fourth straight overtime contest for Scotland in the International Cup series. They went into overtime twice before eliminating England in the quarter - final round and once again last Sunday to eliminate Holland in the semi-finals.

Dave Cochrane, who led Scotland to the finals with five goals in the three preliminary games, might have given his club the victory when he was awarded a penalty shot five minutes prior

to Hogg's goal. Cochrane fired the ball into the hands of goalkeeper Heinz Feth. Feth was outstanding for the Germans but was a victim of the weather on Hogg's goal. Hogg kicked a high, curving shot and Feth came in front of the goal to catch it. The wind caught the ball and it went over Feth's hands into the open corner.

Scotland's goalkeeper, Dan Neil, stopped Schroeter's shot in the 35th minute of the first half, but let the ball fall across the goal line.

Klaus headed in a cross-ball from Adolph Dietrich with five minutes left in the second overtime. Daisek scored the insurance goal two minutes later when he drove a hard shot from his left wing. The ball hit the post and went in for the goal.

The International Cup series winds up the LDSA season. The association's awards dance will be held Nov. 12 at the Moose Hall, Trafalgar Street.

German Canadian FC - History

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In 1963 the German Canadian FC formed a second team which captured the Second Division Championship in only its second year of operation. In 1965 the first team won the City Cup again! The following year, 1966 the second team had its finest season, capturing all the Second Division honours: Division 2 Championship, the Sinosis Cup and the Schaeffer Cup. In addition the GCFC won the International Cup 3 times between 1961 and 1966. In 1968 the GCFC started a youth program. A Bantam and Pee-Wee team were entered into the London and District Minor Soccer Association.

As the success of the GCFC grew another opportunity arose. Around 1966 numerous top flight West German Amateur teams began touring Canada and the United States looking for opponents to play during their sports vacations. The GCFC had numerous opportunities to host these games and played against such West German teams as TV Heilbronn, SV Plattling (2x), ESV Ingolstadt-Ringsee, Fvgg Weingarten, SV 1911 Traisa, FC Hertha 03 Berlin, Polizei SV Bremen and Düsseldorf SV. These games resulted in London, Ontario being considered a major stopping point for other touring teams through the coming years.

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19.4.66 G-C to Play West Berlin Soccer Team

German Canadians of the London and District Soccer Association announced last night that arrangements have been made to play a touring West Berlin City League team, Hertha Zehlendorf, in an exhibition soccer match next month.

No date has been set for the game, which will be played at the German Canadian Club's Cove Road Field.

Team secretary Horst Ammonn hopes that the date could be set for May 23, Victoria Day, which would permit an afternoon contest. Otherwise it would be played later that week as a probable 6:30 p.m. fixture.

Hertha is currently in fifth place in the 16-team West Berlin league and will go on a North American tour, starting May 5 and ending May 28. Hertha will play exhibition games in New York, Cleveland, Buffalo, Detroit, Chicago, Milwaukee and Cincinnati. London will be the only Canadian city it will visit.

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1969 was a monumental year. The GCFC was a thriving organization and the aspirations of the FC were coming to realization. At this time, Horst Ammonn (President GCFC), Max Gauss (Vice-President GCFC) and Herbert Dinkel (President GCC) were the driving force behind the German Canadian Club being awarded a franchise in the semi-professional National Soccer League. Most of the players on the NSL team were recruited from the successful GCFC amateur teams and this action severely depleted the amateur ranks. To comply with the NSL standards the German Canadian Club financed the revision to the soccer field changing its east/west direction to north/south and installed flood lights. Thus Cove Road Field became the first soccer field in London to have the highest standard in field quality. The NSL team had enormous growing pains and competition at this level took its toll on all NSL players and any players that were used from the amateur ranks.

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G-C's, Berlin Team Tie 1-1

By BRUCE MECKBACH

German Canadians stuck a fine feather in their caps last night, playing Hertha Zehlendorf, a touring West Berlin Soccer League team, to a 1-1 tie at Cove Road Field.

The result was well-earned for the Germans, a London and District Soccer Association First Division club. They didn't look out of place at any time against Zehlendorf, fourth-place finishers in the 16-team West Berlin First Division this past season.

The two clubs exchanged goals within five minutes of each other, late in the second half. The West Berlin club struck first when outside left Klaus Michalzik scored on a penalty kick. Dave Barker evened the score in the 39th minute of play when he headed in a corner kick.

It was the second tie in seven exhibition games in Canada and the United States for Hertha Zehlendorf. It has won four and lost one and

will play games in Detroit and Buffalo before returning to West Berlin by the end of the month.

Last night's contest, played before over 600, featured some outstanding goaltending by the German's Heinz Feth and Les Mellows, who played the first and second halves respectively.

Both played the ball extremely well, which surprised the West Berlin players time and again when they attempted too many passes in the goal area, instead of shooting. The pair also made many saves on point-blank shots to help preserve the tie.

Club spokesman, Roland Zoellner, a spare fullback-goaltender and a secondary school English teacher in West Berlin, had high praise for the German Canadians' conditioning which helped keep them in the game.

"They do not play as well technically," said Zoellner.

"But they certainly are in very good shape."

Zoellner reminded that his club's tour, which has taken the team from Chicago to Milwaukee, then Windsor, New York, Boston and Cleveland before arriving in London Monday, has taken its toll on the players' stamina. But he also thought that the outcome of the game was a fair one.

Both clubs were evenly matched in the first 45 minutes but the German Canadians, led by centre forward Gunther Klaus, pressed the attack for the first 15 minutes of the second period.

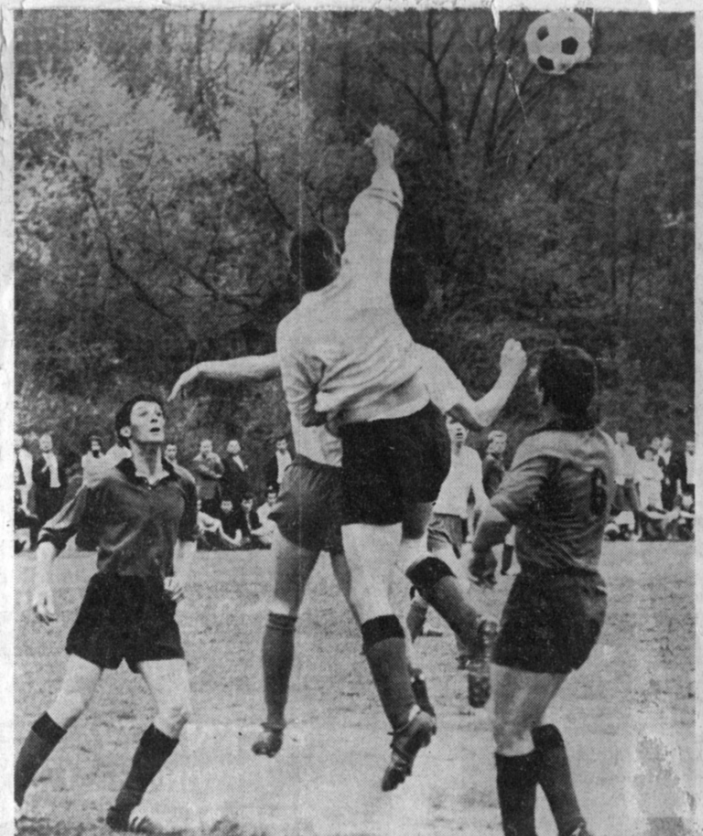
The West Berliners regained their poise and sustained pressure in the next 20 minutes eventually led to their goal.

Germans' Hans Konrads handed the ball in front of his net following a corner kick and Michalzik was awarded a penalty kick. The barrel-chested winger crossed up Mellows and put the ball in the centre of the goal.

Klaus was partially responsible for the tying goal

and gained a measure of revenge for five fine stops on him in the second half by Hertha goaler Michael Kellner.

Klaus' low shot to the right corner of the net was fisted out of bounds by Kellner. It set up a corner kick by Seppi Daicsak, which Barker headed in the net.



Goaltender Heinz Feth of the German Canadians fists the ball away from Hertha Zehlendorf's Manfred Schlesiona in last night's exhibition soccer match at Cove Road Field. Moving in to aid Feth are centre halfback Franco Pertot, left, and right halfback Ray Brewer (6). The game ended in a 1-1 tie.



London All-Stars to meet top Bavarian team July 29

By **BRUCE MECKBACH**
of The Free Press

German Canadians of the London and District Soccer Association found they had taken on a bit more than they could handle when they scheduled an exhibition game with a touring West German team,

TG Heilbronn of Wuerttemberg last May.

The German club, however, which was soundly drubbed 6-0 by the Wuerttemberg First Division team, didn't lose its interest in providing London soccer fans with a chance of seeing good European teams

play against local competition.

The L&D all-stars have come to their aid and will meet Ingolstadt of the Bavarian First Division amateur league Thursday, July 29 at the German club's Cove Road Field. Game time is 6:45 p.m.

Ingolstadt is bringing a 25-man contingent, including 17 players, for a seven-game tour which will include games in Windsor July 21, Cleveland July 23 and Buffalo July 29.

The club, Eisenbahner-Sportverein (Railroad-Sportsclub) has a solid history in German soccer dating back to 1919. It won the First Amateur championship of Bavaria in 1962 and was promoted to the South German Second Division professional league. It finished in second place and was promoted to the First Division, one rank below the Federal League. Ingolstadt was demoted to the new Bavaria League last year and finished in second place this spring, just missing promotion again.

Ingolstadt, located on the Danube mid-way between Nuremberg and Munich, has played against stiff opposition this year and has come off with some commendable exhibition results. They included a 2-2 tie with Bayern Munich, European Cup champions and a respectable 4-2 loss to 1860 Munich, 1966 Federal League champions. Ingolstadt also beat the Bavaria all-stars 3-2 while losing 3-2 to STV Horst Emscher, 1967 West German amateur champions.

The club has two veterans, 30 and 31 and four players under 20 with the remainder in their early 20's with an average age of just over 23.

The German "A" club, which has had numerous problems with injuries to key players this season, will meet arch-rival Marconi-Italia in an L & D Ontario Cup semi-final game Monday night at the Cove Road pitch starting at 6:45 p.m.

Stratford Fischers play the Second Division German "B" team in the other semi-final Tuesday night at London's CNRA Grounds, also starting at 6:45 p.m.

In both games, there will be 15 minutes of overtime in case of a tie and then a toss of a coin to decide the winner if the tie isn't broken.

The final will be played Thursday at the CNRA pitch starting at 6:45 p.m. with the winner advancing to the Ontario playdowns.



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Willy Wucherer of TG Heilbronn, a touring West German soccer team, rifles the ball past German

—By Don James of The Free Press
Canadian goalie Les Mellows for the opening goal in last night's exhibition game at Cove Road Field.

Mellows stars for German-Canadians

Touring Germans outclass locals 6-0

By **BRUCE MECKBACH**
of The Free Press

Conditioning . . . ball handling . . . positional play . . . the list could run on through every phase of soccer and in each one London's German Canadian club found itself outclassed last night at Cove Road Field by a touring West German amateur team.

TG Heilbronn of the Württemberg First Division league gave the London and District Soccer Association First Division club a thorough lesson in the game and a sound 6-0 thrashing, the worst defeat ever suffered by the Germans in their home field.

Goldtending, oddly enough, was the only highlight of the London club's performance as Les Mellows came up with an outstanding game. The stout

Englishman, however, gave in to the Heilbronn barrage late in the first half and early in the second as all six goals were scored within a span of 25 minutes.

Veteran Rolf Ringer, a 34-year-old ex-professional, who handled the ball as though he had a string attached to it, led the Heilbronn attack scoring two goals and setting up three others from his left wing spot.

Right winger Willy Wucherer also scored a pair of goals with the others going to half-back Peter Benz and centre forward Berthold Unser.

Heilbronn team president Gunter Drauz had high praise for Mellows and said he was by far the best goaler the club has met yet in its eight-game tour.

Mellows stopped shot after

shot in the first 30 minutes, then finally gave in shortly after the London team substituted four of its players.

Wucherer crossed over from his right - wing spot, took a back-footed pass from Ringer and drove a low, hard blast right through Mellows' arms in the 30th minute. Benz and Wucherer scored off corner kick plays then Unser and Ringer broke in on Mellows on a 2-on-1 play and the London goaler had no chance on the play at the half ended 30 seconds later with Heilbronn leading 4-0.

Mellows stopped a penalty kick seven minutes after the start of the second half but there was another foul on the rebound and this time Ringer was given the shot. He made no mistake about it and added his second goal three minutes



WILLI HOLSTER
- - - gains shutout and trophy

German 'B' wins Sinosisic trophy

German "B" defeated Dutch "B" 4-0 at the CNRA Grounds last night to win the London and District Soccer Association's Marcel Sinosisic Memorial Trophy.

A pair of second-half goals by Ude Brenne broke open a tight game and gave the Germans a commanding 3-0 lead. Dutch "B" trailed 1-0 at the half on a goal by Seppi Daisek. John Ginley added the final goal.

The two clubs were evenly matched in the first 45 minutes and the Dutchmen hit the German cross bar once and missed several close shots early in the second half.

German "B" captain and goaltender Willi Holster had

few shots directly on the goal, however, in recording the shutout.

The Sinosisic Memorial Trophy is one of two challenge rounds for LDSA Second Division teams. The other challenge series for the Schaefer Cup, will start this Saturday.

The First Division City Cup final will be held tomorrow at Cove Road Field with German Canadians meeting Dutch Canadians. Game time is 7 p.m.

The game site was switched from the CNRA pitch as Cove Road Field is home grounds for both finalists.

First Division Cresswell Trophy series will also start this Saturday.



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German B surprise winner

By BRUCE MECKBACH
of The Free Press

The German "B" club didn't expect to win. Nor did anyone else expect the London and District Soccer Association Second Division team to win.

Especially Toronto Olympia of the powerful National Soccer Association.

But the veteran German "B" players found their second wind and came up with a 2-1 victory over Olympia to win the Labor Day Soccer Tournament at London's Cove Road Field Monday.

A total of nine teams competed in the tournament, sponsored by the London German Canadian Club.

The German "B" club, in fourth place in its Second Division Eastern Conference with three victories, five losses and four ties, lost Monday's opening game to Toronto

Black Bears 1-0. But the team settled down and won its next three games to gain the final.

Olympia tied Brantford 0-0 in its opening game and the two clubs tied for first place in their division with three victories each and the tie. Olympia won the playoff 1-0 to meet German "B" in the final.

"They (Olympia) came out on the field as though they had the game wrapped up" said German "B" club secretary Walter Huber, who also

serves the inside left spot on the team. "They outplayed us but we won the game on spirit."

Huber, who scored the only goal in a 1-0 victory over Brantford in the final preliminary match of the day, had high praise for German "B" goalie Willie Holster.

"Willie had a bad game against the Black Bears, but after that he just kept getting better and better. He was div-

ing all over the place in the final," said Huber.

Left winger Adolph Diederich opened the scoring in the final, giving German "B" a 1-0 lead just before half time. Lutz Wolansky tied it up just after the start of the final 30-minute half then Udo Brenne counted the winner when he dove for the ball and headed a free kick by Harry Gaus into the Olympia goal.

German Canadian "A", one of the favorites to win Monday's tournament, lost two of its three games. The German "A" club, however, defeated Brunswick Hotel United 9-0 in the only league game Saturday, a rescheduled match, and moved to within one point of second place Ingersoll Flyers in the L & D First Division standings. Gunther Klaus led the Germans with five goals.

Tournament Scores

Preliminary Games

German "A" 1, St. Thomas Kickers 0
Toronto Bears 1, German "B" 0
Toronto Olympia 0, Brantford 0
Sarnia 0, Brampton 0
Wallaceburg 0, Toronto Bears 0
Brantford 1, German "A" 0
German "B" 2, Sarnia 1
Brampton 2, Wallaceburg 1
Sarnia 1, Toronto Bears 0

Brantford 2, St. Thomas Kickers 0
German "B" 1, Wallaceburg 0
Toronto Bears 1, Brampton 0
Toronto Olympia 1, St. Thomas Kickers 0
Sarnia 1, Wallaceburg 1
Toronto Olympia 2, German "A" 0
German "B" 1, Brampton 0
Group "A" Playoff
Toronto Olympia 1, Brantford 0
Championship
German "B" 2, Toronto Olympia 1



London & District 1968 'B' Team



German Canadians Vs. Plattling S.V.



— Free Press Photo by George Blumson
German Canadian winger John Shannon, left, and Alfred Kohlhaeufel, of Plattling SV, collide in last night's exhibition soccer game at Cove Road Field. Kohlhaeufel, a right halfback, has played 10 times for the West German junior soccer team in international competition.

Heat, Papp's two goals overcome Plattling SV

By BRUCE MECKBACH

German Canadians of the London and District Soccer Association took advantage of a sweltering summer night, a bit of luck and two dramatic goals by Charlie Papp to defeat a touring West German soccer team 2-1 at Cove Road Field last night.

Plattling SV, of the Bavarian Soccer League First Division, scored early in the first half but succumbed to the humid heat which hung over the sheltered Cove and seemed to run out of energy in the final 45 minutes of play.

The London club took advantage of the slower pace in the second half and it paid off when Papp scored in the 30th and 35th minutes of play.

Plattling put on the pressure in the final 10 minutes of play but German Canadians'

goalkeeper Les Mellows came up with key saves and Plattling hit the goal post once and the cross bar twice.

The victory added another feather to German Canadians growing soccer bonnet. Earlier this season they tied Hertha Zehlendorf, a touring West Berlin Soccer League club 1-1 at Cove Road Field. The Germans played Plattling three years ago, losing 5-2 at that time.

The visiting club's president, Eduard Berger, who is also vice-mayor of Plattling, a city located about 90 miles from Munich, was impressed with the improvement of play shown by the German Canadians in the three years.

Berger, along with goalie Karl Baeuml and fullback Erich Brand, were the only three here last night from the team who played here in 1965. The club left seven of its regulars at home for this year's tour and went mainly with youth. The majority of the 19 players are between 18 and 22 years of age.

Plattling's age and better conditioning showed in the opening 45 minutes when it held a wide margin in play. Inside left Ernst Nigl took a pass across the German Canadians' goal then fired the ball back the other way, enticing starting goalkeeper Heinz Feth off balance. Feth had little chance on the goal scored 10 minutes after start of play.

In the second half Papp

took a pass from right winger Sam Barberi, cut in front of the Plattling goal and booted a high shot over Baeuml but below the cross bar. Papp, Gunther Klaus and Wolfgang Schroeter had just previously fired three consecutive shots over the Plattling goal.

Mellows, who replaced Feth for the second half, made several good stops in the next few minutes, including a diving save on halfback Franz Kain's penalty shot.

The German Canadians moved the ball up the field following the penalty miss and left winger Seppi Dalsek lobbed the ball to Papp who headed it past Baeuml's knees for the winner.

Plattling made a desperate effort to tie the game but Mellows and the German Canadian goalposts preserved the victory. Plattling hit the goalpost and Mellows followed with a pair of diving saves then fisted the ball off the crossbar twice before the end of the game.

NOTES — Plattling was in last place in the 18-team Bavarian League mid-way through the season as it attempted to rebuild the club with youth. The efforts paid off and it finished in 12th place. German Canadians, currently in second place in the LDSA's First Division, will meet Dutch Canadians next Wednesday in the City Cup final at London's CNRA Grounds. Germans are defending champions.

German eleven seeks NSL entry

By **BRUCE BECKBACH**
of The Free Press

London's German Canadians, a power in the London and District Soccer Association First Division for eight years, will make formal application to enter the semi-professional National Soccer League this season.

The German team received unanimous support at a club general meeting Sunday to proceed with the application and to make the necessary changes to their Cove Road playing field to bring it up to NSL standards.

It was estimated that \$15,000 would have to be spent, approximately two-thirds of it on lighting to allow for night games. League initiation fee is \$1,500 and other expenditures would be required to change the field from an east-west to a north-south position. Additional fencing and some seating would also be required.

The Germans are one of three London teams which have made inquiries into the league for the coming season. Marconi-Italia and Greek Olympians have also requested information.

The National Soccer League is one of the older continuously-run soccer leagues in North America, having started in 1927.

It operated with 10 teams last year and besides the London interest, a Guelph team and five Toronto teams have sought information regarding entry. The league would eventually like to expand to a two-division, 20-team setup. It is currently operating a junior league for players 18 years and under.

Among the teams last year were Windsor Teutonia, Sudbury Italia, Kitchener-Waterloo Kickers and Hamilton Portuguese plus six Toronto teams—Hellas, Ukrania, Croatia, Hungaria, White Eagles (Serbians) and Olympia (Germans). Definite interest has been shown by Toronto Celtic, Portuguese and St. Andrews. The teams would play a

home-and-home schedule with the top four clubs making the playoffs.

Formal applications are expected to be taken before the end of January and approved at the NSL's annual general meeting in February.

The German Canadians are currently holding indoor practices every Thursday at the Cove Road club from 8 p.m.-10 p.m. under trainer Wolfgang Mueller.

Club president Horst Ammon stressed Sunday night that "positions are all open" for the coming year. The Germans, who finished in second place in the First Division behind Marconi, will continue to field a First Division team for the coming year if they are accepted into the NSL. But they will probably drop their Second Division "B" team.

Besides Ammon, Max Gauss will operate as club

vice-president, Arthur Schindel as treasurer, Walter Huber recording secretary and Paul Tratnik as team secretary. Gunther Forster and Eric Schaefer are team directors. The club expects to name a coach and manager when its status with the NSL is known.

SOCCER JAN. 31, 1969. Gauss named manager of German Canadians

German Canadians, who have made an application for entry in the semi-professional National Soccer League, named Max Gauss as team manager Thursday night.

Gauss, who also serves as team vice-president, will assume the added post immediately. He will be responsible for acquiring players and recruiting a coach. The Germans are currently holding workouts every Thursday from 8-10 p.m. at the Cove Road clubhouse.

The club expects its application to be approved at a general meeting of the NSL Feb. 8 in Toronto.

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Back Row (left to right)—EDGAR GRIPP, ANTON LOEDIGE, PAUL TRATNIK, JOSEF WEISS, HERMANN BELLE.
Sitting—ARTHUR SCHINDEL, MAX GAUSS, HORST AMMONN, WALTER HUBER.
Not Present—HANS UMLAUF and FRED MUELLER.

German Canadians accepted into membership of NSL

By **BRUCE MECKBACH**
of The Free Press

London German Canadians' application to the National Soccer League was accepted at the league's annual general meeting at Toronto Saturday night.

The London club received the necessary unanimous approval of eight voting teams—each team has veto power—and will join nine of last year's teams and another two new entries to form a 12-team, semi-professional league.

A team from Montreal lost out in a bid for membership when one club refused it entry but Horst Ammonn, president of the local entry said that he thought the Montreal application may be reconsidered in the future. Another club from Hamilton has ownership problems and if settled, along with Montreal, could mean a 14-team league.

Teams returning from last year include six from Toronto—Croatia, Hellas, Olympia Harmonie, Hungarians, Serbia White Eagles and Ukrania. Sudbury Italia, Hamilton Portuguese and Kitchener-Waterloo Kickers are the other returning teams. Toronto Italia and Toronto Portuguese Canadians are the other two new teams admitted along with London.

Windsor Teutonia, a member for the past several years, was not at the meeting and Ammonn said that it was understood that the Windsor team wanted to sit out a year.

"I'm glad we're in and that the waiting is all over," said Ammonn, who added that the London delegation had to cool its heels for over four hours while the NSL discussed earlier business.

"There will be another meeting within 10 days to set the schedule . . . we will play home-and-home games with all our home games Saturday nights, probably starting at eight o'clock," added Ammonn.

The German club, which had to pay a \$1,500 initiation fee, is also planning to spend 10 times that amount in renovations to their Cove Road Field, which will include lighting for night games plus playing field, locker room and seating improvements.

"The P.U.C. will look over the situation this week regarding the lights," said Ammonn, as soon as it is possible we will start breaking ground and get things moving outside."

Meanwhile the German club is holding indoor workouts at their Cove Road clubhouse Thursday nights from 8-9 o'clock and Ammonn says that any interested players are welcome to try out . . . the club also has teams entered in the London and District Soc-

cer Association First Division and reserve league.

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German Canadians sign nine from L&D ranks

By BRUCE MECKBACH
of The Free Press

London German Canadians know they won't have to look far for talent to compete in the semi-professional National Soccer League this season.

The German club, which gained admittance to the league earlier this month, is finding plenty of players of the calibre required from the London and District Soccer Association.

Thursday night the club announced the signing of nine players, including four from their own First Division club from last year.

Gunter Klaus, a 10-year veteran centre forward and one of the L&D's top scorers over the years, has signed to play for the NSL team along with Hank Koenraads, Ian McLean and Franz Brudnjak.

The foursome will give the German club needed experience. Klaus is 29, Koenraads, starting his eighth year at fullback with the team, is 26 while McLean, at 31 years of age, will be starting his fourth year at halfback with the team. The 25-year-old Brudnjak, an inside-forward, centre forward, is starting his third year with the club.

The team will not be without youth either and the other five players signed average just 22 years old.

Carl Iszakovits, just 19 years old, was one of the top scorers with First Division champion Marconi-Italia last year, his first in First Division play.

Charlie Papp, who will combine with Iszakovits at an inside forward spot and can also play at centre forward, is only 23. But he has eight seasons of First Division soccer behind him, capped last year with a berth on Canada's World Cup soccer team which lost out in the opening round playoffs between Bermuda and the United States by just one victory.

Goalie Charlie Bouwman, 23, fullback Arnold Wenneker, 24, and halfback John McGuire, 22, are the other players signed by the Germans.

Bouwman, a goaltender, has been rated one of the tops in the First Division the past two years with Dutch Canadians while Wenneker, a fullback, was a standout last year with Ingersoll Flyers, his first season in the L&D. McGuire, a halfback, was one of the few bright lights for Brunswick Hotel United, which experienced player and management difficulties last year.

NOTES: Work is already under way for installation of lights and a 7½-foot high fence plus seating for 500 persons at the German's Cove

Road playing field. . . The club, which had 32 out at one practice last week, is now working out Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6-9 and Sunday mornings from 10 until noon. . . Montreal Inter-Italia and Oakville Arsenal have also been accepted into the NSL bringing the total number of teams to 14.

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SZABO SIGNS — Ernie Szabo, an all-star right winger, has signed with German-Canadians of the National Soccer League. Szabo, 25, has played with Marconi-Italia the past four years and is a former Ontario all-star.

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NEW COACH—German Canadians, London's new entry in the semi-professional National Soccer League signed Julius Kaponya, right, as their new coach for the coming season. Offering his shoulder for the signing is club president Herbert Dinkel while team president Horst Ammann, second from left, and Max Gauss, manager and vice-president, watch.



Among nine players who have to date signed with the new London German Canadians' entry in the semi-professional National Soccer League this season are: Franz Brudnjak, Gunter Klaus, Hank Koenraads and Ian McLean. The four were with the German club in the London and District Soccer Association First Division a year ago.



ART KUSSNER

--- former LDSA goaler
in Ontario nets

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Arnold Wenneker of the London German Canadians, performs a half scissor kick in Monday night's exhibition soccer game with Dusseldorf SC of West Germany. In the background is the Ian McLean,

—By Sam McLeod of The Free Press
captain of the German team while on the right is Dusseldorf left halfback Dieter Bader. Papp set up the London team's first goal and scored the second to help spark a 5-0 victory.

Germans down Dusseldorf 5-0

By **BRUCE MECKBACH**
of The Free Press

German Canadians answered their fans as well as some of their critics Monday night as they handed Dusseldorf Soccer Club a 5-0 setback in a soccer exhibition at Cove Road Field.

The fans were many as one of the best crowds at the Cove Road pitch in years came to see a preview of the London team, which has entered the semi-professional National Soccer League.

But the crowd of over 1,200 (801 paid) was well mixed with players, club and league officials from the London and District Soccer Association from which London's NSL entry graduated this spring. And they were watching with a critical eye.

Most left suitably impressed although practically everyone was disappointed with the dismal finish of the Dusseldorf team, which is starting a seven-game tour of Ontario cities. The local German team dis-

played a marked improvement on its forward line over what it showed in its opening-game 1-1 tie with Toronto Hungaria May 10 at Toronto's Stanley Park.

And it also showed that it won't have too many problems in goal either as Stan Puskas, a recent immigrant from Czechoslovakia, played a very steady game, including a remarkable performance midway through the second half to help preserve his shutout. He and Charlie Bouwman, who starred against the Hungarians, should make a good two-some.

Carlos Izakovits opened the scoring in the third minute of play following a good passing series with Charlie Papp fielding him the ball on the left wing. He drove a hard shot into the short side past Dusseldorf goalie Reinhold Kramer and it gave the London team a cushion on which it was able to rest occasionally for the remainder of the half.

Then in the 18th minute of the second half Puskas made a fantastic point-blank save on outside right Horst Schubert, stopping the ball with his head on a rifle shot that left the German goalie stunned for several minutes.

But it didn't slow his reflexes any as he made another close-range save on centre half Gerde Auge and a minute later crowned his night's performance by stopping a penalty shot.

German fullback Hank Koenraads let a Dusseldorf attacker slip by him with the ball, tripped him from behind

and the shot was awarded to right fullback Klaus Dolata. Dolata faked to his right then sent the ball to the far left corner of the goal but Puskas was there to stop it with a diving catch.

A minute later Papp scored the best goal of the night on a bullet shot from 18 yards out in the 28th minute of play and that seemed to take the spark out of the Dusseldorf squad.

German coach Julius Kaponya, who had been substituting liberally up to this point, even using players from the club's First Division team, started replacing players two and three at a time after that.

Captain Ian McLean, who played an outstanding first half for the Germans, came off the bench with less than five minutes remaining, immediately picked up a loose ball. He shot a long pass to Hans Valkenier who headed it to Joe Daicek and Daicek whipped it past Kramer for the Germans' third goal.

Wolfgang Schroeter tapped the ball in from less than five yards out a minute later when the Dusseldorf goalie misjudged a loose bouncing ball then Valkenier scored the final goal with less than a minute remaining on another easy attempt as Dusseldorf had run completely out of steam.

NOTES — The Dusseldorf team will play at Brantford Wednesday night, at St. Catharines Saturday then will be at Leamington Sunday for a game which was rained out this past Sunday. . . Centre forward Horst Schafer, a

spokesman for the team, apologized prior to the game that his club might not perform as well as it could because of bad weather. It hadn't had a chance to practice since arriving in Montreal last Friday. . .

"It will be tough to face a team of this calibre in our first game," said Schafer, who couldn't have been more correct. . . The London German team will meet Toronto First Portuguese tonight in its second NSL game at Stanley Park starting at 8:30. A bus will be leaving the Cove Road clubhouse at 5:30 o'clock tonight and seats are still available at a nominal cost. . . Puskas, who is taking English lessons at night school, will not accompany the team. Bouwman, who hurt his back a week ago, will be in the German nets. . . The London team will meet Toronto White Eagles in its league home opener this Saturday at the Cove Road pitch starting at 8 p.m.

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BANTAM DIVISION

SATURDAY'S SCORES
Canadian Forces 7, Huron Athletic 1
St. George's 5, London Canadians 3
Forest City 12, Celtic 1
German Canadians vs. Belmont, ppd.

PEEWEE DIVISION

SATURDAY'S SCORES
Canadian Forces United 3, Huron Athletic 0
Viscounts 12, Athletic Sports-wear 0
Southwest London 4, Canadian Forces Colts 1
Glen Cairn 2, Celtic 1
Germania vs. Belmont, ppd.

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FIRST DIVISION

SATURDAY'S SCORES
Marconi 4, Lions 2
German 2, Scottish 1
Olympians 4, Ingersoll 3
Sarnia 2, Celtic 0

SECOND DIVISION

SATURDAY'S SCORES
Belgium 0
St. Thomas Kickers 4, Delhi Woodstock 4, Tillsonburg 0
St. Thomas Royals 4, Polonia 9
Roma 3, Goderich 3
Sarnia Briarwood 3, St. Columban 2
Stratford 4, Delhi Germans 0

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SATURDAY'S SCORES
Lions 1, Kickers 0
German 4, Scottish 3
Ingersoll 3, Olympians 3



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G-C's, Eagles play to 3-3 tie

By **BRUCE MECKBACH**
of The Free Press

German Canadians are not going to set the National Soccer League on fire in this their initial year in the semi-professional league.

But considering the results of their first three games the London entry isn't going to be one of the league doormats either.

The Germans played to a 3-3 tie with Toronto White Eagles at Cove Road Field Saturday night, the team's home opener, before 550 satisfied spectators.

And after three games they have tied two and lost one. But the opposition has proved to be the cream of the crop, so far, in the 14-team NSL.

The tie moved the Toronto Serbian team into sole possession of first place with seven points on three victories and the draw, one more than four other teams, each with six points.

Toronto Hungaria, whom the Germans tied 1-1 in their opener, and Toronto First Portuguese, who blanked the London club 2-0 last Tuesday night, are among the four second-place teams.

Saturday night the Germans dominated the game for the first 25 minutes as they took a 2-0 lead on goals by Charlie Papp and Carlo Iszakovits.

White Eagles' team captain and inside left Joe Ognjauac got one back seven minutes before the end of the half but the Germans went ahead 3-1 after three minutes of the second half when an Eagle full-back, Peter Waingerl, scored an own goal, putting the ball into his own net.

The Toronto team came right back with Carlo Martisek scoring a minute later then he added the equalizer in the 22nd minute. The Eagles put on a great deal of pressure for the last 25 minutes of play but the clutch goaltending of Charlie Bouwman helped save the tie for the Germans.

The London team showed the effects of playing its third game since Monday night when it beat a touring West German team from Dusseldorf, 5-0 in an exhibition.

While the Germans' team play and offence was much improved in the first half, the club, as a whole, slowed down in the final 45 minutes.

Left winger Kelvin Harrison missed a total of four good chances to score for the Germans, the best one coming in the fifth minute of play when he had a breakaway and couldn't get control of the ball. In the 40th minute he also had a clear break on Eagle goalie Mike Delibasich but managed

only a weak shot from 15-yards out.

Papp scored a picture goal in the 14th minute when the Germans broke in with a three-on-two situation. When the two Eagle defenders closed in on Papp coming up the centre he rifled an 18-yard shot into the left-hand side of the net.

Dan Tomic batted the ball down in the Eagle penalty area six minutes later when the Germans were threatening and on the penalty Iszakovits put a hard shot to Delibasich's right side to give London a 2-0 lead.

Ognjauac almost waited too long when he got the ball 20 yards out and with Bouwman sprawled on the ground on the left side of the net after making a diving block on a centring attempt by the Eagles. Bouwman returned to the centre on the goal then the Eagle captain, who weighs just over 200 pounds, boomed a shot back into the left-hand corner.

Vlada Stojkov, who played the second half in the Eagle goal, jumped in vain as his teammate attempted to clear the ball back to him and arced it over his head into the goal to put the Germans in front 3-1.

But the German countered that mistake within a minute

when Papp, attempting to do the same thing, clear the ball back to Bouwman, found his pass intercepted by Martisek eight yards out and the Eagle forward rifled a shot into the right-hand corner of the goal.

Bouwman partly blamed himself for the third Eagle goal although he could hardly be faulted on it.

A German defender bounced a clearing shot high into the air, just six yards in front of the goal mouth and into a group of four Eagle players. Ognjanac headed the ball to Zizi Stojcevic who in turn headed it to Martisek and he again used his head to put the ball past a bewildered Bouwman.

"I should have come out and punched the ball out of play," said Bouwman. "But there were too many players and I might have lost it . . . maybe I had too much time to think about it . . . anyway the ball went about three different directions when it came down. It was a nice goal, they deserved it."

The German team meets Toronto Croatia this Saturday night at Cove Road in its next game then faces Hamilton Homer at Hamilton's HAAA Grounds the next afternoon. Croatia, along with Sudbury, is also in second spot in the league.

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Puskas to the rescue

—By Sam McLeod of The Free Press

German Canadian goalkeeper Stan Puskas makes a save on a shot by Toronto Italia centre forward Mario Barone, left, in Saturday night's National Soccer League game at Cove Road Field. Puskas was the star of the game as the Germans won 2-0. London players are Ian McLean, right, Arnold Wenneker, centre, and Riny Van Bortel, behind Barone.



Germans blank Italia, behind Puskas

By BRUCE MECKBACH
of The Free Press

Stan Puskas is not just a goalkeeper, he's an entertainer as well.

Saturday night the German Canadian net minder performed to perfection as the London team scored a 2-0 victory over Toronto Italia in a National Soccer League game at Cove Road Field.

It was the first victory after three ties and two losses for the Germans while Italia suffered its fourth loss against three victories and a tie.

Second-half goals by Carlo Iszakovits and Charlie Papp gave the Germans the margin of victory but it was all Puskas, especially in the late stages of the first half when he broke up five "sure" scoring opportunities by the Toronto club.

He did it with a grace and style that went beyond mere

athletic prowess and touched on the theatrical. He made his job look like a piece of artwork.

And the audience of well over 600 persons (558 paid) showed their approval, even though there were a number of obvious Italia fans.

They cheered Puskas when he made his diving stops, curling himself up into the fetal position to give the ball maximum protection cupped between his arms and stomach.

They laughed with him too as he performed, especially at one point when Italia centre-forward Mario Barone broke in on goal but was called on the offside. Puskas was walking away in the other direction almost before referee Joe Agnew blew his whistle.

And they also gave him a standing ovation, something almost unheard of in local soccer circles, when he hurled himself fearlessly at two Toronto players breaking in alone on him in the second half, coming up with the ball.

Puskas doesn't confine his remarkable abilities to tending a goal on a soccer field.

"I like any game with a ball," he said with a boyish grin after the game.

He also enjoys basketball, volleyball, table tennis and that Canadian game played with a stick and a ball flattened at two ends . . . hockey . . . which he played in his native Czechoslovakia.

Saturday it was a soccer ball which kept him busy as

he held Italia off the score-sheet for only the third time in eight games.

Neither team mounted much of an attack in the first 20 minutes of play but Puskas was right on his toes as he stopped a hard drive by Barone in the 23rd minute.

Five minutes later playing-coach Anders Yrfelt came as close as Italia was going to get when he rocketted a 25-yard shot off the inside of the German crossbar.

Yrfelt, who leads the NSL in scoring with six goals, came up from his halfback spot to take the ball after a nice passing combination from right winger Ralph McPate to Barone and back to Yrfelt. Puskas had no chance but Yrfelt was a fraction too high.

Italia had another great chance in the 35th minute when Yrfelt and McPate broke in alone on the goal but German fullback Hank Koenraads broke it up with a good ball tackle.

Then in the next four minutes Puskas made a great stop on Barone, stopped Barone and inside forward Mario Cimada more at point-blank range just 13 yards in front of the goal, then Cimadamore twice more from the same distance with Barone putting the ball over a prostrate Puskas and watched with utter frustration as the ball also sailed over the crossbar.

Iszakovits caught the Italia defence off guard in the fifth minute of the second half

when he took a long pass from halfback Don Napier and broke in alone on Toronto goalie Mario Pretotto, beating him with a 12-yarder.

Papp, who had a clean break-away in the 33rd minute, only to be stopped nine yards out by Pretotto, got almost an identical opportunity with two minutes left in the game.



Andy Marsh Gives Marconi 2-2 Tie

By BRUCE MECKBACH

Andy Marsh, scoring his second penalty goal of the game, and with time running out, gave Marconi-Italia a 2-2 tie with German Canadian "A" at Cove Road Field Saturday. The contest was to decide the London and District Soccer Association early-season favorite in the First Division race.

Marsh, an ex-Gaelic football player from Ireland, drilled both of his shots into the lower left hand corner of the German goal, for his fifth and sixth goals in two league games.

His first goal tied the game at 1-1 after 15 minutes of play in the second half, cancelling a first-half goal scored by German inside right Pete Barker in the 33rd minute of play.

The circumstances surrounding the final two goals could well have been written for a Hollywood script.

German inside left Dario Cuccinelli was awarded a penalty kick after a Marconi player handed the ball with what appeared a minute left to play. He beat goaltender Charlie Bouwman with the same shot as Marsh had used earlier on German goal Heinz Feth.

Referee Ken Smith, however, allowed play to continue another three minutes after regulation time, to make up for time lost through injuries.

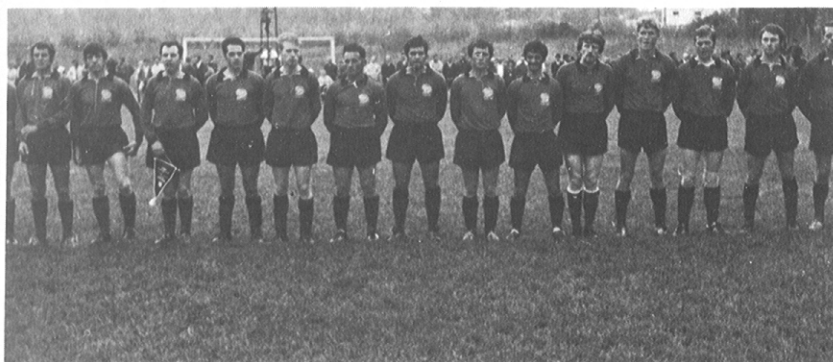
It was enough to allow Marconi to work into a scoring position then Cuccinelli inadvertently handed the ball in front of the German goal and the Italians were awarded their second penalty shot. Marsh made no mistake about it again as time ran out in the game.

Both clubs were evenly matched in the first half and Bouwman played an outstand-

ing second half as the Germans held an edge in play. Smith also called an excellent game between the two hotly competitive teams.

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ORIGINAL PLAYERS OF N.S.L. TEAM 1969

From Left to Right—STAN PUSKAS (half in picture), ARNOLD WENNEKER, HANK KOENRAADS, IAN McLEAN (Captain), RENE VAN BOXTEL, FRANZ BRUDNJAK, ERNIE SZABO, CHARLIE PAPP, JOHN McGUIRE, CARLO ISZAKOVITS, KELVIN HARRISSON, HANS VALKENIER, BEN UHRE, SEPI DAISCAK, WOLFGANG SCHROETER. Not Present—CHARLY BOWMANN, HEINZ BRUENINGHAUS, DON NAPIER, VLADIMIR SKOZEN, TIBOR MADJAR, GUNTER KLAUS.

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Charlie Papp, with his
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1970s

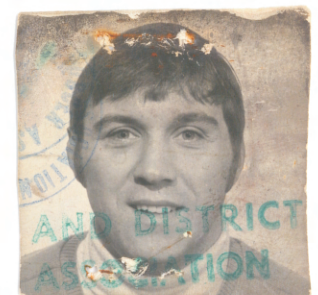
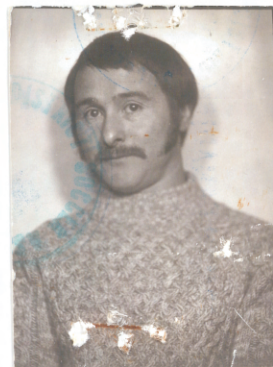
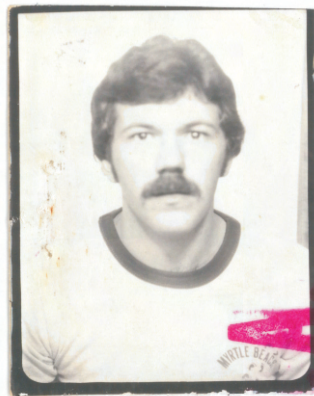
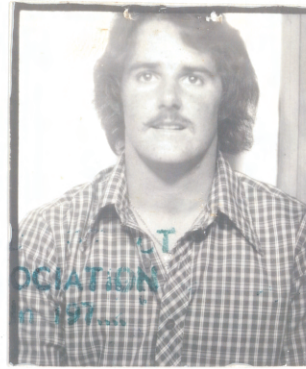
Heinz Brueninghaus goal by
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German-Canadians reach
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Aug 14
McDonald scores three
as Germans top Croatia

Olympians, Germans
gain Cresswell final

German Canadian FC Most Wanted



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THE 1970s

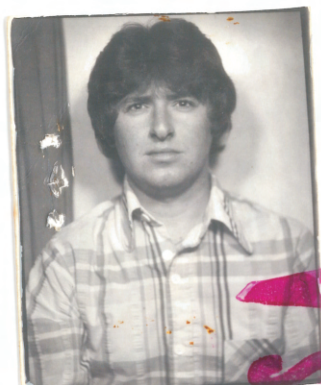
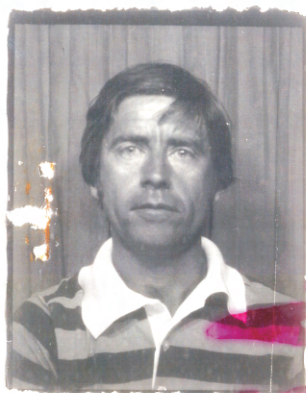
1970 brought growth again to the GCFC. The youth program was vibrant and warranted additional teams to be entered in the local League. Mosquito and Junior B teams were entered. The NSL team was getting stronger and aggressive recruitment resulted in the NSL team fielding a strong competitor in the 1971 and 1972 NSL campaigns.

In 1971 an Atom aged team was entered in the Minor League resulting in the GCFC having the largest youth program in the City of London. Depletion of the ranks of our London & District men's league 'A' team eventually resulted in the team being relegated to the Second Division, for the first time in its history. Ironically, that same year, the 'A' team finally captured the Cresswell Cup which had eluded them throughout the sixties.

With a very successful Second Division team and the depletion of the 'A' team, the GCFC decided to disband the 'A' team. In its place an Under-23 team was formed and entered into the Ontario Intermediate Soccer League in 1972. That year proved to be very successful for our Soccer Club. The 'B' Team won the Second Division Championship and was promoted into the First Division. The U-23 team captured all the honours in their league; the pre-season League tournament, the League Championship and the League Cup! With the success of the U23 the GCFC was looking to the future at being able to provide quality players to the NSL team and to replenish the existing amateur teams program. These dreams were shattered when the Ontario Intermediate Soccer League ceased operations. 1972 produced the strongest NSL team and many exciting games were watched at Cove Rd field with crowds ranging from 500-1500 spectators. As 1972 came to a close the GCFC debt load could not be reduced. Not being able to find financial backing to continue the NSL program resulted in the GCFC relinquishing the franchise to the present London City SC.

With the dissolution of the Ontario Intermediate SL, the transfer of the NSL franchise and the promotion of the 'B' team back to Division 1 a new 'A' team was formed with the amalgamation of various players from the NSL, Under-23 and Second Division teams. The remainder of the players formed a new 'B' team and entered into the Third Division.

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JUNE 9/70

Germans beat touring Darmstadt-Traisa 3-2

By BRUCE MECKBACH
of The Free Press

London German Canadians, with a two-week layoff between National Soccer League dates, came up with what would have to be considered an ideal practice session Tuesday night.

The Germans booked an exhibition game with a touring West German First Amateur Soccer team—SV 1911 Darmstadt-Traisa—and not only had a chance to look at some players waiting in the wings, but also won the game, 3-2 before 426 persons.

A first-half penalty goal by Heinz Brueninghaus and second-half goals by Carlos Iszakovits and Milan Behavka gave London the margin of victory.

Right winger Hans Lehr scored both goals for Traisa, both coming in the second half as London substituted freely in the final 45 minutes.

It was the second loss in four games for Traisa on its North American tour. It had lost 4-2 in an opening game to a Newark, N.J., team then won 4-1 and 4-0 over teams from New York City and Trenton, N.J. Traisa plays again Thursday night against Samia Germans at Samia's Norm Perry Park starting at 6:30 and winds up its six game tour Sunday against an Elizabeth, N.J. team.

The London Germans will be looking for their second victory against one loss and two ties in the semi-professional NSL Friday night when they meet Toronto Hungaria at Cove Road Field. Game time is 8:30.

The Germans were able to give substitute goaler Eric Schamann his first good workout this year as he played the full second half in place of playing coach Phil Brooman.

They also worked in several players from their London and District Soccer Association First Division team, including Behavka, a halfback who played all but the final 15 minutes. Behavka's play improved steadily throughout, resulting in him scoring what proved to be the winning goal scored in the 12th minute of the second half.

Behavka took a pass from Ian McLean and broke through the right side and shot from 12 yards out. Traisa goaler Boda Haecker got a piece of the ball but it slipped through his hands and into the goal.

McLean, who played for the NSL Germans last year, has been working himself into shape with the First Division

club and showed some of the skill, although not the conditioning, which made him one of the top players on the club last year. He missed the pre-season workouts as he was working at Windsor.

Harry Gauss, Peter Pochanke and Riny Van Bostel, a regular from last year who has been working nights, also got some second-half action Tuesday night along with Brooman, who played on the field the final 15 minutes.

"I was surprised at the visiting team," said London team president Horst Ammann. The London club had defeated another First Division team from Dusseldorf, 5-0, last year but Traisa played a much stronger game.

The three goalies, Schamann and Brooman for London and Haecker for Traisa all had a busy time of it as both teams went to the attack and played a hard brand of soccer.

Haecker had no chance on the penalty shot, brought about when a Traisa defender handed the ball in an attempt to stop Charlie Papp from getting it on a breakaway in the 30th minute of the first half. Brueninghaus took the shot and put the ball into the top left-hand side of the net as Haecker went to his right on the penalty shot.

Papp almost drew another penalty shot with three minutes left in the half when a Traisa player kicked him several times in the penalty area. Papp kicked back as the player was on the ground and referee John Thomason banished Papp from the game instead.

Traisa, however, in keeping with the spirit of the "friendly" match, allowed the Germans to play the second half with 11 players.

Lehr scored just a minute after the second half but Iszakovits scored nine minutes later on a good feed from Don Napier and Behavka three minutes after that to put the game out of reach.

Lehr scored again with 30 minutes left in the game after a Traisa corner kick but a power failure in the Cove Road area left the field without lights for over 15 minutes and the touring team was unable to mount any sustained attack after the game was restarted.



April 18, 1970

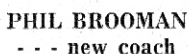
Experience is a vital quality which London German Canadians naturally lacked last year, their first in the National Soccer League.

This year the club, with its feet wetted, is ready for the deeper water of tough semi-professional NSL.

Team manager Max Gauss earlier this week signed a new coach—Phil Brooman—and has 12 players under contract—nine of whom were with the team at the end of last season.

He played goal at one time with Brentford in the English Football Association Third Division. Brentford is now in the

A graduate of the FA coaching school at Crystal Palace, Brooman was a high school sports instructor before coming to Canada last month. Besides soccer, Brooman also



Brooman says that he has watched and enjoyed ice hockey but admits he has a hard time standing on skates.

Puskas, who came to the Germans from Czechoslovakia 1½ years ago, does play hockey and he suffered the leg injury in an industrial hockey game last week.

One of the German players who hasn't let up since last fall is diminutive Carlos Iszkovits, the team's leading scorer with 12 goals. He has been working out all winter "in snow up to my hips" and is one of nine regulars to return to date.

Harry De Vlught, a speedy right winger picked up late in the year is also back with the team. He played soccer the past winter in Holland.

Gauss also has four players

Halbacks Franz Brudnjak, Don Napier and Rini Van Boxtel plus fullback Arno Wennekker have signed contracts with the team.

Team captain and halfback Ian McLean and fullback Hank Koenraads have not been able to make decisions about playing this year because of work commitments.

Bill Nepotiuk, a 24-year-old Western student, was captain of fourth-place Toronto Ukraina last year. A fullback, Nepotiuk also played with Western's division-winning Mustangs last year.

Walter De Wilde, a 30-year-old physiotherapist, who played last year with Toronto Hungaria, can play any spot on the forward line.

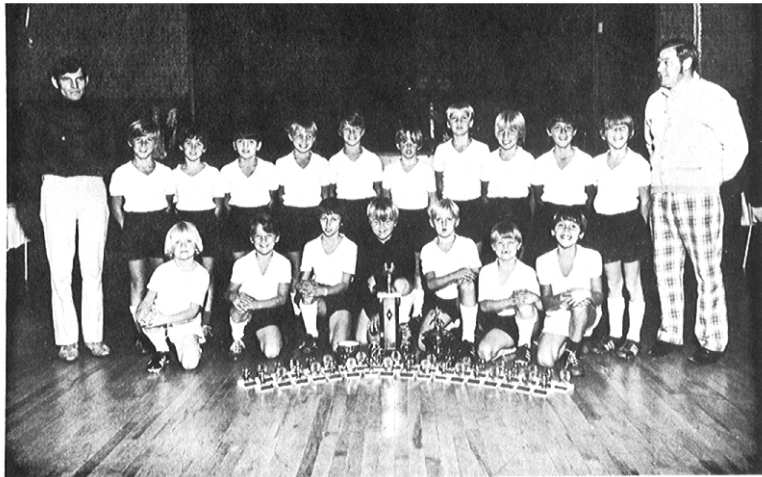
Gauss has also been in contact with Tibor Magyar, whose magical footwork helped to mature the German forward line last year. Magyar played in Europe this past winter and is now in London, England.

NOTES — The German's





MOSQUITO TEAM
Gordon Stronach Memorial Cup Champs - 1971 Photo by H. Ammann



ATOM TEAM
Photo by B. Schuster
Red Barn Champs - 1971, Challenge Cup Champs - 1971, and Runner-up in League 1971



1971 EXECUTIVE



Photo by Ron Brier

Front Row L. to R.
Fred Kuehr (Treas.), Markus Gauss (Vice Pres. & Gen. Manager N.S.L.), Herbert Dinkel (Pres.), Harry Gauss (Sec.), Arthur Dinkel (Cashier).

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1972 MAY 23 London intermediates win Ontario tournament crown

Special to The Free Press
MISSISSAUGA — London German-Canadians won the annual Ontario Intermediate soccer tournament championship here going unbeaten in three games.

The London team beat Scarborough 4-0 and Chinguacousy 2-0 and played to a 0-0 draw with Mississauga.

Allan Mitchell scored two goals in the London victory

over Scarborough. Les Rose and Pete High scored the others. Dave Borrows and Mike Simmons scored against Chinguacousy. Albert VanWick was in goal for all three games.

Other scores:

Chinguacousy 2, Scarborough 0; Mississauga 0, Chinguacousy 0; and Mississauga 7, Scarborough 0.

The G-C Intermediates (23

years and under) will open their Ontario League schedule at Cove Road field Sunday against Scarborough, at 3:30 p.m.

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16 teams begin chase for Ontario title

Upsets order of day in Cup playoffs

By BRUCE MECKBACH
of The Free Press

Bruce Kennedy of the Germans, a halfback who was pressed into service as a goaltender at the last minute due

to injuries to their regular goalie, stopped the fourth Celtic penalty shot, taken by Matt Lynch and Allan Auld shot wide to give the Germans a 3-3 margin. The game was played Saturday at Cove Road Field.

London Germans of the Ontario Intermediate Soccer League edged out Ingersoll Flyers of the L & D Second Division 2-1 in an exciting match at the Cove Sunday afternoon.

Pete High decided the match with less than a minute left in regulation time when he blasted a perfectly crossed ball from Les Rose into the open net from less than two yards out.

High set up the first German goal 15 minutes earlier when he put the ball right on the goal line and Dave Burrows kicked it the rest of the way in. Lidio Raffin opened the scoring for Ingersoll midway through the first half on a hard shot from his right wing, less than a half minute after a Flyers player had put the ball off the German cross bar.

Only 4 players signed ^{may 9.} from original Germans

By BRUCE MECKBACH
of The Free Press

London German Canadians will open only their fourth season in the National Soccer League when they meet Toronto Italia Wednesday night at their Cove Road playing field.

But only four players signed this year started with the Germans in their venture into non-amateur soccer back in 1969.

Three of them are expected to start against the Italia team, which is a new entry this season along with Hamilton Italo-Canadians.

Charlie Papp, who just turned 26 Sunday, has been playing senior soccer in the London area since he was 14 and is the only player from here to make a national soccer team. He played for Canada in the 1968 playdowns for the 1970 World Cup competition.

He will play an inside forward position and has the added duty of team captain which could be useful in helping Papp control his fierce desire to win. It will be even more helpful if the new responsibility can help him channel that drive to his team-mates.

Papp is the only London-born player on the German team and one of only three Canadians.

Charles Iszakovits, the youngest player at 18 when he started with the Germans four years ago, has started to score, as team manager Max Gauss figured he would when he gained the necessary experience. Born in Rumania, Iszakovits has played in the London and District or the NSL since coming to Canada in 1966. He will probably play a link position.

The third player, goalie Stan Puskas, came here from Czechoslovakia in 1968 and played some spectacular games for the Germans in their initial year in the NSL. He had operations on both knees in 1970 then broke his ankle just prior to the start of that season and never got back into action. He had a good trial with Montreal Olympics of the North American Soccer League last spring but after a misunderstanding about who owned his professional rights, he returned to the Germans.

Arnold Weneker, a 29-year-old fullback and one of the mainstays on the German defence its first two years, is attending the University of Guelph and will probably get spot duty until he plays himself back into shape.

Fullback Hank Koenraads, back after a year working at Sudbury, and halfback Riny Van Bortel are also charter members who are working out with the team but who haven't signed yet.

Also returning to action from last year will be Jim Berry, Milan Behavka, Harry Gauss and Stuart MacDonald.

Berry, a speedy fullback from British Columbia and another Canadian-born player, was on the 1968 national team with Papp who steered him to the Germans when Berry's company transferred him to the Hamilton area last year.

Behavka, a 22-year-old linkman from Czechoslovakia, joined the NSL team midway through the 1970 season and blossomed out into one of the club's top players last year.

Gauss, the youngest player on the team at 19, is the son of the team manager and has been handling most of the club paperwork as team secretary in his father's absence. Max Gauss has spent most of the winter in Sudbury where his construction company is building apartments. Harry, a winger, was born in West Germany but has learned all his soccer in Canada since coming here in 1958.

MacDonald, a 23-year-old inside forward, led the Germans in scoring last year with 14 goals. Gauss wanted him in 1969 when he arrived here from Scotland but MacDonald was able to get a better job in Ottawa and played there instead. He transferred here mid-way through the 1970 season.

The Germans have 14 players signed to date, six to professional contracts, and will be introducing some new names Wednesday, but faces which are familiar to close followers of the NSL.

They are Italians John Compostella, Mario Pizzuti and Lino Carinci, Terrance Johnson, from Trinidad, Bill Nepotiuik, who played here in 1970, and Ron Misurka, who played with the Western Mustangs and is the only other Canadian-born player on the squad.

Compostella, a 30-year-old fullback, played for Toronto First Portuguese last year and has been with NSL teams for over a decade. He also wore Canada's colors last year in the first round of the Olympic Games soccer playdowns.

Pizzuti, a centre half, and Carinci, a 23-year-old linkman, both played for Sudbury City last year but when Sudbury was given a leave-of-absence this season, they were declared free agents for one year. Both veterans will become City property again if Sudbury returns next season.

The 25-year-old Johnson played for Trinidad's national team in 1969 and in New York in 1970. He played for George Brown College in Scarborough where the Germans spotted him. He is a quick left winger whom one team member compares to Harry De Vlugt, the lightning-quick right winger who was a sparkplug on the 1970 Germans before moving back to Holland.

Nepotiuik, a West German of Ukrainian descent, has played his soccer with Toronto Ukraina teams, including their NSL squad since 1969. He played part of the 1970 season for the Germans while taking post graduate work at Western. The 25-year-old halfback-fullback was one of London's steadiest players in the '70 season.

The 24-year-old Misurka played for Ukraina in 1970 but came into contact with the Germans while playing at Western where he was a standout player.

The Germans are also negotiating the release of forward Lutz Wolanski from Toronto Olympia and expect to see the return of Reinhardt Schubert, a tall winger who played in here late in 1970 before going back to West Germany where he is reported playing First Amateur soccer.

Wednesday's game, only one of two the Germans won't be playing at home on Friday nights, starts at 8:30. They will play Ottawa at the Cove Saturday, July 8 while Toronto Hungaria may play its home match with London either at the Cove Wednesday, June 14 or a Saturday or Sunday match at the Hungarian Club at Nilestown.

The Germans take on Toronto Olympia at Toronto's Stanley Park May 9 then play host to league champion Toronto Croatia May 12 at the Cove. The Croatians opened defence of their title with a 3-0 victory over Ukraina last Sunday at Toronto.



Three members of the original London German Canadians team which entered the National Soccer League four years ago will start Friday when the Germans open against Toronto Italia at Cove Road. From left, Charlie Papp, Stan Puskas and Carlos Iszakovits.



May 10



London German Canadians' inside forward Stuart McDonald out-duelled Mario Pizzuti of Sudbury City for the ball in action here in Sunday's National

Soccer League game at Cove Road Field. McDonald led the Germans offensive with two goals in a 3-1 victory.

—By Ken Chute of The Free Press

McDonald scores two goals as Germans win opener 3-1

By BRUCE MECKBACH
of The Free Press

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When Milan Behavka left Czechoslovakia in the fall of 1968, he didn't land in London, Canada just by chance.

Behavka came here because he had heard London was much like his own hometown of Brno, a manufacturing town of about 300,000 in the heart of an agricultural district.

The slim, quiet 21-year-old hasn't regretted the decision and London German Canadians of the National Soccer League have been more than happy about it.

Behavka scored his first league goal of the season Friday night as the Germans downed Kitchener Concordia Kickers 4-1 before 675 spectators at Cove Road Field.

Milan likes to score goals but he didn't want to place too much importance on that one.

"It didn't mean much. It just made the score 4-1," said Behavka, who also scored Tuesday night as the Germans lost 2-1 in an NSL Cup game to Toronto Hellas.

But the goal was a well-executed play and was typical of Behavka's play of late with the Germans.

"Milan never showed what he had here," said Germans' manager Max Gauss. "He has always played his best soccer on the road. But he is getting more confidence playing before the home crowd."

Behavka plays the centre field spot along with Tibor Magyar in the London 4-2-4 system and he likes it better than the inside forward position he played as a First Division junior in Brno.

"You get more chances to handle the ball but you still get a chance to score," said Behavka.

Gauss gives Germans 3-3 tie with Munich

Harry Gauss' goal with 10 minutes remaining gave London German-Canadians of the National Soccer League a 3-3 tie with touring 1860 Munich Friday night at Cove Road Field.

The West German team, playing their second game in three nights, were to leave for Buffalo this morning at 8 by bus and from there fly to New York for a game tonight.

A crowd of some 800 watched the international exhibition and saw some good ball handling by the Munich team, comprised mainly of players over 30 years of age.

Otmar Gebhardt gave Munich an early lead when he scored on a penalty kick after 15 minutes of play. Derek Floyd tied it 10 minutes later on a pass from defenceman Jim Berry.

Gunter Klaus scored on a high 20-yard drive with 30 seconds left in the half to give the London team a 2-1 edge.

Munich centre forward Dieter Saumweber connected on a low drive to tie it a 2-2 early in the second half and then with 15 minutes remaining, outside left Hugo Hachl sent a free kick from right wing which bounded off a G-C defender into the nets past goalkeeper Stan Puskas.

Gauss's game-tying goal came on a pass from Klaus.

Milan finds London to his soccer liking

July 24

He played it perfectly on his goal as he pushed the ball through to Stuart McDonald who fed it back to him. Behavka then broke to Kitchener goalie Sandy MacLachlan's left side and lobbed an easy shot into the net in the 29th minute of the second half.

The goal made up for an earlier save by MacLachlan on a rocket point-blank shot by Behavka. The Kitchener goalie also came up with numerous other good stops as London outplayed the Kickers by a wide margin.

Derek Floyd and Carlos Iszakovits scored first-half goals for the Germans off passes from Charlie Papp then Papp drilled one in from 20 yards out early in the second half before Ron Corral counted for Kitchener in the 18th minute of the second period.

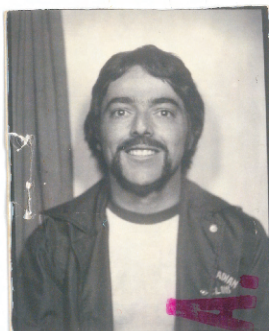
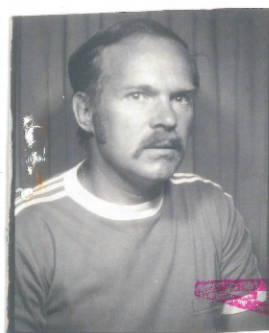
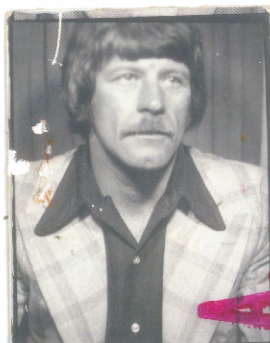
NOTES—The victory moved London into a fourth-place tie with Toronto Croatia and Toronto Hellas. London, now 9-7, meets Croatia at the Cove next Friday night. . . Kitchener has a 1-9-2, won-lost-tied mark. . . Both Magyar and McDonald hit the goal post Friday. . . Behavka played for the German's First Division team in 1969 and part of last season before moving up with the NSL club. He is employed as a pattern maker for foundry mouldings at A. G. Anderson in London. It is the trade he studied at a technical school in Brno. . . London goalie Stan Puskas, who also came to the Germans from Czechoslovakia following that country's springtime of freedom," says he is fully recovered from the shoulder injury which hampered his mobility until the past few weeks but had little work to do Friday.



1972 German Canadians NSL

Back row (l-r): Julius Kaponya, Wolfgang Mueller, Derek Floyd, Franz Brudjnak, Harry Gauss,
Heinz Brueninghaus, Keith Storey, Milan Behavka, Arnold Wenneker, Max Gauss
Front row (l-r): Charlie Papp, Jim Berry, Riny Van Boxtel, Stan Puskas, Stewart McDonald,
Tibor Magyar, Carlo Isakovits

German Canadian FC Most Wanted





German-Canadians down Ottawa

London German-Canadians' goalkeeper Bob Simko told coach Ken Turner not to worry when penalty kicks were required to decide an Ontario Cup quarter-final with Ottawa Royals at Cove Road Field Saturday.

The lanky keeper proceeded to block two of the first three Ottawa shots while teammates Ralph Belle, Paul Ellison and Mike Cvetkovic scored to give German-Canadians a 2-1 victory.

"I just pick my corner and dive," Simko said of his strategy on penalty kicks. "You can't rely on reflexes."

Ellison put Germans ahead seconds after the opening kickoff, beating Ottawa goalie Larry Johnson with a 16-yard volley but Hugh Campbell pulled the Royals even eight minutes later.

"We went out high and got an early goal but they controlled the first 20 minutes," Turner said. "Then we took over the rest of the way until a lapse in the second overtime gave them the late chances."

German-Canadians had scoring opportunities in the second half and first 15-minute overtime but their best chance to regain the lead came early in the second overtime. Dave Borrows took a through ball from Ralph Belle but was robbed by Johnson.



Soccer

by Bob Eaman
of The Free Press

German-Canadians scored three goals in the first half to defeat Scottish 3-0 Wednesday at Cove Road Field and gain a berth in the Ontario Cup quarter-finals.

Dave Borrows opened the scoring 15 minutes into the match on a header of Juergen Belle's corner-kick cross. Eric Borrows increased the lead 10 minutes later on a penalty shot and Harry Johnston completed the scoring in the 40th minute on an eight-yard shot from Ralph Belle's corner-kick cross. Veteran goalkeeper Dieter Wolter recorded the shutout.

Leading Scottish scorer Jim McConnell replaced suspended goalie Albert Van Wyk in the first half and mid-

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Late collapse costly to German-Canadians

By Bob Eaman
for The Free Press

"We went dead for 10 minutes and it cost us the works," coach Ken Turner said after London German-Canadians lost 5-2 in overtime to Toronto Delia in an Ontario Cup semi-final match Saturday at Toronto's Lamport Stadium.

Delia rallied with two second-half goals, then broke through for three more in the last 10 minutes of overtime to gain a berth in the provincial final.

Scott Martin kicked an 18-yard shot past German-Canadians' goalie Bob Simko for the winning goal, then scored again four minutes later from a goal-mouth scramble. Jim Fedesco added the final Delia goal on a similar play with seconds remaining.

"They took control in the second overtime and we just couldn't handle it," Turner said. "We pushed (our defenders) up to get the tying goal and got caught out of position."

Harry Johnston opened the scoring 14 minutes into the game on an 18-yard chip shot over Delia keeper Mario Pirone from a through ball by Dave Borrows. German-Canadians took a two-goal lead on Paul Ellison's header from a cross by Marcus MacRae in the 30th minute.

"We played our game until half time," Turner said. "The offside trap (defen-

sive tactics) worked to perfection."

However, injuries to captain Les Rose and MacRae deflated London and a defensive lapse allowed Delia to pull even with two goals 10 minutes apart. Mike Carlucci scored on a penalty kick in the 55th minute and Manuel Flores tied it on a header from a corner kick cross.

German-Canadians recovered later in the half and had two excellent chances to regain the lead. Borrows beat the Delia keeper only to have a defender clear the ball off the goal line and Pirone robbed Juergen Belle to force overtime.

"Some of our younger players got their first taste of what the Ontario Cup is really like," Turner said with an eye to the future.



ONTARIO INTERMEDIATE SOCCER LEAGUE 1972 LEAGUE & LEAGUE CUP CHAMPIONS



Back row (l-r): Peter Babin, Len Santagapita, Hans Valkenier, Al Mitchell, Dave Borrows, Mike Simmons, John Shannon (Coach)

Front row (l-r): Ewan Darby, Les Rose, Peter High, Albert Van Wyk, Peter Henning, Eric Borrows, Jürgen Belle

LONDON & DISTRICT SOCCER LEAGUE GERMAN CANADIANS 'B' DIVISION III CHAMPIONS 1974



Back row (l-r): Edmund Werner, Josef (Seppi) Daicsak, Guy Harrington, Trevor Bewley, Günter Klaus, Les Rose, Dave Williamson, Jürgen Klaus, Jack Criel, Fred Schmoelzl

Front row (l-r): Ian Clark, Jürgen Belle, John Keresztes, George Kubes, Hermann Belle (Coach)

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The balance of the seventies offered nothing but frustration for the 'A' team. While fielding a formidable contender, they were left empty handed at the annual awards night. Our 'B' team fared better capturing the Third Division Championship in 1974, with Bill Clark being Sportsman of the Year recipient. The 'B' team was also Division Champions in 1977. 1979 was a memorable year. After many years of being a strong contender in the Ontario Cup the 'A' team, after defeating the 1978 Ontario Cup Champion, Ottawa, was able to advance to the Ontario Cup semi-final only to experience a heart breaking loss in overtime. The 'B' team finished 2nd in Division 2 with brothers Gunter Klaus being the Golden Boot recipient and Jurgen Klaus receiving the Sportsman of the Year Award.

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**Germans 'A' 1986
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**German Canadians 'A'
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Alan Mitchell's second goal of the
game

**Forfar Athletic playing against
German Canadian Selects**

Germans' goalie Dieter Wolter
preserved the win

**Germans snap
Marconi streak**

1980s

on penalty shots 6-5.
Juergen Belle's goal in the
shootout provided the margin
of victory.

The Borrowes (Eric and
Dave) and Belle (Ralph
and Juergen) brothers
each scored a goal

Shawn Rotteau booted home a re-
bound.

Jim
goals McConnell's two first-half

**1986 Germans 'B'
Division II Playoff
Champions**

Dave Grassie headed in a
free kick from Shawn Rotteau

Raymond Farnham

FORFAR ATHLETIC FOOTBALL CLUB

John Simpson

Kenyon

Ally Bess

John Clark

John Mitchell



At this time, Forfar Athletic is playing in the Scottish Second Division and is fighting for promotion to the First Division.

Forfar will be touring North America this summer and will be playing against the German Canadian Club Selects on May 21st, 1980 at 7:30 p.m. at Cove Road.

Scottish, Selects to attack

By Bob Eaman
of The Free Press

Opposing coaches Ken Turner of London German-Canadian Selects and Archie Knox of touring Scottish Second Division club Forfar Athletic anticipate an attacking brand of soccer in their international exhibition tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Cove Road Field.

"We're going to try and put it to them," Turner said. "We can't sit back and let them come to us."

Knox promises a similar strategy by Forfar, which finished third in the 14-team Scottish Second Division with 19 wins, 12 losses and eight ties.

"Over here we especially want to get a few goals. It's goals that satisfy the spectator," Knox said. "We'll be playing with a bit more freedom than we're allowed back home."

While the Scottish semi-pro club has played together all season, the local select side, built upon a nucleus of seven players from Turner's London and District First Division German-Canadian squad, has only had one practice together.

But Turner is optimistic the club will come together as a unit and mesh well.

"I expect they will play above the normal level," he said. "They always put out more (in international matches). Some guys just can't wait to get on the field."

Selected from other L&D clubs were: Albert Van Wyk, Bobby Miles, Paul Ellison and Alan Cornet of Hungarians; Terry Marcoccia, Jack Sanza, Dominic Mescia and Guy Riccardi of Marconi; Billy Thompson of Scottish and Paul Doughty of Olympians.

Perhaps Knox best sums up the spirit of competition in these international "friendlies."

"Winning is always important, but in this instance it's not the be all and end all. We're over here to give a good performance in the games, but we're also treating it as a holiday."

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DATE: MAY 21, 1980

KICK OFF TIME: 7:30 PM

GROUND: COVE RD. FIELD

COMPETITION: EXHIBITION

TEAM: GERMAN CANADIANS

DIVISION:

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2	RONNY	KLEUSKENS	GERMAN CANADIANS
3	TERRY	MARCOCCIA	MARCONI
4	MARCUS	MACRAE	GERMAN CANADIANS
5	JACK	SANZA	MARCONI
6	BOBBY	MILES	HUNGARIANS
7	RALPH	BELLE	GERMAN CANADIANS
8	PAUL	ELLISON	HUNGARIANS
9	DOMINIC	MESCIA	MARCONI
10	LES	ROSE	GERMAN CANADIANS
11	GUY	RICCARDI	MARCONI
12	BOBBY	THOMPSON	LONDON SCOTTISH
13	JÜRGEN	BELLE (C)	GERMAN CANADIANS
14	PAUL	DOUGHTY	OLYMPIANS
15	ALLAN	CORNET	HUNGARIANS
17	CRAIG	DAVIDSON	GERMAN CANADIANS
22	ALBERT	VANWYCK	HUNGARIANS
Coach: KEN TURNER			GERMAN CANADIANS
Coach: SIMON SNEEKES			GERMAN CANADIANS

Selects find Scots too quick

By Bob Eaman
of The Free Press

Forfar Athletic playing-manager Archie Knox promised his club would come out sniping for goals and it didn't take the Scottish Second Division side long to deliver.

The Scots struck for goals by John Mitchell

and Alex Brash in the first 10 minutes en route to a 5-2 victory over London German-Canadian Selects in an exhibition match before 600 spectators Wednesday at Cove Road.

Mitchell headed in a leftwing cross by John Clark eight minutes into the game and Brash followed up with another header from a corner kick cross by Dave Ross two minutes later.

"We got a good start with two early goals,

which were really well executed as far as we were concerned," Knox said. "We created a lot of chances and could have scored a few more, but you've got to make them count."

Selects' goalkeeper Dieter Wolter was instrumental in keeping the score down with alert saves on Mitchell, who had dribbled past two defenders, and Clark, on a give-and-go with Raymond Farningham.

Clark scored from a goalmouth scramble eight minutes into the second half and Atholl-Henderson's left-footed shot from 12 yards out made it 4-0 Forfar with 15 minutes to play.

The Selects rallied on goals by Alan Cornet, from a through ball by Paul Ellison, and Ralph Belle, on a header from a cross by Cornet, to cut the lead in half.

"It was tremendous the way German-Canadians fought back when they were down," Knox said. "They gave us a bit of a scare. Maybe we let up a bit too soon."

Knox completed the scoring on a penalty kick from a hand ball call with two minutes to play.

"They're so much quicker moving off the ball," Selects' second-half goalkeeper Albert Van Wyk said. "There always seemed to be one man too many for us, they move so fast."

Van Wyk, who came up with outstanding saves on Farningham and Clark after a shaky start, said playing against the Scottish side was "really a good experience for us."

Selects' coach Ken Turner was succinct: "They're very impressive. You can learn from teams like that."



By George Blumson of The Free Press

London Selects' goalie Dieter Wolter lunges from his crease and follows through with a hand to the face of

Forfar's Alex Brash after a header by Brash in their exhibition soccer match Wednesday.



**Sports
beat**
by Bruce Huff

The German Canadians, who finished fifth in the regular season London and District standings last season, entertained a top amateur club from Weingarten and tied 3-3. This game sparked the idea of a return visit.

They will arrive at Frankfurt Monday and play their first game against nearby Traisa Tuesday. Then it's Weingarten on Wednesday before the Marburg tournament. On March 28, it will be tougher opposition against the Dusseldorf First Division amateur team and the next night against Cologne, also of the First Division. A game March 31 in Bremen will close out the schedule.

The German Canadian contingent will include 20 persons. While in Germany the team will be accommodated by its hosts but travel and other expenses, which are expected to be about \$8,000, will be borne by the players.

"It's an opportunity we've all be waiting for," explained left wing Olag Volchkov. "Heinz Brueninghaus (manager-fullback) is in Germany right now making final arrangements. We'll meet him in Frankfurt."

Volchkov said striker Vlado Magic of London Croatia is the only player to be added for the trip. The remainder of the lineup includes forwards Les Rose, Gus Klaus, Fred Schmoelzl, Felix Hondzel and Walt Basiewicz, along with backs Dave Burrows, Rene Kleuskens, veteran Riny VanBoxtel, Steve Brazier, Jurgen Klaus, Derek Smith, Albert Vanmill and Bruce Kennedy, goal. Dale Reeves is manager and Bill Clark, coach and spokesman.



Marconi defender Syl Basacco battles German-Canadian forward Dave Borrows for the ball during a London and Dis-

trict First Division soccer game Saturday at Cove Road Field.

By Ron Albertson of The Free Press

Saturday at Cove Road, Marconi blanked German-Canadians 3-0. Rocco Basacco opened the scoring in the 40th minute on the rebound of Dominic Mescia's shot off the post. Mescia increased the margin two minutes into the second half with an 18-yard breakaway shot and Louie Fotia made it 3-0 from a goal-mouth scramble midway through the half. Bill Lamont posted the shutout.

Dave and Eric Borrows of German-Canadians and Fred DeSando of Marconi were ejected for fighting with five minutes remaining and an ensuing melee forced abandonment of the game.

Who are these guys?



German-Canadians upset Marconi 3-2

Alan Mitchell's second goal of the game, on a 12-yard volley five minutes before half-time, gave German-Canadians a 3-2 victory over Marconi in London and District First Division soccer Sunday at Labatt Park.

Germans' goalie Dieter Wolter preserved the win and sealed Marconi's first defeat of the season by blocking a penalty kick by Guy Riccardi early in the second half.

Louie Fotia opened the scoring on a penalty kick in the 12th minute but Germans rallied on goals by Gerry Anderson and Mitchell from close range. Riccardi tied it with a 12-yard header three minutes before Mitchell's winner.

Saturday, Hungarians blitzed Olympians for five first-half goals in a 5-2 win. Alan Cornet scored twice, with singles by Derek Smith, Vlado Magic and Gary High. Tom Partalas and Gus Papanicolaou replied for Olympians in the second half.

Ron Ward and Ron Pieters scored in the first 12 minutes to back the shutout goalkeeping of Frank Mendonca as Roma beat White Eagles 2-0.

Second-half goals by Vinko Miser, Mike Oreskovic and Steve Sabol on a penalty kick lifted Croatia to a 4-2 win over London United. Steve Boskovic opened the scoring early in the

game, but United took a half-time lead on two goals by Mike Garrity.

By Bob Eaman
for The Free Press

German-Canadians knocked Marconi from the unbeaten ranks in the London and District First Division soccer on the weekend.

The result left Hungarians and Roma, which both won, as the only undefeated teams.

The Borrowes (Eric and Dave) and Belle (Ralph and Juergen) brothers each scored a goal to spark German-Canadians to a 5-2 victory over Marconi. Les Rose had the other German goal, while Terry Marcoccia and Guy Riccardi scored for Marconi.

German Canadians A beat St. Thomas A in the consolation final.

Goalies Bruce Kennedy of Germans and Rick Cornish of St. Thomas proved unbeatable over 20 minutes of regulation play and a 10-minute overtime, so the game was decided on penalty shots.

Each team scored on their first five shots before Germans changed to outdoor goalie Dieter Wolter. Juergen Belle scored and Wolter stopped the next St. Thomas shot to preserve the win.



Cleveland 1984



PCS forced to settle MAY 18 1986 for tie with Germans

By ROBERT BRODIE
T-J Sports Editor

St. Thomas Pest Control Services soccer coach Lino Lattanzio wasn't in the mood to be greedy Sunday.

So that made him willing to accept a 3-3 tie with the London-German-Canadians' A side in a London and District Soccer League First Division match at Athletic Park.

PCS is 0-1-2 through its first three league matches. But were it not for a 15-minute lapse to start the second half Sunday, the locals might have had their first victory of the season.

Still, Lattanzio felt satisfied after the game, which was played in a downpour for the most part.

"We could have won the way we started, but we could have ended up losing it at the end. So let's just be happy with a tie."

"The boys gave it a good effort. We didn't get a lot of breaks but the guys worked hard, just like they do every game and in practice."

Lattanzio added his side, likely the youngest in the First Division with several players still of high school age, was up against a more experienced foe.

"A couple of their guys (Germans) have played for the NSL (National Soccer League) team in London. We're young but once we get some more experience, we have no place to go but up."

GRAB LEAD

St. Thomas appeared much the stronger side in the first half and it showed on the scoreboard, where PCS held a 3-0 edge. St. Thomas struck first in the 15th minute, when Mark Pineau knocked home a ball off a corner kick by Piero DiRenzo.

PCS doubled its edge at the 30-minute mark. St. Thomas was awarded a free kick 30 yards outside the Germans' goal.

Mark Bukich took the shot and unloaded a booming blast that found the top right corner, just a few feet inside the post and well out of the reach of Germans' keeper Dave Woodey.

Shortly after, officials ordered a halt in play when a thunderstorm passed through. The game resumed about 10

minutes later, with the lightning gone but the rain still coming down rather heavily.

Just before the half, a good run by Pineau enabled Bukich to boot in his second goal of the match and St. Thomas' lead grew to 3-0.

Germans wasted no time turning the game around after the break. St. Thomas had trouble clearing a ball from in front of its goal and Germans' Dave Hook took advantage, sliding home a low shot just inside the corner.

The London side continued to press and it paid off about five minutes later, as Shawn Rotteau booted home a rebound.

EVENS SCORE

At the 15-minute mark of the half, a Germans' forward was hauled down inside the 18-yard box and the Londoners were awarded a penalty kick. Hook took the shot and made no mistake, using a low kick to obtain the equalizer.

Play moved to the midfield area for the next several minutes, with neither side gaining a serious edge. But both took several cracks at winning in the final 10 minutes.

Bukich boomed a free kick toward the lower left corner of the Germans' net but Woodey brushed it aside at the last second. A few minutes later, Paul Collavino was wide on a shot from about 10 yards out.

Germans had a couple of chances themselves but PCS held firm and the match ended up a draw.

St. Thomas sees its next league action Saturday at 3 p.m. at London Scottish. The next home match for PCS is June 1 at 6 p.m. against London Athletics.

87 **Scots ousted from Cup by second division club**

The underdog German-Canadians of London executed a flawless game plan to defeat the Woodstock Scottish Canadians, 2-1, last night at Southside Park, knocking the host team out of the London and District Soccer League Cup competition.

Relegated to second division after finishing last in the 10-team first group a year ago, the German-Canadians came into last night's quarter-final playdown as a heavy underdog.

However, they used the oldest formula in team sports to knock off a favored opponent. The visitors combined solid defence, spectacular goaltending and some opportunistic goal-scoring to register the upset.

It appeared the Scottish were set to break out of their current tailspin early in the first half, when Peter Hall, Peter Gannon and Dave Nolan all misfired on close-in chances.

Like most slumping, though, the Scottish were the victims of the breaks, rather than the beneficiaries.

The Londoners scored on their first good opportunity of the game, midway through the first half, when Tony Ridgway directed a header high into the righthand

corner past Woodstock goaler Scott Brett.

Then, the one thing the Scottish didn't need to happen, happened. Moments into the second half, speedy striker Cam Connell streaked behind the Woodstock defence, crashing into a sliding Brett in the crease.

Forward Albeiro Davila broke in unmolested to easily direct the loose ball into an empty net, giving the visitors a 2-0 advantage.

In the clubhouse later, London captain Juergen Belle said Connell and Davila had been inserted into the line-up especially for last night's game, in an attempt to add some speed and scoring punch to the German-Canadian attack.

"We needed the speed up front," Belle, a veteran of 17 years with the German-Canadians, said. "We have experienced players in the back field, but it was our younger players who put the pressure on their defence tonight."

Once the Londoners had the 2-0 advantage, they slowed the game to a crawl. The kick-and-run style of play, paired with the steady drizzle, made the game less than a thriller for the few fans on hand.

"You're winning 2-0, you don't worry about looking good," Belle said. "You just get rid of the ball."

"They were frustrated, and they had to start taking chances. It must have been very disheartening for them, because we are a second division team, but they should have known."

Belle was referring to a year ago, when the cellar-dwelling German-Canadians took three of four points from Woodstock. The clubs tied, 2-2, here, but the Germans were 3-0 winners on their home turf.

Woodstock coach Billy Hughes took a philosophical approach to the disappointing defeat. His club is slumping, he knows, and all they can do is work their way out of it.

"We'll just have to keep playing until something good happens," Hughes said. "We didn't get any breaks tonight."

Peter Gannon scored the lone Woodstock goal, with about five minutes left to play, when he out-muscled German goalkeeper Doug MacKenzie in going high in the air for a header.

MacKenzie had robbed Gannon and Paul Campbell of goals are very similar-looking plays earlier in the half.

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THE 1980s

The new decade showed much promise for the senior program. The youth program would eventually die out. Many of the older players transferred to the GCFC men's program and many of the younger players left the organization after the London & District Minor Soccer League established city boundaries. The effort to recruit new players within the set boundaries was futile and the youth program ceased to operate.

The GCFC was hoping to build on their 1979 Ontario Cup journey. The influx of young and new talented players, would allow the GCFC the ability to remain in the First Division, build strong supporting teams and strive to maintain a high caliber of soccer. The 'A' and 'B' teams were able to be strong contenders in their respective Divisions in the London and District Soccer League. 1980 was a highlight year. In May the GCFC and Selects played an exhibition match against Forfar Athletic a team that played in a top flight division in Scotland. Following this

the GCFC, for the first time in its history was able tour Germany and play a number of exhibition games against West German teams that had once played at Cove Road field. Teams such as SV Traisa 1911, SV Weingarten, Marburg, Düsseldorf SV, FC Cologne and to end the tour, Polizei SV Bremen. This adventure will forever be in the hearts and minds of those that went. To cap off 1980 the GCFC took one more trip, to sunny California. The intent was to play a number of exhibition matches against local German-American Clubs but alas this did not come to fruition, but a wonderful vacation was had by all.

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Stallions ousted on home turf

The London German Canadians seem to have had the Woodstock Quality Inn Stallions' number this year.

The Germans were the only team to beat the Stallions in London and District First Division play this season, a feat they accomplished twice. The Germans beat the Stallions 2-0 in London earlier this year and in the final game of the season broke the Stallions' unbeaten string at Southside Park with a 3-2 victory last week.

On Saturday, the Germans continued their season-long domination with a 2-1 win at Southside, bouncing the Stallions out of the post-season playoff action.

Jim McConnell's two first-half goals were all the more experienced Germans required to hold off a Stallion team that has had difficulty scoring all season.

McConnell, a skilful striker, was under the watchful eye of the Stallions' Glen McCulloch for most of the first half. But when McCulloch misplayed a bouncing ball in the Stallions' six-yard box, McConnell had no difficulty in whipping a quick shot past Scott Brett from close range.

BREAKDOWN

McConnell benefitted from another defensive breakdown a few minutes later when German midfielder Bobby Naismith moved into the Stallions' penalty area unchallenged and centred to an unmarked McConnell for the second goal.

The Stallions, a younger and generally quicker team than the Germans, played very flat through the first half but took control in the second half as the Germans tried to sit on the 2-0 lead.

Despite controlling the play, they were still unable to penetrate the tall German defence with long high balls.

They finally cracked the shutout late in the half when midfielder Ian Warnock sent a low hard cross into the area. The ball bounced off a defender and Peter Gannon snapped the rebound in as the German goaltender was about to cover it.

The Stallions continued to press but ran out of time.

The Germans went on to present a stiff challenge to St. Thomas in Monday's final, finally bowing 3-2 in a shootout following an overtime period. St. Thomas had ousted Delhi 3-1 in a Saturday semi-final.

Stallions lose a meaningless game

By JANET MONEY
of The Sentinel-Review Oct 1987

Woodstock Quality Inn Stallions closed the London First Division soccer schedule with a lackluster 3-2 loss to London German-Canadians Sunday at Southside Park.

It was an almost completely meaningless game, and it looked it. Saturday's 5-1 win for Ingersoll Flyers over London Curinga clinched the fourth and final playoff spot for the Germans; Woodstock would finish second whatever happened.

The only meaning the game had was as a prelude to Saturday's semi-final playoff match between the same two teams. The game goes Saturday at 3 p.m. at Southside Park. St. Thomas hosts Delhi Athletics in the other semi-final Saturday at 4 p.m. The winners meet in the playoff final next Monday.

But in soccer, finishing first in the regular season is what really counts, and Stallions lost any hope of that last weekend. A playoff title, however, could supply some redemption as the team prepares, along with St. Thomas, to move up to the Inter-County League next season.

TWO MISSING

Woodstock was without Peter Hall and Vlado Palijan for the game but was able to execute some nifty offensive manoeuvres from time to time. The times were infrequent however, and the Germans weren't much better.

Peter Gannon opened the scoring just six minutes into the game completing a tic-tac-toe passing play. Fullback Jeff Grasby rushed up the left side to feed Peter Standish just inside the penalty area, and he set it for Gannon, who kicked just inside the right post past goaltender Mike Weber.

But three minutes later the score was tied when Dave Grassie headed in a free kick from Shawn Rottau. Midway through the half the Germans went up 2-1 when Jim McConnell scored. He had headed a Billy Thompson free kick at Stallions' goalie Scott Brett, and popped in the rebound after Brett made the save.

Near the end of the period Ian Warnock booted one over the net when he was in alone thanks to a good give and go with Adrian Jones.

Woodstock coach Billy Hughes made several substitutions in the second half trying people in different places and using subs Paul Milton and Steve Ramsey, who've worn grooves in the bench all season.

The Germans went up 3-1 on a Rattau goal. He deked a defender and went in

to kick one past Brett. Minutes later Woodstock got one back when Milton moved up the right side and fed Warnock. His crossing kick found the inside of the far post.

Hughes was succinct after what he agreed was a rather boring contest.

"We can't play that bad next week."

DISSATISFIED

Although the club seems depressed over its failure to take top spot, it's worth noting that two years ago this past weekend it fought off relegation to the Second Division with a win on the final day. A rise to the upper echelons of the league in such a short time is some accomplishment, particularly since it means the challenge of Inter-County play next year.

Stallions, along with St. Thomas, lost just twice in regular season games. St. Thomas, however, won 13 and tied three and scored 47 goals. Woodstock scored 29 while winning 10 and tying six.

Athletics finished third at 10-3-5 and the Germans were 5-4-9.



Pests survive shootout, edge Germans for title

By ROBERT BRODIE
T-J Sports Editor

LONDON, Ont. — Jeff Jenkins was hoping it wouldn't come down to him.

"I wanted to go last," he said of his spot in the shootout that decided Monday's London and District Soccer League First Division playoff final. "I figured maybe I wouldn't have to shoot at all."

Jenkins figured wrong but his foot did everything right in lifting St. Thomas Pests to a hard-fought 3-2 victory over London German-Canadians at Cove Road Field. The win allowed St. Thomas to claim the Forest City Challenge Cup as First Division playoff champs.

The match was tied 1-1 after regulation time and 2-2 following two 15-minute overtime periods. That meant a nerve-wracking round of penalty kicks, and the Pests took it down to the last shot.

Dave Grassie scored first for the Germans, but Richard Mommersteeg and then Mark Pineau put St. Thomas ahead. Meanwhile, St. Thomas keeper Bill Poirier made three straight diving stops to put the Pests on the brink of victory.

But Chris Loucks and Eddie Plauermann couldn't beat Germans' keeper Mike Weber and, when John Barton solved Poirier, it put all the heat on Jenkins. He didn't wilt.

"I wasn't thinking about anything else," he said later. "I was just concentrating on the shot."

"I couldn't have made it any closer. I put it in off the post."

The shootout experience was something new for Jenkins and most of the Pests, who — outside of three players — range in age from 19-21 years.

"I've never been in a situation where it's come down to penalty kicks in a championship game. It's a new experience for most of us guys."

"It's sure a lot of pressure."

The appearance of the Germans in the final was somewhat of a surprise. They finished in fourth place in the regular season with a 5-4-9 record, but upset second-place Woodstock Stallions in the semifinals Saturday.

St. Thomas won its semifinal match with Delhi Athletics 3-1 at Athletic Park the same day. Jenkins admitted the Pests were almost certain they'd be playing Woodstock in the final, and maybe weren't as ready for the Germans as they should have been.

TOOK LIGHTLY

"We figured Woodstock would kill those guys (Germans) — we took them kind of lightly today. We'd beaten them 5-0 at the beginning of the year and again since then, so maybe we weren't as up as we should have been."

Coach Lino Lattanzio admitted later "they looked nervous out there — but I suppose it's understandable, they're young."

"We were getting whipped but when we had to, we showed the way we can play."

Loucks got the Pests off to a quick start in the 12th minute. His corner kick was blocked just inside the 18-yard box but Loucks pounced on the rebound and drove a high shot to the left corner over a leaping Weber.

The Germans began taking the play away from the Pests shortly after and forced strongly in the second half. St. Thomas didn't have a shot on goal in the final 45 minutes, although there were a few near misses.

Pressure applied by the Germans paid off in the 34th minute of the second half, as Jim McConnell left-footed a shot just past Poirier to equalize.

The teams went to overtime and the Germans gained their first lead eight minutes in, with Martin Steven-

son heading home a corner kick. The goal also served to wake up the Pests.

In the second 15-minute extra period, St. Thomas came at the Germans in waves and dominated thoroughly. The Pests were strong enough to tie it twice, although Loucks' apparent goal was waved off by a hand ball ruling.

The equalizer came with four minutes remaining in overtime. Mommersteeg headed a throw-in toward the net and Paul Collavino redirected it further for the tying goal.

Then it came down to penalty kicks and, eventually, Jenkins.

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Over the winter of 1980-81 the GCFC had serious issues with their parent, the German Canadian Club. Failing to come to any resolution almost the entire GCFC organization ceased their affiliation to the German Canadian Club and left with all the players that helped build the FC over the past decade. The only players that remained were Juergen Belle and Bruce Kennedy. Juergen Belle inherited the FC Presidents position, which he holds to this present day and had the unenviable task of rebuilding the FC from the ground up. With the financial help of the German Canadian Club and an aggressive recruitment campaign by all members within the German Canadian Club the GCFC were able to field only one team for the 1981 campaign. The next few years were nothing but struggle and frustration with the GCFC not even being able to produce a formidable contender. The 'A' team wallowed at the bottom of their division and was eventually relegated to Division 2 after the 1983 season.

That all changed in 1984 when Max Gauss, who still had strong ties to the GCFC, negotiated and recruited a very promising talented group of 17-18 year olds to play under the GCFC banner. This team was entered into the local LDYSL in the U19 Division consisting of only 4 teams, German Canadians, London Portuguese, Wallaceburg, Delaware and Sarnia. In 1985 this team moved up to the U21 Division and consisted primarily of Laurier and Westminster High School players. Through these mid-80's these young players played enthusiastically in there division and made an immense contribution by helping the senior teams at the GCFC to achieve considerable accolades from 1985 to 1989. Some of these players, Dave Hook, Paul Hook, George Rawski and Russ Donlan, can be seen to this day toiling as GCFC "Masters" in the local 35 + League.

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Stallions unbeaten in four but may lose in boardroom

By JANET MONEY
of The Sentinel-Review

"If we could've done this well at the beginning of the season we'd be up there, too."

Up there, in coach Bill Trownson's terms, is the top echelon of the Western Ontario Soccer League's First Division, along with London German Canadians and Delhi Athletics, who are jockeying for first.

Woodstock Quality Inn Stallions A club, instead, is battling to stay out of the bottom two positions and avoid relegation to the Second Division.

Friday night's 0-0 tie with the German Canadians at Southside Park helps the cause (and frustrated the visitors no end), and continues a late-season surge that has seen Stallions earn three ties and a win in their last four outings. Both meetings with the German Canadians have been scoreless ties this year and the string also includes a 1-1 draw with Delhi.

Despite the lack of scoring there was plenty of entertainment to be

had at Friday's game, observed by the usual handful of Southside suspects, shivering in the late-summer chill.

Stallions Ian Warnock and Peter Hall had near-goals go wide and goalkeeper Paul Blais put on a show with an aggressive game. He never hesitated to dash out to snare balls, even punching one out of danger once. Late in the first half his aggressiveness nearly backfired when he failed to clear the ball and was out of position but the shot came right to his midsection.

The Germans, who seemed to prefer diagrammatic passing plays while Stallions preferred to rush the ball, got their best chance from former Woodstock player Frank Calic, who kicked one off the crossbar early in the second period. The visitors had three consecutive corner kicks late in the game but failed to crack the Woodstock defence.

Late in the game one of the visitors' was sent off with a red card but Woodstock was unable to use the manpower advantage.

The one point gained Friday may be tempered with a two-point loss by Tuesday when the WOSL rules on a protest lodged by London Scottish after having to play in Innerkip last weekend (where Stallions won 1-0).

If the protest is upheld the loss will be a big blow to Woodstock's hopes of avoiding relegation, and an unfair blow, as they see it.

The WOSL schedule for last Saturday had both the A and B clubs playing at the same time. But with a job-ball tournament occupying Southside Park, the back-up Stallion home at College Avenue Secondary School was required. Both teams couldn't play at once, so Trownson scheduled a doubleheader, only to be overruled by the league on Friday night and ordered to play both at the same time. On short notice, Innerkip was the only pitch he could find but the Scottish were unhappy.

Trownson points out that when the A team was leaving the Southside dressing rooms for Innerkip, there were no ball games going on in the sports field, and wonders why his club couldn't have used its official home field in the first place.

The Stallion B club plays a Second Division home game this afternoon at 3 p.m. against London Falcons. At 4 p.m. the Ingersoll Flyers host Olympians at Beachville.

The Stallion A club's last two games are on the road, at Sarnia Bluewater Sept. 23 and at St. Thomas Sept. 30.



FOLLOWING THE BOUNCING BALL are Len Magyar of Woodstock Stallions and a London German Canadian opponent during Friday's soccer game. The Western Ontario Soccer

League First Division outing at Southside Park ended up a 0-0 tie.

(Staff photo by Ted Town)



PETER HALL (right) of Woodstock Quality Inn Stallions brings an opponent up short with a well-placed boot on the ball during Friday's WOSL game against German Canadians at Southside Park. The game ended in a scoreless draw.

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Jürgen Belle (Coach)
Absent: Ralph Belle

LONDON & DISTRICT SOCCER LEAGUE GERMAN CANADIANS 'B' 1986 DIVISION II CHAMPIONS & PLAY-OFF WINNERS



Back row (l-r): Jürgen Klaus (Coach), Brad Adams, Dave Smythe, Myke Weis, Reinhard Schmiedt (Assistant Coach), Steve Evetts
Front row (l-r): Russ Donlan, Brian Whitelaw, Paul McLaughlin, Paul Fontaine, Bill Hill, Peter O'Donnell, Dave McNamara
Absent: Dominic Woods, Martin Stephenson, Dave Grassie

WESTERN ONTARIO INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE 1986 MASTERS PLAYOFF CHAMPIONS



Back row (l-r): Derek Floyd, Reinhard Schmiedt, Dave Grassie, Jürgen Klaus, Bela Sandor, Jim Smith
Front row (l-r): Jerzy Czepa, Jürgen Belle, John Czenz, Fred Mueller, German Naverette, Bobby Orr

WESTERN ONTARIO INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE 1987 "MASTERS" LEAGUE CHAMPIONS, PLAY-OFF FINALISTS, CUP FINALISTS, TOURNAMENT WINNERS



Back row (l-r): Dave Grassie, Tony Ridgway, Jim Smith, Jürgen Klaus, German Navarette, Ivan Denz
Front row (l-r): Jürgen Belle, Brian Whitelaw, Bill Hill, Derek Floyd, Zygmunt Marzec
Absent: Reinhard Schmiedt, Jerzy Czepa

WESTERN ONTARIO SOCCER LEAGUE 1989 DIVISION I CHAMPIONS



Back row (l-r): Jürgen Belle (Coach), Frank Calic, Gary Bewick, Dave Hook, Thomas Pikola, George Rawski, David Grassie, Anthony Ridgway
Front row (l-r): Paul Ponte, Rocco Catolino, Mike Weber, Colin Knight, Mark Bogacki
Absent: Dave Martin, Shawn Rotteau, Raphael Moreno, Tony Commissio

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The 1985 season ended with the 'A' team promoted back to Division 1, having the 2nd least goals against, Division 2 Play-off Champions, Division 2 Cup Winners, Nick Grayson receiving the Golden Boot (18 goals), Shawn Rotteau (Golden Boot runner-up) and Ralph Belle named June "player of the month". In 1986 the GCFC entered a 'B' team into Division 2 and the rewards were finally evident after the earlier years of struggle. The newly formed 'B' team in only their first year was Division 2 Champions and Play-off Champions and Dave Grassie was the June 'Player of the month'. The 'A' team with a respectable 4th place finish in League play was Play-off Champions. 1987 had a down turn with the GCFC not able to field a 'B' team, but the 'A' team finished 4th in Division 1 of the London & District Soccer League.

In the mid-80's to add diversity to the GCFC Juergen Belle established a 35+ 'Masters' program and this program began to thrive with many of the veterans from the GCFC teams finding the time to play in the Western Ontario Indoor Soccer League. This talented team was able to experience some very successful years becoming Play-off Champions in 1986. In addition the 'Masters' were 1987 35+ Champions, Play-off finalists, Cup Finalists and

Tournament winners. In 1989 Juergen Belle founded the Middlesex Masters Soccer League and entered a GCFC team in this seven team League.

1988 was a memorable year. This was the year that the GCFC became one of the founding members of the new Western Ontario Soccer League. This new League comprised of an amalgamation of teams from the London & District and Inter-County Soccer Leagues resulting in a record number of teams participating in an 'open' men's league. The GCFC continued to gain strength recruiting ever more talented players, incorporating intense practice sessions which resulted in a 3rd place finish. This intense program produced a team that for the entire 1989 season fought for top honours with Delhi and Sarnia Bluewater. The Division 1 Championship came down to the last few minutes of the 2nd half of last game of the season against Delhi, in Delhi, when Dave Hook scored the tie goal allowing the German Canadians to capture the Division 1 Championship! An absolutely amazing finish to a turbulent decade!!

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**German Canadians Defeat
London Serbs in Playoff Final**

**Middlesex Masters SL
1990 League Champions**

**Jürgen Belle
1990 WOSL Sportsman
Of The Year Recipient**

1990s

**Asif Isic Captures 1998 WOSL
Division III Golden Boot**

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THE 1990s

This decade started with much promise. The German Canadians 'A' team was in the Premier Division for the first time. The task at hand was to compete at a level that would allow the GCFC to stay in the Premier Division all the while recruiting players that would maintain this level. This was very difficult to do. There was no depth in the GCFC with supporting teams in the lower divisions and a non-existent youth program. This resulted in a very difficult 1990 season with the German Canadians finishing just out of the relegation zone. Without this strong development program in place the German Canadians were eventually relegated back to Division 1 in 1991. This did not sit well with many of the 'A' team players and added to this, a perception that the parent, German Canadian Club, was non supportive resulted in a mass exodus from the GCFC. This decimation caused the 'A'

team to struggle immensely and they were finally relegated to Division 2 in 1994. The struggle continued from 1995 to 1997. With a re-alignment of the Western Ontario Soccer League, and poor performance, the German Canadians were relegated once more, to Division 3, for the 1998 season. 1998 was another successful year with the German Canadians finishing 2nd in their division, winning the Division 3 West play-off final and Asif Isic, the oldest player on the team at 40+, capturing the Golden Boot Award. The league again restructured and this enabled the German Canadian to win a spot in Division 2 for the 1999 season. The German Canadians ended the decade with a respectable 4th place finish and a very positive outlook for the upcoming new Millennium.

The GCFC "Masters" program throughout the decade thrived and competed well in the Middlesex Masters Soccer League. The highlight of the decade for the "old boys" was winning the League Championship in 1990.

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Front row (l-r): Jack Davies, Jürgen Belle, Les Rose, Rick Henning, John Barton, Roy Inglis, Pat McLaughlin
Absent: Uwe Reimers, Frank Calic, Franz Walz, Hartmut Doering

**WESTERN ONTARIO SOCCER LEAGUE
1998 DIVISION III PLAY-OFF CHAMPIONS**



Back row (l-r): Kris Gonzalez, Asif Isic, Steve Mitchell, Anders Mckenzie, Jeff Fortner, Jürgen Belle (Coach)
Front row (l-r): Douglas Figueroa, Steve Knight (Captain), Boom Pravong (Captain), Frank Mendonca, Lee Gonzalez, Eduardo Guzman, German Guzman
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The demand for quality soccer venues in the City of London increased to epidemic proportion. Cove Road Field being one of the premier fields in London and being extensively used, with a thirty year old flood lights required a major refurbishment. The German Canadian Club, under the Presidency of Ed Henke, negotiated a large grant from the City of London which allowed the installation of new floodlights increasing the illumination of the field many times over. This resulted in the Cove Road Field having the highest number of requests for its use. It was home to many amateur games, top flight games including television broadcasts.

From 2000 – 2004 the German Canadians competed well in Division 2 of the Western Ontario Soccer League, but did not benefit at the year end awards presentations. In the latter part of this period internal team strife created an atmosphere that resulted in many players not enjoying their participation with the team. Eventually a number of the veterans who were the foundation of the team decided to leave. 2004 was the last time that a German Canadian 'A' team competed in the open men's League. After six months of aggressive campaigning, recruitment drive and searching for players with the talent to compete at this level the GCFC had to terminate the competitive program.

The "Masters" program continued to thrive and grow. In 2001 a German Canadians 'B' team was entered in the MMSL followed by a 'C' team in 2006 and a 'D' team in 2008.

Since 2003, an atmosphere of revitalization and growth has happened. There has been the return of youth teams to the club at the competitive level, the introduction and

expansion of a women's program, and significant growth in the men's masters program. Soccer is alive and thriving at the German Canadian Football Club.

The youth program now consists of three teams; two boy's u10 teams and a boy's u12 team. A mini field has been built to allow all our teams to play home games at the German Canadian Club and created a sense of belonging within the organization. There is a solid group of dedicated coaches and volunteers who look to build the future of the club through our youth.

The women's program has enjoyed much success in its rapid growth. The inaugural team in 2006 won the league and the cup and was promoted to the first division. The team continued its success by finishing second in the first division earning a spot in the premier division of the league. The club now boasts a women's premier team and two second division teams and a master's team who are all getting good results.

The men's program has grown to four teams in the Middlesex Masters Soccer League which is unparalleled by any other club in the region. The success and enjoyment of playing for the German Canadian FC continues to attract new players to our organization.

We are proud to be a part of the 75 year history of the club and see many good things on the road ahead!



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Max Gauss didn't gain the reputation as the Godfather of London soccer by accident. He earned the title the hard way as a driving force behind the development of the sport and in particular, of the London City professional team.

Max has been the only president that City has ever known assuming the position when the club was first formed on Valentine's Day in 1973.

Born in Filipovo in the former country of Yugoslavia on December 23, 1929, he learned his soccer in his hometown of Stuttgart, Germany where he was a prominent amateur defender. He came to Canada in 1958 landing in Montreal with a brief stop in Winnipeg before settling in London where he established a successful masonry construction business.

His love affair with London soccer began in 1958-59 as manager-coach of the German Canadians team in the old London and District Soccer League which is now known as the Western Ontario Soccer League. Max moved on to become cofounder and GM of the German Canadians entry in the National Soccer League in 1969 and continued the position through 1972. In 1973 the club became London City, which today is the longest lasting professional soccer franchise in North America.



Family, friends and the CPSL following the unveiling ceremony.

As a point of distinction, he is only one of two persons who have been a governor of the NSL, the Canadian National Soccer League, Canadian Professional Soccer League and the Canadian Soccer League of which London City is a current member .

Max is also responsible over the years for bringing some of the leading European teams to London for exhibition touring games. Included was an appearance by the famous Diego Maradona when he

was at the height of his career in 1996.

Son Harry is the current London City operator and GM but it was Max who is the catalyst behind the team's success. That the team is the oldest surviving professional club in North America is a tribute to Max's foresight and financial support.

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Western Ontario Soccer League Hall Of Fame Salutes Herman Belle

When Hermann Belle came to London in 1956 one of his goals was to find a football club so he could play the sport he loved. When a mass exodus of German Canadian players occurred in this year Hermann immediately was one of the players that stayed behind and was one of the driving forces to rebuild the German Canadian FC. In addition to rebuilding the FC he played competitively until 1963 in the original London and District Soccer Association. During his active playing years he was on the League Championship team of 1961, 62 and 63 including the capture of the prestigious City Cup in 1962. He also was involved in helping the Germans Canadians win the hard fought for International Cup three times in five years. After sustaining a serious knee injury which prevented him from playing from 1963 to 1967, Hermann continued to contribute to the successes of German Canadian FC by becoming an executive member of the Soccer council, and he was its President for many years. During these years he was one of the principals in building a youth system within the GCFC that was eventually represented in every age division, something that no other club in London was able to do at this time. The German Canadian FC also established a men's "B" team to compete in Division 2. During this entire period Hermann administered, was both player and coach with the men's "B" team, coach of the men's "A" team, as well as coach for the pee-wee and bantam teams in the youth program. The list of accomplishments under Hermann Belle's leadership is

lengthy: Division 2 Champions in 1964 and 1966, City Cup winner 1965, Sinosic and Schaeffer Cups 1966, Cresswell Cup 1973, Division 2 Champions 1972, and Division 3 Champions in both 1974 and 1977.

In 1980 Hermann passed all administrative responsibilities of the GCFC to a new generation. Hermann continually remained involved in the activities of the German Canadians as a mentor and advisor of the coaching staff of the men's teams.

In his golden years you will quite probably see Hermann at Cove Road field. Whether it is at a CSL, Masters, Women's or youth game he will always find time to watch and talk about his favorite game, "football."

For his many contributions to the game of "football" in the City of London as a player, coach, and administrator for one of the longest operating Football Clubs in London Hermann Belle was inducted in 2006 into the Western Ontario Soccer League Hall of Fame.



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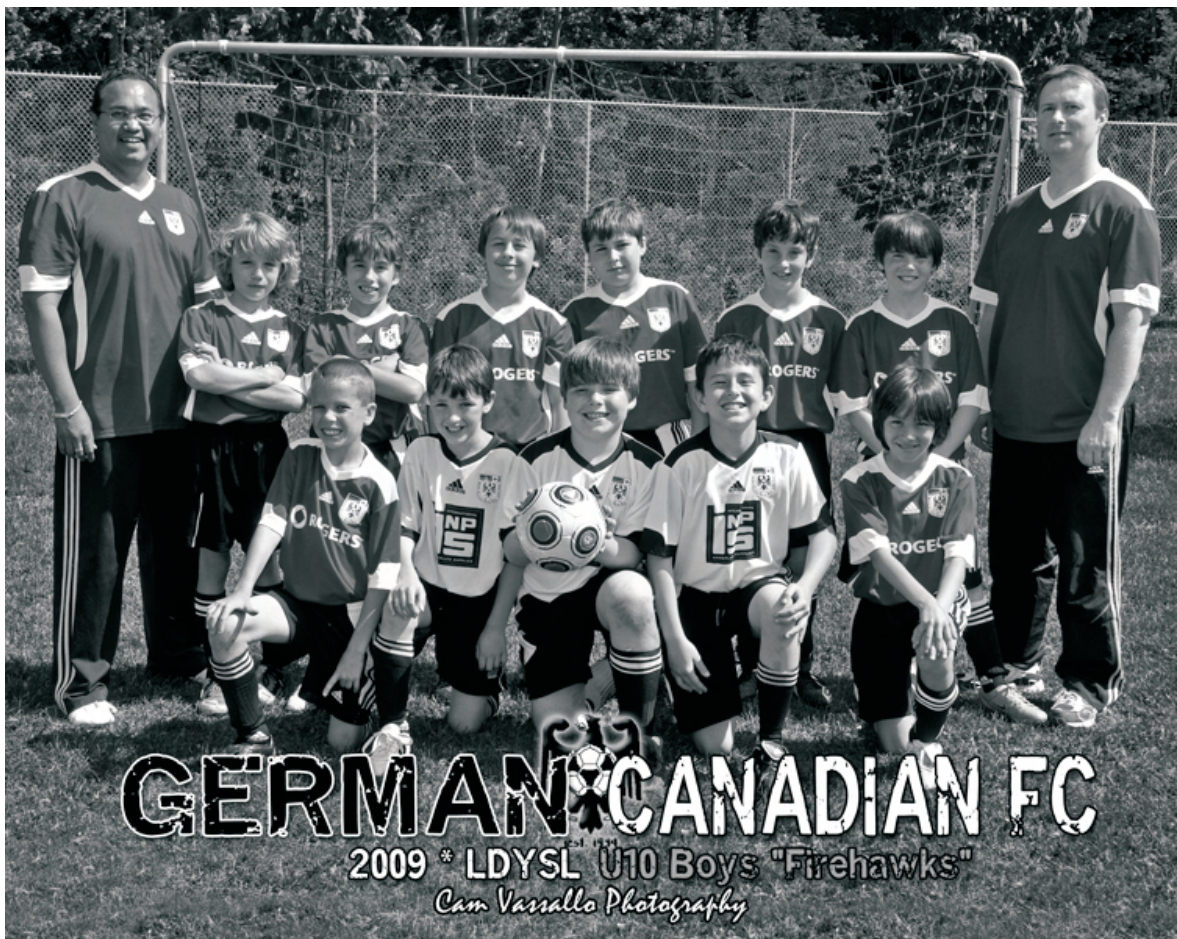
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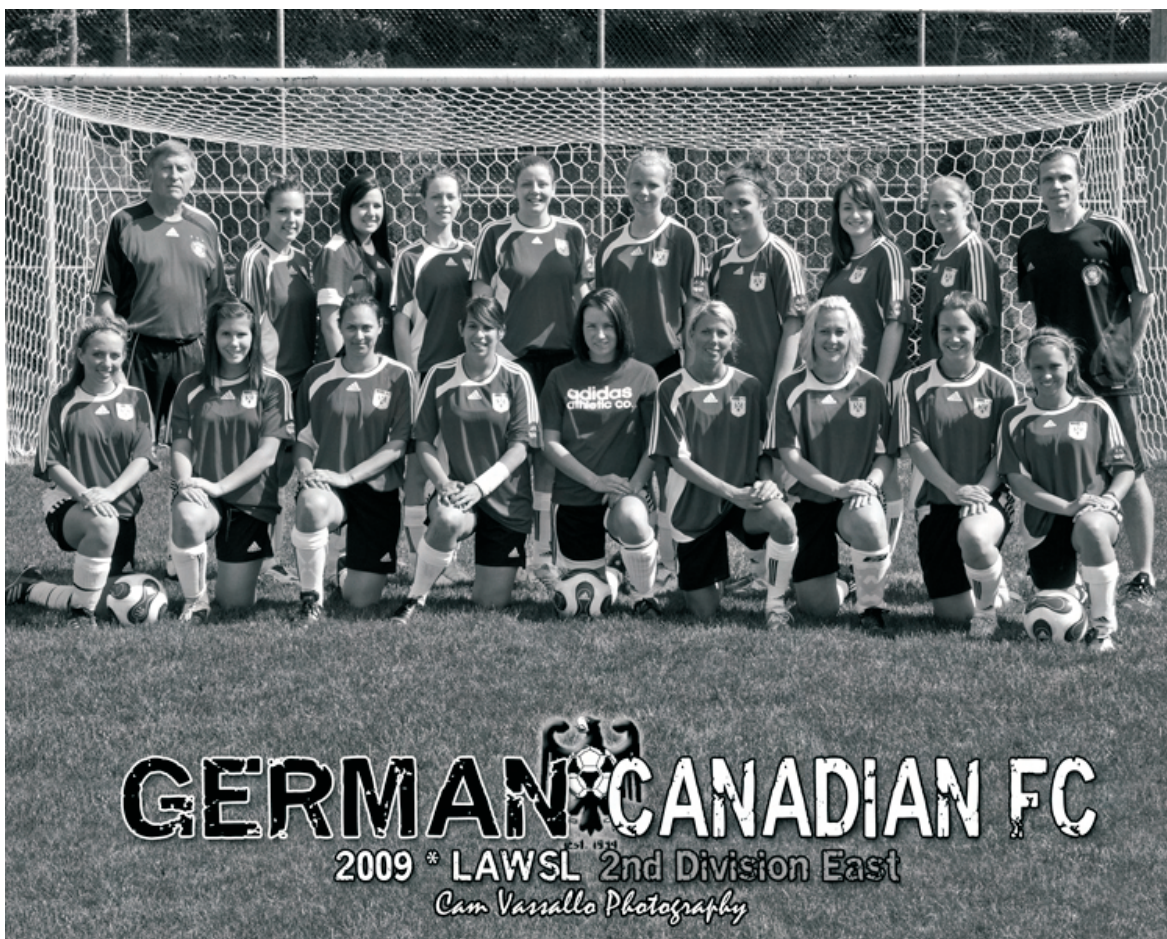
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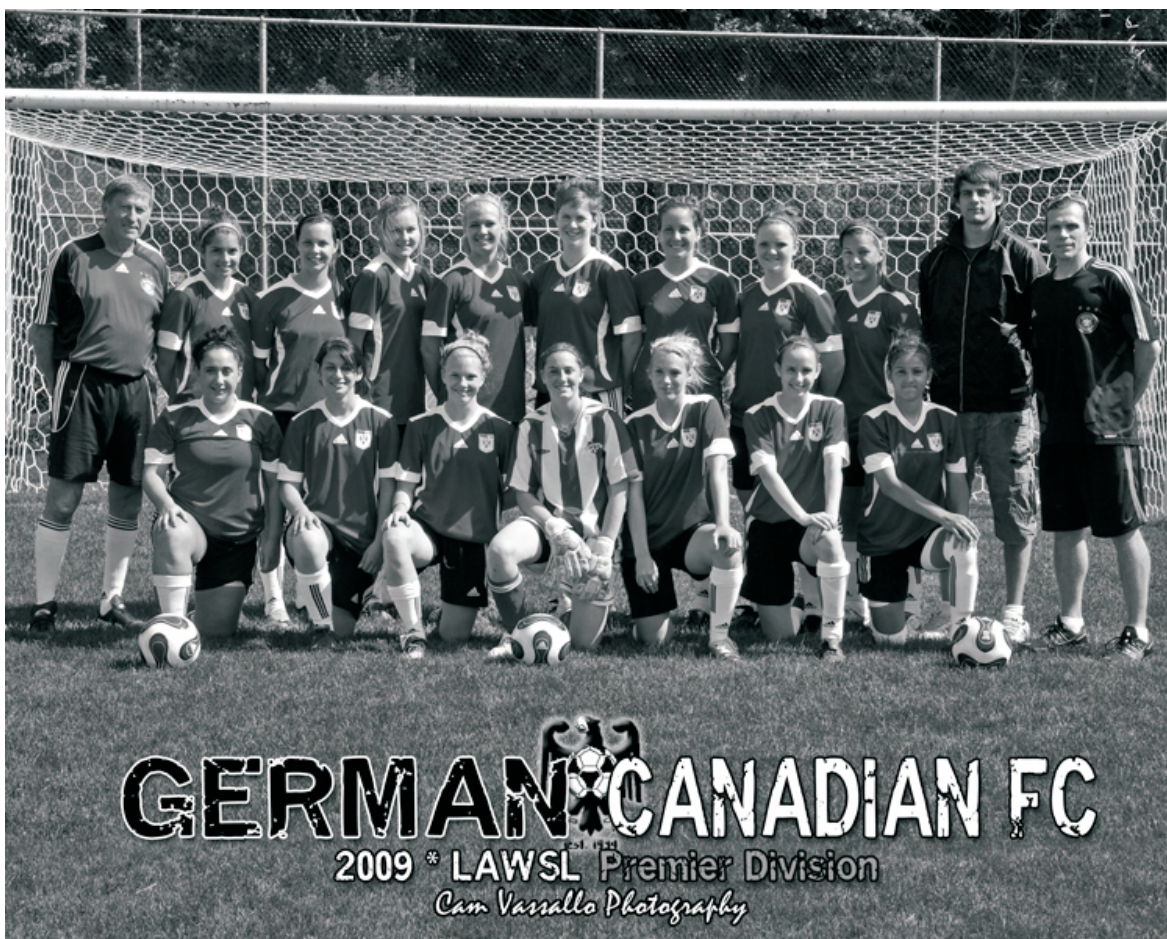
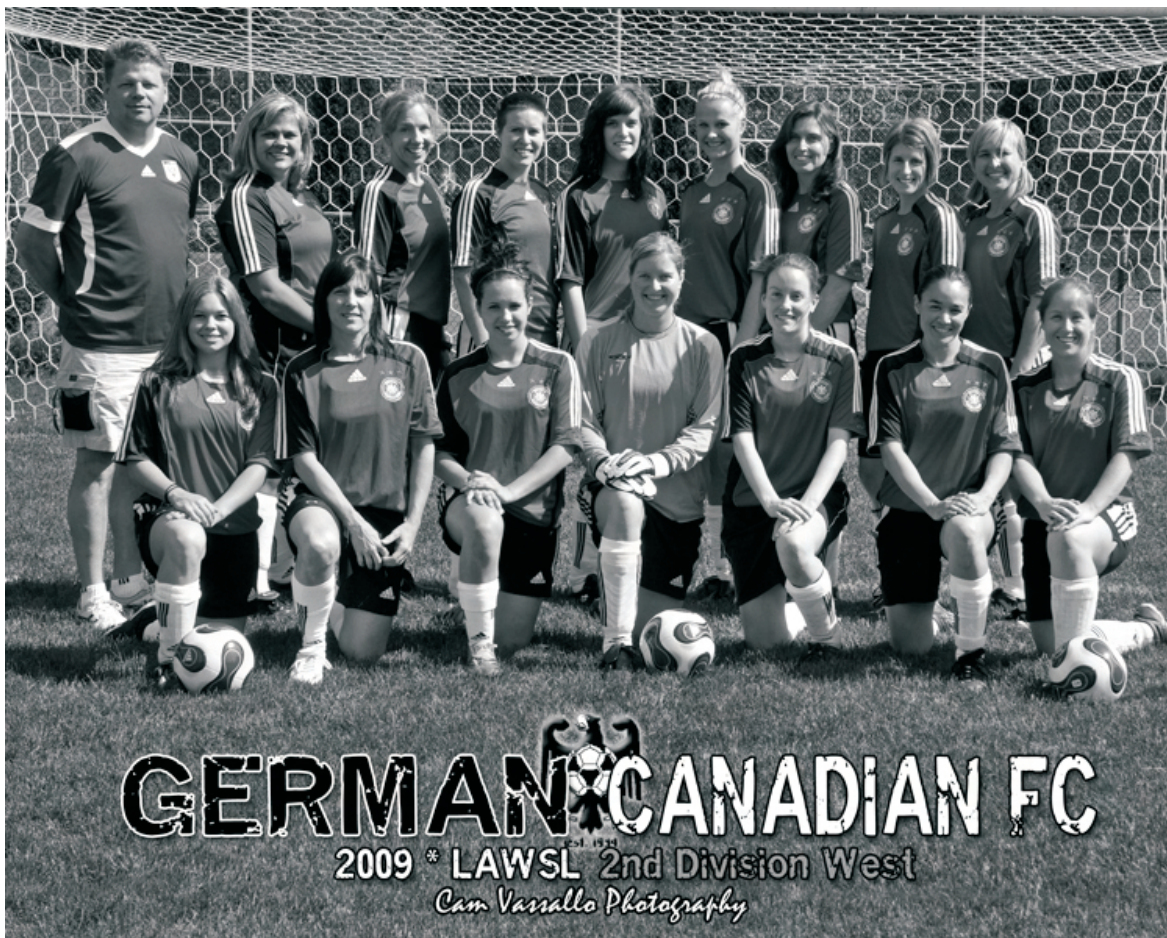


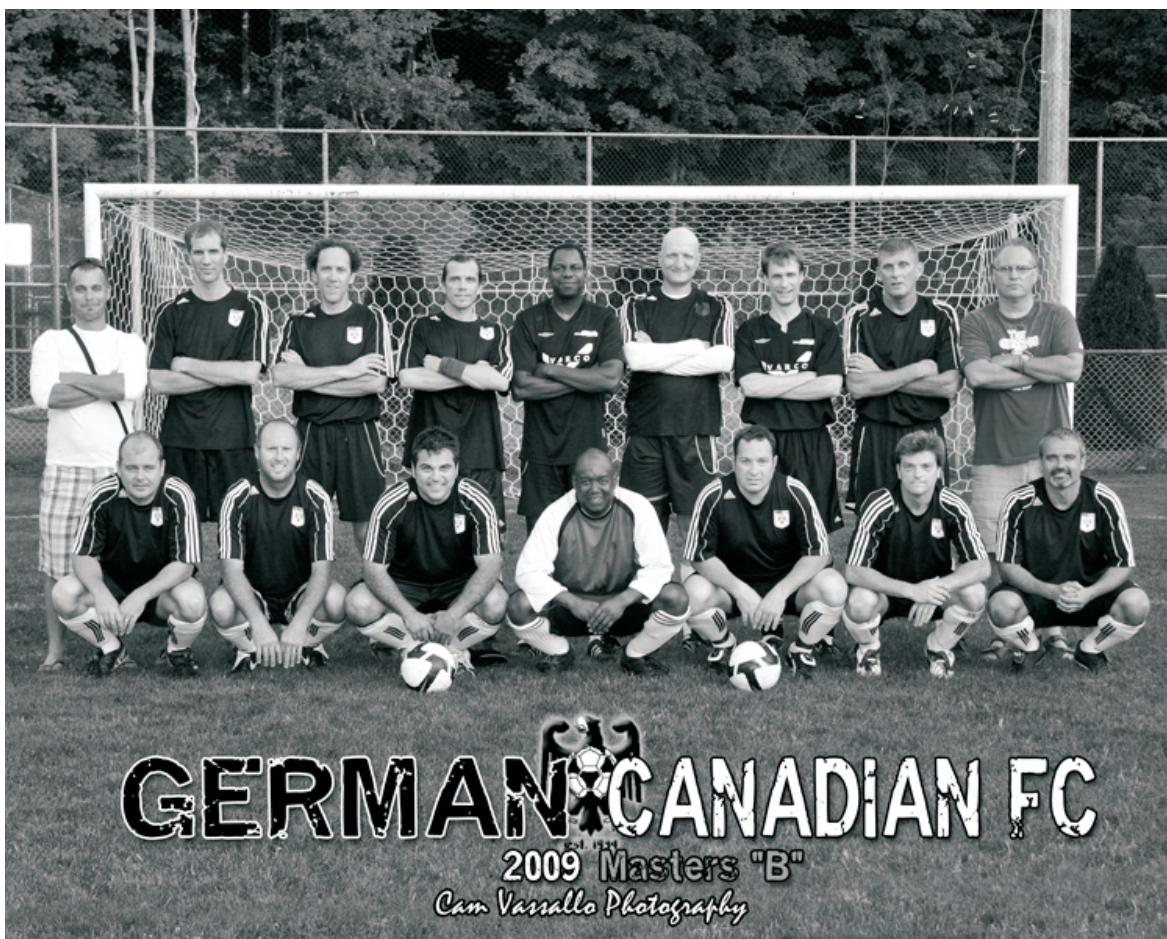
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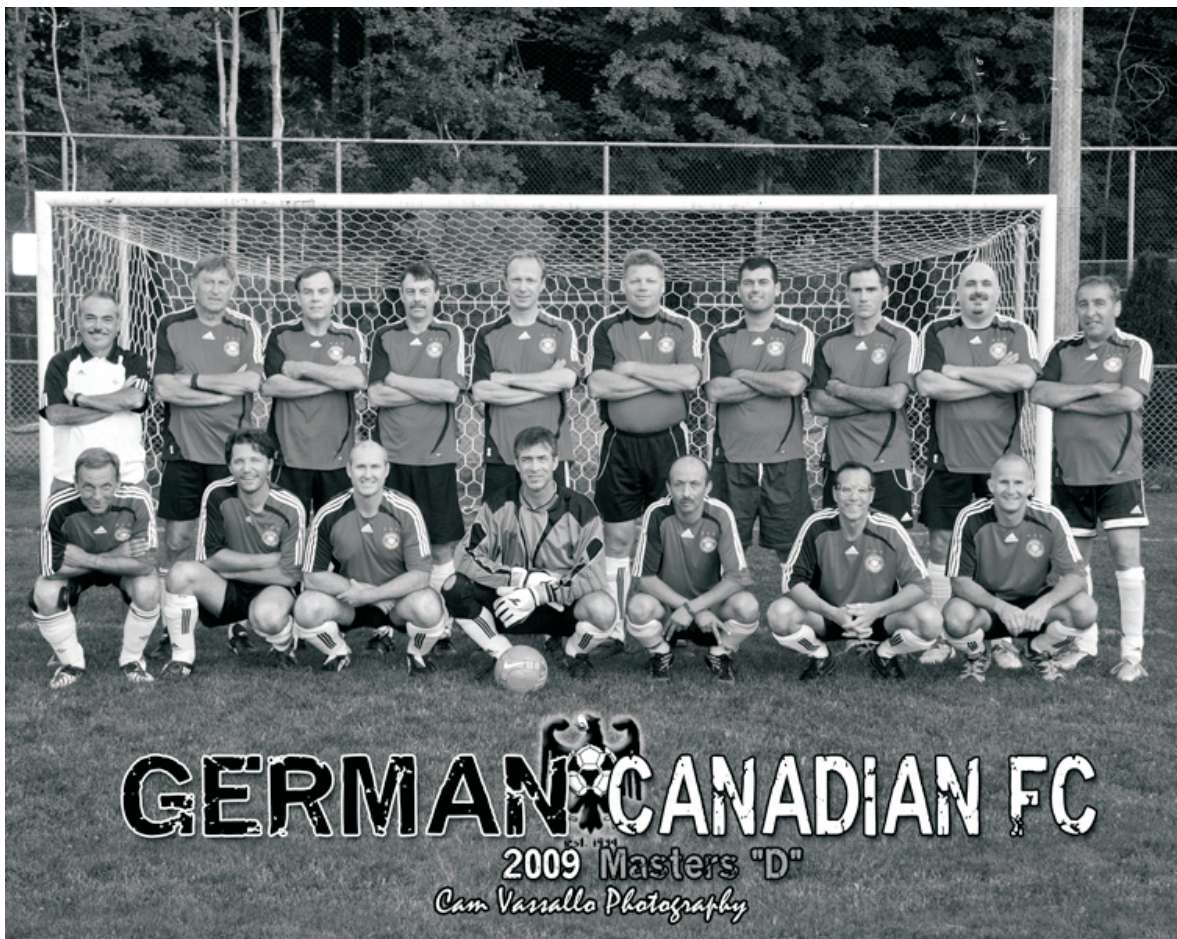
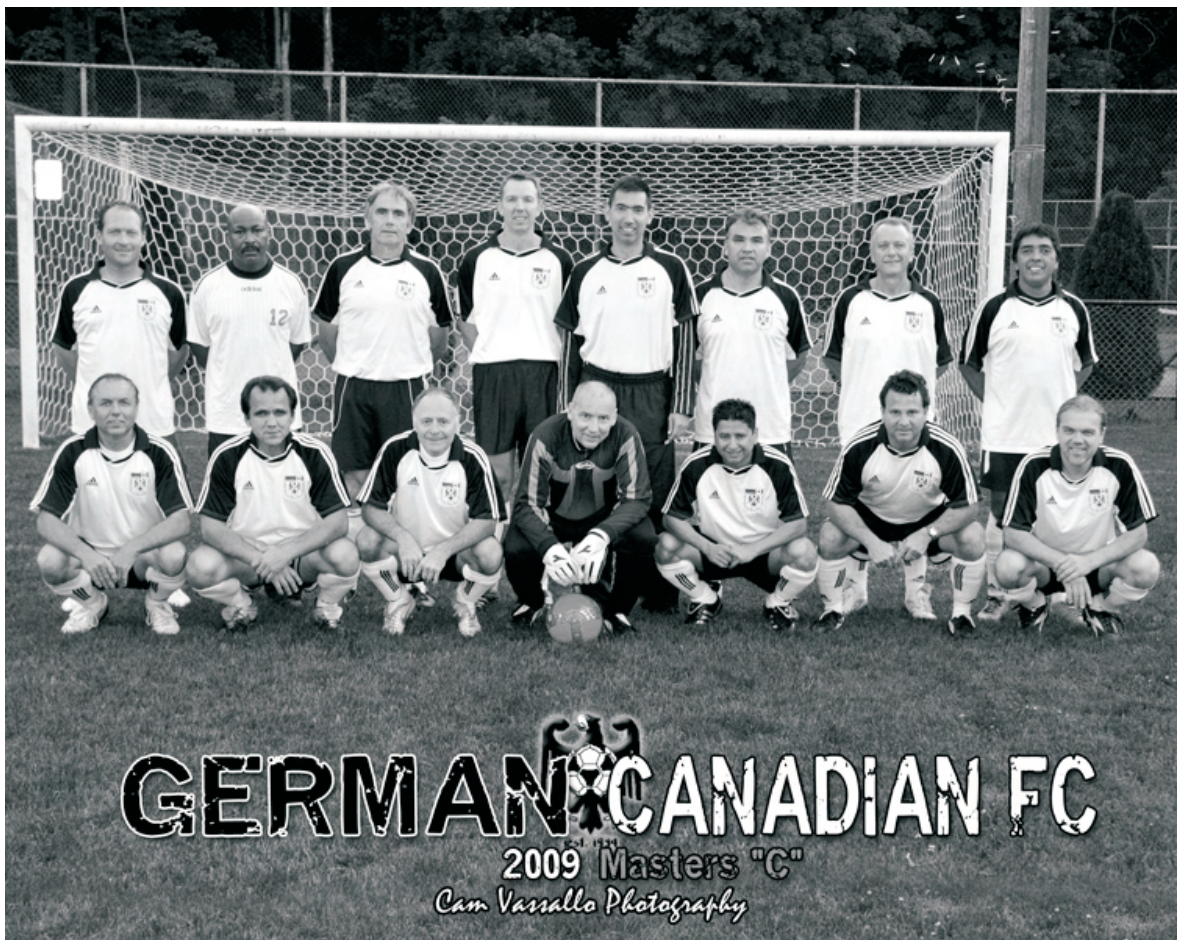














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