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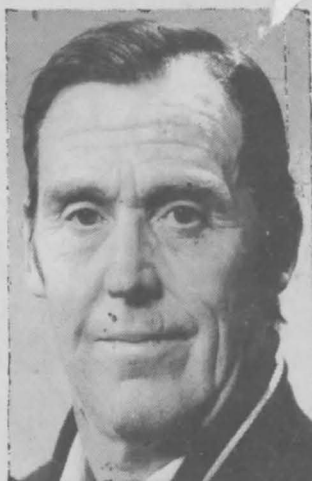
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Gathering news for this column is quite a chancy business. Sometimes one has to really go out and look for it and again there are times like Monday evening, when it comes looking for you.

Thinking back to the weekend, I didn't really have a clue what I was going to write about this week, but a soccer meeting was called for Monday night, Little League Ball opened its schedule

down at the Cook Ave. diamond and I was hoping coach Lyle McDonald might have something new on his Junior Girls ball team. In other words I was just hoping for something to break, and believe me, it did.

Five lady bowlers have just won the West Kootenay Inter City Bowling Tourney and are looking for someone to tell the world about it. And you have what is known as an irresistible force, if you've never listened to five exuberant girls all talking at the same time - believe me you've missed something.



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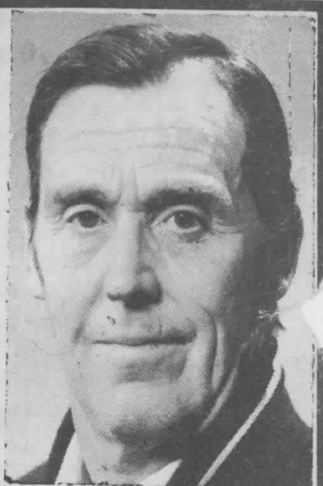
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One of the prospects that the Cap brains hope to lure to their roster is ex-Grand Forks Mets star pitcher, Brian Hama-gami. Brian could help a lot in a Cap uniform.

Another Cap who will be welcomed back to the fold will be the local Mr. Momentum, Joe Zanussi. Joe has just arrived home from his winter stamping ground, Fort Worth, Texas where he toils for the Central Pro Redwings.

Joe had a satisfying second half of the season his team winning most of its last dozen games. They won enough to grab third place and a semi-final spot against Tulsa Oilers, a series which they forced to seven games before bowing out.

Among veterans returning to the team will be Don Holmes, Barry Seal, Bobby Profili, Rocky Cull, Rich Miller, Len Cedarholm and Steve McFarland. It is rumored that Al DeCecco may also be returning. Al could help, too.

Not expected to return are Trail's Larry Brandt and Salmo's Art Field, both of whom will be missed.

The 1972 slate of officers is composed of well-known fishing and hunting enthusiasts and includes Joe Rosse president, Ross Armour, Vice-pres.; Tommy Gibbons, sec.-treas.; and directors Merv Jensen, Louie Thompson, Arne Campbell, "Chris" Christianson, "Moe" Fisher and Ken Nyman.

Personally, I would like to congratulate the club for a job well done and wish them as good or better season in '72.

All forms of summer sports are in the formative stage now and so there is really too much to write about this week.

Aside from additions to the Little League rosters because of late entries, Saturday's opener will go on as scheduled with four 3-inning games and the parade of players, coaches etc. through town which will precede the games.

Additional registrations have added a couple of players to each roster and it looks like a keenly-contested season may be in the offing.

One thing in favour of a good season is the goodly number of volunteers that will be available for extra jobs around the League. I have been contacted by a few people who are interested, and this looks promising.

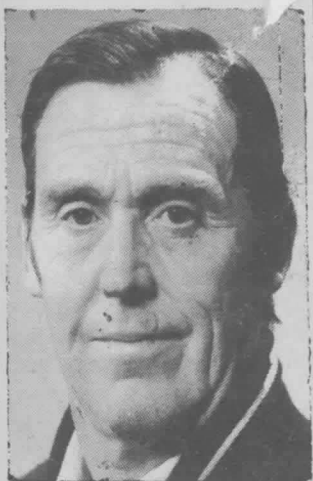
The quest goes on for a coach for some 15 youngsters who have registered to play in the Senior Babe Ruth section of the local Minor Ball, but two or three lines are out and may result in some satisfaction.

Practices to be held this week may point up some pretty good looking players in this group, and they could make some energetic young fellows look pretty good in their first year of coaching in this age group.

Newly-elected coach of the Senior Capitanos, a knowledgeable young man who I predicted you ball fans would have no trouble recognizing, Lloyd McLellan, has started the Caps on drills already. Practices were held Sunday in Trail and Tuesday night at Jubilee.

Lloyd tells me that most faces on the team will be familiar this year. Some of them may have been in different uniforms the last time you saw them, but will definitely be an asset to the local team.

One of the new recruits will be young Joe Caron who has been playing for Lou DeRosa's high school team in Trail. Lloyd



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