

with Jennifer Barr

Big excitement at our house last week-Gypsy, our little jumping more,

photographed for television. She's never been quite the same since she played a part in "The Battle of Old Fort Henry," a CBC film. So what she's going to be like when she sees herself on television, I shudder to think, We'll have to out a star on her

Hurdles anyone? It all started, classically, with a phone call - from Jack Carpenter, a news photographer for CTV among other things. He wanted some horsey photos to flash on the screen periodically as a background for any equestrian news that comes over "World Beat" or "News Beat", Channels 9 and 13. Several types of horse activities would be on files and Jack wanted some shots of a horse jumping. Did I have a horse that wouldn't mind jumping the same jump a great many times?

Yes, I sure did. Gypsy is the

world's most enthusiastic and

reliable jumper. A date was made, Marie was asked if she would ride Gypsy and agreed it would probably be a bit of a laugh. I don't care for jumping enough to jump for two hours solidly, besides I'm liable to do something stupid when someone's watching and fall off. A fear of heights doesn't encourage me either - which is why our house has only a two-foot step

So, Marie it was. The big day was sunny and hot

but Jack was delayed so we stood

ladder and a bunch of short

around polishing Gypsy for ages. The little mare was "top glossed" and "hoof blacked" until she was unrecognizable. She really looked quite smart as she stood tied to the fence, hip shod, lip drooping,

and fast asleep. Jack arrived and Marie shot into the house to change jeans and flowing hair for breeches and a hair net. I attempted to wake up Gypsy and succeeded in getting two protest bucks out of her. Marie appeared in full regalia looking like Pat Smythe, Barbara Simpson, and Princess Anne all rolled into one.

Cameras appeared and a local reporter requested a casual pose of Marie standing by a fence with her "back leg up". Marie looked startled and retorted that she only had front legs!

Cool and calm The remainder of the afternoon went without a hitch, Gypsy jumped and jumped and jumped, only refusing when she thought she was going to jump on that man with the camera. Marie handled her beautifully and they both stayed cool and collected.

Mac and I ran around importantly being ring stewards and beer letchers.

When it was all over, Gypsy back in the pasture and Marie being fortified with straight tea, I had time to think of the pleasure my mother, in England, would feel when she hears of her dearly loved little mare gracing Canadian television. And to appreciate fully the 17-year-old mare who would jump more than 40 times on an 80-degree day without batting an eyelash or even getting warm.



DISSTON CANADA, an entry in the Acton Soccer League placed a 4-0 win over Acton coaches at Acton High School Sunday afternoon. The team includes, front row, left to right, Hamid Masih, John Smith, Siddique Masih, Ed Hillier. Back row, left to right, Richard

Masih, Oskar Tankovitz, Elston Adams, Bill Diggins, Bill Patey and Bob Dyc. Goals were provided by Tankovitz with two and singles by Diggins and H.

Dunn, Manes and Bruce Swift.

Midland had won their first

game of the season, 14-9 over

East York, only a week carlier.

of subdivision

Mike Brodigan appeared

before Erin township council

representing Windland Associ-

ates with a draft plan of a new 66

house subdivision, east of Erin,

on the west half of Lot 16.

Shows plan

final stanza.

(D. Pink Photo)

## Midland bows to Rams

Using a borrowed goalie, Acton Rams chalked up a 22-12 victory over Midland Hurons last Wednesday night. The win solldifled Rams' hold on second

Acton Rotary midgets Terry Holmes and John Pink suited up to replace regular Ram netminders Turkosz and McNabb. Holmes played the entire

#### Newman leads chess circuit

Ted Newman amassed 2212 points in 39 games to take the lead in the Acton Chess Club round-robin series. Ted has recorded 22 wins, 16 losses and a

draw. Henry Harmsma is holding down second spot with 17 points while Bill Lumberink and Bert Van der Laan share third position with 14 points each.

In the last three weeks of play Gord Cavic, Henry Harmsma, Bert Van der Laan and Bill Lumberink have each picked up six points, Mike McGuire and Lyn Perry five, Mark Pratt three and a half, Eric Caufield, Ted Newman, Jim Piehl and Doug Garrelt three, Peter Moss two and a half, Dave Piehl and Jim Huxley two and Ralph Williams with one.

Games have been taking longer recently as everyone's game is improving. Final date for the round-robin series is August 29. The Chess Club meets tonight (Wednesday), 7:30 at the Y.M.C.A. For information call Ted Newman, 856-4650 or Doug

Rams were also without top scorer Bruce Cooksley, forward Jim Burnham and defenceman Wade Knight and came from, behind to win.

Ram Dave Hill paced the club, scoring live times and helping on six more. Hill scored Rams' first goal with other first period markers being recorded by John Scott with three, and a single by Dave Manes.

Assists for the period went to Hill, Scott, Kevin Marcoux, Woody Newman and Terry Dunn as the Rams trailed 8-5 at the end of the first.
The game up

Wayne Young started the club off for the new period as Ram goal-getters Manes, Newman, Hill, Marcoux and Craig Weldon added single second period markers to put the teams even at 11-11. Hill and Manes earned two assists each with George Artem and Gary ."Smoky" Fisher setting up one each.

Hill popped in three during the third period along with a double effort by Scott. Singles went to Weldon, Fisher, Artem, Young, Marcoux and Paul Rogers. Assists for the period went to

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off to a good

#### A's decision Hill with three, Scott with two Acton B's and singles by goalie Holmes,

Acton A's posted another win over Acton B's in a repeat of their Hurons scored only once in the first meeting with a 10-7 decision in intermediate girls' softball.

> It was a good game all around with the A's having a slight edge from Dorothy Kalser's hitting. Dorothy slammed a homer in the third to spark the A's. Kim Van der Eyken of the B's belted the

only other four ply hit. Heather McEachern pitched her club to the win and Debbie Brown hurled for the B's.

B's-Carol Jordan c. Cathy Mclure ss. Susan Mathews 1b. Jennifer Krapek If, Patsy Storey 2b, Kim Van der Eyken cf., Donna McLuc 3b, Debbie Brown p,

Sherri Phillips rf. The lots would have 9,000 square feet or over with possibly A's-Heather McEachern p. their own water supply from an auxiliary well in the park area. Susan Lehn c, Lourel Murchison ss, Norma Bateman 1b, Dorothy The developer has 1500 houses Kaiser cf, Cheryl Hunter 2b, Klm now under development in Ont-McCristall 3b, Sherry Ismond If, JoAnne Berry rf.

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In spite of objections by in the year, Mr. McQueen em-Burlington Deputy Reeve Dave phasized the need for as much Coons, Halton County Council's pre-planning as possible. Administration Committee granted Clerk-Administrator spoke of unforeseen problems Garfield Brown permission to and agreed with Milton Deputy schedule meetings for depart- Reeve Mrs. Marjorie Powys that ment heads with other the administration committee municipalities to study imple- should depend on the judgment of mentation problems of regional Clerk-Administrator Brown to government.

Mr. Coons said since no study meetings. position appointments in the Halton region had been con- meeting with regional governfirmed, meetings with other ment officials for the York and regional governments should wait until after implementation.

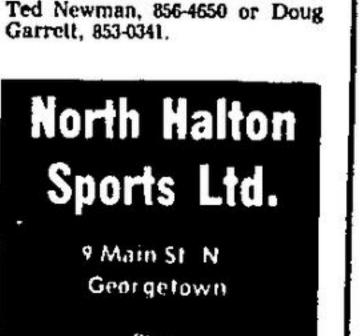
When he suggested there would be a smooth integration of old and new services in regional government, other committee members jumped on him with examples of potential problems. County Treasurer Jim

McQueen mentioned difficulties in arranging the new payroll, in light of the creation of new groups such as the regional police force. Since a new finance director would be appointed late concessoroconscionessessesses

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