



BEST TIME OF THE DAY was turned in by Craig Snyder who also took first place in the sports racing class.

A dandy derby!

On your mark...get set...go! And that is just what they did. Some slow, some fast and some very fast in the fifth annual GT Motorsport Club Soap Box Derby held Sunday on Maple Avenue.

Trophies provided by area merchants were the rewards for the best times turned in by the young competitors in the afternoon event organized by the Georgetown club. Starters Glenn Broomhead and Steve Lawrence released the cars on the steepest section of the hill to be timed by Chris Hamilton, Geoff Walker and Richard Leslie.

Vern Dale-Johnson headed the committee that planned the event for the over 20 entrants and their variety of cars. For the first time in the history of area soap box racing, professional cars were judged in a separate class of "sports racing." These rigs were not built of scrap lumber as many of the downhill coasters were, but built from kits with special bearinged

wheels and professional steering and braking systems. They are lighter and aerodynamically superior to many of the competitors and warranted a special classification.

In the "Sports" classification, Graig Snyder took the first place trophy donated by Medronic of Toronto. Second placed finisher, Joanne Lee Flynn, received her trophy from Murray Motors with Mike Taylor taking third from Joe's Gulf.

In the seniors class Beth Johnson placed first with a time of 24.8 seconds. For the short course down Maple Avenue Mark Williams, Garry McLean and Robert Allen claimed the top three trophies respectively.

Junior class winners included Claude Gallant, Jim McVeigh, Kevin Griffith, Craig Lawrence and first place winner Dave Johnson, in reverse order of qualification. With no real problems plaguing the downhill racers

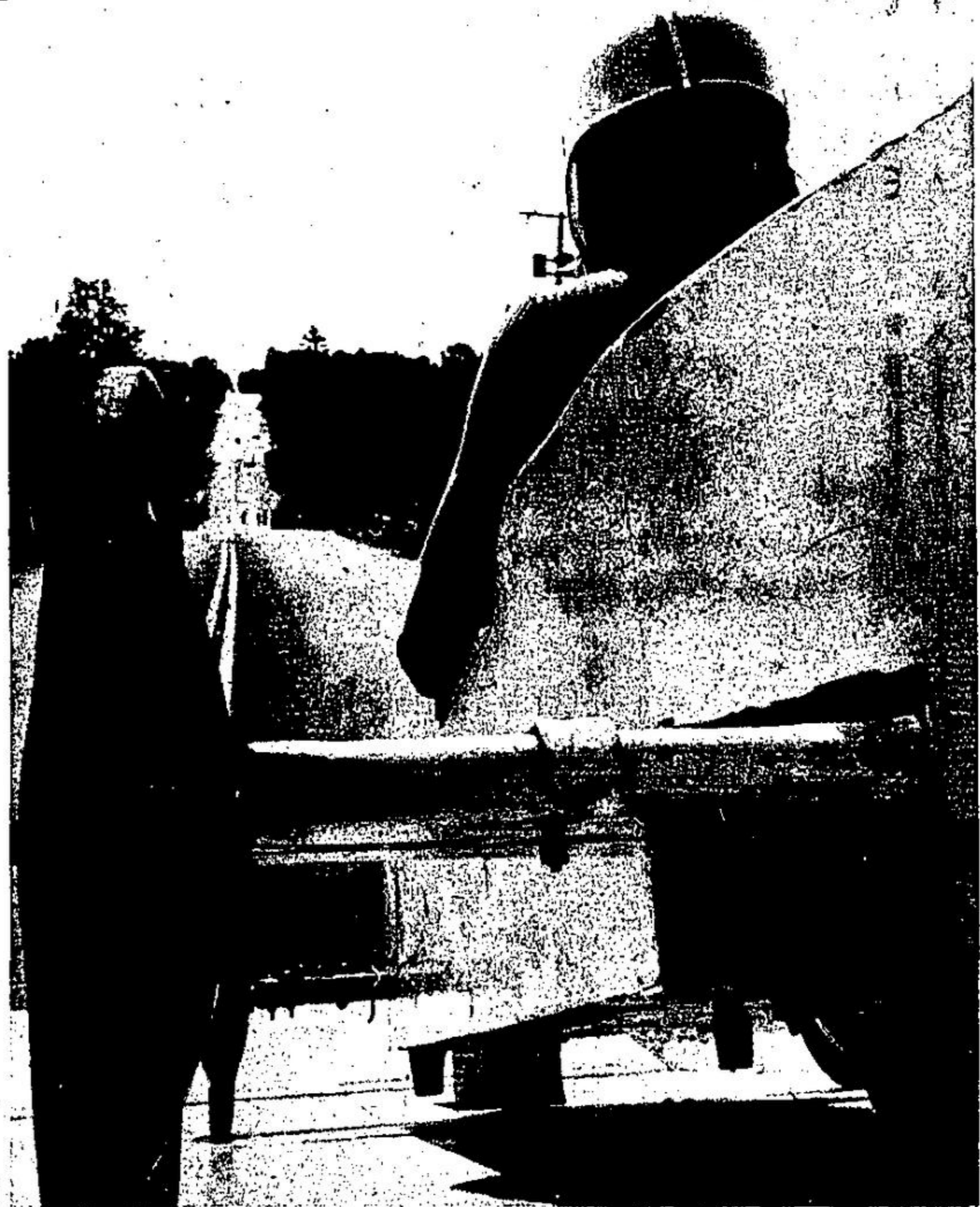
the "Hardluck Award" went to Pete Rogers for turning in the slowest time of all competitors.

The fastest time, and the John Boughton Jewellers Trophy, went to Craig Snyder who turned in a 20.2 second average after the four heats of the event.

The Barber and Henley Trophy for the best looking car went to Mark Williams and Kevin Searle for "Jaws". The Best Effort Trophy also went to the driver of the shark-shaped car.

Other trophies were donated by the Dairy Queen, Silvers, MacKenzies, Park Toyota, Youngs Pharmacy, A&W, Wigo TV, North Halton Ford, Beaver Lumber and John Boughton Jewellers.

The cars were adorned with shag carpeting, am radios, political stickers, vibrant colours and crazy names but if it wasn't for a little help from dad and the members of the GT Motorsport Club, many of the entrants would still be sitting in the valley on Maple Avenue waiting to get some power to get home.



THE COURSE IS SET, the final moment approaches before the brief journey down Maple Avenue begins.



THE WINNERS OF THE DAY. In the Junior class, Dave Johnson, took first, Craig Lawrence, Kevin Griffith, Jim McVeigh, Claude Gallant finished respectively. In the Seniors division, Beth Johnson was first with Gary McLean, Mark Williams and Robert Allan also winners.

Sports racing winners were Craig Snyder (first) with Joanne Lee Flynn, Mike Taylor and Karen Wilson also winners. Pete Roger won the Hard Luck Trophy for the slowest time of all competitors.



KEEPING THINGS MOVING were Larry Broadfield and Neil Young of the GT Motorsport Club who sponsored the soapbox derby.

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