

Swimmers better bests at OFFSA

By BILL HUMPHREYS

The GDHS Rebel swim team swam in a nice straight line at the OFSAA competition earlier this week in the Etobicoke Olympic pool. The team is still unsure of their placing in Ontario but

two individuals and one relay team led the Rebs to a successful and exciting meet.

At press time coach Tom Adams only had received the top 12 finishers in each event as well as team standings and Heather Clarke proved

to be the best Rebel as she placed an outstanding seventh in the 100 m back stroke in a time of 1:15.00.

Clarke and the other members were up against some stiff competitions from club swimmers which compete at

least four hours a day compared to the Rebels training programs of just two hours. All other high schools are like this and have to face the same problem.

"If we are coming close to the club swimmers time wise we know that we are doing a

good job," coach Tom Adams said.

The girls 200 free relay team, consisting of Clarke, Cheryl Thompson, Suzanne Abrey and Mary Lynn Morrow placed an amazing fourth just missing the bronze medal with a time of 2:02.5.

"The relay team swam very well. I was pleased with their time," coach Adams said.

Clarke and the relay team were the only Rebels that made it to the finals.

One other swimmer that placed in the top 12 was Cheryl Thompson who finished eleventh in the 100 free with a time of 1:07.5.

There were 68 schools involved in the competition and Vincent Massey from Windsor won the overall girls and Guelph Centennial took both the boys overall and team crown.

"The team went to swim their best times. We know

they were not going to beat all club swimmers but our goal was to make the kids improve and they did just that. Everyone I think swam their best times," Adams said.

Lord Elgin, the Rebs number contender in the Halton and Peel-Halton championships this year did not qualify for any finals.

"We represented our county very well, everyone improved and enjoyed themselves. That's what's so exciting for me as a coach, seeing everyone improve," Adams concluded.

The Rebels that represented Georgetown were Heather Clarke, Karen Coleman, Beth Stewart, Suzanne Abrey, Mark Payne, Andy Bigg, Kevin Thompson, Steve Crowe, Kim Grummett, Allison MacDonald, Mary Lynn Morrow, Doug Crowe, Kim MacLeod, Eric Elson, Cheryl Thompson and Gord Payne.

Three wrestlers take third

The GDHS Rebel wrestling team made a five-day trip to Ottawa earlier to compete in the OFSAA competition last week.

The strong Rebel team was cut down to only six eager wrestlers after the hard fought Peel-Halton championship in which the Rebels won.

SIX WRESTLERS

These six wrestlers were Peter Fournier, Mike Wroblewski, Kevin Brown, Chris Manhire, Mike Taylor and Frank Medzinski.

These six boys represented the high school well as Fournier, Medzinski and Taylor all flexed their muscles hard and wrestled to third place medals.

The team placed eighth overall which is a great

achievement for only six boys.

Lakeview high school of Thunder Bay completely dominated the meet as the compiled 136 team points over second place Newtonbrook now had 92 points to their credit.

Surprisingly enough the Rebs during the year defeated every school from second to seventh place in tournaments.

These schools are, Central Tech, third with 91, Bayview, fourth with 87, Roland Michener, fifth with 84, Smith Falls sixth with 76, and Assumption with 68 team points. The Rebs tallied 66 team points.

The Rebs were handicapped by the sparse team as other teams had up to 16 wrestlers.

"The other teams had more kids. All it has to take to finish well is a couple of first place finishes like Bayview and Roland Michener which both had two gold medal winners each", assistant coach Smith said.

FOURNIER LOSES

Peter Fournier lost his first match to Steve Riley, the Toronto champion. It was a 5-5 tie but Riley won because during the match he tried a hip toss which was a three point move and because of this the judge allowed Riley to move on in the championship round.

"Peter was asleep for just one second during that match and it cost him a gold or silver," Smith said.

Fournier went all the way to the consolation finals which he won quite handily.

"He dominated everyone after his first match and became the wrestler we all know," the coach said.

Riley ended up winning the gold medal.

Mike Taylor, another bronze medalist, also competed in the consolation round because of an early loss.

In his defeat he had the edge throughout the match until the last 10 seconds when he attempted a hip toss but his competitor countered his move and won by a close 7-6 margin.

"Mike came back Saturday after that defeat on Friday and totally cleaned up on the rest of the field," Smith said.

MEDZINSKI EXCELLENT
The most outstanding wrestler was Frank Medzinski according to Smith as he had an excellent meet only losing one match which kept him out of the gold and silver medals.

Elson top athlete

Eric Elson recently completed a successful season, as he represented the Rebel swim team with excellent performances in meets this year.

On the Haltons, as well as the Peel-Halton's, Elson recorded six individual firsts in six events.

He started swimming with the Halton team run by the recreation department six year ago.

Then two year ago, Eric entered high school and started swimming for the school team.

He's 15 years old and enrolled into grade 10 classes averaging around the 73 per cent range.

Eric still has three years left in high school and hopes to take his swimming abilities on into university.

In the recent OFSAA meet, Eric swam against grade 12 and 13 students and placed an unofficial fourteenth spot.

"There were a lot of club swimmers and it made competitions very stiff," Elson said. "There were even some Canadian record holders there so I felt good about placing where I did."

Last year Elson was having a good year until he broke his nose and this cancelled his trip to OFSAA.

He swam his personal best time at OFSAA this year.

"I was quite pleased with my 100 fly time, I didn't think I would break the 1:10.0 mark.

So we at The Herald congratulate Eric Elson on a fine showing this season.

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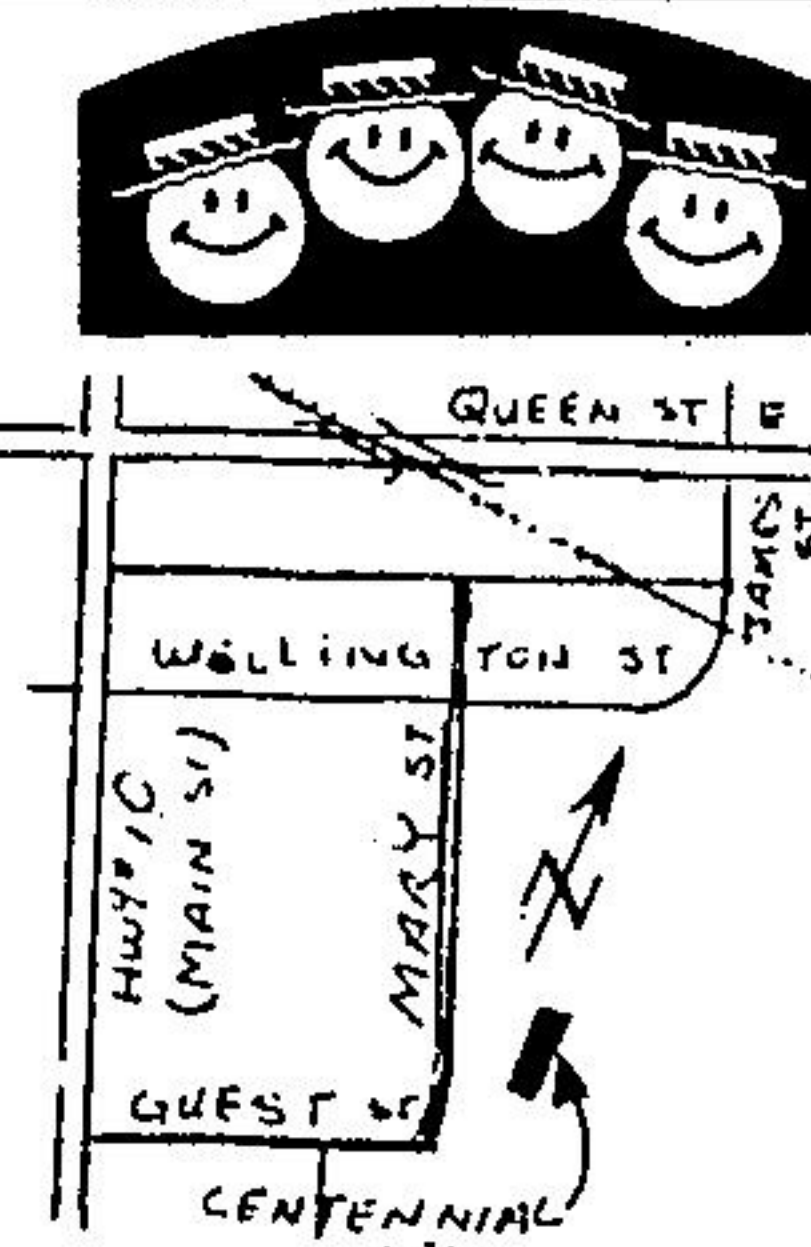
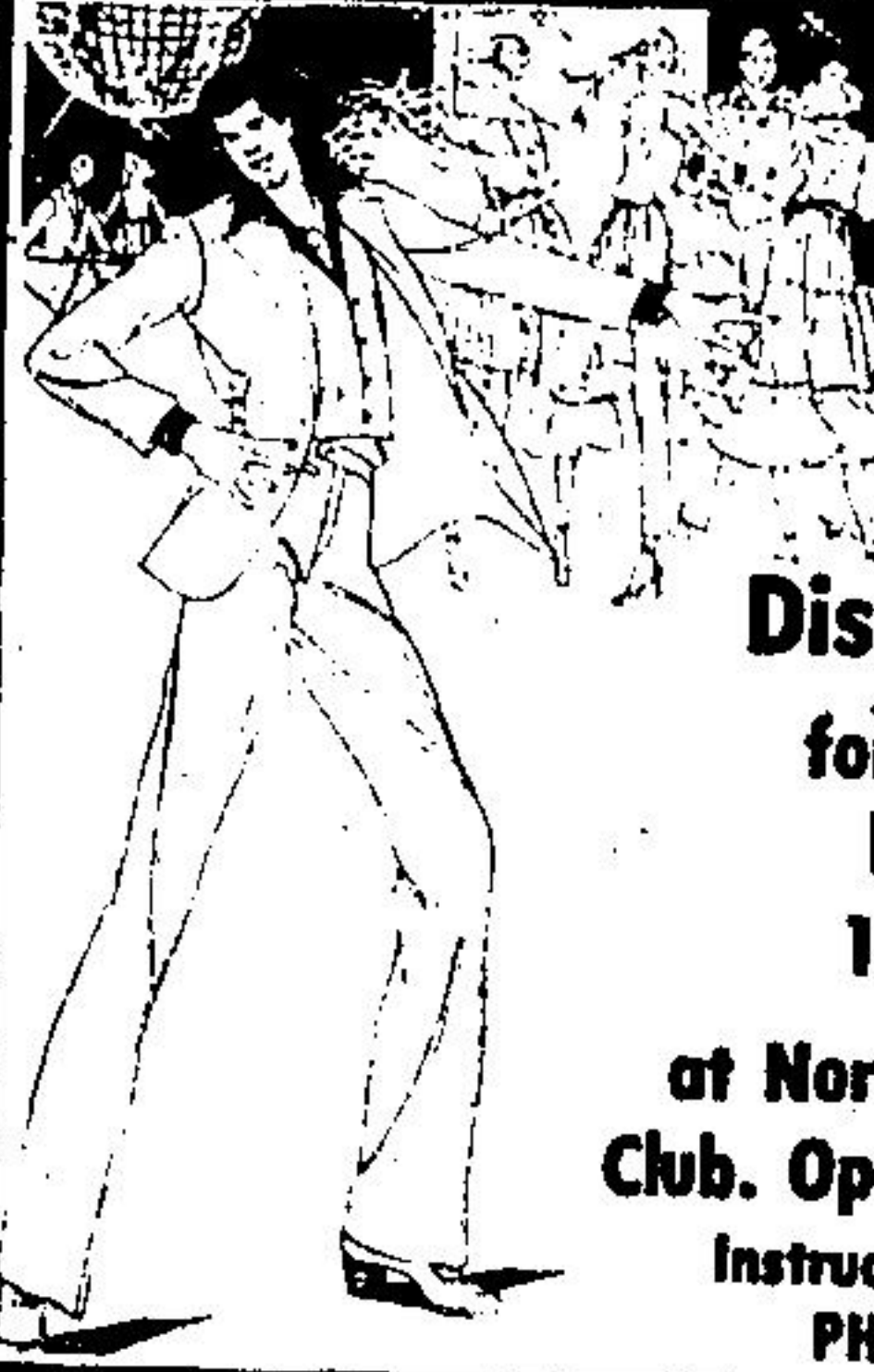
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