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Mackenzie-Smith tops Centennial, Sam Sherratt

Acton swimmers dominate meet

Mackenzie-Smith Public School swimmers dominated the second annual North Halton Invitational Swim Meet, held last Tuesday in Acton.

The hosts compiled 212 team points to easily sweep the three-school competition, with Georgetown's Centennial second with 143 points. Sam Sherratt School of Milton was third with 37 points.

More than 130 swimmers competed in 14 events. The meet was divided up into competitions for swimmers aged 10-11, 12-year-olds, and swimmers 13-14.

Kim Barr of Centennial was the dominant swimmer for girls 10-11. She won the 50-meter

freestyle and 50-meter backstroke competitions, while finishing third behind teammate Tina Newman in the girls 100-meter individual medley.

Newman was best in her girls 13-14 age group, winning both the 50-meter freestyle and 50-meter back stroke along with the individual medley event.

It was Mackenzie-Smith the rest of the way, as host swimmers controlled the rest of the divisions.

Mathew Fleet won both the 50-meter freestyle and 50-meter back stroke for boys 10-11.

Jason Ockenden duplicated that feat for the 12-year old boys, as did Peter Bray in the

boys 13-14 category. Bray also won the 100-meter individual medley event.

Liz Roebuck of Mackenzie-Smith won both the 50-meter freestyle and 50-meter back stroke for 12-year old girls.

Final results

- Girls 100 meter individual medley**
 1. Cen. Tina Newman, 2. MS Liz Roebuck, 3. Cen. Kim Barr.
- Boys 100 meter individual medley**
 1. MS Peter Bray, 2. Cen. Kirk Serjeantson, 3. MS Jason Ockenden.
- Girls 50 meter freestyle (age 10-11)**
 1. Cen. Kim Barr, 2. MS Gillian Balkind, 3. MS Amanda B.
- Boys 50 meter freestyle (age 10-11)**
 1. MS Mathew Fleet, 2. Cen. Wade Serjeantson, 3. Cen. Jason Turner.
- Boys 50 meter freestyle (age 12)**
 1. MS Jason Ockenden, 2. MS Gjerde Hilton, 3. Cen. Brad Bray.
- Girls 50 meter freestyle (age 12)**
 1. MS Liz Roebuck, 2. MS Sjooban Collatin, 3. MS Jane Ball.
- Girls 50 meter freestyle (age 13-14)**
 1. Cen. Tina Newman, 2. MS Kim Hagan, 3. MS Marge Parker.

- Girls 50 meter backstroke (age 10-11)**
 1. Cen. Kim Barr, 2. MS Stacey Patenaude, 3. Cen. Jennifer Arnold.
- Boys 50 meter freestyle (age 12-14)**
 1. MS Pete Bray, 2. Cen. Kirk Serjeantson, 3. Cen. Jon Newcombe.
- Boys 50 meter backstroke (age 10-11)**
 1. MS Mathew Fleet, 2. Cen. Wade Serjeantson.
- Girls 50 meter backstroke (age 12)**
 1. MS Liz Roebuck, 2. MS Jane Ball.
- Boys 50 meter backstroke (age 12)**
 1. MS Jason Ockenden, 2. Cen. Brian Terrell.
- Girls 50 meter backstroke (age 13-14)**
 1. Cen. Tina Newman, 2. MS Kim Hagan, 3. Cen. Karen Smith.



Janeen Robinson, a Grade 6 pupil at Mackenzie-Smith Public School, splashes her way through the 50-meter back stroke event at the North Halton Invitational Swim Meet last Tuesday in Acton. (Herald photo by Gerry Timbers)

Track club headed west

By GERRY TIMBERS
 Herald Sports Editor

A 17-man team from the Georgetown Track Club will travel to Jasper, Alta., in June, to tackle the world's toughest and most famous relay race.

Dr. Brian Markham, spokesman for the contingent, told The Herald last week that the group is now faced with the problem of raising \$5,000 to pay their expenses. The toughest hurdle, being accepted for the gruelling international competition, has been passed.

The Georgetown entry will be one of 100 17-man teams, including entries from the Barbados, Japan and the United States. There were hundreds of applicants to the event, of which the actual competitors were chosen by a random draw.

The actual race covers 182 miles from Jasper to Banff, Alta. Each member of the team will run a leg approximately 11 miles long.

Thirteen of the team members from Georgetown have been confirmed. They are Dr. Markham, Ib Olsen, Don Mashinter, Paul Burroughs, Adrian Beer, Bob Parker, Bob Danelli, Joe Cleary, Sean Cleary, Brandon Cleary, Mark Duncan, Tony Matthews and Drew Markham, a Georgetown native now living in Calgary.

"Drew will be organizing things from that end," Dr. Markham, his brother, said. The other Markham will look after lodging, food and travel arrangements.

The group are presently approaching business and community service groups in search of financing. They need \$5,000 and have set a June 1 deadline to raise that amount.

The race is scheduled for June 16, beginning at 12 noon.

Team completed

The Georgetown Track Club team that will compete in the Jasper relay marathon next month has been completed with the addition late Monday night of four more runners and a substitute.

Added to the 17-man Georgetown contingent are Ian Halliwell, Charlie Upshall, Scott Harris and Helmut Krohn. Dave Steen Sr. has been listed as a back-up, if one of the original 17 can't participate.

Team spokesman Dr. Brian Markham told The Herald that the winning time last year for the 182-mile race was 16 hours, 45 minutes and one second. That is a record pace, set by an Alberta-based entry.

"That's really moving," Dr. Markham laughed. The race is run in 17 11-mile segments.

Acton diver qualifies for nationals

Acton diver Michael Bowers has qualified for the Canadian Age-Group Championships, to be held May 16-21 in Edmonton.

Bowers, 14, qualified for the national finals Saturday at the University of Toronto Aquatic Complex, where he was competing as a member of the Etobicoke Diving Club.

He qualified in both the one-meter and three-meter springboard events, for 'A' divers aged 13-14.

Bowers needed an aggregate score of 310 points in each event to make the Canadian championships. Scoring was based on the degree of difficulty and the quality of execution on 10 separate dives.

Bowers earned 326 points to qualify in the three-meter event. His 311 points narrowly qualified him in the one-meter competition.

Both scores were personal bests for Bowers, who has been diving for almost four years.

Sixty divers competed at the qualifying meet in Toronto on the weekend, from as far away as Ottawa and London.



MIKE BOWERS

Rebel Cook on to OFSAA

By KAREN PAYNE
 Herald correspondent

The Georgetown District High School Rebel girls gymnastics team went to Mayfield High School in Snelgrove for the Peel-Halton tournament last week.

There were approximately 20 high schools there. Several Georgetown competitors placed high.

Junior Jennifer Snyder placed fourth in the floor event. Julie Taylor also placed fourth on bars and Rina Brosseau placed sixth on bars.

Laura Groskorth of the intermediate girls placed fourth on the balance beam and Lisa Graham of the senior girls placed fourth on the uneven bars.

The "Elite" division team consists of girls who have in the past competed in club competition. This puts them in a separate category from the straight school competitors because they have more experience.

In the Elite 'B' division, Gail Cook placed third overall in all events. She will be the only member of the team that will go to the provincial competition. She will be going to the Ontario finals, May 4 in St. Catharines.

Karen Herrman placed fourth overall in the Elite 'B' division. She will be accompanying Gail to the finals as her alternate.

Gail Eastwood, who made it to the Ontario finals last year, could not compete this year because of a wrist injury she received at the Halton finals warm-up.

"I was really disappointed about it because I know I could have made it to the Ontario finals again," Gail explained.

However, Gail did go along to the Peel-Halton to provide support for the team. She has been coaching the juniors throughout the duration of the season. Gail Cook, who made it to the finals, coached the intermediates during the season.

Purple girls win consolation

Edge Cold Lake Alta., 5-3

By SUE DUNNING
 Herald correspondent

During the Easter weekend the Georgetown Senior Girls hockey team, Order of the Royal Purple, participated in the Dominion Ladies Hockey Tournament at the Meadowvale Four Rinks.

This event is recognized as the world's largest women's tournament, with more than 140 teams participating from across North America. The teams are arranged into six categories ranging from 'A' to 'F' for the senior division, plus major and bantam for the younger players. Georgetown competed in the 'D' division against 21 other teams.

In their opening game Thursday night the girls dropped a 2-1 decision to the Saulfleet team in a close-fought match.

Denean Jones scored the lone marker with assists going to Sally Robertson and Martie Dunning.

Being placed in the consolation round, the girls went on to win

their next three games, beating Huntsville 9-0, Milverton 4-0, and Cold Lake 5-3.

The championship game proved to be a real thriller as the Alberta team and Georgetown battled to a 3-3 tie by the end of the second frame, with 4:50 remaining in the third period. Lisa Allen, assisted by Depean Jones, put the home team ahead for the first time. Alberta pressed hard in the final seconds with two extra attackers, as Georgetown

served a penalty, but Denean Jones put the game on the ice with a final empty net goal.

Top scorers for Georgetown were captain Lisa Allen with 11 points, Debby Osborne with seven points, and Denean Jones with six. Clare Carter earned four points while Martie Dunning and Jodi Peebles connected for three each. Singles went to Pam Anderson, Sally Robertson, Lauree Sears, Sharon Anderson and Sherri Geneau.

Once again, goaltender Joan Gilmer was outstanding in net, earning two shutouts and the lowest goals-against average in the 'D' division.

The coaching efforts of Rlv Kennedy Sr. and manager Bill King reflect in the team's very successful hockey season, highlighted by their winning the Halton League Championship, third place in the Provincial championships, and Consolation Championship at the Diminution Tournament.

Rebel badminton players out

By KAREN PAYNE
 Herald correspondent

Two members of the Georgetown District High School badminton team went to the Peel-Halton championships at Lester B. Pearson High School of Burlington last Tuesday.

Patricia Mew and Lloyd Newman competed in the singles events and lost their matches.

"Pat and Lloyd played very well considering the high level of their competition," explained coach Bob McKay.

"There was just no way the kids could compete with opposition that practices 12 months a year. Our kids practice only for the duration of the badminton season," Robin Heaver of Lester B. Pearson High

School has decided to try and make some changes in the competitive badminton format. When the season is over he will propose changes at a meeting in front of the Halton Athletic Association.

These changes would result in a very large change in organized high school badminton. The way things stand now club members and high school players compete. Heaver wants them separated.

"It's just too discouraging for the high school kids," McKay said. "I can't blame them if they don't want to play. No one wants to compete if their chances of success are next to nothing. The system now will be the death of

organized badminton. Kids will stop trying to get involved and the sport will die off."

"It is, however, quite encouraging that out of all the East Halton schools, Georgetown was the only school that had representatives in the finals. There are no club members in any of these schools and Georgetown's non-club members managed to make it as far as they did. I think this is definitely worth noting."

There were approximately 41 schools

Donker leads Chargers

Bob Donker set the pace for 60 runners at the York University Road Races on the weekend, winning the one-mile atom boys event in a time of 5 minutes, 17 seconds.

Donker, 12, sparked the Centennial Charger atom boys to a first-place overall finish, racing home 14 seconds ahead of the field. Teammate Mike Melville was fifth in the

same race, while Paul Lalonde was right behind him in sixth. Jeff Smith was 19th to complete Centennial's domination of the event.

The Charger atom girls were fourth overall, paced by Jenny Arnold's fifth-place finish. Paula Rand was 13th, while Kim Barr was 18th.

Twelve-year-old Nancy Cocks paced the Centennial bantam girls



PLAYING THE FIELD

GERRY TIMBERS
 Herald Sports Editor

Gemini goalie thanks team

It's two months after the fact, and Wayne Cowley can finally talk comfortably about THE goal.

THE goal came with less than two minutes remaining in regulation time, in the seventh and deciding game of the Georgetown Gemini - Mimico Monarch quarter-final playoff round.

Cowley ventured behind the Gemini net on a daring clearing attempt. He had taken matters into his own hands so many times before, and always, it seemed, emerged smelling like a rose.

It was not to be this night, however. The Central Ontario Junior 'B' League's all-star goaltender was poke-checked, and still out of position, when Monarch Jim Jordan fired the series-winning puck into a gaping, unoccupied mesh.

"For the first while, I felt the loss was my fault," Cowley said in a recent interview. "I was down, and feeling pretty much like a failure."

"It was a bad way to go out, and I felt bad for the guys who were in their final year. You hate to think about what might have been."

Cowley, who has a single year of junior eligibility remaining, toiled in the Gemini green and gold for almost three seasons. During that time he was cut and/or traded twice by the Streetsville Derbys, and once by the Junior 'A' Belleville Bulls. He narrowly missed out on a scholarship at Cornell University, where Georgetown's Brian Hayward apprenticed prior to graduating to the NHL's Winnipeg Jets.

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WAYNE COWLEY

He appeared in all but two of 40 Gemini regular-season contests this past winter, and many nights he was spectacular. If anyone would have reason to look back with regrets, or look forward with a touch of pessimism, it is Cowley.

He does neither, though.

"I am greatly indebted to the Gemini organization," Cowley maintains. "I got a chance to play in Georgetown. Jules Russiani showed confidence in me, until I had some confidence in myself."

Cowley has an interesting way of rationalizing away those long nights between the pipes at Gordon Alcott Arena. He looks back on several championship clubs during his minor hockey career in the MTHL, and even his brief stint with the powerhouse Derbys with mixed emotions. It's nice to be on a winner, but it's tough to sharpen your skills when you see just 15 shots per game.

"In Georgetown, I'd get a minimum of 15 shots per period," he laughs.

As for the future, Cowley talked with Rochester Americans coach Joe Crozier as recently as two weeks ago about a try-out.

Crozier is definitely interested, and has asked for a resume. He is withholding an invitation to training camp next year until he gets a complete scouting report on Wayne from a team official.

In the meantime, Cowley will keep sharp playing goal for industrial and recreational league teams over the summer. He is playing on two ball hockey teams, hoping all that running will keep him in shape.

Cowley hasn't ruled out the possibility of returning to Georgetown for another season. He vows he won't play in Streetsville, and he's not interested in jumping to the Port Credit Titans of the Metro League. A student at Humber College, Cowley is still hoping for an American university scholarship.

"I really don't have a clue about where I'll be playing next year," he admits.

Anyway, for the sake of nostalgia, one final look back on the elimination of the Gems courtesy of the best Junior 'B' goalie in the province.

"I admit I didn't give Mimico much thought before the series," Cowley says. "I didn't think they had a team that could beat us out. They won on heart, not on talent."

"The way we won last year."



NEW RAIDER EXECUTIVE

The Georgetown Senior 'A' Raiders elected their new executive and board of directors for the 1984-85 season, last Tuesday night at Cedarvale Community Center. The executive members are (front, left to right) third vice-president in charge of booster club, Ron Faulkner, fourth vice-president in charge of public relations, Don Olson, president Finn Poulatrup, treasurer Bob Hooper, second vice-president in charge of fund-raising, Al Walker and vice-president in charge of hockey operations, Dave Kenner. The directors are (back, left to right) Bill Spence, Michelle Segulne, B.L. Whitworth, Bruce Collins, Collin Brookes, Fred Engley, Ken Bellamy and Steve Gemel.

(Herald photo)