

"GOOD RETURN-Georgetown's Carolyn Griffiths makes a nice shot here during a match in last week's Halton Open hadminton tournament. Griffiths, along with partner Darren Kemp, lost this match to teammates Lloyd Yewman and Chris Harris in the mixed doubles event, narrowly missing a qualifying berth in this week's Peel-Halton event. Newman and Harris wound up winning the mixed doubles class. (Herald photo)

Baton twirling very serious sport

umbia six years ago under the

Baton Twirling. Most of the general public relate these two words to the cute little girls who "march" in parades or perform at football games, basically on par with cheerleaders or dancers. Well, that image to all competitive baton twirlers (who hate to be confused with majorettes) is dead and gone.

Baton twirling these days is a serious sport comparable to gympasties and skating. It involves long hours of dedication and practice and the sport, for the last six years, has Held world championships for its 14 member countries.

Twelve local twirlers who comdrise a division of the newly formed Batons East Lazer Twirling Club" are working hard to earn recognition this year in this sport. Previously known as the Georgetown Majoretres, the twirlers have a new name, new look and new goals.

?The Batons East Lazers are the Abling to the Batons West Twirling Club that originated in British Col-

coaching of Darlene Corbett Darlene's club in the West then spread to include athletes from Alberta and Manitoba. Then last summer Darlene moved to Untario to be close to fiancee Tim King, a well known Eastern coach and judge tyes males twirl too!). Together they have formed the Batons East Twirling Club that at present includes twirlers from all over lower Ontario with the majority here in Georgetown. The Batons East and West Clubs are unique in that they are the only clubs that, under one name, encompass twirlers from across the country. In fact the 1985 B.C. Provincial Champion, Coreena Robertson, moved from Georgetown six years ago when her parents mov-

Changing an image is not easy as the twirlers are realizing but they appear eager and willing to work at it. Their first open competition is coming up on May 3 in Pickering

where all twelve will compete in at



NEW CLUB-The Lazers are the new baton twirting club in Georgetown. they're busy preparing for competition May 3. Members of the club are thack row, left to right) ('indy Clarke, Kristel Tretter, Carla Jackson, Jenoffer Doyle, Andrea Chisholm, (front row) Susan Thibideau, Cindy Smith, Beanne Gulgnard, Cheryl Frost and (absent) Christina Laue, Laura Doyle. Herald photo)

Softball league looking for players

The Kinsmen girls softball league is still looking for players between the ages of 7-19 to register for the

1986 season. The registration fees are \$25 for a

person and \$40 per family. These custs cover a team sweater and Individual-team photos.

The girls are divided up onto cams in three age classes (Junior 210 years, Intermediate 10-14 years hdd Senior 15-19 years). That way girls play with others the same age

The junior division is an excellent way to start a youngster off in baseball. As well as having fun, the Mayers are put onto teams with qualified coaches and are taught Unsic fundamentals.

The Intermediate division con-Bnues the fun and excitement and moves on to more competitive ventures. The coaches allow players to periment with each position and help them find an appropriate posi-

The senior division is much the same as the intermediate except that the players are older and more experienced.

For those wishing more information to register, contact Jim Ford, 23 MeIntyre Cres., L7G 1N5.

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Badminton teams qualify for Peel-Halton

Rebel teams off to meet

The Georgetown District High School badminton team will be sending we squads to this week's Peel-Halton Open badminton competi-

The qualification came the result of Thursday's Halton Open event held at Burlington's Assumption high school. There Georgetown's Chris Harris and Lloyd Newman won the mixed doubles competition with four consecutive victories. Also, the men's doubles team of Tim Davis and Brian Kemp finished fourth to go on to the Peel-Halton event as the top four in each class advanced.

Harris and Newman defeated a club due from Milton to clinch top spot in the mixed doubles class Rebels coaches Bob McKny and Mavis O'Neil said both players did well in the match.

"Chris' serve was setting Lloyd up well," O'Neil said, "Both have good court sense and complement each other well."

"I think Lloyd was frustrating the other male player," McKay commented. "The Milton guy was disguising his shots well but he couldn't get one by Lloyd.

"Chris played well too," McKay added. "I think she's a much better athlete than people give her credit

Kemp and Davis were able to split their four games to record their fourth place finish. In the end the team had to defeat an E.C. Drury club team in order to make the qualification.

The Rebels also had two other

Ancker fifth

Acton High School's Peggy Ancker just missed in qualifying for this week's Peel-Halton badminton championships.

Ancker competed in last week's Halton Open meet, and finished in (ifth spot in the ladies singles competition. In each class the top four advanced to Peel-Halton.

least one solo event. Two new teams

will also be performed (when four or

more twirl together). Then the next

day on May 4 also in Pickering three

of the 12, Carla Jackson, Susan,

Thibideau and Cheryl Frost will, for

the first time, compete for positions

on the Provincial Team. This com-

petition called the Ontario "Team

Trials" choses, the Provinces top

five Junior women, top five Senior

women and top five Men com-

petitors who will then represent On-

tario at the Canadian National Team

Trials slated for Toronto June 30

through July 6. At these trials the top

three in each of the previously men-

tioned divisions will earn the right to

represent Canada at the World

Championships in the Netherlands

in August. It is not likely that any of

the three Georgetown girls will

qualify for the National Team vet

but it is possible that they could earn

one of the five Provincial positions.

It is quite an accomplishment for the

girls to be even giving it a shot after

only one year and Tim and Darlene are very pleased with the club's progress and enthusiasm thus far. The Batons West Club has already plac-

ed four of its athletes on the National

Team, two of whom were last year's

Senior Women's Gold Medalist, and

the Men's Gold Medalist. Both of

these athletes placed in the top five at the World Championships tast

The Georgetown Lazers are working hard to fund raise for the upcom-

ing competitive season and they

thank the Georgetown community

who helped support them in their recent twirlathon. The money raised

will go towards the rental of training facilities (a high ceiling and a smooth floor are required) and

Hopefully in the years to come

Baton Twirling will gain the respect it deserves as a World Class sport

and Georgetown has a club to help do just that. If anyone would like fur-

ther information on the club contact

Barb Jackson at 877-5021.

year in Frankfurt Germany.

travel costs.

Ancker finished with a record of one win against two losses.

teams competing in the Halton event. The mixed doubles team of Darren Kemp and Carolyn Griffith were fifth overall while Mike Hurley was also fifth in the men's singles

competition. Kemp and Griffiths had a chance to qualify for the Peel-Halton event had they defeated a Milton team in their qualifying match. Despite having beaten the team in both the Halton East and Halton team championships, Kemp and Griffiths came up flat and lost out 21-10.

"They just picked a bad time to play a bad game," O'Neil commented.

As for Hurley, both coaches were April 25-26

pleased with his play. In the qualifying match the Rebel lost a tough 21-19 decision. "Mike played the best game we've

seen him play in any tournament," O'Neil said. "In the men's singles the top four were club players, and we were pleased with how he played."

As for how the two Peel-Halton bound teams will do, both coaches know the competition will be in-

"It will be tough," McKay said. The top two competitors in each class will advance to the all-Ontario event being held in New Liskeard'

Basketball loop crowns its champs

The Georgetown Ladies Basketball League decided its championship and consolution winners last

Mustangs defeated Cougars 82-57 to lay claim to the league title by winning the best-of-three series in two games. Anita Stankus led the way for the winners with 26 points while Sue Tesar and Corrine Buisman both chipped in with 16 points each. Chung Kim had 16 points for Cougars, as did Rebecca Caverly. Sue Cockburn chipped in with 15 points also.

In the consolation title matchup Trojans defeated Capricorns 60-43 to win that best-of-three series in two games. Trojans' title win ended the season off in a fine way for the team which was in last spot all season. Kyra Kristensen-Irvine led the way for the winners with 27 points while Lynn Cartwright had 14 points also. Kerry O'Neil had 17 points for Capricorns while Tracey Yorke and Silvia Oprica both had 10 points.

The league will be holding its awards banquet Apr. 23 at the Squires Inn in Brampton.



LEAGUE CHAMPS-Mustangs won the Georgetown Ladles Basketball crown last week by defeating Cougars in two straight games. Team members include front row; Joy Thompson, Melanie McCracken, Mary-Anne Harrison, Corrine Buisman, Diane Gardiner and Lorraine Brown. Back row: Anita Stankus and Sue Tesar, (Herald photo)

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Upcoming challenge

The Town of Halton Hills has challenged the Town of Caledon in the Great Canadian Participaction Challenge! On Wednesday, May 28, 1986 let's see every resident participate in any physical activity that makes your heart beat faster like walking, jogging, swimming, cycling, etc., for 15 continuous minutes.

Watch your newspaper for more details as the date grows nearer!

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Thanks to a generous donation from Wm. Neilson Co. Ltd. the Recreation and Parks Department will again this year be able to register your Fitness Challenge activity by phone. On Wednesday, May 28, after you have exercised for 15 minutes, call the Neilson's Challenge Hotline 873 1878 to be included in the final count.

Riding tips

The Halton Hills Recreation and Parks Department is planning two one night workshops for youth 10 years and up. Learn some basic moves on a skate board. The instruction will focus around the key skills of balance and movement with a strong emphasis on safety while riding. Helmets, knee and elbow pads must be worn. Join us Wednesday, May 7 at The Georgetown Memorial Arena or on Wednesday, May 14 at the Acton Arena. Pre-registration is a must so call 877-5185 ext. 260, 219 or drop in to either Recreation and Parks Department Office.

Fishing workshop

The Town of Halton Hills Recreation and Parks Department is hosting a four week workshop on fishing, beginning April 22. Renowned area fishing expert, George Hoare, will be hosting these seminars and will cover a variety of topics including selection and care of equipment and tackly, fly tying techniques and where to fish in Halton. Sign up now for this fun and informative program! For more information please call 877-5185 ext. 260.

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