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Barrow full of medals for GFSC

Members of the Georgetown Figure Skating Club (GFSC) were a busy bunch on the Jan. 18 weekend, travelling to London for the Great Lakes Winter Skating Festival.

The local contingent needed a wheelbarrow to bring home their medal haul. In total the GFSC members grabbed five gold medals, four silver and seven bronze medallions.

Brooke Remenda led the Georgetown contingent with a gold medal in the Preliminary Elements and a bronze in the Preliminary Freeskate competitions.

The other double medal winner were Michael Fedchyshen and Lesley Watson. Fedchyshen earned a silver in Junior Bronze Elements and a bronze medal in the Preliminary Freeskate competition. Watson was second in the Pre-Juvenile Freeskate and third in the Junior Bronze Elements.

Other gold medal winners included Nadine Holmes (Pre-Preliminary Figures), Robin Ransom (Preliminary Figures), Erin Longworth (Pre-Preliminary Figures) and Christina Dawson (First Figure).

Silver medalists included Peter Johnson (Preliminary Provincial Figure and Freeskate) and Rose-Marie Gimeno (Pre-Juvenile Freeskate).

Ashley Monckton (Preliminary Elements), Danielle Dembie (Pre-Juvenile Freeskate), Cindy Benner (Pre-Preliminary Figures) and Sarah Arnesen (Second Figure) all earned bronze medals for their efforts.

Other skaters finishing in the top eight of their competitions were Mandi Brown, Louise Hatton, Tara Hart and Janice Somers.



Georgetown Figure Skating Club members with the top eight finishes at the Great Lakes Winter Skating Festival are (front row, from left) Cindy Benner, Ashley Monckton (second row) Erin Longworth, Rose-Marie Gimeno, Janice Somers, Mandi Brown, (third row) Nadine Holmes, Peter Johnson, Sarah Arnesen, (fourth row) Robin Ransom, Christine Dawson, Lesley Watson, (back row) Tara Hart, Danielle Dembie, Michael Fedchyshen and Louise Hatton. Missing is Brooke Remenda.

Major Novices edged aside 2-1

The Georgetown Beaver Lumber "AA" Major Novice hockey club came up short Sunday, Jan. 20, at Georgetown Memorial Arena with the Ancaster Marshall

Farms team. The final score 2-1, with Ancaster the victors.

The first period saw Jamie Larocque, Trevor Cash and Dereck Elliot apply solid pressure

in the Ancaster zone at the 7:42 mark. Ryan Carter made a goal scramble save with no rebound at the 4:25 mark to keep the score notched at 0-0.

Ancaster finally scored on a breakaway at the 2:30 mark on a good, low corner shot just inside the post.

The second period saw Tyler Pearce make two great body saves on clear breakaways to keep Georgetown in the game. Trevor Cash never stopped hustling for Georgetown. Bryan Studdard played solid defence, as the second period ended 1-0.

The third period saw Georgetown gain the edge of the play with Dan Smith, Matt Hotham, Jason Campbell and Scott Ellis all having good scoring opportunities.

Ancaster scored, however, at the 5:05 mark after Tyler Pearce made the initial stop.

Georgetown, now behind 2-0, pulled out all the stops.

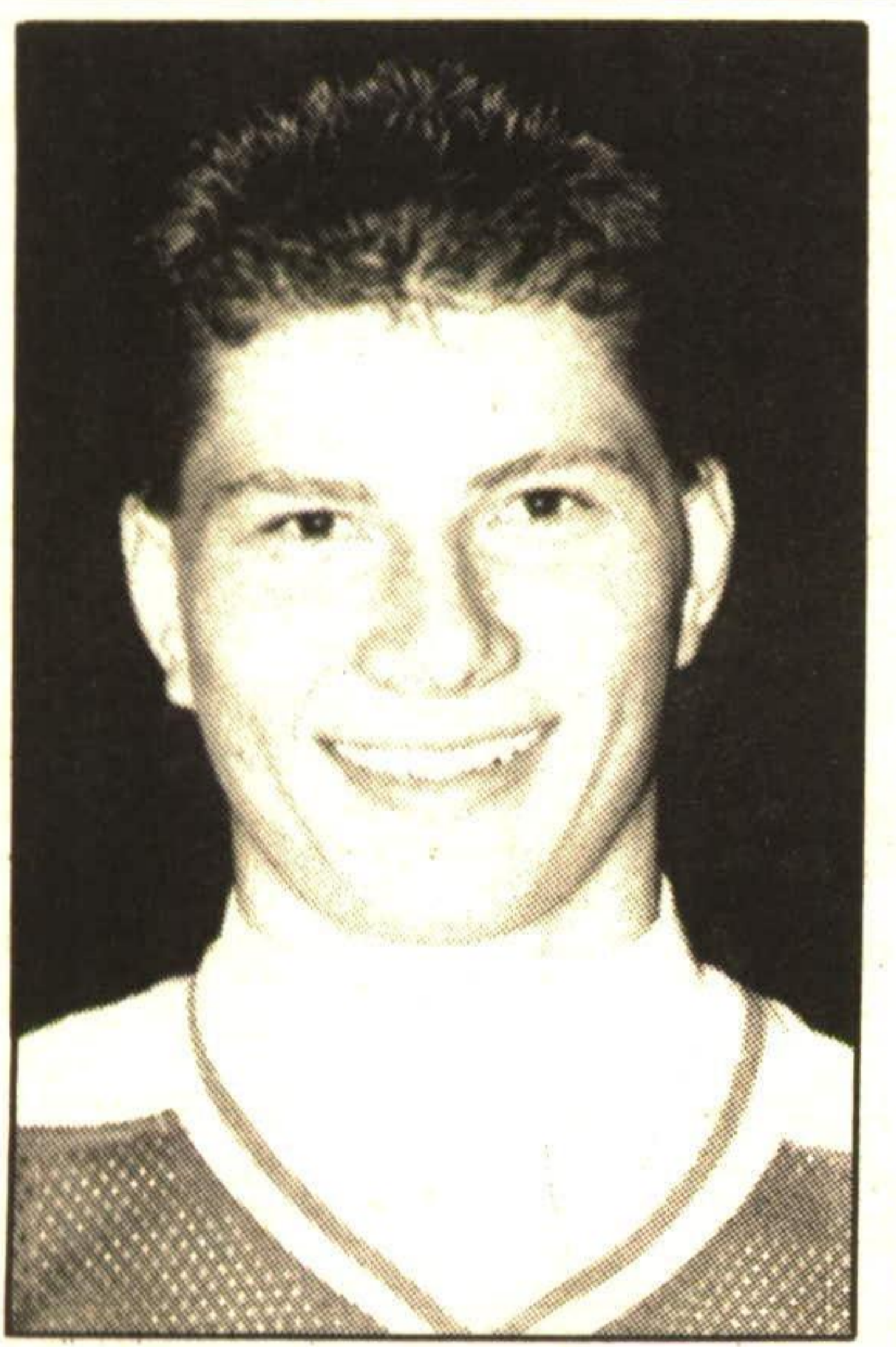
Ryan Bobor had a great shot from the point stopped at the 1:04 mark with Scott Elliot anxiously looking for a rebound. Georgetown pulled their goaltender at the 45 second mark and it paid off - Matt Hotham scored at the 28 second mark assisted by Jason Campbell and Scott Ellis.

With the score now 2-1 and their goaltender still out, Georgetown applied strong pressure and Matt Hotham again had a good shot on net only to be turned aside by an excellent save at the 17 second mark.

Bennett on All-Stars a second time

For the second time in as many years, Georgetown native Adam Bennett has been named to the Ontario Hockey League All-Star team.

The 6'2", 210-pound, defenceman for the Sudbury Wolves, will face off against the Quebec Hockey League All-stars in a televised game Tuesday night. The game will be shown for the first time on The Sports Network.



Acton Travel loses playoff opener

Acton Travel Midgets are fighting from behind after losing the opening game of their best of five Ontario Minor Hockey Association playoff series with Fergus.

The Acton crew finished on top of their Hub League standings, while Fergus couldn't get past third, but that didn't matter at the Acton arena Tuesday.

Fergus roared back from a 2-0 deficit to take a 4-2 lead in the third period, then watched the Travellers even things up. But it was Fergus that found the net in overtime, scoring twice in the 10-minute period, final score 6-4.

Game two is next Monday in Fergus, game three Tuesday in Acton.

Sabres rally from behind for 9-8 victory

Neither snow nor sleet nor being shorthanded could deter the Acton Sabres from their appointed goals Wednesday evening in Alliston as the Mid-Ontario Junior C hockey team nailed down third spot with a 9-8 triumph over the Hornets.

The Sabres battled several elements in the contest. Poor road conditions forced the locals to arrive late, they made the trip with eight regulars missing from the line-up and when things finally got started, the Sabres found themselves behind 4-1.

The Sabres did like many good teams, though, rallying in the final half of the middle frame to claim a 6-5 lead after 40 minutes. The two teams exchanged goals in the final period and the Sabres escaped with a 9-8 win and their 19th victory against only 12 defeats.

Jason Lucas and Jim English each scored three times for the Acton squad while Rich Bond, Paul

Larsen and Adam Hilts added the others.

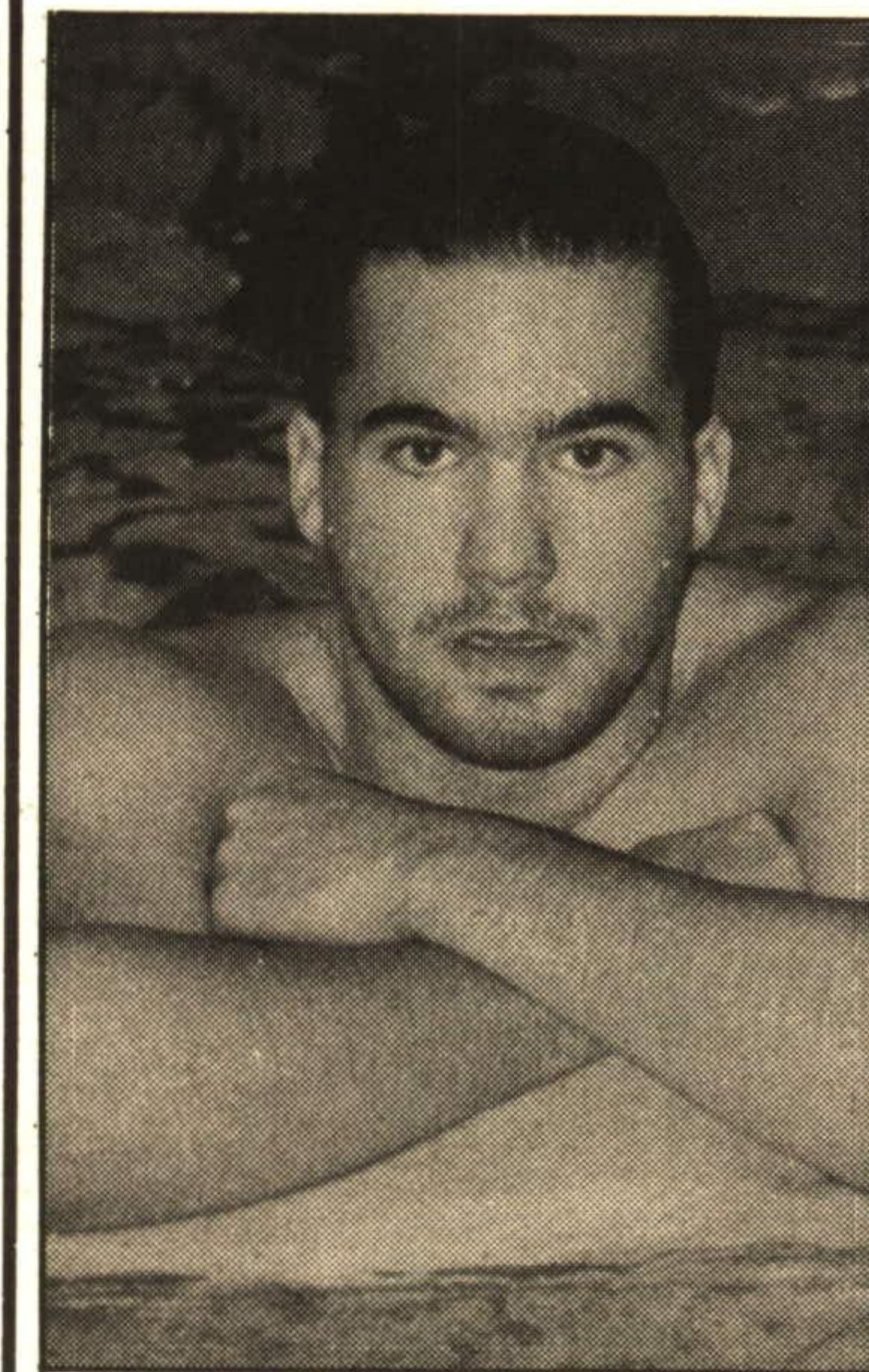
Jim Mantione started between the pipes for Acton but gave way to Greg Powell at the mid-point of the contest. The Sabres played without Jeff Shevalier, Crag Cullen, Rob Boyle, Mark Broomersma, John Van Dam, Bob Gagnon, Jesse Nadon and Ed Kopf for a variety of reasons.

The Sabres still have an outside shot at second in the final standings but will need a victory or two on the weekend when they host Schomberg and Orangeville in a doubleheader. Friday the Cougars invade Acton in a must win game for the Sabres. League leading Orangeville is in town Saturday.

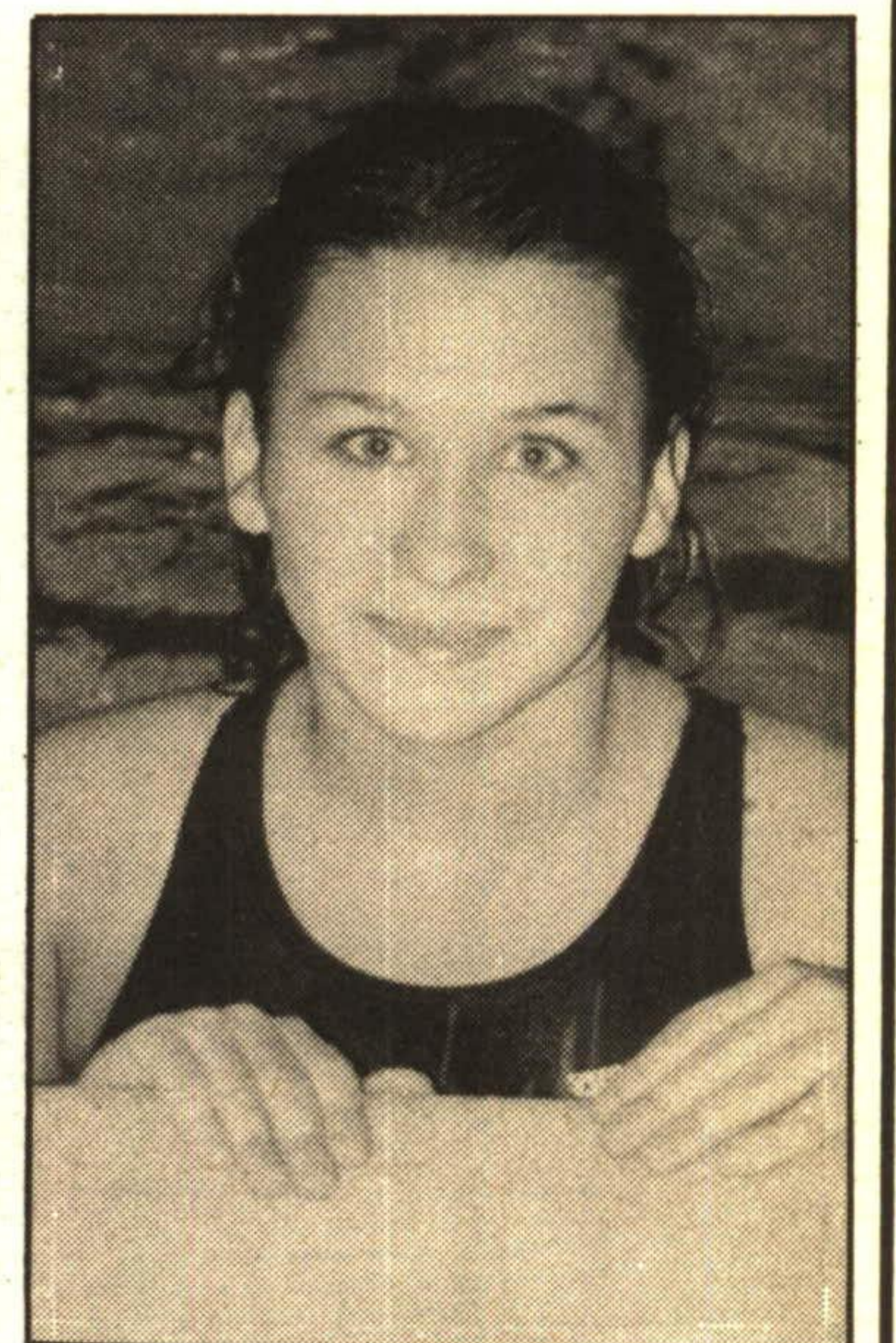
The Sabres wind up the season in Fergus next Friday. A second place finish would earn them a bye in the opening round of playoffs. Third would mean a battle with the last place Fergus Devils.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

At Acton High...



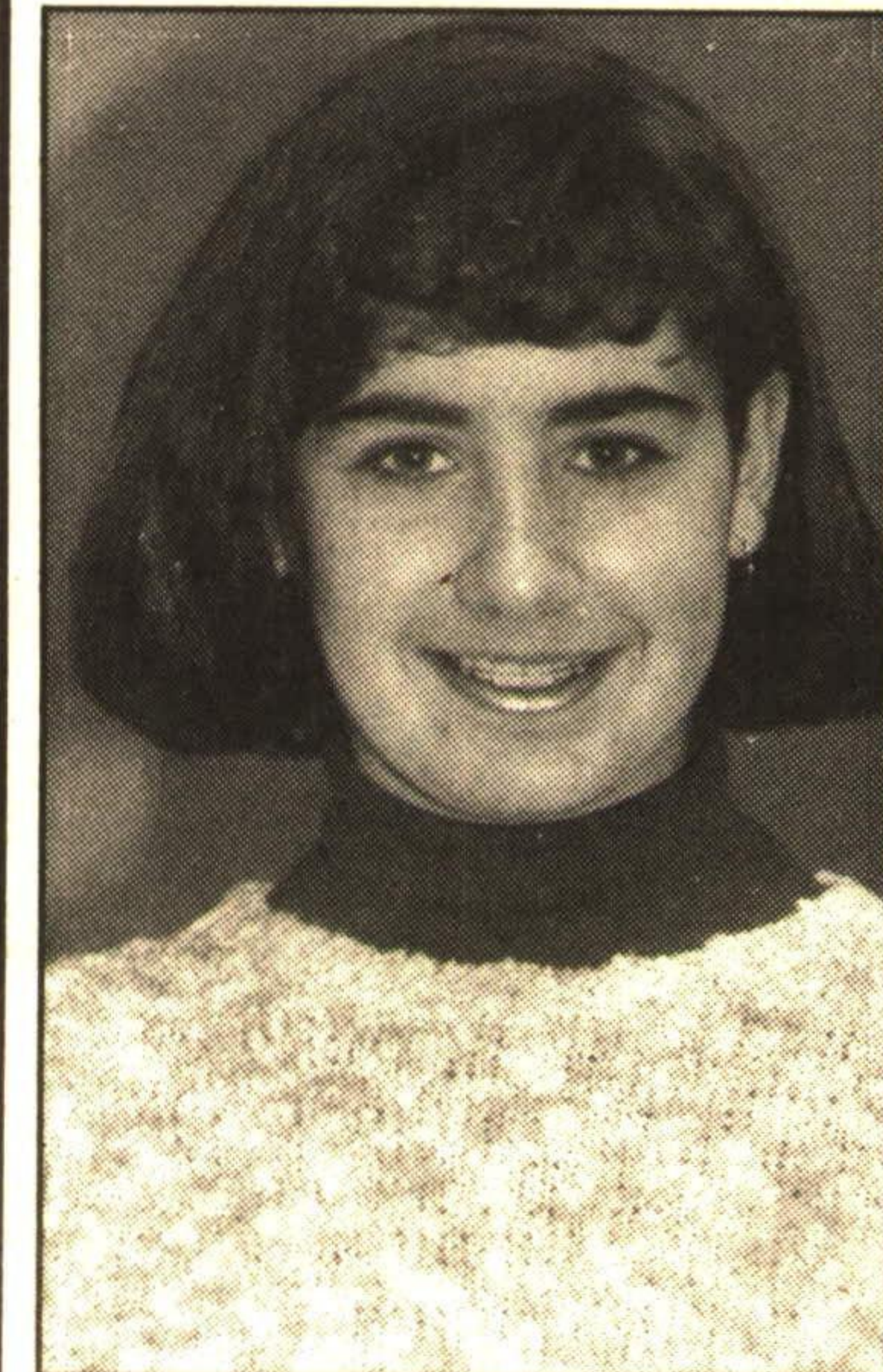
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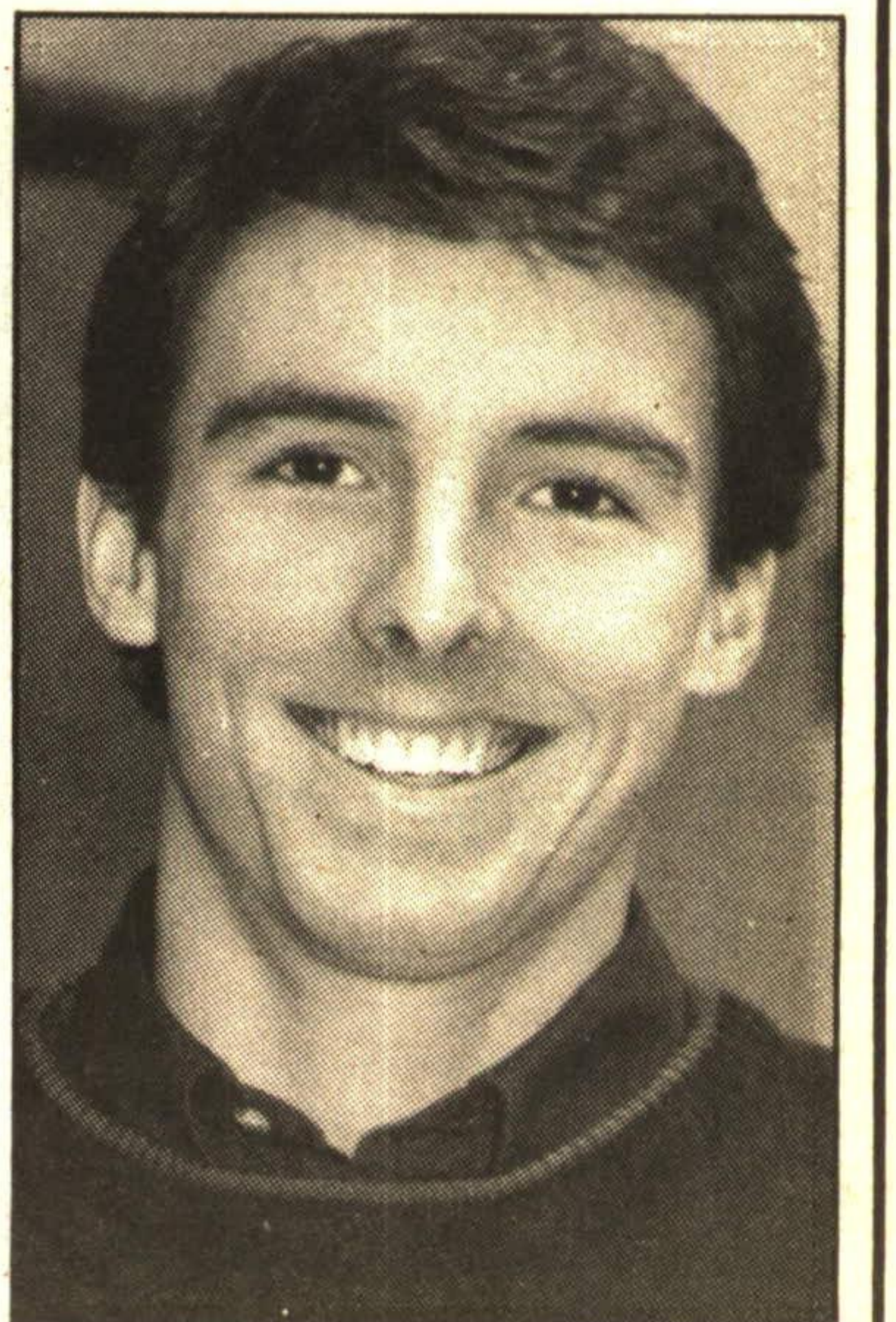
TRACY MAYNE

In Acton's recent swim meet with M.M. Robinson High School, Tracy Mayne finished first in the senior girls' 50, 100 and 200-metre freestyle, while Todd Deforest placed second in the senior boys' 50-metre butterfly and 100 and 200-metre freestyle.

At Georgetown High...



JEN ECCLES



DAVE LAWRENCE

GDHS lost its senior boys' basketball match-up with Nelson, but forward Dave Lawrence earned praise for his consistent defensive playing in holding the score to 24-8. In junior girls' volleyball against Acton and Notre Dame, middle Jen Eccles anchored her team skillfully, helping it hold a tie for first place in the Richardson Division.