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Locals loom large at Legion shoot

The best news this week is the achievement of Georgetown and Acton's players at the Legion Zone shoot for singles and doubles last Saturday.

Ron Scarlett came through the draw to win the singles championship title. His play, although not brilliant, was certainly gritty to the extreme. For instance, Rod Leech, Acton, had Scarlett at double 20 against 266 and lost. Leech had Scarlett on the ropes and simply could not obtain the killing finishing double. That epitomized the Scarlett performance all day. The final was against home club player, Wally Drinkwater, a former winner (some twelve years or so ago).

Drinkwater tried all the gamesmanship at his command, including a "horse-pawing" move of the mat before each throw and several witty comments, all to no avail, especially when Scarlett replied in kind at a crucial point in the second leg of the final. In the last leg Scarlett went to town with high scores and a quick finish.

The doubles combination of Bruce Hope/Ian McDonald almost made the rostrum. They finished in second place to four year winners in succession, old warhorse, George Hyde and Larry Cumming. The boys actually defeated the winners in the earlier round robin play. Hope/McDonald threw some excellent darts although appearing a little nervous having reached this stage of the competition.

Two doubles squads from Acton also made the last four, including Rich Kilpatrick and last minute partner Ken Filditch.

Scarlett, together with Hope/McDonald, Kilpatrick/Filditch and the other duo have qualified for the district round later this month in East Hamilton.

Mean time, it is the four player teams tourney which is set for this Saturday, again at Cooksville. And, here's hoping for another great performance from the local teams.

For the second week in succession Bracky's Boys faced strong opposition. McGibbon won four singles in succession and a double with Bracky's taking the remainder in a 9-5 win. Legion Three recorded a victory over Charley's One by the same score. This keeps the Halton league first place with Bracky's by the same five points. McGibbon remains third.

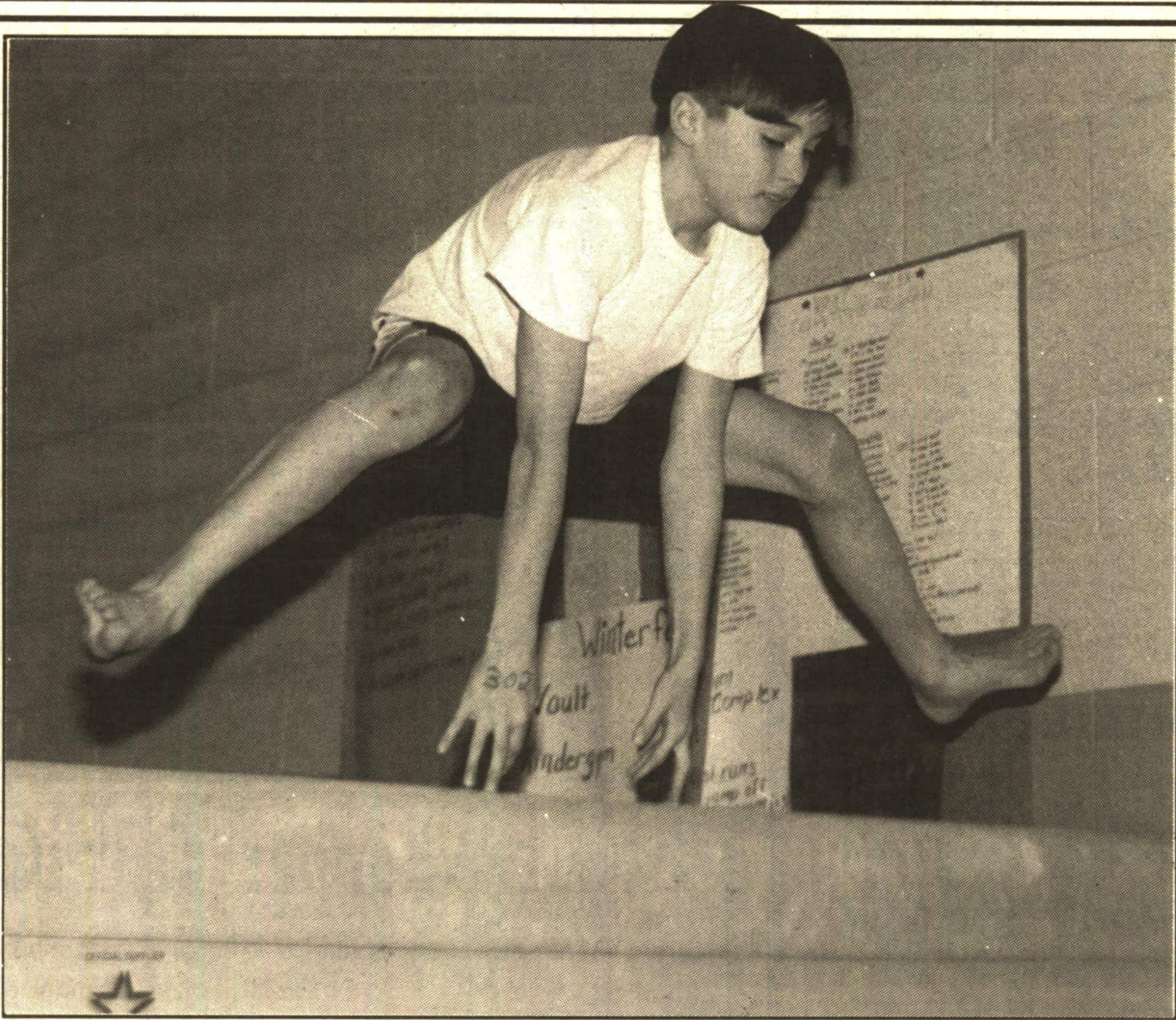
Fourth place belongs to Legion Four, who managed a 7-7 tie with Time Out Two. Legion Four have a habit of tying matches this season, this their fourth. Charleys One are in fifth spot and holding.

Royal Pizza took out Copper Kettle by an impressive 10-4, bring them closer to Charleys, now only five points adrift in sixth place.

The bottom two teams fought it out and Charley Two came well out on top by 12-2.

A proposal to extend the season through March and April was introduced at the last captain's meeting. This is a trial run playoff proposal for next season.

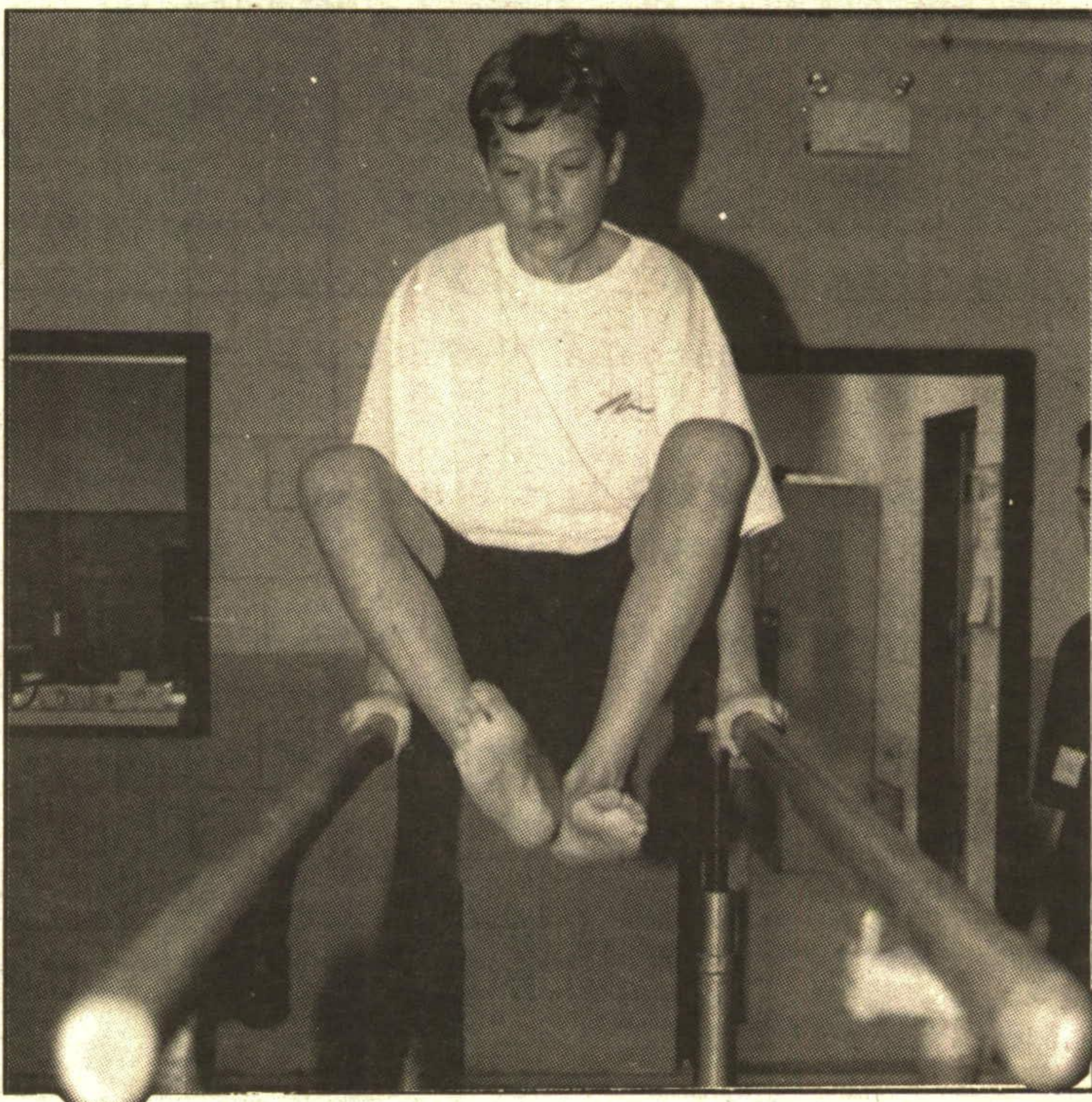
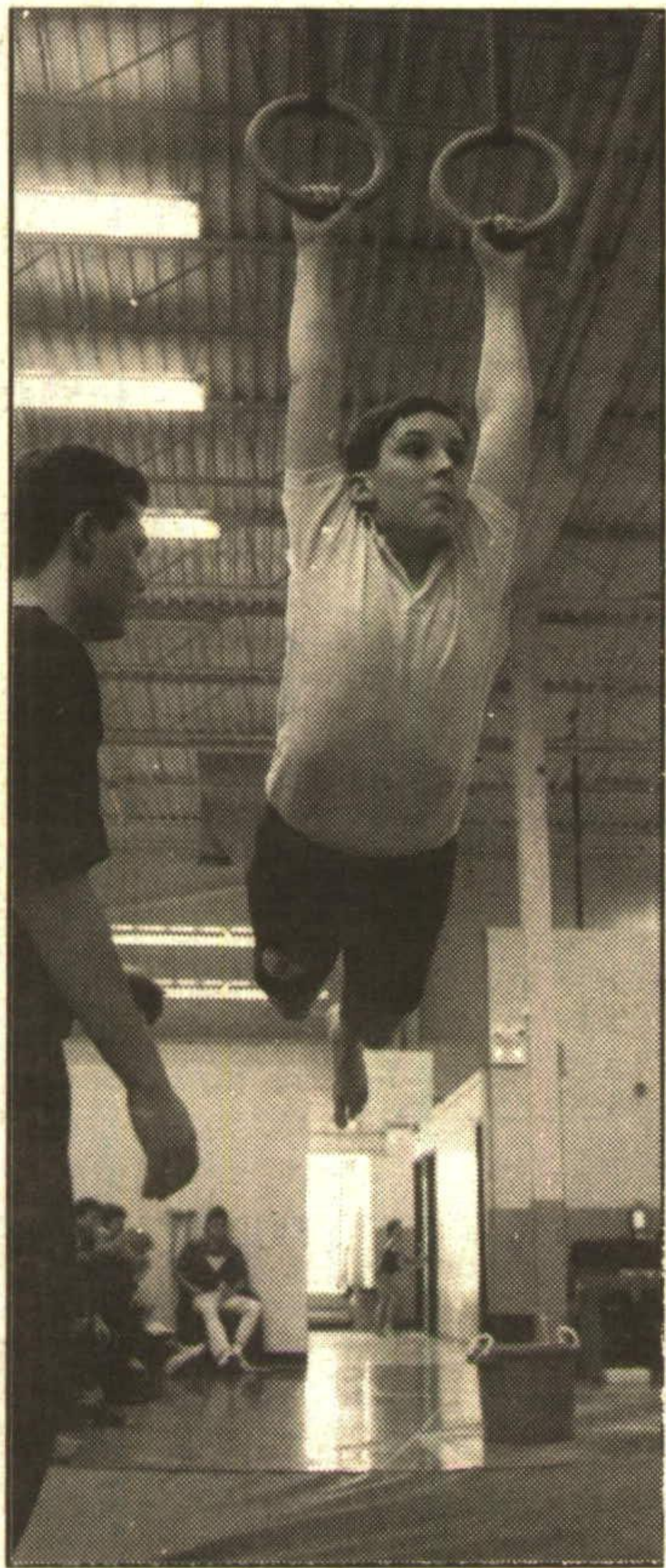
The proposal will be given an airing at the general meeting on March 20, just prior to the singles playoffs.



A real Winterfest

For the first time, the boys got an opportunity to compete as the Halton Hills Gymnastics Club held their Winterfest Gymnastics Competition at the local club last weekend. The recreational level boys competed in six different elements, including vault (top), horizontal bar (right), parallel bars (below right) and rings (below). Some 135 gymnasts between the ages of 3 1/2 and 13 years of age took part in the event.

Photos by LAURA SALVERDA



Matthews earns gold for Rebels

By STEVE LeBLANC

Special to The Independent/Free Press

The Georgetown Rebels' Nordic Ski team had a great day on the snow-capped hills of Duntroon (in Collingwood) last Thursday and turned in some impressive showings at the Halton/GHAC Cross-Country Ski Championships.

A total of 10 GDHS skiers braved the cold weather and qualified for the All-Ontario (OFSAA) finals.

"I was very pleased with the results," said coach John Moore, "This is the largest team from Georgetown to ever qualify for the OFSAA finals."

Heading up the local ski squad last week were Kevin Taylor and Ellen-Louise Matthews. Matthews tore up the five kilometre course to take first place honors in the senior girls' race.

Taylor, a junior OFSAA bronze medalist last season, moved up to the senior circuit and blew away his competition - finishing the 10K event over three minutes ahead of everyone else.

He anchored the GDHS senior boys' team that finished second overall. Bryan Rusche placed sixth, Paul Burgess finished 11th and Bruce Ryan completed the course in 14th position.

Also taking a second place team finish were the junior boys, led by Tim Grant who raced to a second place showing in the 5K event. Teammates Brian Hunt and Davin Kivisto took seventh and eighth spots respectively and Rob Harrison rounded out the team's efforts with a 12th place performance.

Hole qualifies

The Georgetown qualifying round for the 1994-5 Pin Bowling Championship CBC series was held at Georgetown Bowl recently.

This 10-game competition produced many exceptional games, highlighted by the 351 game rolled by Brinley Hole in addition to his 338 and 327.

Brinley Hole's 300 games powered him to the top and an official entry into the Provincial Finals. The runner-up position was captured by Rob Harrison.

Brinley's average for the ten game session was over 266. Hole will be aiming for a berth on the CBC Television roll-off against champions from other provinces and a slice of the \$50,000 prize money.

Georgetown Youth bowlers traveled to Orillia for the provincial championships of the Ontario Combo Tournament. The team of bantam Brendan Louth, junior Michael Cluney and senior Jason Dinney finished third in the pins-over-average event. Brendan Louth was 166 over average, Michael Cluney plus 78 and Jason Dinney 82. It was Jason Forsyth of Windsor with a plus 232 that gave his team the win. Brockville claimed the silver medal.

Athletes of the Week

Georgetown District High School Athletes of the Week are Tracy Tabuchi and Mitch Dodd. Tracy earned the top female athlete honor for her efforts on the junior girls' swim team, earning four firsts at a recent meet. Dodd captured gold medals in wrestling at the Halton Junior and Ontario Cadet championships. Acton High Female Athlete of the Week is Shari Patenaude. The grade 11 swimmer helped her team to a bronze in a mixed relay event in Windsor. Acton's Male Athlete of the Week, John Eddolls, was also a member of the bronze medal swim squad.



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