

Bonnell clears regional hurdle in fight for OFSAA berth

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It's what you would call just another day at the track for Amanda Bonnell on May 19.

Competing in the Golden Horseshoe Athletic Conference track and field championships, the Acton high school speedster tore up the McMaster University track in Hamilton with a first place finish in the midget girls' 300-metre hurdles.

Bonnell, the Halton record-holder in the event, finished in a time of 47.0 seconds — 2.3 seconds faster than the record she set at the Halton championships in Burlington the week before.

In addition to her hurdles success, Bonnell managed a second place finish in the 400-metre event

with a time of 61.0 seconds.

With a berth in the Ontario championships at stake, she competed in both events at the provincial South Regionals on Thursday, also at McMaster.

For Georgetown District high school, Matt Brain led the Rebel track athletes at the GHAC championships.

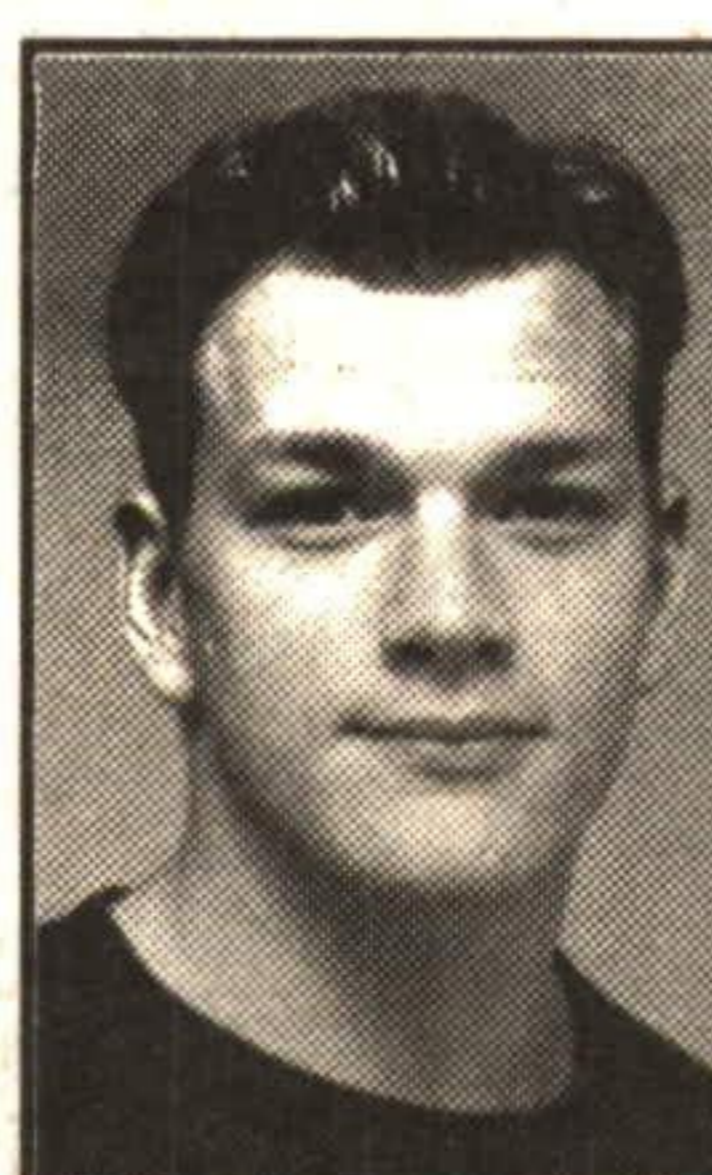
Brain qualified for the regionals in four different events and, according to track coach Bevin Clark, was expected to advance to the Ontario championships in at least one.

Brain finished first in the senior boys' javelin, third in the high jump, fourth in the 400-metres and was a member of the fourth place open 4 x 400-metre relay team.

On the girls' side, three different Georgetown athletes qualified for



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the regionals in three events each. Lisa McDonald was first in the junior girls' javelin, third in the discus and was a member of the 4 x 100-metre relay team which finished fifth.

Andrea LeBannister was another member of the 4 x 100-metre relay

team. LeBannister also cracked the top five with a second place showing in the junior girls' 300-metre hurdles and fifth place as a member of the girls' open 4 x 400-metre relay team.

Helen Raynard was the other Rebel girl to qualify for three events at the regionals. Raynard was second in the midget girls' triple jump, third in the long jump and fourth in the shot put.

Other Georgetown qualifiers: Midget Girls — 80-metre hurdles-5. Julie Bottomley; Triple jump-4. Bottomley; 800-metres-4. Roanne Sones; High jump-2. Sarah Arnesan.

Midget Boys — 800-metres-4. Sam Southworth; 1,500-metres-5. Southworth; Discus-3. Darren Marten.

Junior Girls — 4 x 100-metre relay-5. Cindy Wilson, Alison Jones, McDonald, LeBannister, Melanie McFarlane (alternate).

Junior Boys — 110-metre hurdles-3. Jorg Schmidt; Triple jump-3. Schmidt; 800-metres-5. Rick Vivian; Discus-3. Kevin Taylor; High jump-2. Ryan Howitt.

Senior Girls — 400-metres-2. Erica Booth; 100-metre hurdles-2. Kim Wiltshire; Triple jump-2. Wiltshire.

Senior Boys — 400-metre hurdles-1. Randy Bond.

Open Girls — 4 x 400-metre relay-5. Booth, McFarlane, Susie Jones, LeBannister, Rachel Hepburn (alternate).

Open Boys — 4 x 400-metre relay-4. Vivian, Paul Burgess, Dave Sands, Brain, Bond (alternate).

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Battle of Acton

The Halton Hills Furniture girls' squirt softball league returned to the diamond at Acton's Prospect Park on May 17. In the end, Glen "B" had an easy time disposing of Acton "B" 25-4. On May 19, Acton "A" narrowly defeated Acton "B" 17-16 in a game played at Robert Little school. The difference for Acton "A" was a sixth inning home run.

Canadian Open

There will be a whole lot more green on the greens of the Bell Canadian Open golf tournament in September. Organizers announced last week that prize money at the only PGA stop in Canada has increased by 50 per cent to a whopping \$1.8 million. The winner's share will now be \$324,000. The tourney will take place at Oakville's Glen Abbey Golf Club September 5-11.

On target

Danielle Aubin of Georgetown District high school was right on target at the Ontario Invitational Archery Tournament in Richmond Hill last week.

Aubin shot her way to a silver medal in the compound limited individual class with a score of 528 out of a possible 600.

"We're very pleased. She's really worked hard," said coach Shirley White.

Co-coach Bev Mascola said the accomplishment was even more impressive because Aubin has only been involved in archery for two years.

Four other Georgetown archers turned in top ten performances. They were:

-Mark Rattenbury, 7th in boys compound (unlimited) division, score of 533 out of 600;

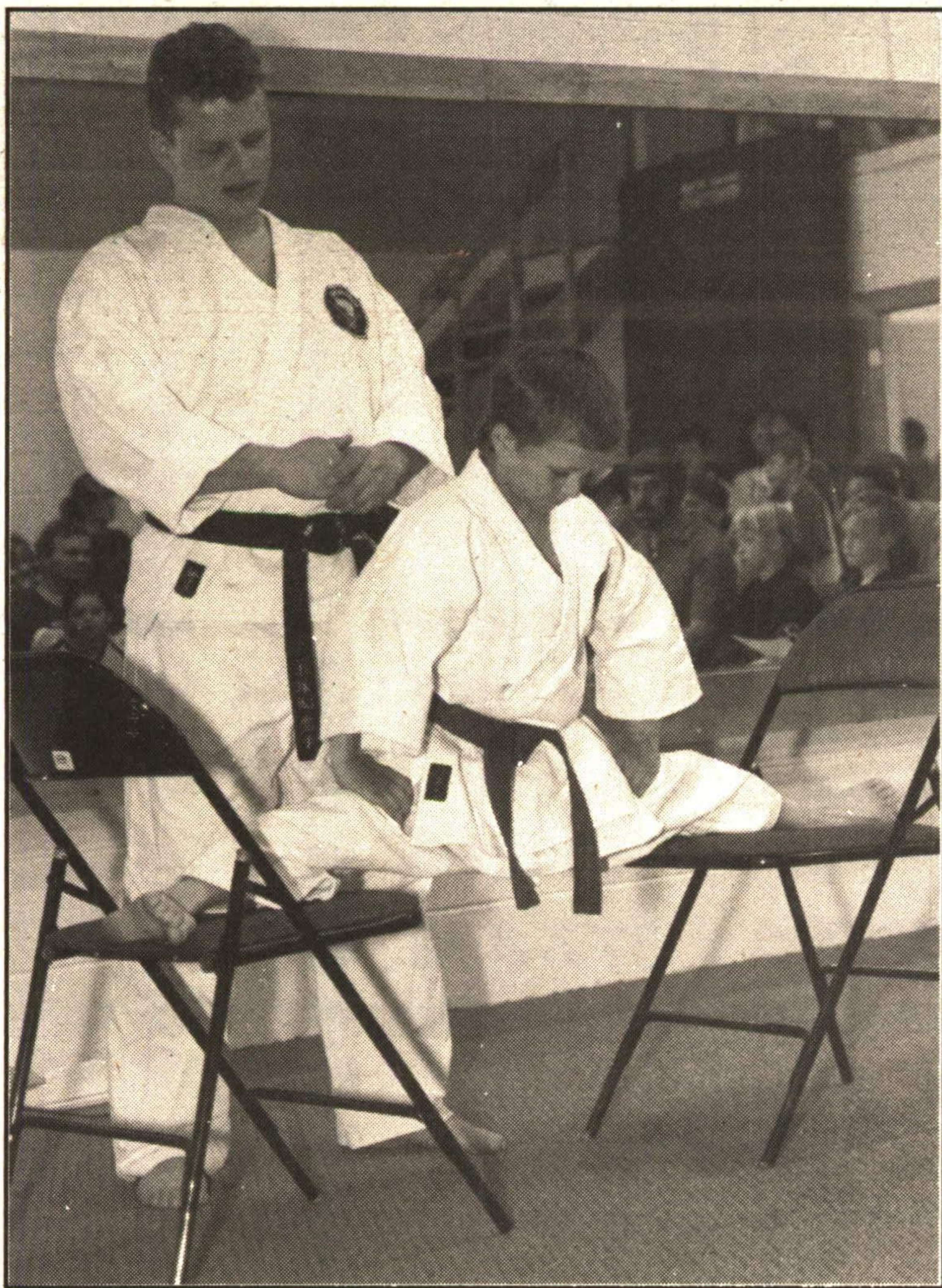
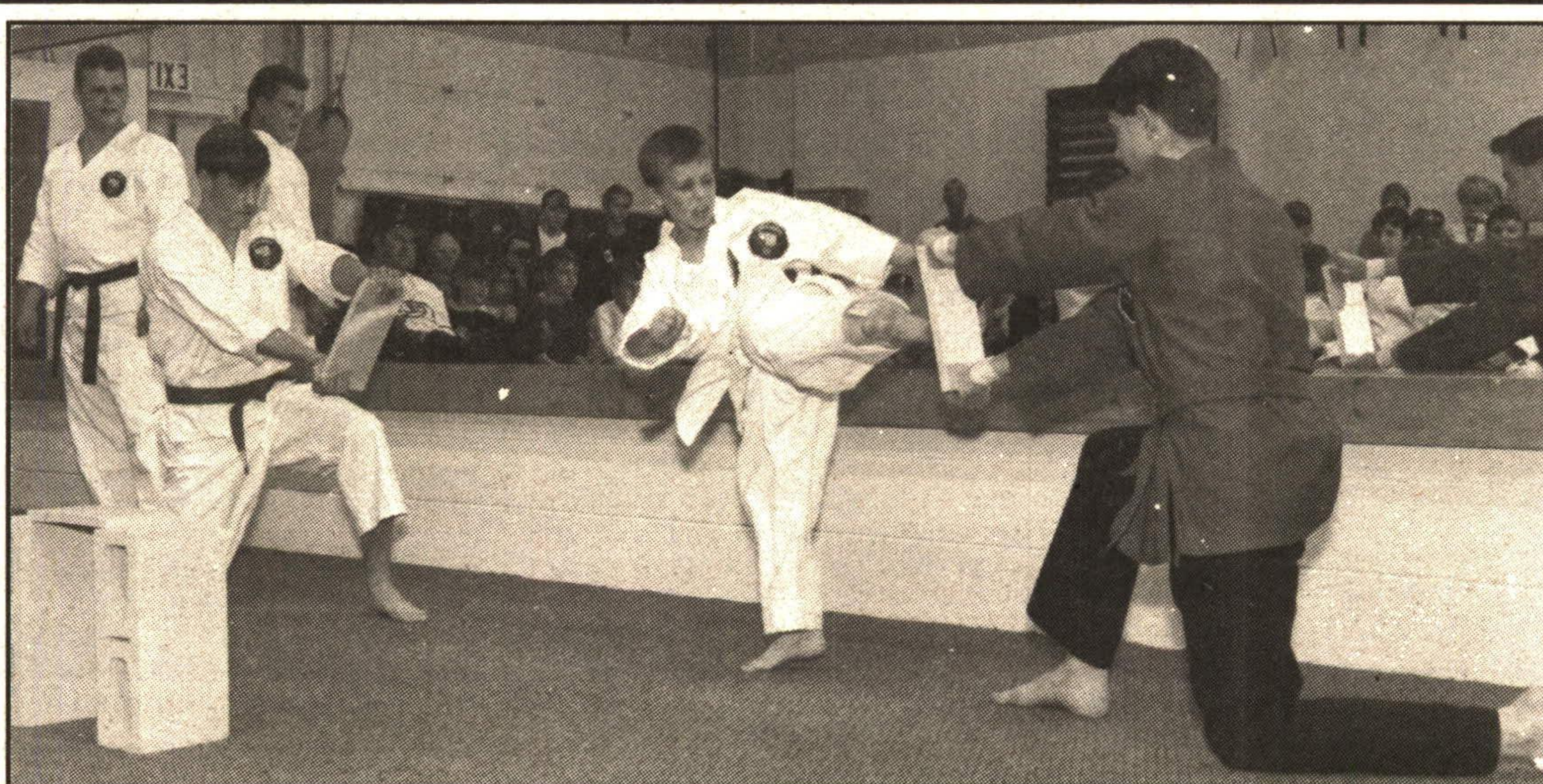
-Kate Carney, 8th in girls compound (limited) division, 412/600;

-Katie Stansfield, 7th in girls compound (limited) division, 436/600;

-Yvonne Moore, 5th in girls Olympic division, 120/150.

Smith tourney

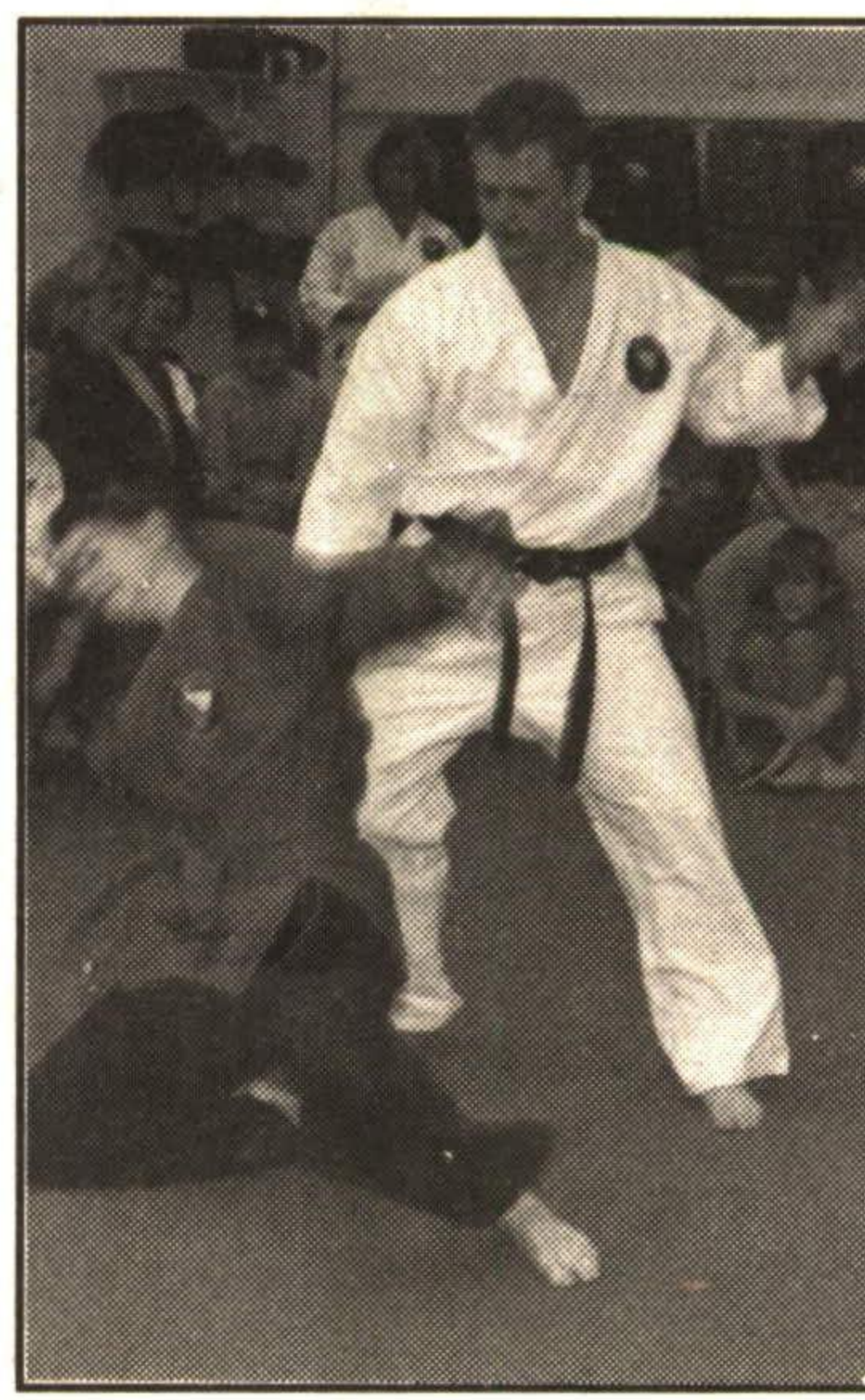
The North Halton Golf and Country Club is the host once again for the 18th annual Bill Smith Tournament on June 20. Proceeds from the tournament will go to the Canadian Cancer Society. Those interested should contact Brad Smith at (905) 877-5161 or Sheila Huska at (905) 877-1124.



Kickin' up their heels

The Georgetown Karate Club recently held a demonstration and open house at their Armstrong Ave. location. Demonstrations included kids self-defense, fighting and various forms of kata. Special guests for the May 14 event included Sensei Vern Tilley, a fifth degree black belt, and Sensei Frank Baehr, a seventh degree black belt and representative for Canada. Some 60 spectators took in the action.

Photos by LAURA SALVERDA



Rams fall to rivals

All of the Acton Rams lacrosse teams ran into tough competition the week of May 15 as all three rep teams went down to defeat.

The Acton North Halton Material Handling Tyke Rams lost their home opener 9-7 to Fergus last Wednesday. The high scoring game was going Acton's way after two periods with the Rams leading 7-4. Scott Williams had one goal, Matt Lyons had two goals and three assists, and Matt Bronizewski netted four markers to give Acton the three-goal lead. Assists went to Chad Artem with two, Corey Wilson also with a deuce, Brady Masters and Andrew Fritoley. Fergus scored five unanswered goals in the third to secure the win.

The Acton McIntyre Fuels/Crowe Construction Novice Rams had similar trouble with Fergus, losing their home opener 3-1 on Thursday. Nicholas Crowe scored the lone Acton goal with the helpers going to Matt Wolfer and Justin Cole.

The Acton Mackenzie-Chapman/Galvcast Bantam Rams came up empty in both their away games last week. Acton lost to Elora 6-3 on Tuesday and then fell victim to Owen Sound 6-2 on Wednesday.

The Elora game was very tight for the first two periods. Acton's Jason Christopher scored the first before Elora replied for two goals to lead 2-1 at the end of the first period. Shawn Weatherall scored twice to give Acton the lead again, halfway into the second period. Assists on the Weatherall goals went Ryan Young and Kyle Artem with two. Elora then tied the game at three near the end of the second period. In the third, Elora overpowered Acton to score three straight goals to clinch the victory.

The next night, the Bantam Rams travelled to Owen Sound. The effects of two road games showed as Acton never got on track. Weatherall scored the first goal of the game and Artem the last of the contest with Christopher, Sandy Chapman, Ian Cartwright and Joel Grossman earning assists.

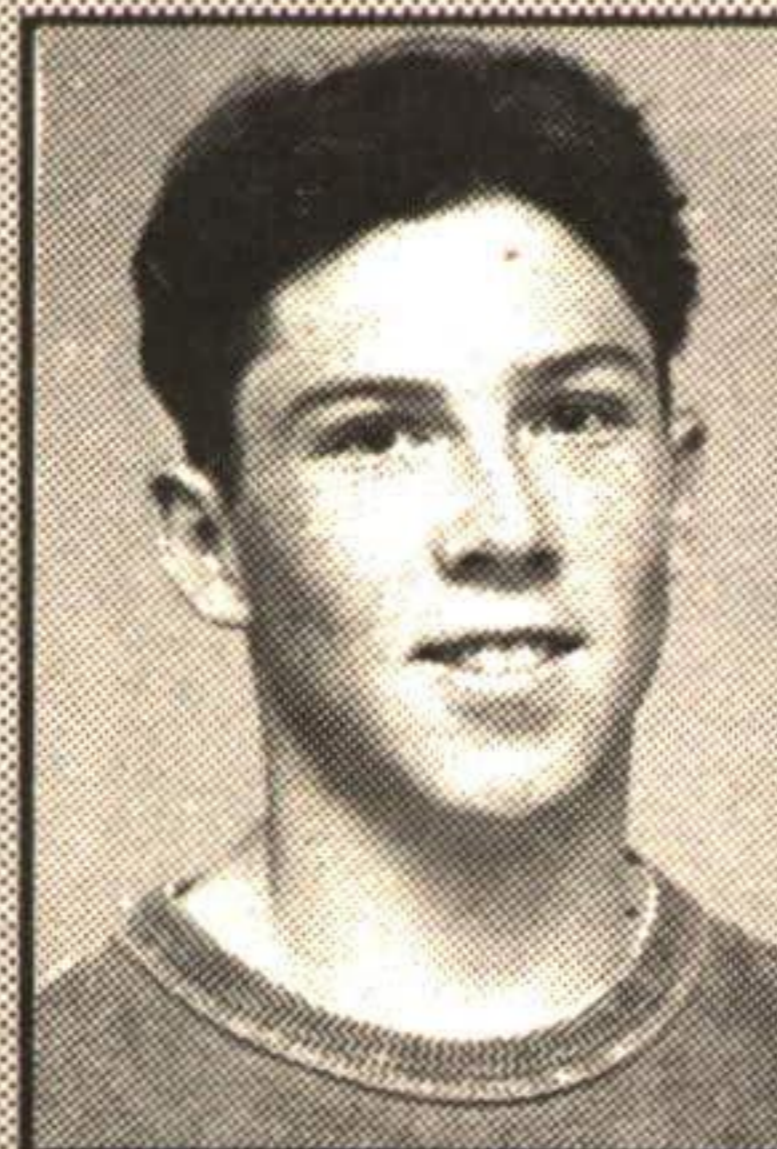
Athletes of the Week

Georgetown District High School Athletes of the Week are Jen Apgar and Fraser Thom. Jen was chosen for her excellent play on the Rebels girls' soccer team. Fraser, a member of the rugby squad, scored two tries in a 37-5 dismantling of Bishop Redding to lead the Rebels into the Halton playoffs.

Acton High School Athletes of the Week are Jackie Jahn and Steve Turkosz. Jackie, a shortstop on the girls' fastball team, helped her team defeat Assumption 8-7. Steve won the Halton senior boys singles tennis championship played at Bronte Provincial Park. In the final, he disposed of his Oakville Trafalgar opponent by a score of 6-2, 6-3.



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