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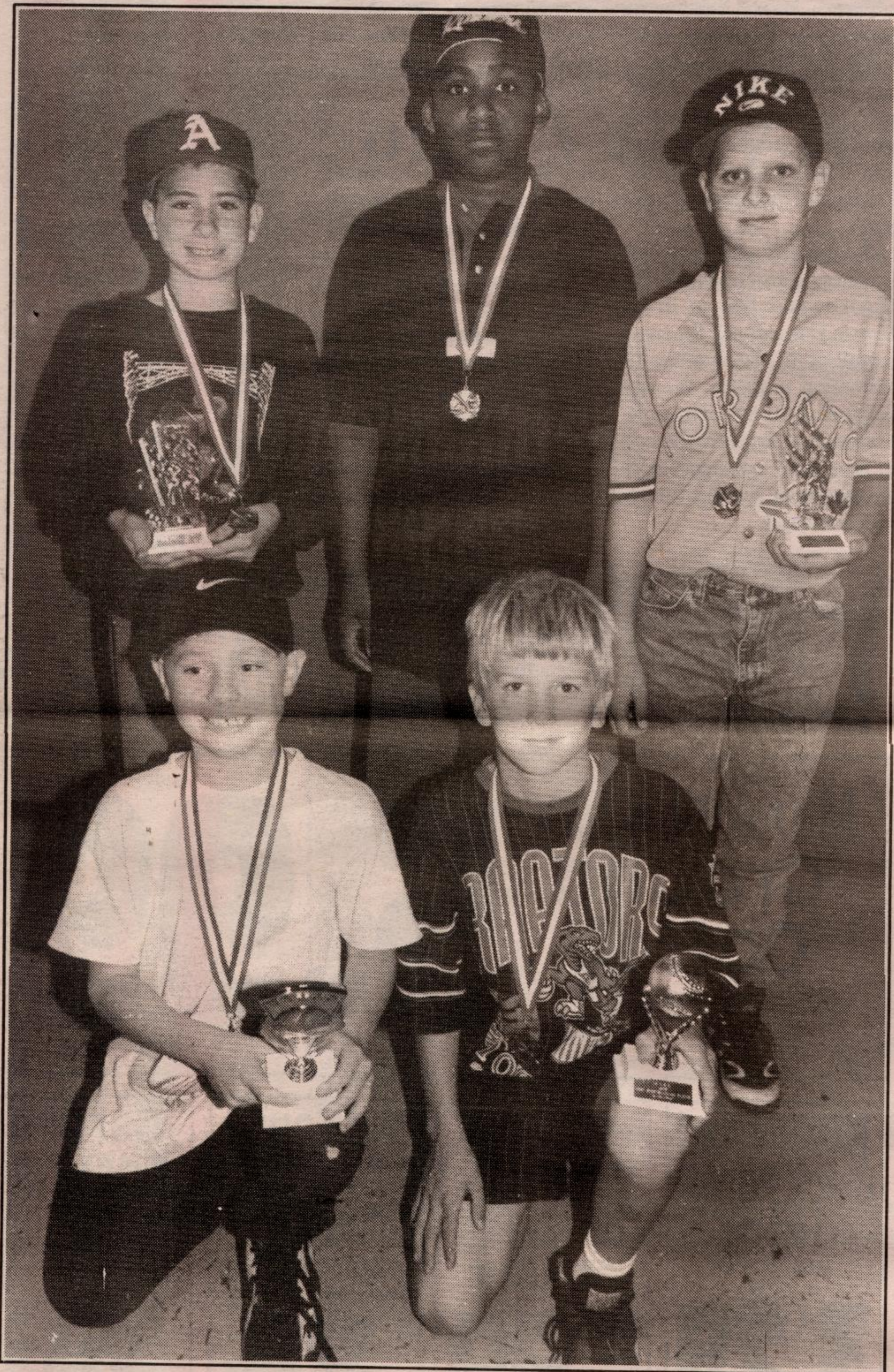
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MOSQUITOS' FINEST: The Acton Minor Baseball Association held its Fun Day (part two) last Saturday at Prospect Park. Winning awards on the Mosquito Hardball team were, in front, Nigel Williams (Most Improved), Mark Sinkgreven (Most Sportsmanlike), and in back, Adam Burgess (Most Valuable), Mike Meade (highest batting average) and Mike Kuipery (also Most Valuable). (Eve Martin photo)

Redmen Junior v-ball team wins season opener

BY KYLE GOODLET
The Acton Tanner

Coming off an impressive tournament Championship last week, one would think that Acton High School's Junior Boy's Volleyball squad would launch the season opener at home with a dash of enthusiasm and confidence. However, opening night jitters almost got the best of this talented group of athletes.

Although being tentative and non-communicative for the first two matches, the Juniors managed to sweep all three games from their Notre Dame opponents. Scores were 15-9, 15-13 and 15-1.

Team co-captains Andre Savard and Jeff Birrell felt

that the victory was sweet, but that the Redmen had not played to their potential.

Coach Ken Ellis said "the team just seemed to find it difficult to get on a roll." He singled out setter Shaun Lockwood for praise in a two way role as play-maker, and for his service excellence.

Weekend action saw the juniors hosting their own invitational tournament. On Friday night the Redmen swept Lord Elgin, Iroquois Ridge and Q.E. Park, to go undefeated in their pool.

Everyone had a chance to play in pool action and Coach Ellis was pleased with the play of his squad.

Unfortunately, Acton came out on the short end of

the stick in the playoff rounds. First the Redmen defeated the Mayfield "B" squad and then met Q.E. Park again in the semis.

Acton easily won the first game 15-4, but lax play and numerous missed serve opportunities cost them a close second match which went, in overtime, to the Oakville team 16-14.

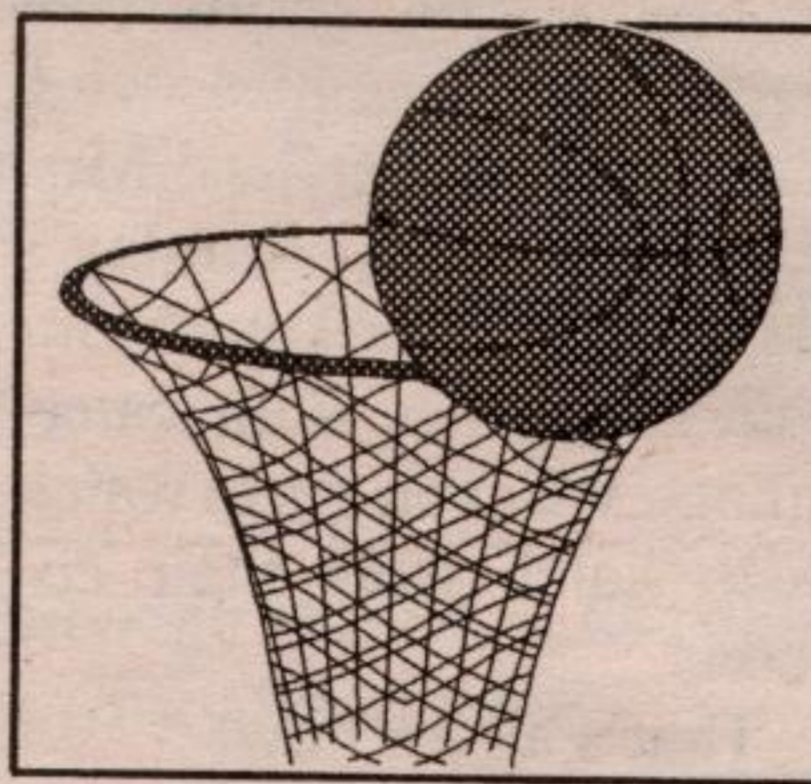
In the third and deciding match, the Redmen struggled with nerves and quickly fell behind. Fighting gamely they came back but lacked sufficient steam to pull it off and bowed out to a 15-10 loss. Eventual tournament winners were Lord Elgin, who defeated Q.E. Park in two games.

Collingwood tourney preps girls for basketball season

Acton travelled to Collingwood on Saturday Sept. 28 for the Twentieth Annual Senior Girls Basketball Tournament. The team was made of 5 junior aged players and 6 seniors.

Team members included Stephanie McKay, Jenn Shultz, Kristen Finley, Kristie Goy, Courtney Norman, Shelley Hand, Rebecca Austin, Shondra Stroud, Kelly Holmes, Denise Katsilieris and Chrissy Wigood. Coach Anne Andrews, who committed to the event last spring, made her nineteenth appearance at the tournament.

In game one, Acton de-



feated Father Redmond 26-22, putting them on the championship side. Game two saw Acton fall 41-11 to tournament host, Collingwood and in game three, Warton defeated Acton 60-33.

Although the scores may not indicate it, it was a good experience for the team. The

juniors gained experience playing senior ball where the game is much quicker. The players didn't quit and were provided with preparation for the beginning of league play this week.

Scorers at the Tournament were Rebecca Austin-23, Kelly Holmes-15, Courtney Norman-11, Shelley Hand-9, Stephanie McKay-5, Jenn Shultz and Kristen Finley-4 and Kristie Goy-1. Courtney Norman and rebounder Kristen Finley won the three point shooting contest.

All players are to be commended for their efforts in Collingwood.

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