

Lacrosse Cup Final creates family rivalry

Both teams boast Halton players including an uncle and nephew

BY JENNIFER ENRIGHT

When the National Lacrosse League (NLL) holds its Champion's Cup Final this Saturday (May 14) at the Air Canada Centre (ACC), it will be the Toronto Rock versus the rival Arizona Sting. There is also a local flavour to the rivalry of the game.



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Jim "Scoop" Veltman (#32) of Stouffville playing for the Toronto Rock

Georgetown's Peter Veltman of the Arizona Sting will be playing against his uncle, Jim "Scoop" Veltman of Stouffville, a member of the Toronto Rock.

Peter Veltman, who has played lacrosse since the age of 4, played bantam lacrosse in Georgetown and Junior B in Georgetown at the age of 15. He played for B.C.'s Coquitlam Adanacs as well as the Arizona Sting. Peter's uncle Jim Veltman has had a distinguished career with the NLL. He was named MVP for the league during the 2003-2004 season.

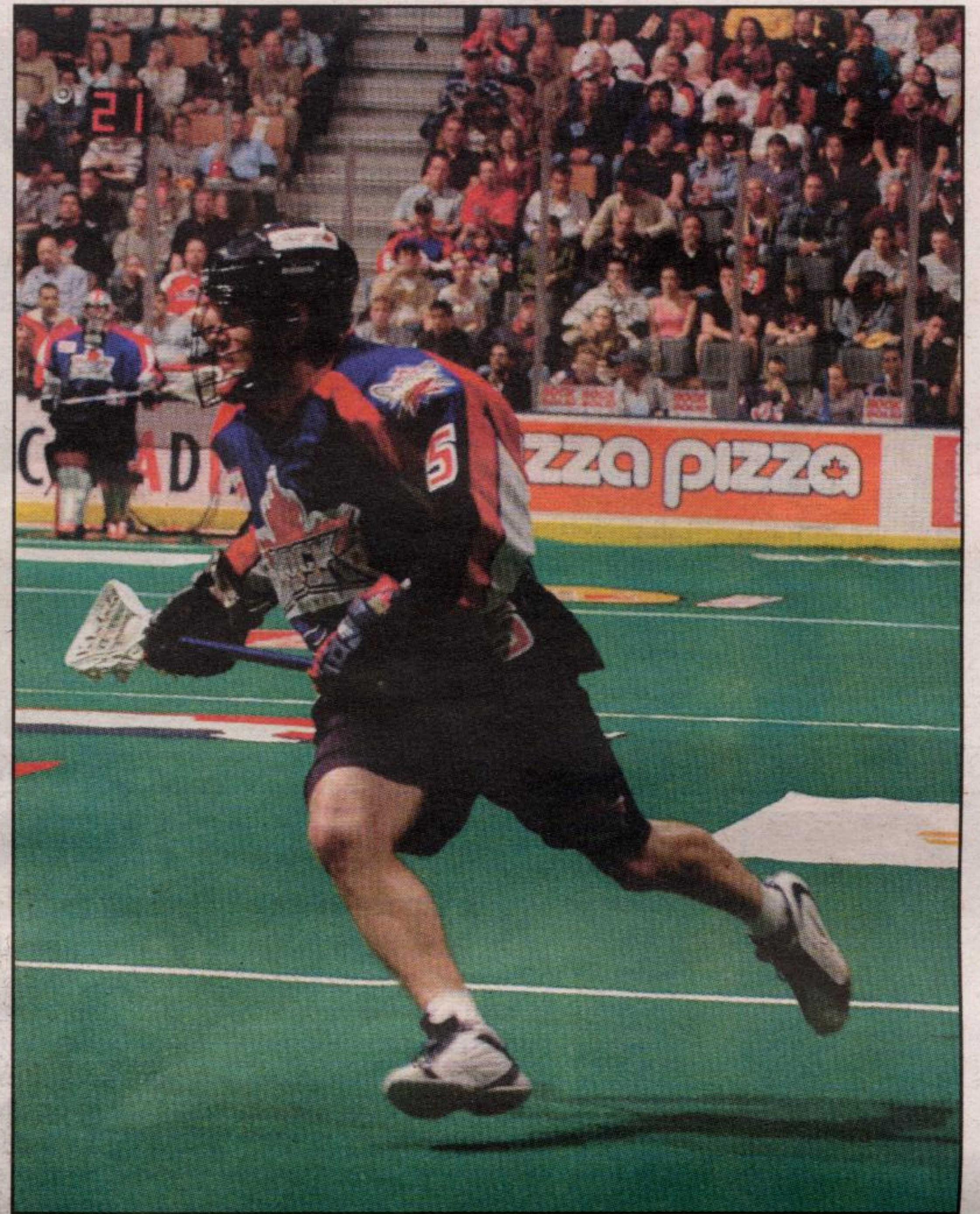
Sandy Chapman of Acton, a Toronto Rock forward says Halton Hills may not have the longest standing lacrosse tradition, but it has produced a number of professional lacrosse players. Chapman, who attends Brock University in St. Catharines, has played for the Toronto Rock since 2002 and at 24 he's already been to two Champion's Cup Finals. Sandy Chapman began playing lacrosse at the age of 5 in Acton, playing for the Acton Rams and the Milton Mavericks. He turned professional at the age of 20 when the Toronto Rock drafted him.

Toronto has dominated the NLL championships over the years winning four championships, but Chapman still doesn't think it will be that easy to take the sting out of Arizona's team. He's making no bets on the outcome of the game, which will be watched by thousands of fans at the ACC and televised on The Score (3:30 p.m., May 14).

Chapman says the Arizona Sting is a young team with some excellent players including Peter Veltman. Chapman is rooting for the Toronto Rock, but it wouldn't surprise him if Arizona ends up winning the championship.

Tickets for the 2005 Champion's Cup Final can be purchased at www.ticketmaster.ca, by calling 416-872-5000 or visiting the Air Canada Centre box office.

For information on the National Lacrosse League, log onto www.nll.com.



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Acton resident Sandy Chapman is one of two Halton Hills residents that will be competing at the Champion's Cup Final for the National Lacrosse League this Saturday (May 14) at the Air Canada Centre.

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May 13

•Georgetown Horticultural Society will be holding their Annual plant sale and Silent Auction at St. George's Anglican Church, 60 Guelph St., starting at 6:00 pm. For more info call Janice 905-873-9890

•Annual Roast Beef Dinner at St. John's Anglican Church in Stewartown, at 6 pm. Reservations are required. Contact Joan @ (905) 877-5797. Adults- \$12, Children under 10 yrs - \$6.

•Halton Hills Child Care Centre seeks vendors for their upcoming TRUNK SALE and BBQ, Sat. June 4 at Georgetown Alliance Church from 8-1. Registration is \$20.00 and vendors keep all profits. Call Conny at 905-877-5004. Donations also accepted. All vendors receive a FREE Raffle ticket!!

May 14

•Power Zone invites you to get active for the Heart and Stroke Foundation from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Help us raise funds for heart and stroke research. For more information, registration and pledge packages call 905-702-1774.

•The Eden Mills Community Club will hold their annual fundraising Garage Sale and Plant Sale from 9 am - 1pm at the Eden Mills Community Hall on York Road, Eden Mills. No admission fee.

•Acton Horticultural Society, Annual Perennial Plant Sale (good prices), 8.00am, Parking lot Old Hide House. Great opportunity to enhance your old or new garden. Sandy 519-853-3912

•Perennial Plant Sale - 9am-2pm - St. John's Anglican Church, 10009 Guelph Line (N of 401) Campbellville. BBQ lunch & home baking available too!

•Youth Car Wash at St. Andrew's United Church, 89 Mountainview Rd. S. Georgetown 10am-1pm \$5 each car. Proceeds to support Youth Ministry at St. Andrews.

•Property Spring Clean-up 9:00 am- 12 noon, St. Alban the Martyr Anglican Church, 537 Main Street, Glen Williams.

May 15

•Induction Service of The Reverend Grahame Stap, 4 p.m. St. Alban the Martyr Anglican Church, 537 Main Street, Glen Williams. Performances by Burlington's St. Christopher's Choir. Reception to follow.

May 16

•Seniors' Lunch: At Arkell United Church in Arkell at the corner of Watson Road. 12 noon. Free Will offering will be suggested. For more information call Willy, 519-853-3043

May 17

•Acton Horticultural Society - Diana Pooke will speak on "Grasses & Companion Plants" at our meeting, 7.30pm at Knox Church. Contact Sandy 519-853-3912

•"Modern Buddhism - We are all connected." a discussion group at the Halton Hills Cultural Centre, 9 Church Street Georgetown - 7:30pm - 9pm - Admission Free Info - 905-877-1513 or 905-864-9411 or victoriaaks@yahoo.com

May 18

•Georgetown Horticultural Society. "Nut Trees and Native Carolinian Fruit Trees for Southern Ontario". Nuts and plants will be offered for sale. Our Spring Flower Show will be held during the meeting. Entries accepted from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. New members welcome. For more info please call - Janice 905-873-9890

May 19

•The Dionne Quintuplets - Ted Hammond has had a fascination with the Dionne Quintuplets for many years and will share with us his extensive research and souvenirs of these famous Canadian children. Milton Historical Society, 16 James Street, Milton at 7:30 pm.

•Howell's Fish Fry at Hillcrest United Church, Trafalgar Rd. and #5 Sideroad. 5-7:30 pm. Adults \$14, children \$6. For tickets call 905-878-7189.

May 21

•Community Chicken BBQ at 7pm & Fireworks. St. Alban the Martyr Anglican Church, 537 Main Street, Glen Williams. For tickets please call the church office at (905) 877-8323. Rain date May 22.

May 26

•Family Support Group for friends and family members affected by schizophrenia and other serious mental illnesses. Held by the Halton Branch of the Schizophrenia Society of Ontario, at Milton Mall, 2nd floor boardroom, 7:00 p.m. Phone 905-876-1647.

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