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At Halton cross-country championships

Rebel girls race to junior title

Led by four top-15 placings, the Georgetown District High School Rebels junior girls cross-country team are champions again.

The Rebels followed up last week's win at the Halton Cross Country Championships by edging Westdale for the Golden Horseshoe Athletic Conference title. The two schools were also one-two in the midget girls division but this time it was Georgetown that had to settle for second. The senior girls Rebels completed a successful day with a third-place finish.

Katie Sterritt and Sheena Butler led the Georgetown junior squad by placing fourth and fifth respectively. Jenn Otten was 11th and Meredith Sones clinched the win, finishing 15th.

Georgetown's total of 35 finished just three ahead of Westdale's 38. That was the narrowest margin of victory on the day.

Kira Lawrence had Georgetown's best individual performance, placing second in the midget girls race. Again only Tanya Rank of Oakville-Trafalgar High School kept Lawrence from a win but this time the margin of victory was cut in half to 11 seconds. Arden McLean was seventh with Christianne Lent 18th and Karen Thorburn was 22nd. Westdale won by a 40-49 margin over GDHS. Acton's Katie



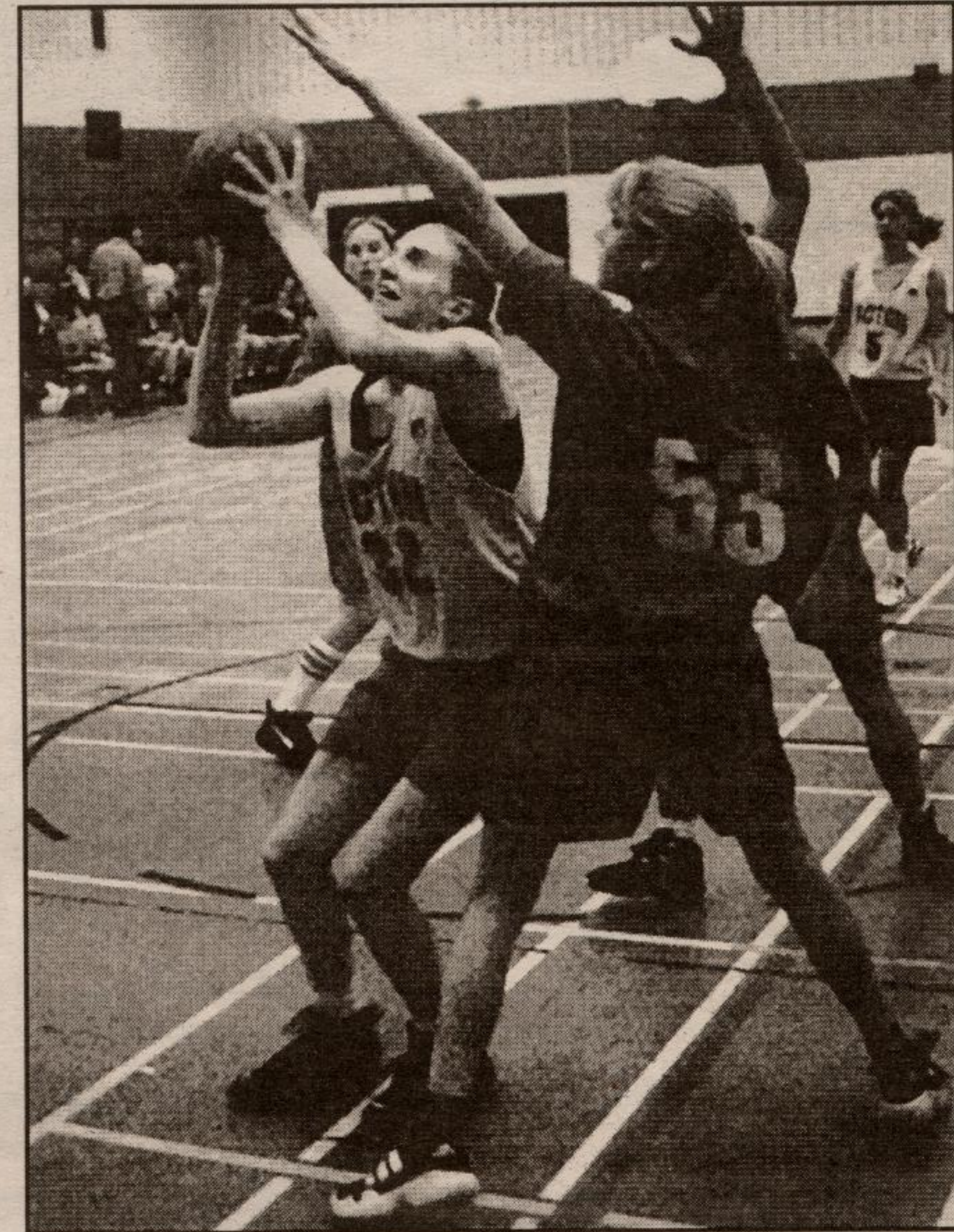
KIRA LAWRENCE

Locke finished 33rd in the race.

Amanda Bonnell led the Georgetown contingent in the senior girls race, placing 10th. Roanne Sones was close behind in 13th and Melissa Adams also cracked the top 20 by finishing 18th. Also contributing to GDHS' third-place finish were Ellen Matthews in 24th, Vicki Hardstaff in 28th and Amy Perry in 35th.

Georgetown had three runners in the top 20 in the junior boys race. Kevin James was 17th, teammate Robbie Adams was 18th and Ian Cunningham was 20th. Glen Wood showed the biggest improvement, jumping 43 spots from Halton's to finish 30th at GHAC.

Philip Elliot was Georgetown's top finisher in the senior boys event, placing 34th.



Acton's Rebecca Austin (32) looks to get a shot away after getting around a Pearson defender. Austin had seven points as the junior Redmen's comeback attempt fell short in a 53-45 loss Monday. Photo by Herb Garbutt

Rebels capture crown

The GDHS Rebels senior boys volleyball team clinched the division title with a sweep of Assumption on Wednesday.

The Rebels cruised past Assumption 15-2, 15-10 to improve to 7-0 on the season and secure top spot in the Halton Secondary School Athletic Association's Richardson Division. That gives GDHS a bye into the Halton quarter-finals.

The Rebels also participated in a tournament in Waterloo where their 2-6 preliminary round record put the Rebels in the consolation quarter-finals where they beat Rockway 15-12, 12-15, 15-10. In the semis Wingham's Madill knocked the Rebels out in three games 9-15, 15-10, 11-15.

The junior Rebels were

also winners on Wednesday. They defeated Assumption 15-2, 15-6 to improve to 2-5 on the season. The win was an important one for the rapidly improving juniors. They face Bishop Reding on Monday in a game which will most likely determine whether they advance to the playoffs.

REDMEN ROMP: The Acton Redmen remain on target for a top finish in HSSAA junior play after sweeping Lester B. Pearson High School 15-12, 15-6 to improve its record to 6-1 on the season.

The juniors will wrap up the season tomorrow (Monday) against Nelson High School. They will have a tuneup for that game as they play in a tournament at E.C. Drury this weekend.

Boyce wins bantam race at Halton cross-country meet

Richard Boyce of Joseph Gibbons Public School ran away with the Halton title at the recent public school cross-country meet.

Boyce followed up his victory in the North Halton race with a win in the bantam boys Halton race. Boyce's win led Joseph Gibbons to a 12th place finish but they were not the top local school in the division as Harrison Public School finished fourth.

Brookville won the junior girls division by taking three of the top five positions. Blair Davey was third followed by teammates Erin Greenfield in fourth and Chrissy Chadwick in fifth.

Brookville was ninth in the bantam girls division with Joseph Gibbons in 12th and Harrison 14th.

Brookville's Jamie Greenfield was seventh in the atom girls race. George Kennedy Public School finished ninth in the team event, just edging Brookville for the top local school. Robert Little Public School was 12th and Joseph Gibbons 15th.

Robert Little was also among the top teams in the tyke girls division, finishing eighth while Glen Williams Public School was 12th.

Joseph Gibbons ran to a sixth place finish in the tyke boys race, with Limehouse placing ninth.

Pearson wins 53-45

Redmen rally falls short

By HERB GARBUTT
Staff Writer

A second comeback by the Acton Redmen fell just short as Lester B. Pearson High School held on for 53-45 win.

Pearson had a commanding 20-point lead going into the final quarter but the Redmen rallied in Monday's Halton Secondary School Athletic Association junior basketball game.

"They had their starters out but when they put them back in it didn't matter because we had the momentum," said Acton coach Lyn McLaren.

Acton fell behind 21-7 in the opening quarter but cut that lead to 33-22 by the half. Acton spread its scoring around which meant Pearson couldn't focus on shutting down one or two players in the final quarter. Kristin Finley and Darya Barbir each had eight, Maya Barbir and Rebecca Austin had seven apiece. Jenn Schultz and Kristie Goy contributed six points each and Stephanie McKay had four.

"We panicked a little early but we showed we can play with them in the second quarter," McLaren said.

The senior squad dropped a 58-35 decision to Pearson. Kelly Holmes led the Redmen with 15 points, including seven in the final quarter. Jackie Jahn finished with six points and Stephanie Adams and Eleni Halis each had four.

"Our shooting still isn't where it should be," said senior coach Anne Andrews. "We're executing the plays now but we're not making the shots."

REBELS PERFECT: The Georgetown District High School Rebels midget girls basketball team ran its record to 4-0 in Halton Secondary School Athletic Association play with a pair of victories last Friday.

The Rebels began by doubling Bishop Reding 42-21 while Assumption gave GDHS its toughest battle yet in a 32-23 game. Against Reding, the Rebels worked hard defensively and had an excellent fast break. Stephanie Mota and Alyssa Taylor were the leading scorers while Heather Pollock and Jen Cabral also turned in strong performances.

Janine Taylor played great defence against Assumption and Melanie Southworth displayed great ball handling in the close game. Kara Edwards also played well for the Rebels.

Athletes of the Week



LINDSEY ALMOND

Lindsey Almond and Kevin Dreschel are Acton High School's athletes of the week.

Almond plays on the school's midget girl's basketball team. She is a strong team player and rebounder.



KEVIN DRESCHER

Dreschel, a centre, is a key performer on the midget boys' volleyball team.

Ben Redman and Stephanie Mota are Georgetown District High School's athletes of the week.



BEN REDMAN

Redman, a member of the junior cross country team, is an outstanding runner who has never missed a meet.

Mota, who played great in a recent game, is on the midget girls' basketball team.



STEPHANIE MOTA