



Head over heels for aikido

Sensei Yasuhisa Shioda had them flipping out— literally— as the Georgetown Aikido Club hosted the sensei (teacher) from Japan recently. Here, Shioda takes down club instructor Romeo Ballares (right) and Georgetown club founder Fred Hayes, who now owns a club in Victoria, B.C., during a demonstration.

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Georgetown duo help Rock secure title

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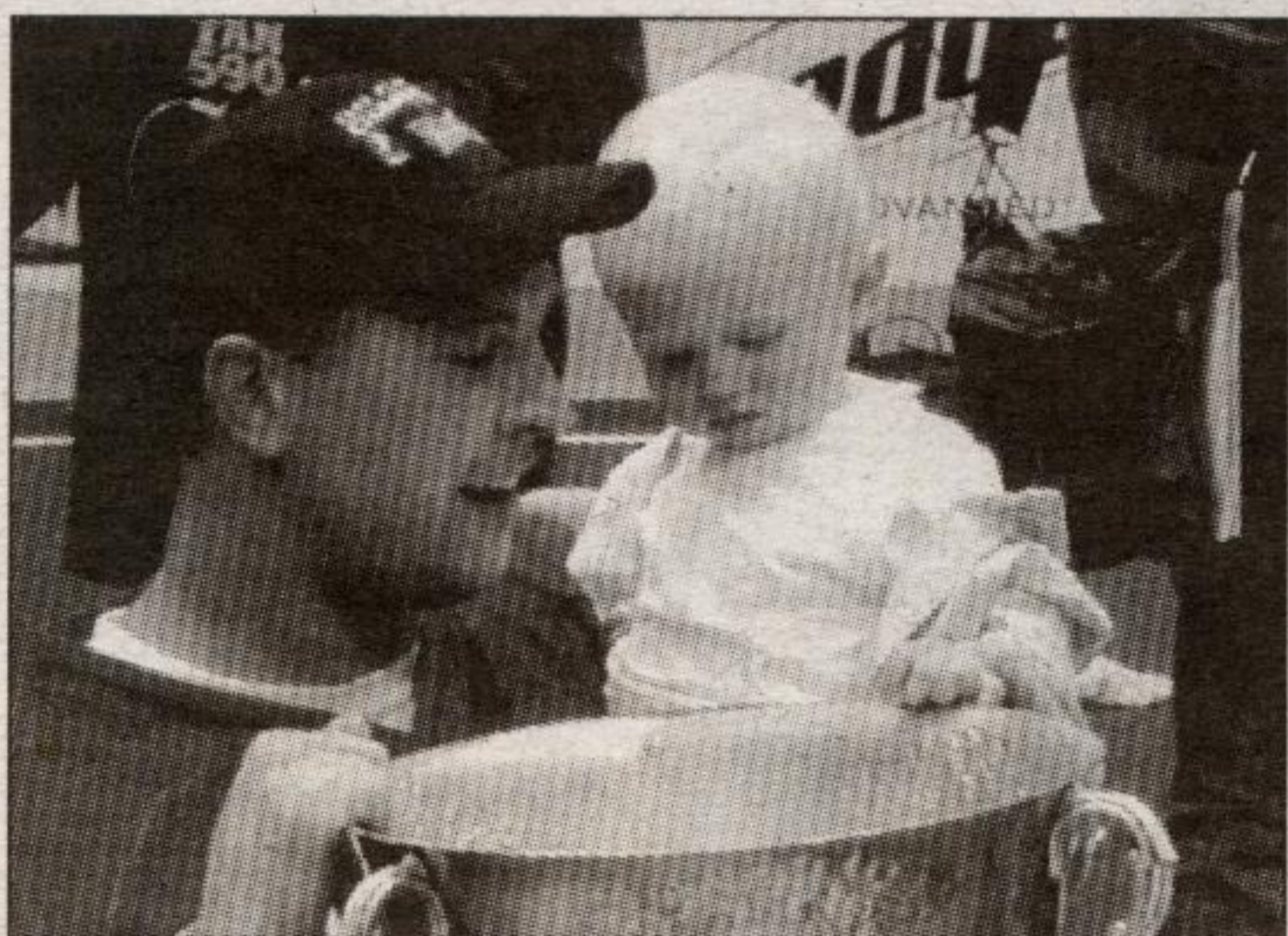
his first professional lacrosse championship. The Sting trailed Toronto 13-11 after three quarters before the Rock pulled away in the fourth, outscoring Arizona 6-2 in the final frame.

"When you lose, it hurts. Especially a game like this," the 22-year-old forward said. "We're just going to have to take away from this game and remember it next year."

In April, Veltman played a pro lacrosse game in Toronto for the first time in his two-year career, a game Arizona lost 18-10. Following the Champion's Cup loss, Veltman said he was actually more nervous before the regular-season game than the league final.

"The first game I was not knowing what to expect," he said. "We had a little more confidence tonight after (playoff) wins over Calgary and Colorado."

It was also another opportunity for Veltman to face his uncle, Rock captain Jim Veltman, on the lacrosse floor. Peter was forced to watch Uncle Jim put the game away with a pair of empty-net goals in the dying minutes.



Toronto Rock player Brian Beisel of Georgetown lets his son Trent get ahold of the National Lacrosse League championship trophy Saturday at the Air Canada Centre. Submitted photo

"I grew up watching him playing in Buffalo and Brampton, winning championship after championship," Peter Veltman said of his uncle, who has now won eight NLL titles. "It's something I'd like to experience."

—By Jon Kuiperij, special with files from Herb Garbutt, staff writer

Late power play marker hands Bulldogs 9-8 defeat

The Halton Hills Bulldogs surrendered a power play goal with 3:23 left as they fell 9-8 to the Oakville Buzz in Ontario Lacrosse Association Jr. B action Sunday at Alcott Arena.

The loss leaves the 'Dogs with a 3-3-1 won-lost-tied record following an 11-11 draw with the Buzz in Oakville Friday.

In Sunday's match the visitors grabbed a 5-2 first period lead but the Bulldogs whittled away at the lead and pulled even at 8-8 with five minutes left when Graham Knoepfli found the mark.

However, less than a minute later Adam Holton was tagged with a high-sticking penalty and Oakville scored on the power play.

Travis Bland led Halton Hills with three goals and an assist while Mike Dube had one marker and three helpers. Adam Rutz, Tim Laidlaw, Nick McLaughlin and Knoepfli also scored with

Tim Walinga adding three assists. Bradem Artem and Nole Coutrouzos drew two helpers each. Laidlaw, Rick Gallinger, Chad Artem and John Colangelo added single assists.

Friday in Oakville, Halton Hills trailed 5-2 after the first frame but outgunned the Buzz 6-3 in the middle period.

Halton Hills fell behind 10-8 in the third but goals by Dube and Braden Artem midway through the period forced overtime.

In the extra period Oakville grabbed the lead with 42 seconds remaining but a delay of game penalty to goalie Gary Murrin and a subsequent bench minor gave the Bulldogs a two-man advantage and Artem made it pay off when he scored from Dube and Bland with 27 seconds left.

DOG BITES: The Bulldogs will host the Barrie Tornado Thursday at 8 p.m. at Alcott Arena.



Mike Dube (18) of the Halton Hills Bulldogs fires an over-the-shoulder shot at Oakville Buzz goalie Gary Muzzin during the Bulldogs' 9-8 loss Sunday in OLA Jr. B action at Alcott Arena. The teams tied Friday in Oakville 11-11.

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