

# Audubon group recognizes North Halton golf club

The North Halton Golf and Country Club has achieved designation as a Certified Audubon Co-operative Sanctuary by the Audubon Co-operative Sanctuary System, the educational division of Audubon International.

The Audubon Co-operative Sanctuary Program (ACSP) for Golf Courses, endorsed by the United States Golf Association, provides information and guidance to help golf courses preserve and enhance wildlife habitat and protect natural resources.

"North Halton Golf and Country Club has shown a strong commitment to its environmental program. The property has some very different and unique habitats, and we commend them for their efforts to provide a

sanctuary for wildlife on the golf course," said Shawn Williams, staff ecologist for the ACSP.

"To reach certification, a course must demonstrate that they are maintaining a high degree of environmental quality in a number of areas," explained Williams. These categories include: environmental planning, wildlife and habitat management, outreach and education, chemical use reduction and safety, water conservation and water quality management.

Dean Baker, course superintendent, led the turf department in their effort to obtain certification, with strong contributions from Jenny Wilkie, course horticulturist and Greig Barker, former assistant superintendent.

"Sanctuary status" is recognition for Baker and his staff, as well as a testimony to the commitment of the club and its members in their endeavour to provide the best nature has to offer. North Halton is the 31st course in Ontario, the 58th in Canada and the 604th in the world to receive this prestigious honour.

In addition to golf courses, the Audubon Co-operative Sanctuary System also provides programs for schools, individuals and businesses.

For more information, contact Audubon International, 46 Rarick Rd. Selkirk, NY 12158, USA, (518) 767-9051, [acss@audubonintl.org](mailto:acss@audubonintl.org), or visit their website at [www.auduboninternational.org](http://www.auduboninternational.org).

# Golf roundup Lapointe finishes sixth at Canadian amateur

Seeking her fifth Canadian women's amateur golf title, Georgetown's Mary Ann Lapointe had a rough start to the tournament in Riverview, N.B. last week but rallied to finish in a tie for sixth spot overall.

Lapointe shot 76s on the first two days of the tourney, then finished with 73-71, eight shots back of winner Jessica Potter of B.C. The 46-year-old Lapointe will play in the CN Canadian Women's Open this week in London, which will feature several LPGA Tour players.



MARY ANN LAPOINTE

At the GAO senior women's amateur in Mississauga last week, North Halton's Gloria Sinclair placed in a tie for 17th after a 54-hole total of +32, with scores of 88-84-85. Joan Shapcott of Georgetown finished up in a tie for 38th at +45, while Patty Hall just missed making the 36-hole cut.



GLORIA SINCLAIR

Seeded 61st out of 64 players who started off round one of the Golf Association of Ontario's Junior Boys' Match Play Championship in Burlington last Tuesday, Ryan Thomson of Georgetown pulled off a big upset, knocking off fourth-ranked Graham Baillergeon of Mississauga 2 and 1 to advance.

Thomson, 15, a Christ the King student, was eliminated in the second round, 3 and 2, by Peterborough's Jeff Fitzgerald.

Another North Halton club member, Andrew Albrecht, was seeded 25th but lost to the 40th-ranked player in the opening match, 3 and 1.

Ten-year-old Samantha Spencer of Georgetown turned in a couple of runner-up finishes on the Canadian Junior Golf Association's Junior Linkster Tour.

She recorded an 18-hole score of 106 on Toronto's Tam O'Shanter course, then shot a 102 at an event held at Streetsville Glen.

## Dundee helps out local soccer club

The Georgetown Soccer Club has received a \$5,150 sponsorship donation that introduces local youth players to a backyard drills program, offering \$250 bursaries and prizes to its participants.

Developed by Dundee Wealth Management and certified coaches from the Ontario Soccer Association, the program is intended to promote participation and fitness for the whole family, helping develop soccer skills, confidence and teamwork through drills such as "soccer golf" and "foot juggling," with players age 4-12 in mind.

"Our soccer involvement goes beyond a typical corporate sponsorship. We're providing dollars, education, fun for kids and a great way for parents to share in the fun of the game," said Mississauga-based Dan Bodanis, a mutual fund representative for Dundee Private Investors, sponsor of the program.

Dundee Little Chips provides parents with a guide filled with tips and drills that can be practised in the backyard.

Ten \$250 Dynamic Funds RESP certificates are available to be won, as well as several prizes.

For more information, visit the website [www.littlechipsoccer.com](http://www.littlechipsoccer.com).

## Local ball players spark HAC

Some Georgetown residents played key roles for the Halton Athletic Club under-18 boys' baseball team at the Gates America Freight Tournament held in Milton recently. The HAC squad made it to the championship game of the tournament against a Pennsylvania team, but it was cancelled due to thunderstorms.

Preliminary round— HAC 5, Montreal Titans 3: Adam Slessor (W, 4 Ks); Shawn Dunsmore (R); David Ruelas (2R); J.D. Hartnagle (2B, RBI); Vince Oppedisano (R).

HAC 5, Ontario Prospects 3: Steven McDonald (W, 5 Ks); Byron Hackett, Matt Whidden (RBIs).

HAC 5, New Jersey Cobras 3: Justin Ulba (W); Slessor (S); Spencer Tomblin (2B, 2 RBIs).

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