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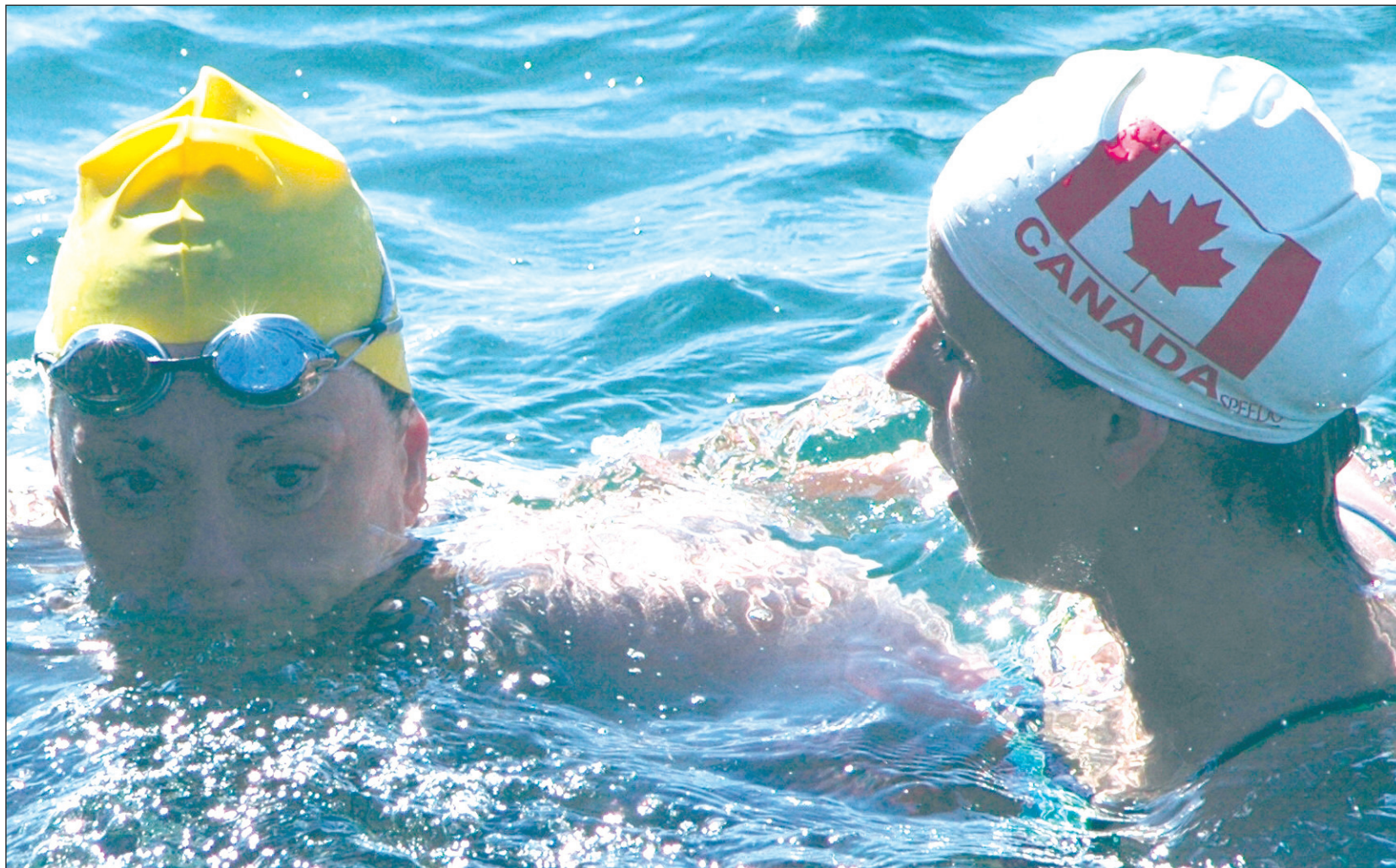
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'Old lady' conquers Lake Ontario

Colleen Shields, left, is congratulated by manager Nicole Mallette just after Shields touched the breakwall at Marilyn Bell Park in Toronto early Sunday. The 54-year-old Georgetown resident became the oldest person to swim the lake. It took Shields 16 and a half hours to complete the swim which began Saturday at Niagara-on-the-Lake. See story page 7. Photo by Charlie Lane

Human rights ruling 'a slap on the wrist'

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Staff Writer

A Canadian Human Rights Tribunal decision to impose a \$1,000 fine on local man Craig Harrison, who was found responsible for posting hate propaganda on the Internet, is a "slap on the wrist", says a member of a group that promotes racial harmony.

"I'm truly disappointed," said Elizabeth Carmichael, chair of the North Halton Cultural Awareness Council. "This is a shame."

In his decision released yesterday

(Tuesday), Michel Doucet, chairman of the Canadian Human Rights Council, found complainant Richard Warman's rights under the Canadian Human Rights Act were contravened by Harrison, 40, of Georgetown.

Along with the fine, Harrison was ordered to stop posting hate propaganda on the Internet after finding he authored several discriminatory messages posted on websites.

"Who is going to control him? Who is going to police him? We have to look at tougher laws for hate on the Internet," said Carmichael. "Hate can destroy."

Doucet said in his decision that, based on evidence, "I find that Craig Harrison is the author of the messages posted on the Freedomsite and of those posted in the Yoderanium forum under the login names "realcanadianson", "rump" and "realamericanson".

At a hearing held in Toronto in June, Harrison was accused of posting hate propaganda on a Toronto website calling for the murder of the family of former Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, blacks, non-whites, francophones and aboriginals.

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