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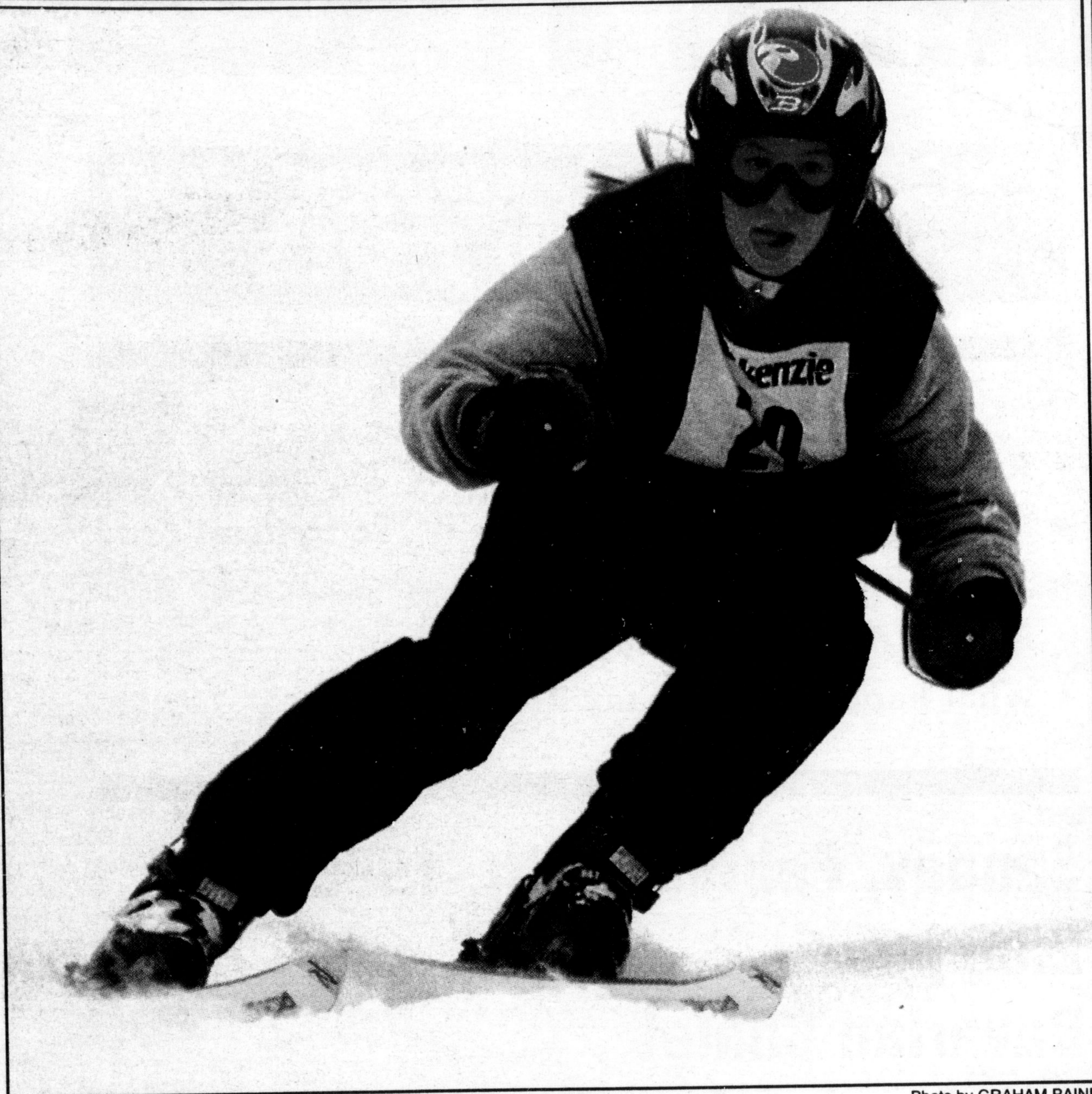


Photo by GRAHAM PAINE

## Grooming Glen Eden

Twelve-year-old Lauren Ogilvie of the Milton Heights Racing Club navigates the giant slalom course Saturday at Glen Eden en route to second-place honours. See Friday's paper for complete race results.

## Police search for pursuit suspect

Police are trying to track down the driver of a stolen jeep in connection with a high-speed chase from Milton to Peel Region early Thursday.

It began after a Halton Regional Police officer followed a jeep that had sped off quickly from the intersection of Ontario Street and Broadway Avenue shortly after 3:30 a.m.

The officer tried to pull over the vehicle on James Snow Parkway, but the driver refused and drove onto Hwy. 401, said Det. Sgt. Jackie Gordon.

The pursuit continued at high speeds off the highway, south on Trafalgar Road, east on Derry Road, south on Winston Churchill and into a northwest Peel residential area.

At this point, Peel Regional Police joined in the pursuit, Det. Sgt. Gordon said.

But the driver of the jeep slowed down the vehicle as if he was going to stop, and then quickly jumped out and ran into a wooded area.

A search with the canine unit failed to track down a suspect.

The jeep, which was reported stolen from Toronto, had damage to its ignition and contained stolen stereo equipment. The vehicle came to a rest against a snow bank, police said.

No one was injured.

The suspect is described as white, 20 to 30-years-old, stocky and about six feet tall.

Anyone with information can contact investigators at 878-5511, ext. 2415 or Crime Stoppers at 825-TIPS.

## Jury is chosen in Shepherd murder

A nine-man, three-woman jury was selected late last week in the first-degree murder trial of Keith Madeley.

The jury selection process, which lasted four days, wrapped up Thursday afternoon.

At press time yesterday, legal arguments were being hammered out and the jury was expected to hear evidence in the afternoon.

Mr. Madeley, 25, is charged in connection with the murder of 77-year-old Fred Shepherd, whose body was found March 7, 1995 on his Steeles Avenue property atop the Niagara Escarpment.

The trial is expected to last four to six weeks.

## Deadline extended to file strike claims

It's not too late to submit family claim forms — relating to the recent teachers' strike — to the Halton District School Board.

While some forms will be processed as early as this week, the original deadline for entry has now been extended to

February 6.

Verification and processing will begin on those forms at that time with cheques expected by early April.

The Ministry of Education has stated one claim per family is permitted for children who meet the eligibility criteria.

## Change of pace for Region

By STEVE LeBLANC  
Special to *The Champion*

Kevin Flynn asked his peers to give change a chance — and moments later they did.

The Oakville Councillor was one of several supporters of an approved motion that will see Halton regional council meetings switched to Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. starting next year.

Halton council meetings are currently

held Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m.

Raising perhaps the best argument for change last Wednesday, Mr. Flynn said morning meetings will better accommodate the expanded agendas that are sure to come over the next three-year term.

"The province has downloaded much more responsibility onto us, which is going to translate into longer meetings," he said.

"At times, with afternoon meetings, we

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