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## Bants still unbeaten

The Milton bantam lacrosse team's unbeaten record remains intact following a 3-3 stalemate with Guelph Monday evening at Tonelli Arena.

Jordan Lumb was highly impressive in the cage but couldn't stop the visiting Regals from knotting the score on a last-minute powerplay.

Milton held the lead for most of the contest — thanks to scoring by James McIntosh, Rick Gallinger and Matt Decaire — and smothered Guelph's offensive efforts until the final frame.

Big contributions in this department came from Ian Robertson and Jordan Gunter, who was tenacious in retrieving loose balls.

Kevin Corbin picked up two assists.

The draw followed a 10-1 drubbing the Mavericks laid on Wallaceburg Saturday at Thompson Arena. Once again Lumb held down the fort.

Leading the hit parade with four goals was Kyle Goertz with Gallinger and Derek Blanchard each tallying twice.

Michael Novak and Craig Hodgson chipped in singles while Adam Rutz turned in a robust two-way performance.

The back-to-back home games served as a good tune-up for this weekend's Milton Tournament. Standing between the bantam team and the title are Barrie, Brantford, Caledon, Gloucester and Nepean.

## Gotta like to hit bike

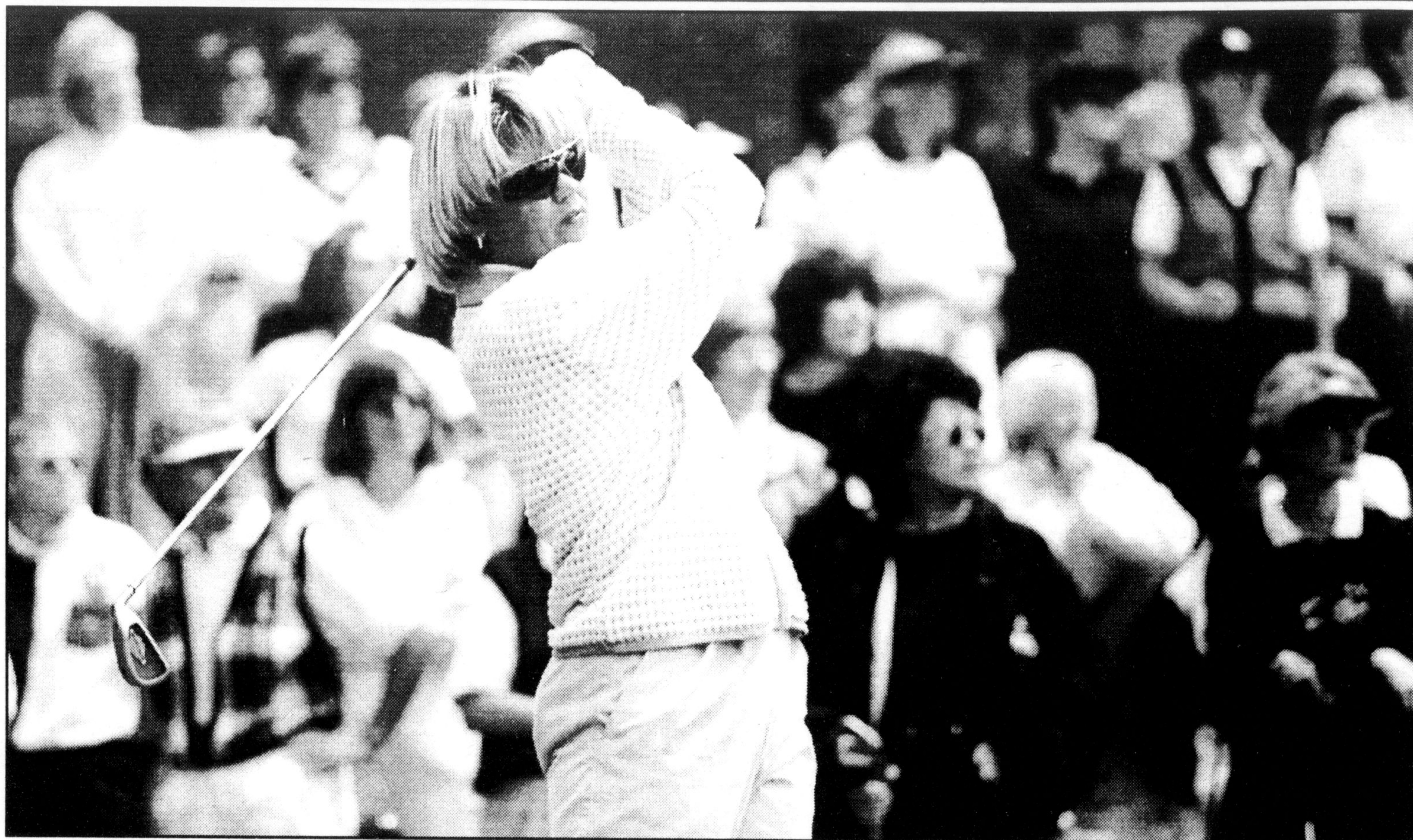
The Kokanee 12 Phat Hours of Adrenaline rushes to Kelso Conservation Area Saturday, July 4.

The first-ever race of its kind — and kid sister to the well known Kokanee 24 Hours of Adrenaline race series — will feature a half-day worth of exciting mountain bike team relay racing.

One, two, four or six-person teams will complete as many laps of the 12-kilometre course as possible between noon and midnight.

Riders carry a small baton that they pass on to the next rider on their team when they go through the transition area. Participants must run a 500m course before starting the biking portion. Admission fees range from \$100 for solo participants to \$350 for corporate teams.

To register, or for more information, call Janet Rerecich at (905) 944-9436, ext. 104.



Pro golfer Dawn Coe-Jones, who put on a clinic at Milton's Granite Ridge earlier this week, doesn't believe regulatory bodies should impose limits on golf club technology. There is a move afoot in some quarters to do so, with officials worrying that given the abilities of today's pros and their access to sophisticated clubs, certain courses are becoming obsolete.

Photo by GRAHAM PAINE

## New tools, enhanced performance part of the game, says touring pro

By STEVE LeBLANC  
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To those golf traditionalists who would ban newly enhanced equipment from the professional ranks, Dawn Coe-Jones has just one word.

Why?

"That would be my question to people who want to slow down the Tiger Woods and Lorie Kanes, what's the point?" remarked Coe-Jones, one of Canada's most successful female players.

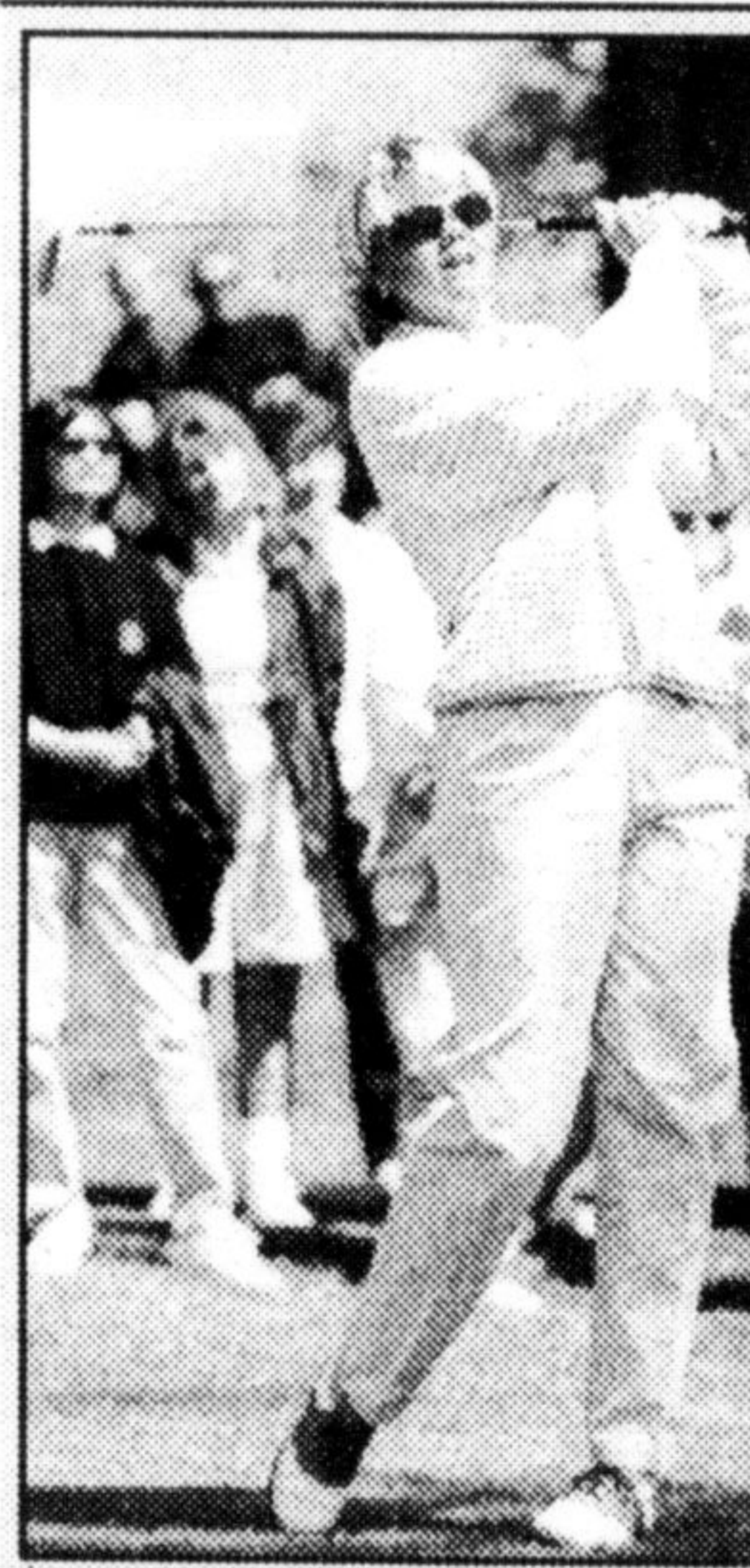
"Sure the pros are hitting the ball farther these days but that's part of the game's growth, and it's not like we're making 500-yard shots because of these advancements."

The LPGA veteran suggests that making more difficult courses — not banning certain types of clubs — is the answer to challenging top golfers.

"I sure hope they (the USGA) don't make these kind of restrictions because the new clubs have certainly made my game better."

These comments came Monday at Milton's Granite Ridge Golf Club where she was the guest speaker at a pre-tournament clinic.

Her address kicked off the Canadian Airlines



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Women's Golf Invitational, a tournament designed specifically for novice female players.

According to Coe-Jones, those getting started in the sport are well-advised to take lessons before diving head first into competition.

"I know not everyone has time for that but mastering the fundamentals can be tough (without

expert assistance)," she explained.

Now in her 15th year on the pro circuit, Coe-Jones said it's been a struggle getting back into peak form since giving birth to son Jimmy two and a half years ago.

Said Coe-Jones, "1996 was a tough season. I frequently competed on just two or three hours sleep. It's getting easier now that Jimmy doesn't need attention every minute.


"However, he's entering those terrible twos so who knows what's ahead."

A new and improved crop of players has presented another obstacle for the British Columbia born pro, who now makes her home in Tampa, Florida.

Unlike during her early years on the LPGA, Coe-Jones said 20-year-olds are coming onto the scene much more prepared and in some cases "ready to win big tournaments as babies.

"That makes things tough for old gals like me but great for the fans and sport in general," she quipped.

Coe-Jones, who has a couple of top-10 finishes to her credit this season, will compete in Atlantic City later this month before making her 13th appearance at the Ladies U.S. Open in Collier, Wisconsin.



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