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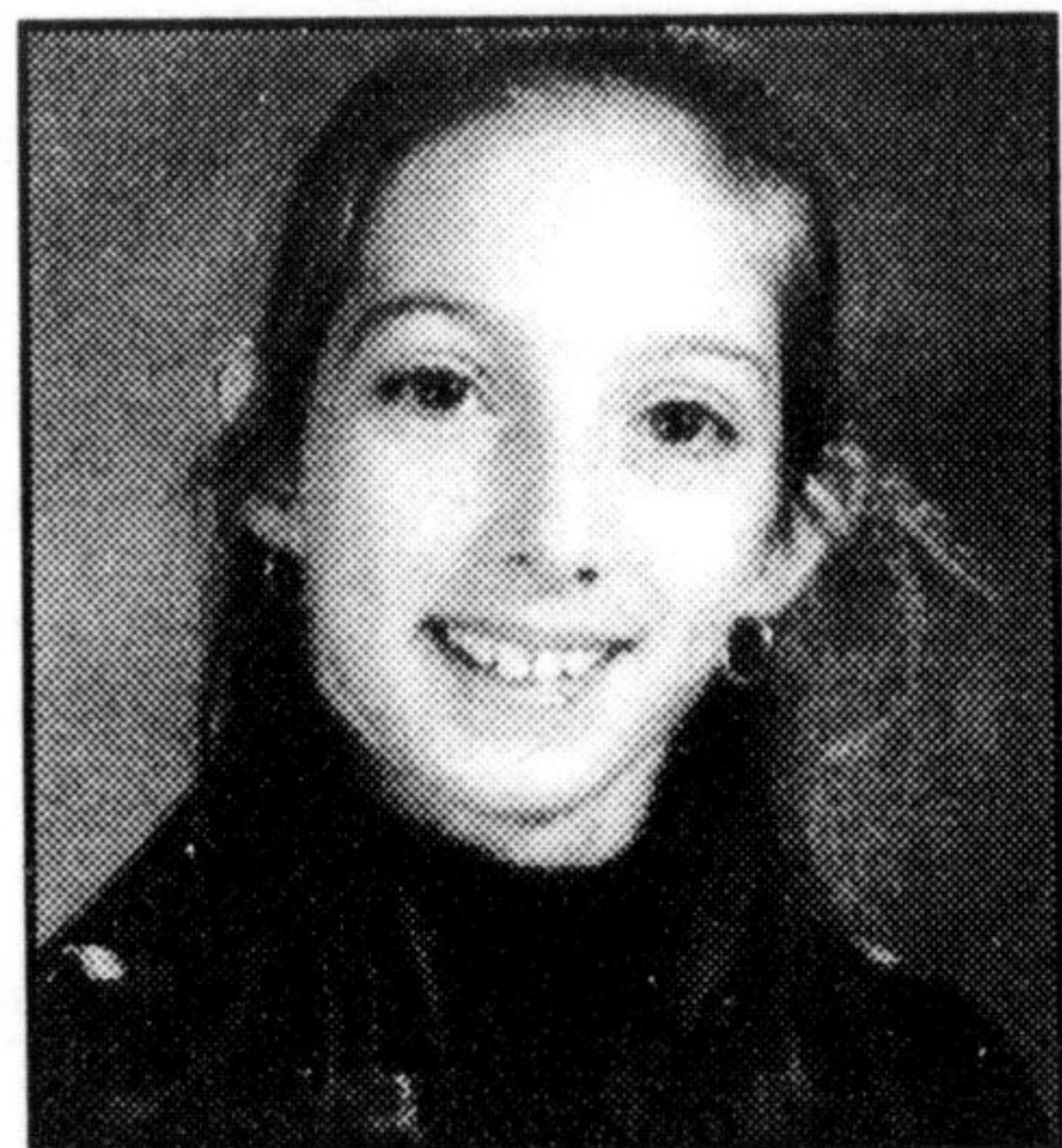
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## DiPalma gets a national bronze

Rhythmic gymnast Amy DiPalma solidified a berth in the Junior Pan-American Games with a stellar performance last weekend in Vancouver.

The 14-year-old St. Peter's School student strung together solid efforts in all four events — ball, hoop, ribbon and rope — to capture junior bronze at the Canadian Championships.

Competing against three dozen top ranked gymnasts from across the country, Amy collected 69 of 80 possible points for her third-place finish and appointment to the national junior squad.



Amy DiPalma

"I'm glad that it's over, I couldn't wait to get out on the competition carpet," said a relieved Amy. "I have to thank my family, who drive me to Toronto every day for practice, which allows me to stay in the sport."

In the event finals, she earned two additional bronze medals in rope and hoop and took fourth and fifth respectively in ball and ribbon.

Coach Nadia Mihaylova, who coaches Amy 24 hours a week, said "Di Palmichco (as she affectionately calls her star pupil) is a dedicated athlete and I'm glad she was able to achieve such good results."

The Pan-Am Games — which Amy and club mate Roxaliana Prus (who finished second) will attend — are slated for next month in San Antonio, Texas.



Photo by GRAHAM PAINE

A pair of Maverick tykes battle an Orillia counterpart for the ball Saturday during the Milton Invitational Lacrosse Tournament. Despite a valiant effort, the host team lost 4-3.

## Sox de-claw bears for second victory

By STEVE LeBLANC

The Champion

A steady downpour and spirited performance at Brian Best Park Saturday helped wash away the HJM Insurance Red Sox' hardships.

At least for a little while.

Amidst uncooperative weather conditions Milton got an eight-inning gem out of pitcher Steve Penner and some quality hitting.

The combination equaled an 8-2 victory — just their second this season — over the still winless Glanbrook Grizzlies.

Penner scattered five hits and a couple of walks while fanning seven visiting batters to post his first win as a Red Sox.

The only extra-base hit he surrendered, a home run by Julio Martinez, came in the eighth with the game out of reach.

Red Sox veteran Matt McCandless went downtown in the opening frame, launching a two-run shot over the right field fence.

He followed up with RBI singles in the third and sixth to score Craig Holloway and Kevin Wilson, who recorded two hits apiece, as did player-coach Doug Dunn.

While Milton generated enough offence to win by their own design, substandard defense by their guests further cushioned their lead.

Throwing errors by Glanbrook's pitcher and catcher allowed McCandless to score his second run of the day and Dunn his first.

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## Bantams grind down the opposition at tournament

By STEVE LeBLANC

The Champion

If it ain't broke, don't fix it.

The Mavericks bantam lacrosse team has subscribed to this notion all season long. And why not?

Using a simple, spirited wear and tear game plan has yet to steer them wrong. This past weekend it guided them to four more victories and the championship title at the Milton Invitational Tournament.

Gaining more and more steam as the three-day showcase progressed, they completed their run by outdistancing Caledon 11-5 Sunday afternoon.

"The boys are steadily improving every game and really playing as a team," said a jubilant coach Randy Novak, whose team remains unbeaten.

"There may be a lot of good coaches out there but it takes the interest of players to be successful. These guys are interested in

working hard. They're buying into our program and it's paying off."

Eight different Mavericks scored in the finals, which served as further proof of their depth and teamwork.

Leading the charge with two goals each were Derek Blanchard, Joshua Caswell and Clem D'Orazio while Craig Hodgson, Rick Gallinger, Kyle Goertz, Michael Novak and Jordan Gunter chipped in singles.

Netminder Jordan Lumb came up with some big saves early on — holding Caledon to just one goal in the first half of the game — while Jonathan Ram chased down countless loose balls up front to sustain Milton's momentum.

Rock-solid defence was turned in by Kevin Corbin and Ian Robertson.

At least a handful of Mavericks contributed offensively in each of the other three wins over Barrie, Nepean and semi-

nalist Gloucester — who were no match for the hosts in a 7-1 drubbing.

James McIntosh had the highest single-game output with three goals against Nepean.


The Milton bantams not only dominated their own division but played a significant role in the only success their midget counterparts would enjoy all weekend.

Lending their services to the older crew — after a Friday night brawl resulted in seven midget suspensions — Blanchard, Goertz, Hodgson, Lumb, Novak, Matt Decaire and Josh Vanderbreggen filled the gap and helped defeat Nepean 9-5 Saturday. Lumb was between the pipes for the win.

High and dry


It was feast or famine for the Milton peewees, who amassed 31 goals en route to

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