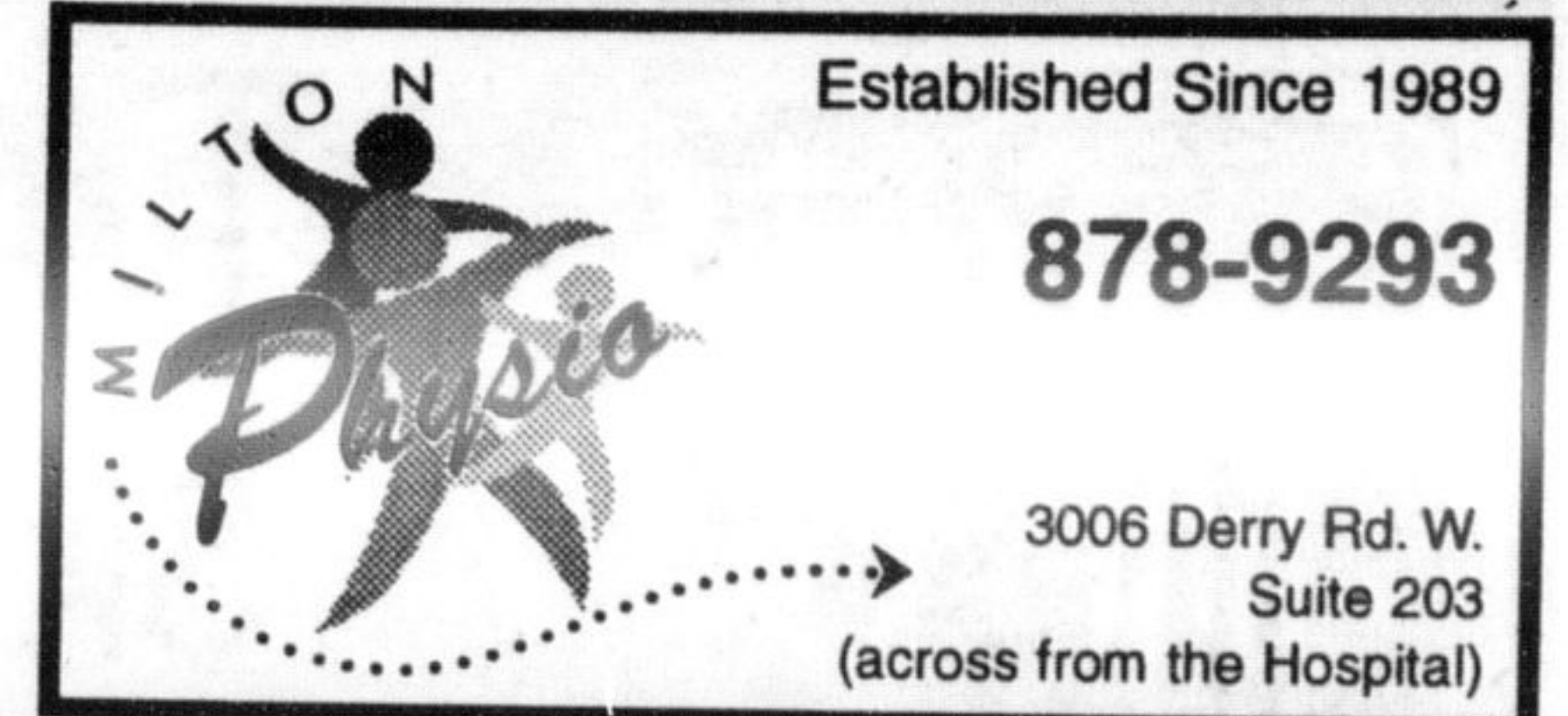




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Grinding out winning goal

By STEVE LeBLANC

The Champion

Geoff Schomogyi picked one heckuva way to extend his goal scoring streak Thursday in Brampton.

With only four seconds remaining in regulation time, the Merchants' dynamo deposited a short-range rebound to lift them past the Capitals 2-1.

The winning tally stretched his scoring run to nine games and lengthened the defending provincial champs' unbeaten road record to 31 games.

Picking up assists on the play — which pushed Milton to 36-4-3 — were Dave Csumrik and Ryan Robichaud.

"We're a talented line that's going to get chances," said Schomogyi, who skates with Robichaud and Ed McGrane. "If we keep working hard down low, it'll come. Tonight it just took a little longer."

The 19-year-old winger didn't spend any time patting himself on the back however. When the final horn sounded, he made an immediate rush to congratulate the night's real hero — Daniel Jacques.

Back from suspension, the veteran cager was absolutely magnificent from beginning to end and singlehandedly stole the win for his cohorts.

He made a dozen picturesque glove saves and turned aside a total of 42 shots, all along receiving little assistance from his defencemen, who demonstrated no physical presence and repeatedly coughed up the puck during routine breakouts.

"The rest must have helped, I guess," quipped Jacques.

While the blueline unit suffered through what was arguably their worst collective showing this year, the forwards weren't much better.

Lack of focus and a substandard work ethic resulted in their inability to head-man the puck and penetrate Brampton's defence — who of course know how to utilize their smaller ice surface, but still aren't talented enough to stop the Merchants at anywhere near peak efficiency.

Due to their offensive shortcomings, Milton went over 57 minutes without a goal for their longest drought of the season.

Delivering the initial marker two-and-a-half minutes into the contest was Mark Beisel. Replying for the Capitals was Jeff Street.

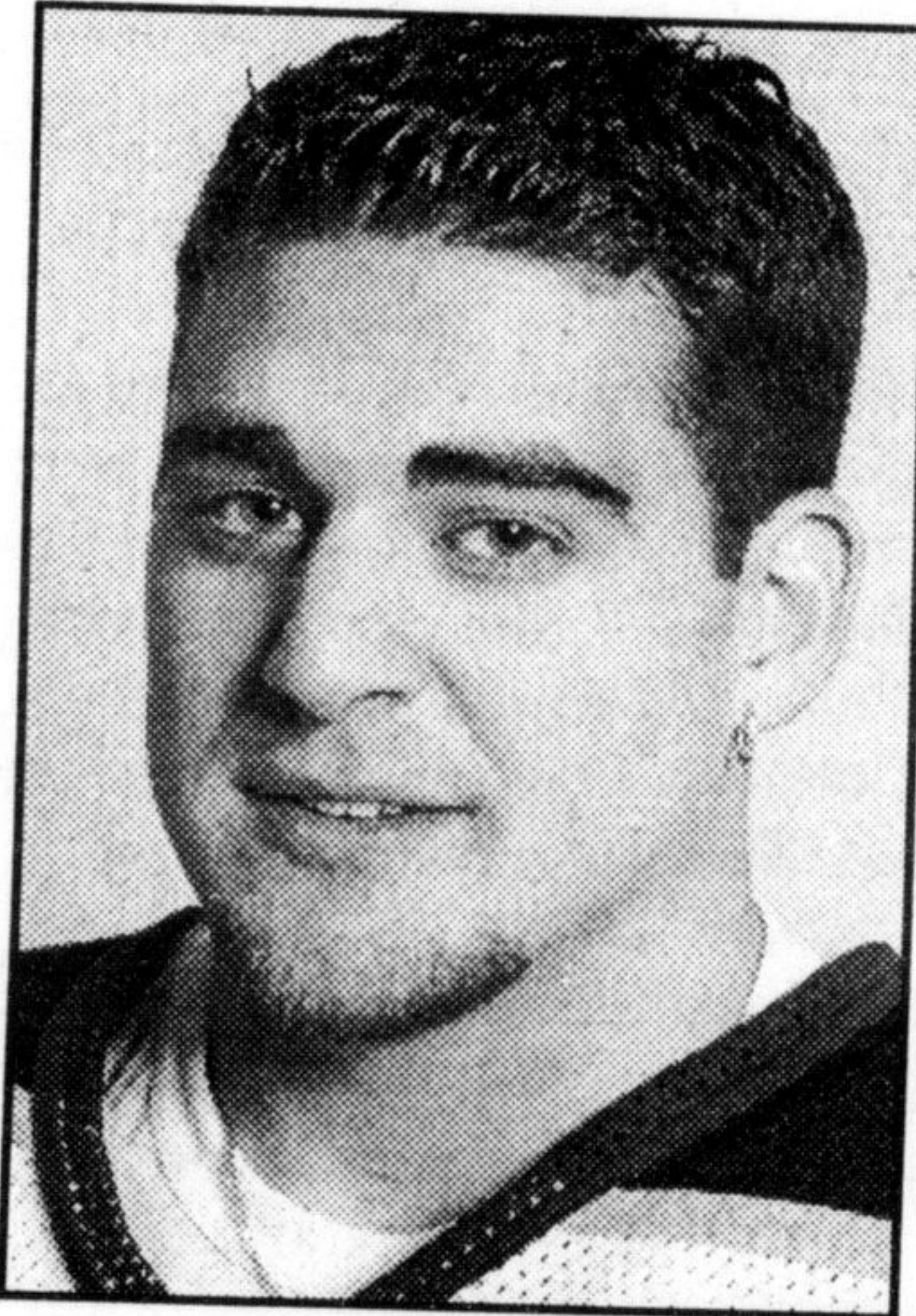
This showdown, which featured plenty of extra-curricular activity including a couple of near line brawls, saw Milton newcomer Jamie Dubrick play the sacrificial lamb and take a pounding from loose cannon Ryan Digby midway through the final frame.

Each team squandered a handful of powerplay chances.

One night later the Merchants' high-flying offence would resurface in an 8-2 thrashing of Georgetown, who for all their recent improvements still seem content to play the role of whipping boys to their north Halton neighbours.

Shots on goal favoured the victors 49-32.

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Geoff Schomogyi



Photo by GRAHAM PAINE

Twin brothers Brett and Ryan Moon have been tearing up the slopes for the Milton Heights Ski Club this season.

Competition looks Moon-struck

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Milton Heights Ski Club has been sporting twin terrors on the slopes this winter.

Ryan and Brett Moon, 13-year-old twin brothers who reside in Hornby, have collectively caused a great deal of frustration for rival racers over the past several weeks.

A case in point was Saturday at Osler Bluff, where the two Mackenzie Gold Team members took first and second place honours.

Ryan enjoyed the fastest run of the day — 39.05 seconds — as well as top spot overall with a combined time of 80.64 seconds.

Meanwhile, Brett finished less than a second back in both categories with impressive times of 39.74 and 81.17 seconds respectively.

"We were neck and neck, only I got out to a bit better start and set up my turns early which really helped," said Ryan, who along with his brother has been skiing competitively for the last three seasons.

This past weekend was typical of how things have played out for the local racers. Ryan usually leads the pack while Brett is always close behind, often in the very next spot.

Quipped Brett, "That's my number one goal, to beat him. I think his starts are just a little better than mine, that's why he beats me."

That may be why Ryan has been consistently successful since the season began — finishing top two at every event including Georgian Peaks, Devil's Glen and Talisman.

He also dominated this month's time tri-

als, winning the all-star slalom, all-star giant slalom and the regular giant slalom.

The only category he failed to capture was the regular slalom, which his brother managed to grab for the Moon sweep.

Brett also claimed top three marks in each of the three other races and had the fastest single run at Talisman.

"The speed is the best part of skiing, it's great," said Ryan.

The twins not only shine on the slopes but in front of the camera.

Recently they appeared in Tim Allen's The Santa Clause as well as in a Trident commercial, where they were seen doing their second favourite outdoor activity — mountain biking.

"Being active is good preparation for acting because you really have to be on your toes," said Brett.

Feenstra aims high, but needs help

Jeremy Feenstra will be looking to take his equestrian career to new heights this coming season, but will need a little help in clearing certain obstacles.

The 13-year-old Miltonian is hoping to gain assistance of the financial variety, in the form of individual or corporate sponsorship.

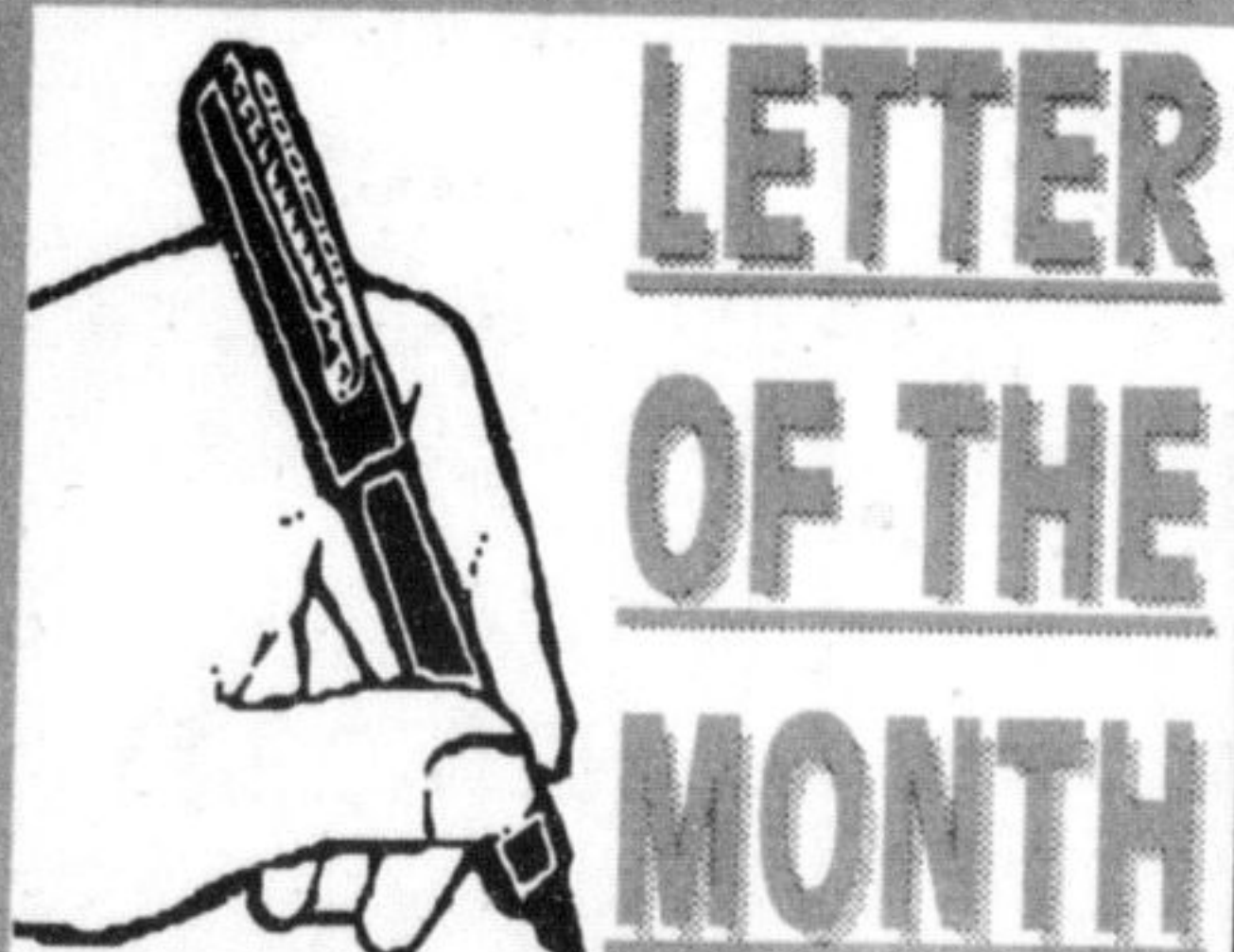
Contributions will go towards training and traveling expenses.

Last year the young rider — together with pony Dare to Dream — won grand championship honours in both the equitation and junior hunter divisions on the local challenge show circuit.

Now he plans on stepping things up and

pitting his talents against low jumper competitors from across the province. He's already preparing for this through Hendervale Equestrian Centre's winter series, which began last week.

Anyone interested in sponsoring Jeremy can do so by calling 876-3519 or 878-2383, ext. 2440.

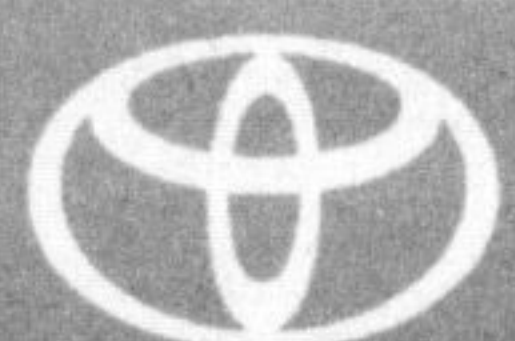


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