

# G'town thwarts the Drury juniors

E.C. Drury High School couldn't quite complete the sweep at Thursday's Junior Halton Wrestling Championships.

Acting as hosts once again, the Spartans secured a dozen medals — four of each colour — but had to play bridesmaids to Georgetown, who claimed the team title for the first time in four years on the strength of eight golden performances.

Drury seniors had won both the Halton and the Golden Horseshoe Athletic Conference title one week earlier to set the stage for a potential triple crown triumph.

Champions among the local squad were Adam Baxter, Matt Baxter, Chris Guard and Jeff Roberge.

Silvers went to Kevin Moore, Tyler Saliba, Tim Van Duyn and Dan Varley while Matt Devries, Luke Hendrie, Wes

McDougall and Chris Seto earned bronze.

The junior Spartans were equally impressive at a recent weekend tournament in Guelph, when all 12 grapplers placed top four in their respective weight classes — to ensure a comfortable margin of victory in the standings.

This represented the school's ninth team title of the year.

Striking gold — all for the first time in their careers — were Devries, Hendrie, Roberge, Adam Baxter and Rob Petherick.

Earning silvers were Guard, Moore, Saliba and Varley. Matt Baxter and Jordan Lumb grabbed bronze, with Van Duyn finishing fourth.

Junior Dynamo affiliates showed strongly. Mike Devries and Aaron Stone took silver while bronze went to Shea Deli.



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## Ready for action

Patrick Brisebois gets a few pointers on ball handling from father Daniel, a local lacrosse coach, during a recent sports registration day at Milton Mall.

## Kilty Bees can't sting Milton

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Bannan's blueline blast for the game winner.

Other goals came from Bannan, Carrigan, Gillies, Rob Meanchoff, Ryan Robichaud and Mike Wheelihan.

Former Kilty Bees star Ed McGrane collected three assists and now leads playoff scoring with seven points.

At Mountain Arena Thursday, Wenzel had to come up big in the late stages of play to preserve his goose egg. He robbed Hamilton attackers on three break-aways down the stretch.

His teammates staked themselves to 1-0 and 3-0 period leads before burying four more goals in the

final frame.

Captain Kevin O'Flaherty scored his second and third of the playoffs while singles were registered by Gillies, McGrane, Robichaud, Schomogyi and Chris Rowan.

Backstopping the Kilty Bees throughout the series was Steve McFarlane, who deserves some credit just for hanging in there and holding his opponents under double digits for all three games.

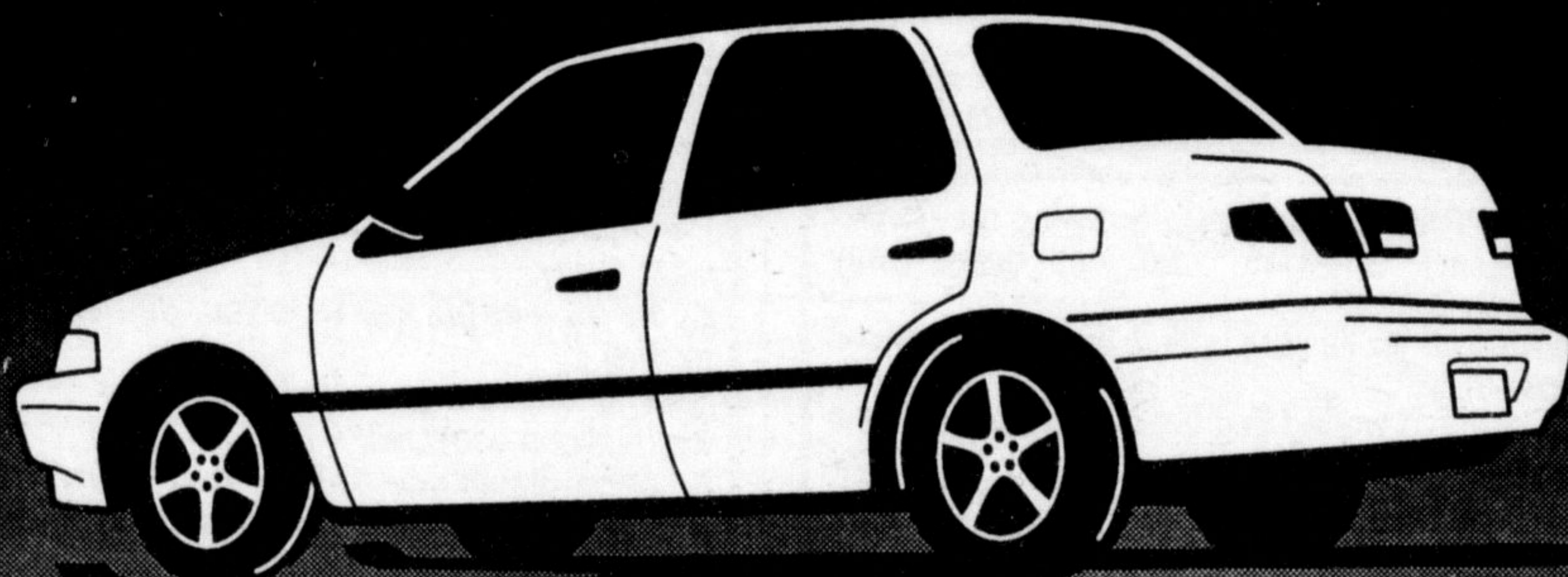
Merchant notes: Milton has now earned half-a-dozen playoff sweeps since Marty Williamson took the reins in 1996-97 ... Enforcer Jasen Hopiavuori saw his first playoff action Friday and drew an assist on the first goal ... The Merchants need 20 more wins for a return trip to the Royal Bank Cup.

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