

# Barefoot, in Florida

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The hard part isn't clearing the jump but not falling and hitting your butt on it," the local skier quipped.

Macdonald graduated to barefoot waterskiing at age 17, a decade after first negotiating the waters of northern Ontario on a pair of slats.

Higher boat speeds of up to 50 miles per hour, he said, are needed to remain upright for skiing barefoot.

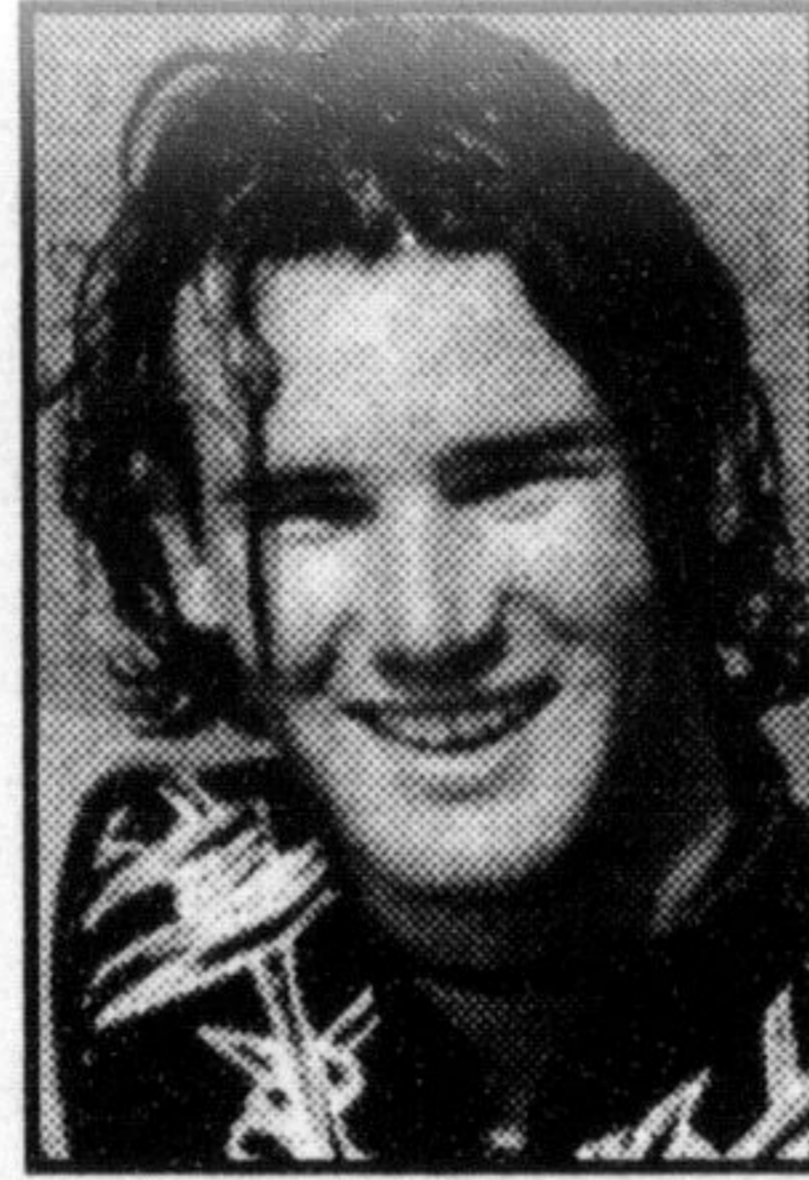
"There's definitely a greater challenge with barefoot. It takes a real balance of

muscle and finesse to do it."

A camp counsellor in his high school and university years, Macdonald now receives room and board plus training from Canadian champion Karyn Scarpa in exchange for daycare services for her and her husband's children.

"Working and playing in Florida is a dream come true," admitted Macdonald, who's currently ranked sixth in Canada and holds 67th spot in the Western Hemisphere. "My long-term goal is to establish a name for myself and then open a waterskiing school somewhere down here."

His next challenge comes a little closer to home, at the Eastern Canadian Championships July 10 to 12 in Cambridge.



Macdonald

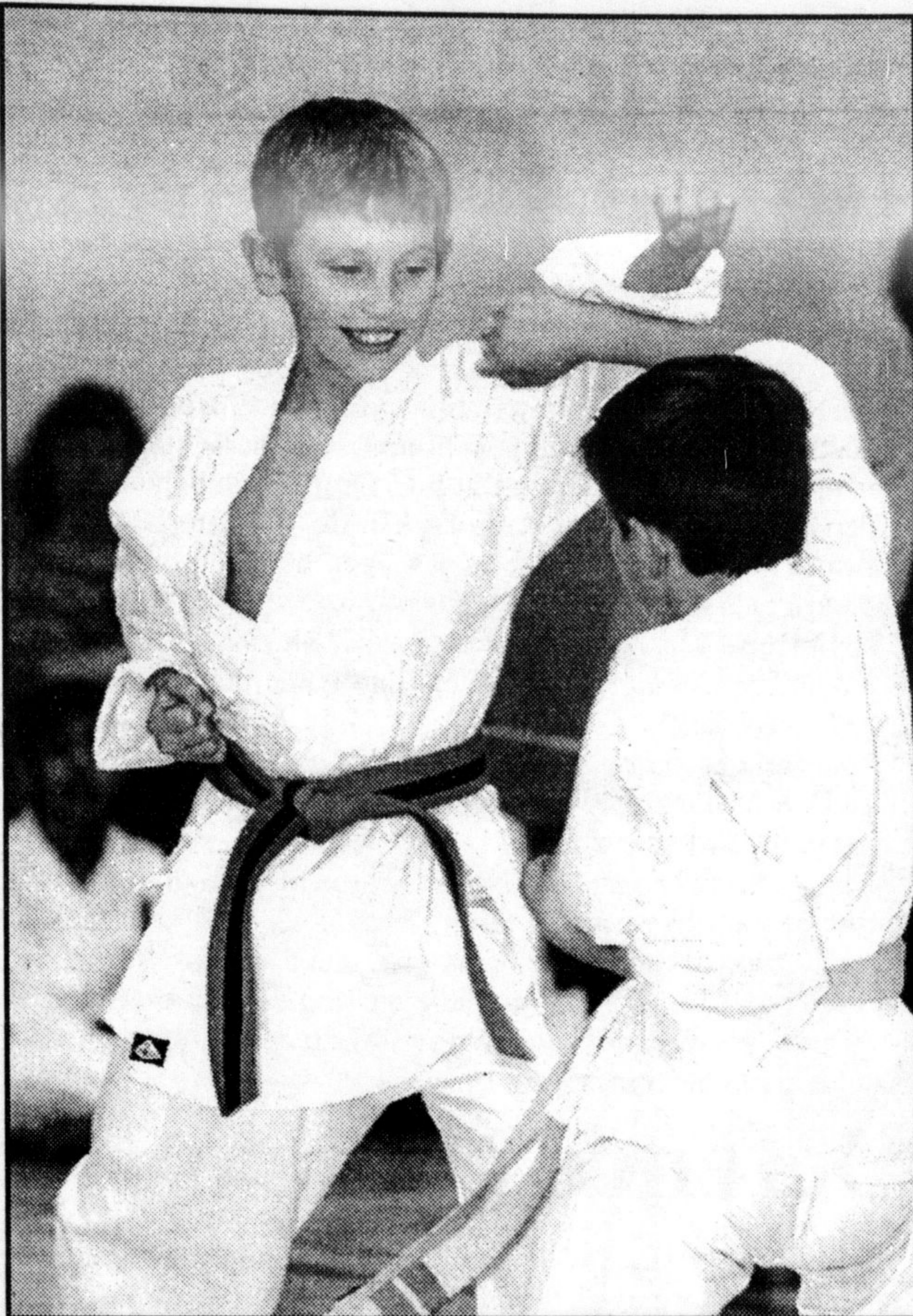


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## Young warriors

Milton's Eric Carter (left) competes against Bradley Meadows of Cayuga in this 9 to 11-year-old novice class during a martial arts event at Bishop Reding Secondary School Sunday.

## Ball hockey spots

The Milton Ball Hockey League is still accepting teams and players for its upcoming season.

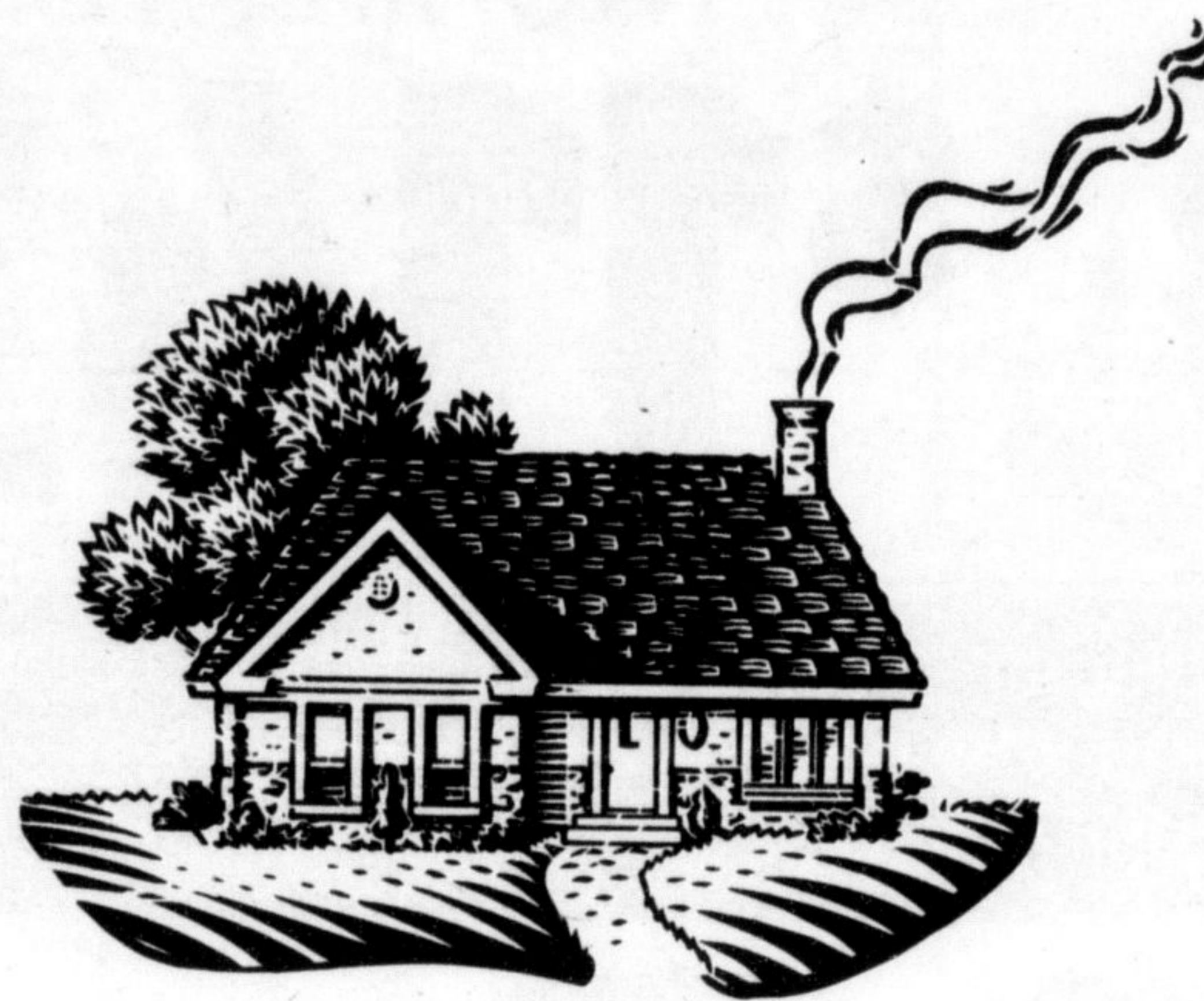
The cost of joining either the competitive or recreational conference is \$100 per person or \$1,300 per team.

The MBHL offers a 15-week regular season plus playoffs. Games are played Sunday and Monday nights, with no long weekend competition scheduled.

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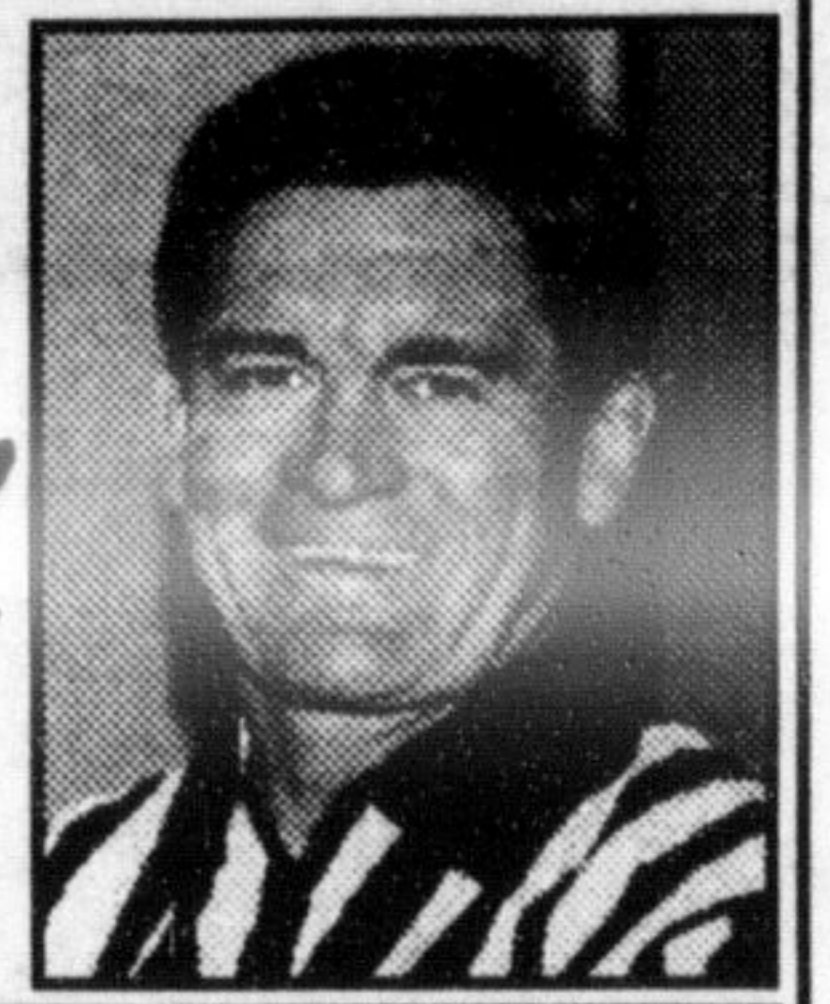
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