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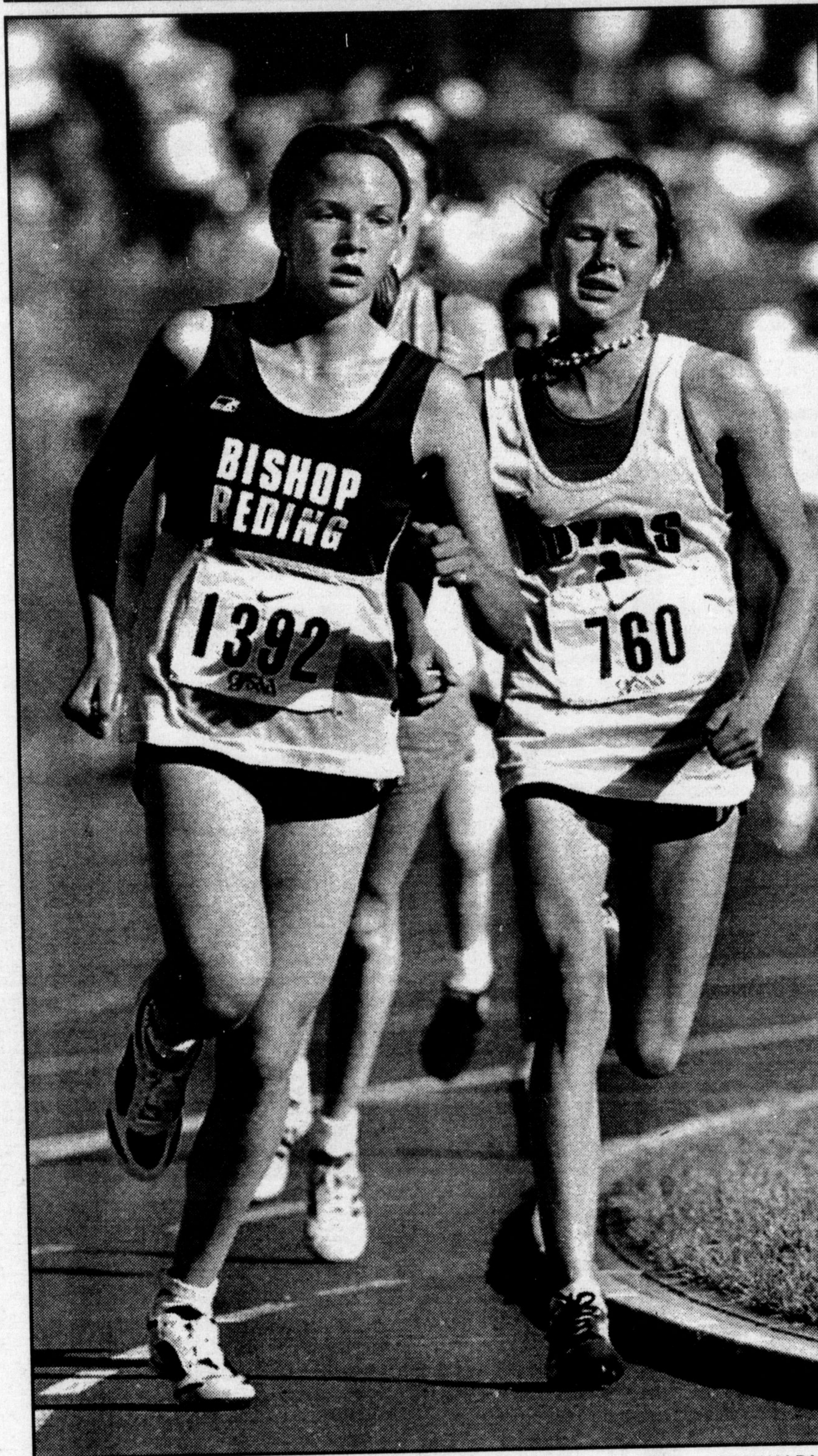


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Bishop Reding's Michelle Doell runs neck and neck with Claire Sullivan of John F. Ross in the midget girls 1,500m finals at OFSAA Friday. See story at right for full results.

Doell finishes in top 10

By **STEVE LeBLANC**

The Champion

The future of local track and field is here — and its name is Michelle Doell.

Bishop Reding's ninth grader put the finishing touches on a sensational season this past weekend during the All-Ontario OFSAA Championships at Etobicoke Centennial Stadium.

An endurance racer with at least three more years of high school competition ahead of her, the 15-year-old placed in the top 10 at two events — establishing some intriguing possibilities for the near future.

"I'd actually hoped to do a little better at provincials, but on the whole I'm really happy with my efforts this spring," said Doell, who's also an accomplished cross-country runner. "Bigger and better performances are still to come. Next year will be very exciting."

Her best efforts came in the 800m Saturday morning when she trimmed three seconds off her personal best, clocking in at 2:21.06 and taking third in her heat.

Unfortunately in the event finals — just four hours

later — Doell tacked those three seconds right back on and finished eighth overall. She was 11 seconds behind the winner, who nearly broke the meet record.

The Royals' lone representative wasn't quite at her best in the 1,500m and ended up ninth, in a particularly strong field.

In the more competitive of the two preliminary heats, Doell placed third with a time of 4:57.77 Thursday evening.

Off her form

She had given just enough to secure advancement to the finals, looking to save as much energy as possible for the following night's big race.

Only then the local racer's best was not forthcoming as a 4:59.21 effort — roughly five seconds off her top individual time, set late last month during the Southern Regionals at Hamilton's McMaster University — was all she could muster.

"That really wasn't a great race for me," admitted Doell, who holds Bishop Reding Secondary School records in three distance events including the 400m, 800m and 1,500m. "But this year I was just happy to make it to OFSAA. Next year I'll be looking to really shine."

Mavs showing no mercy

By **STEVE LeBLANC**

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The Georgetown Bulldogs are at a point now where they'd gladly accept a little charity — if it meant breaking out of a season-long losing skid.

The only problem is, acts of kindness in local lacrosse circles are difficult to come by. None were offered at John Tonelli Sports Centre Friday, when the Jr. B Mavericks dominated first and final period play en route to a convincing 13-6 victory.

The win pushed the 1999 Founder's Cup hosts to 8-5 and further strengthened their hold on second-place in the Mid-West Division. Meanwhile, the hapless 'Dogs fell to 0-13 and — with just nine games remaining — have virtually no hope of making the playoffs.

A 1-0 lead for 3:16 was all the generosity the Mavs would provide their guests during the evening clash. From there they amassed six unanswered goals and were pretty much on cruise control the rest of the way.

Enjoying the lion's share of the scoring pie were first-line partners Jimmy Leworthy Jr. and Chris Powless — who've become a dangerous duo since Powless was acquired from Six Nations two weeks ago.

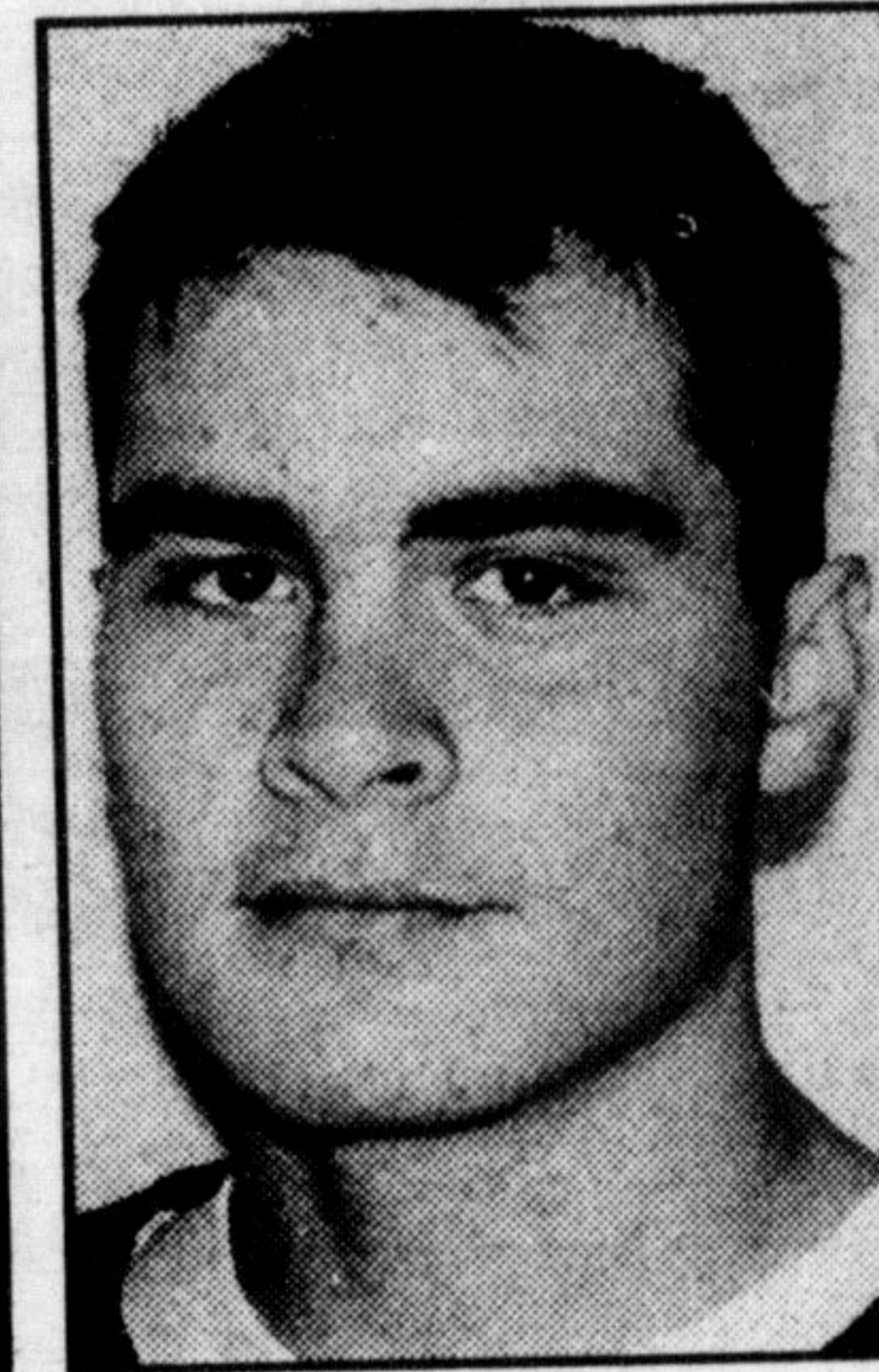
Collectively they figured in eight goals and pulled the trigger on seven of those, with Leworthy Jr. notching an individual season high of four and Powless picking up the hat-trick.

Leworthy Jr. also delivered perhaps the most entertaining moment of the night when he squared off with Bulldog Jeff Newman. Each unloaded with several authoritative shots to the other in one of the fiercest fights this season.

Overall, north Halton's combatants were fairly aggressive and confrontational throughout the late



Jimmy Leworthy



Chris Powless

stages of the game, much of which the Mavs spent shorthanded.

Earning his eighth season victory was Andrew Dowdell — whose chin continues to be an appealing target for opposing snipers.

Captain Andrew Hartholt tallied twice, bringing his season total to 34, and Cory Leigh banked his 29th of the year.

Milton's other marksmen were workhorse Kaegen Sherriff, Brent Moyer and Paul Wade.

Brad Kouyoumjian and Fred Rooyman led offensively for the 'Dogs with three points each.

Maverick notes: Veteran Shane McConnell was a little more active in the play and created some quality scoring opportunities Friday ... Milton's Matt Ventura, drafted by the Six Nations Arrows over the winter, suited up for the Mavericks Friday, though he saw limited action ... Milton is on the road this week, first against Guelph Thursday and then versus Georgetown Friday.

Three-on-three hockey

The Golden Horseshoe Hockey League is now accepting applications for its 3-on-3 Summer Hockey Tournament.

The tournament dates are: June 25 to 27, August 23 to 25 and August 27 to 29. Team and individual entries from both children and adults will be accepted.

All games played at Burlington's Mainway Arena.

Also, the Golden Horseshoe Hockey League is now taking applications for its winter hockey leagues.

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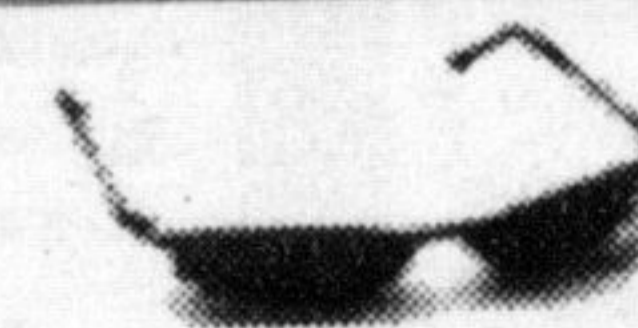
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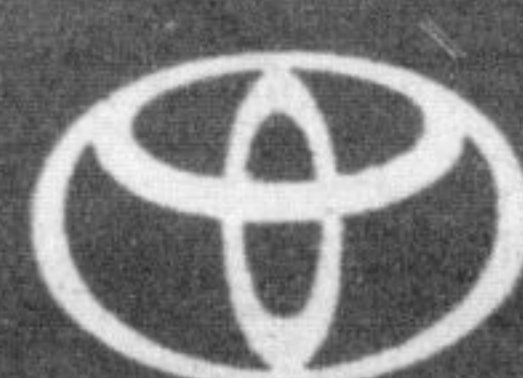


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