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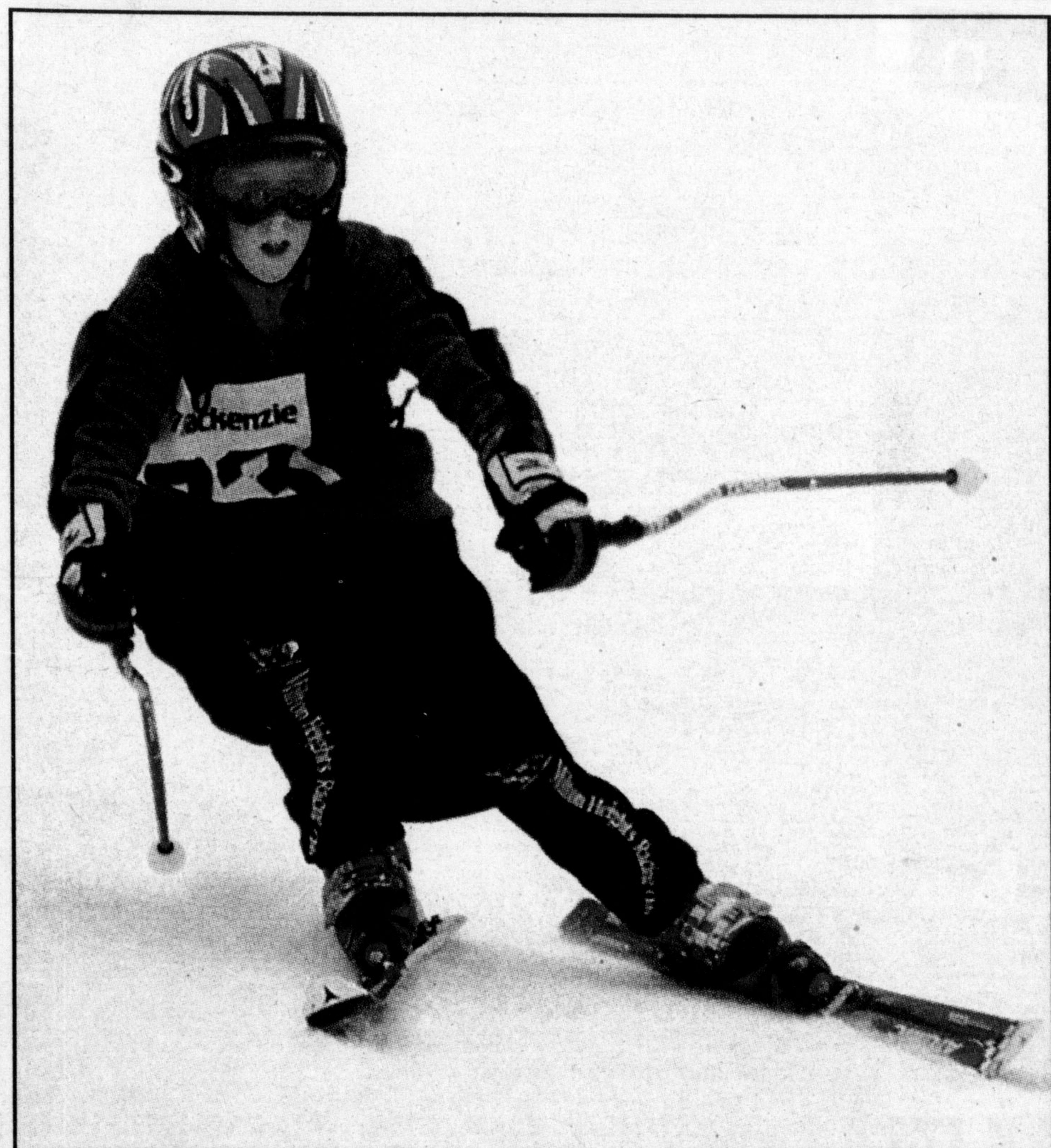


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## Tamin' the slopes

Drew Wilson, 12, of the Milton Heights Racing Club shows superb form during his morning run at the fifth annual Slalom Invitational at Glen Eden Ski Area Sunday.

## Ninth Line residents looking to hook up with Mississauga

By IRENE GENTLE

The Champion

With all the talk of municipal restructuring these days, some Ninth Line residents want in on the action.

Jammed between Highway 407

and development on the Mississauga border, residents of some 15 homes are asking for Milton to either urbanize the area or let it join Mississauga.

"We're losing patience and quite frankly we're strongly thinking of pursuing annexation to

Mississauga," said Peter Skira, head of the Ninth Line Owner's Association.

The idea of annexation arose in connection with a development proposal before the Town's planning committee Monday.

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## Part of Flamborough wants to join Halton; Carlisle with Milton

By IRENE GENTLE

The Champion

The verdict is in. Flamborough wants to hook up with Halton. At least some of it, anyway.

At an early February meeting, Flamborough council voted 8-1 to carve itself into three pieces to sever its 25-year marriage to Hamilton-Wentworth.

It suggested melding portions of the sprawling, 35,000-resident town with neighbouring Halton region and Wellington and Brant counties.

If Halton says yes, some of Flamborough, including the village of Waterdown, could latch on to Burlington. Others, such as Carlisle, may find a better

"At the end of the day you're looking at an amalgamation of two separate communities. Where do these people do their business? Where do they work?"

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fit in Milton. But permanent borders won't be drawn until a financial analysis is complete and all the new partners, along with the Province, have said 'I do.'

And even with all parties in agreement, the Province has the final say.

So far, that plan has been stymied by Wellington County, which has declared itself uninterested in a partnership.

From Halton's perspective, more analysis is needed, the Region's CAO Brent Marshall told Milton's planning committee Monday evening.

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## Developer launches appeal

By IRENE GENTLE

The Champion

An appeal has been filed by HD Investments over the proposed development of 33 acres of land by the E.C. Drury complex.

The application was rejected by town council January 31 in a tight 5-4 vote.

The clerk's department at Town Hall confirmed that the developer will be taking an application to build 195 geared-to-seniors, bungalow condominiums before the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB).

But it may not be too late to hammer out a deal, said Oakville Mayor Ann Mulvale at the February 9 regional council meeting.

"Often when an appeal has been filed there can be some mitigation," she said. "There may yet be a locally-driven solution."

The issue was raised at the meeting in light of a report detailing the need for a variety of seniors' housing in Halton.

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