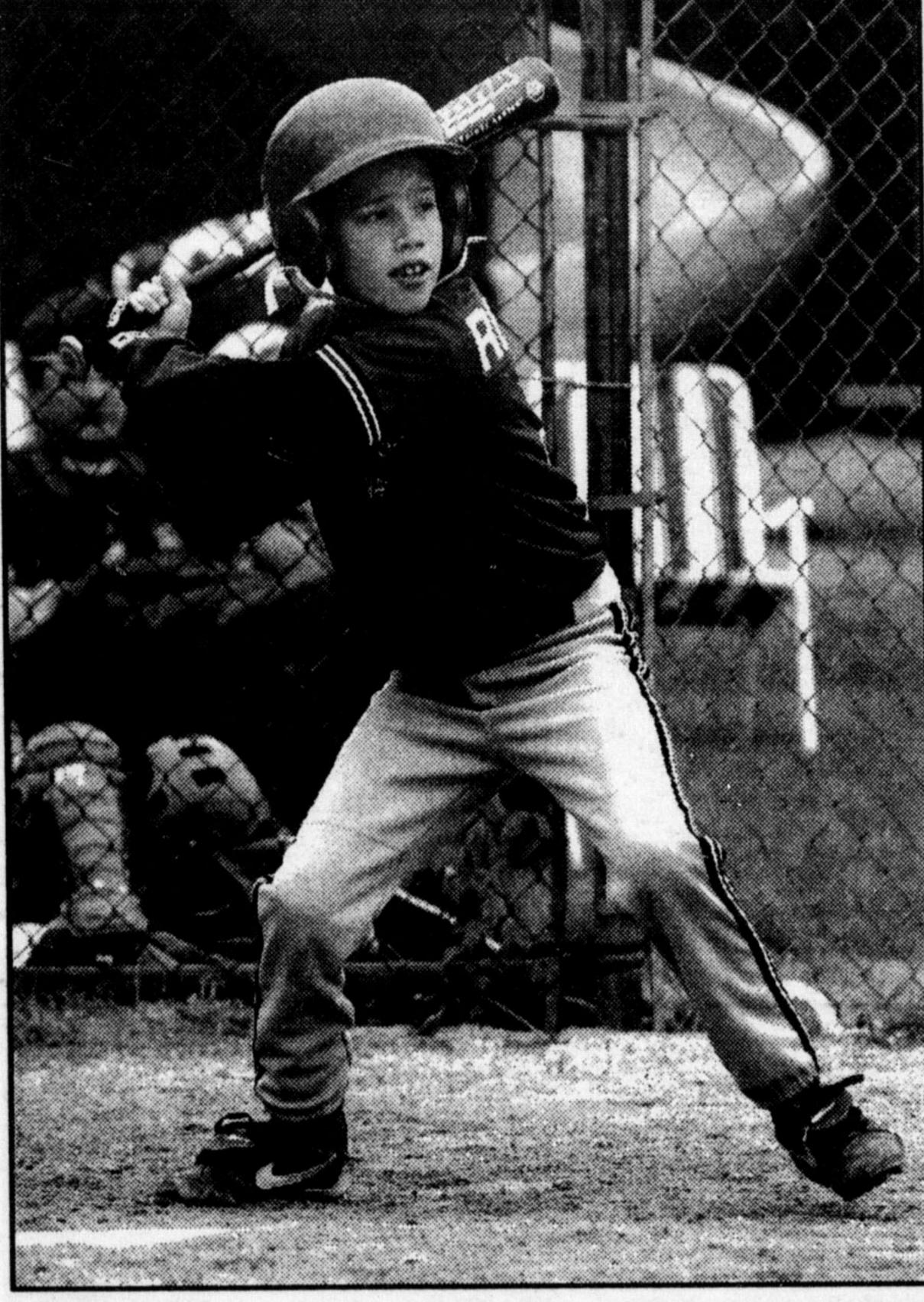
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THE CANADIAN CHAMPION



Photos by GRAHAM PAINE

Red Sox' Weston Gwilt (above) waits for a pitch while teammate James Marshall (at right) makes an unusual slide into second base during the Milton Rookie Invitational Baseball Tournament Saturday. For full results, see story below.



Rookie Red Sox destroy Burlington

By STEVE LeBLANC

The Champion

Ilittle Moir offense in Burlington Monday.

Tyler Moir — who registered the longest hit during the club's long weekend tournament skills Saturday evening, when they trimmed competition just two days earlier — went 4-for-4 Georgetown 10-9. and drove in a whopping seven runs to lead his team in a 19-6 thrashing of the previously undefeated Bears.

The Red Sox' star slugger collected three doubles plus a single in the lopsided contest.

Teammate Todd Campbell was perhaps the best two-way player of the bunch with four hits, four runs scored and a rock solid defensive effort at second base — where he made multiple putouts in fine fashion.

Alexander Durante turned in an amazing double play in right field while also standing out with four hits apiece were Jason Entmaa and Dylan Hill.

Everyone on the team had at least two hits.

While Milton was gelling from the onset in league play, its plate pop took a while to get going at the tournament.

As a result, the local lads were victorious in just one of three division games and failed to reach the semifinals.

Their lone triumph came in game three

Timely hit, and catch

James Marshall provided the heroics in that one, belting out a single to cash in Jonathan Nevins.

Hill then preserved the win in the final inning by snagging a sharply hit line drive that — if not caught — would surely have spelled disaster for the hosts.

Before that, the locals were beaten by Oakville (12-9) and Cambridge (11-4).

Nevins and Weston Gwilt were named the most valuable players in games one and two respectively.

Each patrolled shortstop for that game and made a number of impressive putouts — while delivering offensively as well.

Overall the local tournament was won by Brampton Black, who upstaged cross-town that.

rival Brampton Red in the championship finals.

Moir's skills winning hit measured a remarkable 160 feet. A couple of his hits during Monday's win were actually a little longer than

BR juniors reach finals

Heading into yesterday's regional junior boys soccer championship at Oakville's Sherwood Park, Bishop Reding must have been brimming with confidence.

The Royals certainly went into battle as the odds-on favourite, with an unbeaten record and just a single goal against them in seven season games.

They posted their sixth shutout win this year in semifinal play against Burlington Central. Amid a wet and foggy afternoon clash at BR, Bruce Milligan provided the heroics by chipping in a close-range scramble 10 minutes into the second half to give his team a 1-0 triumph.

Alan Lourenco was flawless between the pipes -- earning his fifth goose egg -- while other standouts included midfielders Matt Stockton and Paul Szafer plus defender Frank Fazio. BR's juniors — who won the regional title two years ago — have scored 30 times this season, and the only goal they allowed came in a 2-1 victory over Burlington's Lord Elgin.

"This team has a lot of heart," said first-year skipper Gord McCarles. "They're eager to learn and very coachable."

The Royals faced Oakville's St. Thomas Aquinas in yesterday's finals.

Results were not available at press time.

