



Shawna Turner hopes to deliver a record-breaking triple jump before finishing her high school track and field career.

Milton District High triple jumper hopes to establish personal record

Shawna Turner hopes to end high school career with record leap

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The Champion

Milton District's Shawna Turner is looking to end her high school track and field career in record-breaking fashion.

That'll be a tall order for the 19-year-old Mustang — who three years ago as a 10th grade triple jumper leapt an impressive 11.23 metres at OFSAA.

Difficult or not, the school's lone track and field athlete won't be content without establishing a new personal best this season.

"Where I place isn't as important as a new PB," stressed Turner. Her first of two chances to set one came yesterday during the South Regionals at Hamilton's McMaster University.

Turner advanced to this round after successfully defending her senior girls triple jump crown at last week's Halton/GHAC championships at McMaster — where she decimated the competition by jumping 10.97m.

"The second place finisher was at least a full metre back," she recalled.

Turner wasn't especially pleased with her performance, noting that a lack of training this season — due to commitments with the

school's cheerleading squad, that recently struck silver at the provincials — may have cost her to fall under the 11-metre mark, something she doesn't plan on doing again this spring.

"Hopefully I can break 11m before OFSAA, or at least at it," she said before yesterday's competition.

A top four finish at the regional finals would have advanced Turner to OFSAA for the fourth time in five years. A bout with mononucleosis kept her out of competition in 1999.

Reding shows strongly

Meanwhile, Bishop Reding sent 14 athletes to yesterday's regionals, including dual Halton/GHAC champion runners Michelle Doell and Ian Butcher — who represent the school's best hopes for reaching OFSAA.

BR collected over a dozen medals over the two-day competition for one of its strongest showings ever at the Halton/GHAC championships.

E.C. Drury did not have a track and field squad again this year. The OFSAA championships will be held May 31 to June 2 in Etobicoke.

Last year Turner was the only local athlete to compete at the provincials.

Junior Royals get big second chance

Bishop Reding will be looking to capitalize on a big second chance in junior boys soccer Monday.

Due to their use of an illegal player, Loyola was bounced from regional championship contention by league officials this past week — leaving one more shot at gold open to both Iroquois Ridge and the Royals, who are once again defending Halton champs.

The two teams will square off in semifinal play Monday — at Burlington's Sherwood Park — with the winner advancing to battle Q.E. Park for the regional crown Wednesday.

Reding's second chance followed a 3-1 overtime defeat at the hands of Q.E. Park in what was supposed to be the semifinals last Friday.

Goaltender Phil Foley made a terrific save in the dying moments of regulation time to keep hope alive while Reding's lone tally was potted by reliable sniper Dave Wynne.

He and Mario Sabatini gave standout efforts, as they have all season long.

"Our guys played really hard, Q.E. Park was just that much better," said co-coach Gord McCarles.

Junior girls edged

Meanwhile, BR's junior girls also turned in a gritty performance during semifinal play but just couldn't dent the twine against M.M. Robinson and were eventually shaded 1-0.

Remarkd co-coach Barb O'Connor, "It was end to end action the entire afternoon. The girls really played their hearts out but unfortunately ran into an amazing goal-

tender."

Filling in for absent netminder Val Fazio — who was away at a provincial diving meet — Kasia Sitarz made a couple of key saves to keep her team within striking distance.

Topnotch defensive efforts were offered by Ashley Grant and Carly LeBlanc while also shining for the Royals were Nikki Gazzola and Candace Noguiera.

Friday marked the second straight season in which the junior girls reached the semifinals.



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The Region of Halton is preparing a Master Plan for the 1564 acres of Agreement Forests located in the Town of Milton and Town of Halton Hills that are owned by the Region and previously managed for forestry purposes under agreement by the Ministry of Natural Resources. The purpose of the Master Plan is to guide forest use and management activities over the next 20 years to ensure the health, safety, and sustainability of the forests.

The study process will document existing natural and cultural resources, identify issues, conflicts and opportunities among forest, natural heritage, cultural and recreational objectives, and establish appropriate strategies and actions required to manage the forests sustainably.

The Region is establishing a Regional Forest Public Liaison Committee to assist the exchange of information among stakeholders and to provide input into the Master Plan. This committee is intended to reflect a broad range of interests and users of the forests. The Region is seeking the participation of 12-15 members from clubs, organizations, community groups, and residents to represent such interests as:

- Hiking
- Residents adjacent to the forests
- Aboriginal interests
- Forest related services & industries
- Cross country skiing
- Hunting and fishing
- Snowmobiling
- Citizens at large
- Equestrian/riding
- Naturalists
- Other forest interests

This Regional Forest Public Liaison Committee will meet 3-4 times through the study process. Regional Staff will select a cross-section of members based on submissions received. **If you are interested in participating on this committee, please submit your name, address, phone number, affiliations, with reasons for your interest by May 30, 2001 to Ms. Patricia Herring as set out below.**

In addition, the Region will host two public information meetings during preparation of the Master Plan. These meetings will be advertised in the local newspapers and notice will be sent to those on the mailing list. **To add your name to the mailing list, or to obtain further information, please contact:**

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