

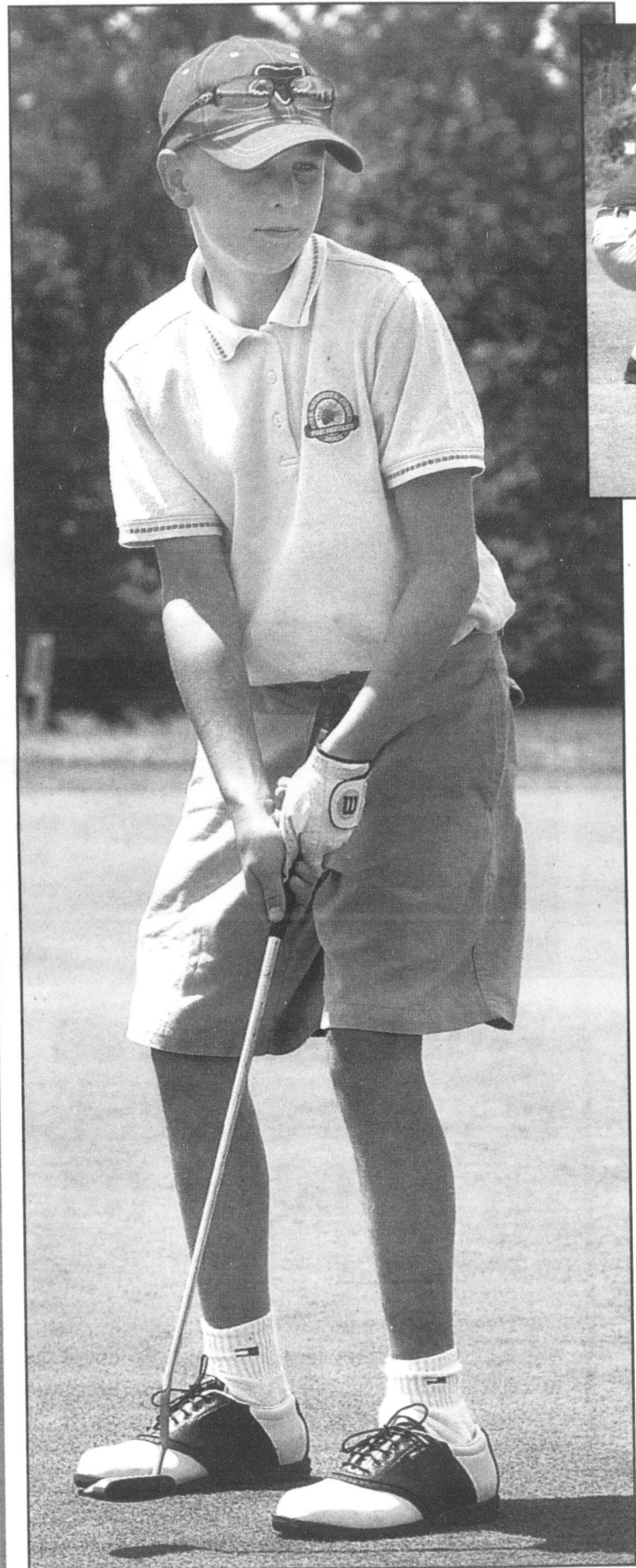
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Teeing off for a good cause

The annual **Golfing 4 Cancer** fundraiser at Hornby Glen Golf Course Monday was another huge success. At left, David Boughton, 13, the youngest golfer in the tournament, takes a shot on the 18th green. He was playing with his father, harness driver Dave Boughton. Above, Dwan McGillvray of Milton Chrysler-Dodge cheers his putt into the hole. The tourney's 288 golfers raised more than \$45,000 for the Canadian Cancer Society's Milton branch. Meanwhile, the Ladies Drive for Cancer was held Tuesday. See photos from that event on page 5.

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Hospital's obstetrics unit set to re-open under Dr. Hunter

By RICHARD VIVIAN

The Champion

Milton District Hospital is back in the baby business.

Obstetric services will return to Milton District Hospital (MDH) July 22 following Dr. Glen Hunter's homecoming from specialized training.

"It's great being back. I should be back to the way I used to practice, where I'd be able to go home for lunch and see the kids a little bit more," the long-time Miltonian said of once again working in town.

Before attending McMaster Medical Centre for specialized training in obstetrics and gynecology, Dr. Hunter operated a family practice in town for eight years.

As a family doctor, he was involved in a lot of obstetric work and decided that was what he wanted to focus his practice on.

"I had to think about it for quite a while. It's a big decision to go back (to school) for residency training," he said.

"There's an excitement to it. Obstetrics hasn't changed a lot in the last 1,000 years, but it's still a very exciting part of medicine to be in. You're usually dealing with fairly happy events."

Dr. Hunter will maintain an office out of the Commercial Street Medical Building to tend to patients for prenatal care, pre-conceptual and antepartum counselling, as well as gynecological care. Child delivery services will be out of MDH.

With Dr. Hunter's return to Milton, local patients won't have to travel to Oakville-Trafalgar Memorial Hospital (OTMH) for obstetric and gynecological services any longer.

"This is a great thing to be available again for anyone who wants to deliver close to home," the doctor said.

"As a community, this service is going to be even more demanded as the population grows. I see this as a core part of any com-

munity hospital — obstetrics."

The trip to Oakville became necessary last October, when Dr. Sandy Sharma moved his birthing procedures to OTMH, citing a heavy workload as Milton's sole obstetrician.

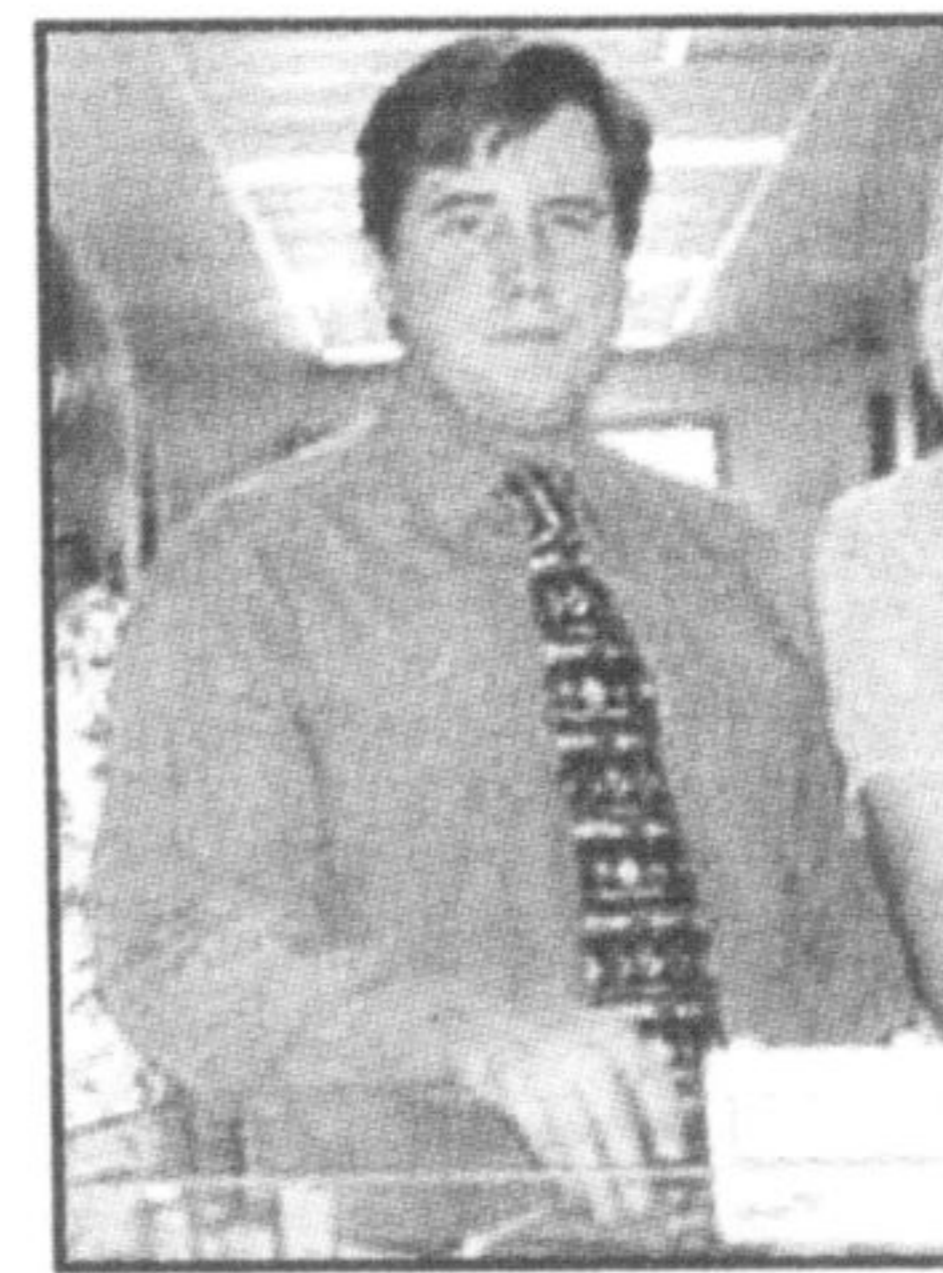
Dr. Sharma was to return to MDH upon the arrival of a second obstetrician, but will instead move his entire practice to Oakville Monday.

Patients currently seeing Dr. Sharma in Milton will either have to drive to Oakville or switch to Dr. Hunter through a referral from their family physician.

Recruitment of a second obstetrician for MDH is underway and is expected to bare fruit by next summer.

"When I was a GP (general practitioner), how I practiced then isn't going to be much different than how I practice now. I was on-call quite a bit, so it kind of became a way of life," Dr. Hunter said, adding there are systems in place with OTMH should he require time off.

"When I do need a breather, I'll be able to get it. Any physician, no matter what field they're in, has to pace himself and be careful that they don't burn out."



Dr. Glen Hunter

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