

Big rookie year for Gerrits

Travis Gerrits wasn't going to let a little thing like a lack of experience keep him out of North America's upper echelon.

Refusing to merely break into the NorAm Grand Prix circuit this year, Milton's 15-year-old aerial skier finished sixth overall — upstaging a number of far more seasoned competitors.

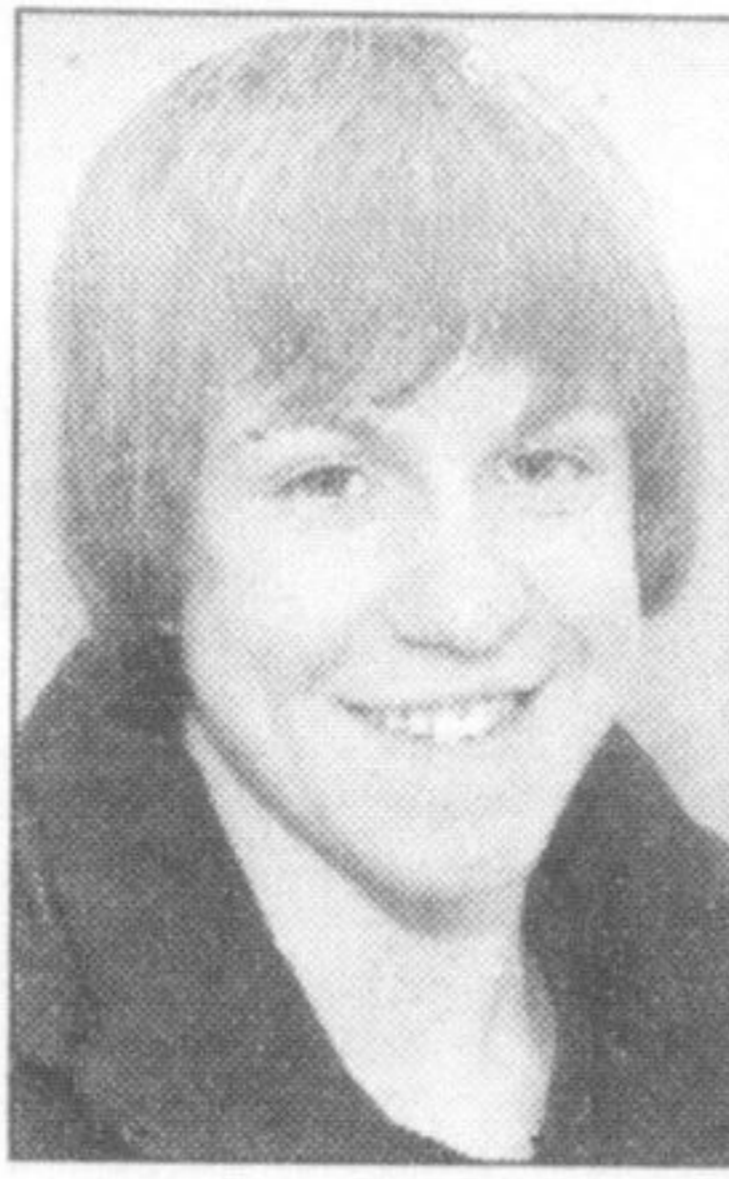
Strong showings in Montana and Utah recently allowed the local teen, a newcomer to the Canadian aerial devel-

opment team, to solidify his top-10 placing in the series.

Spending much of his last three winters training in Quebec, Gerrits is far from finished this season.

Currently in Airolo, Switzerland, he'll be part of the Junior World Freestyle Ski Championships this weekend — with qualifying set for tomorrow and the finals on Sunday.

The youngest member of a four-skier contingent from the national development team overseas this week, Gerrits will then fly directly to Calgary for the senior national championships next weekend.



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Atoms go 1-2 in Niagara Falls

As has been the case all year, the AA atoms' offensive efforts were rather inconsistent this past week at their season-ending Niagara Falls March Break Tournament.


The Winterhawks scored six times in their three-game round robin campaign — with five of those goals coming in a round-two squeaker over Flamborough Tuesday.

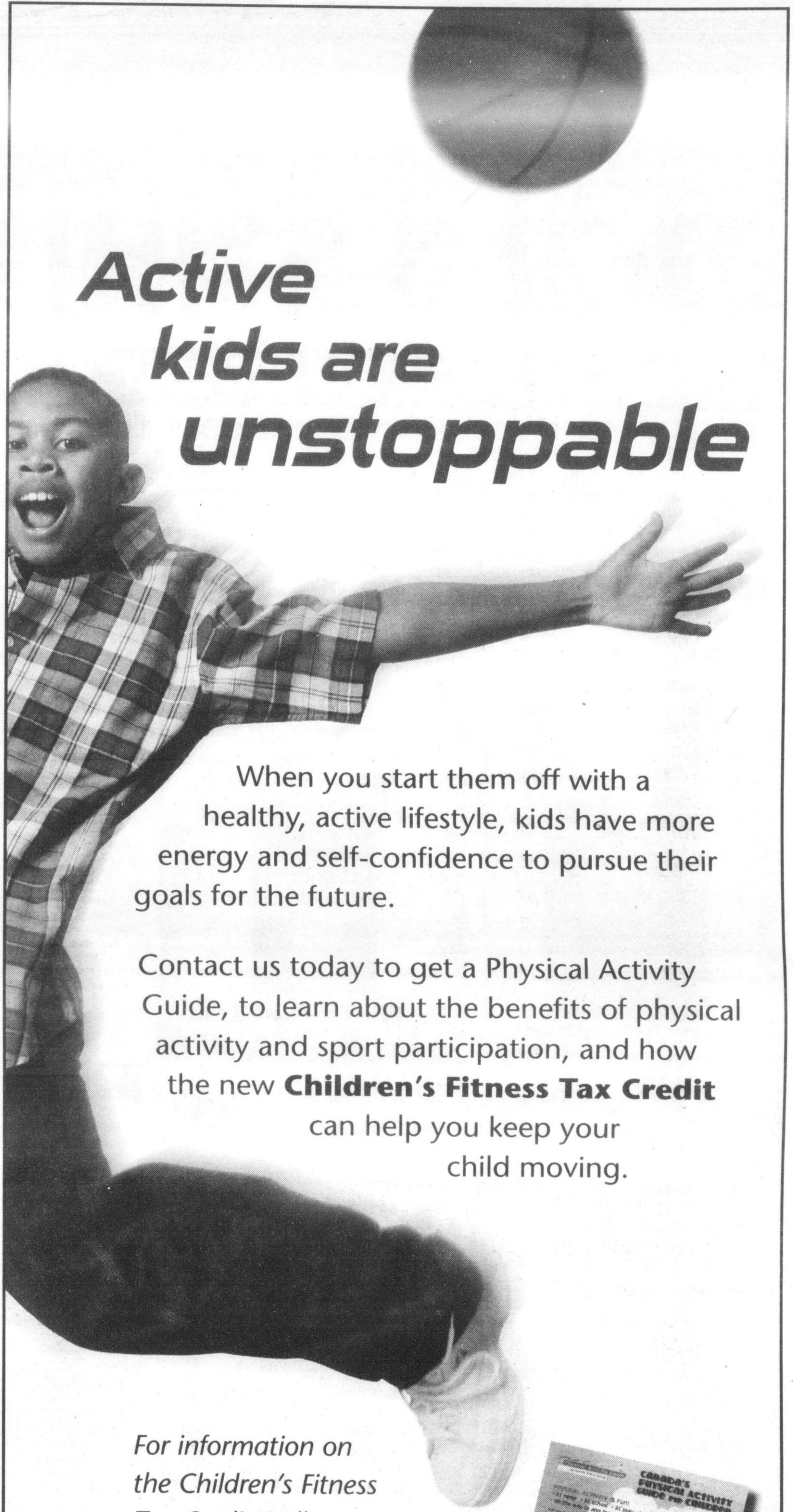
Matthew Gooding and Marcus Miller each had a goal and an assist in the 5-4 decision, with Matthew Lenahan, Jacob Quinn and Sam Robson also denting the twine.

Connor Hallyburton highlighted a rock-solid effort with a last-minute breakaway save to give his mother a special birthday present.

Sandwiching the narrow win were a 5-1 loss to London and 3-0 whitewash at the hands of Pickering.

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