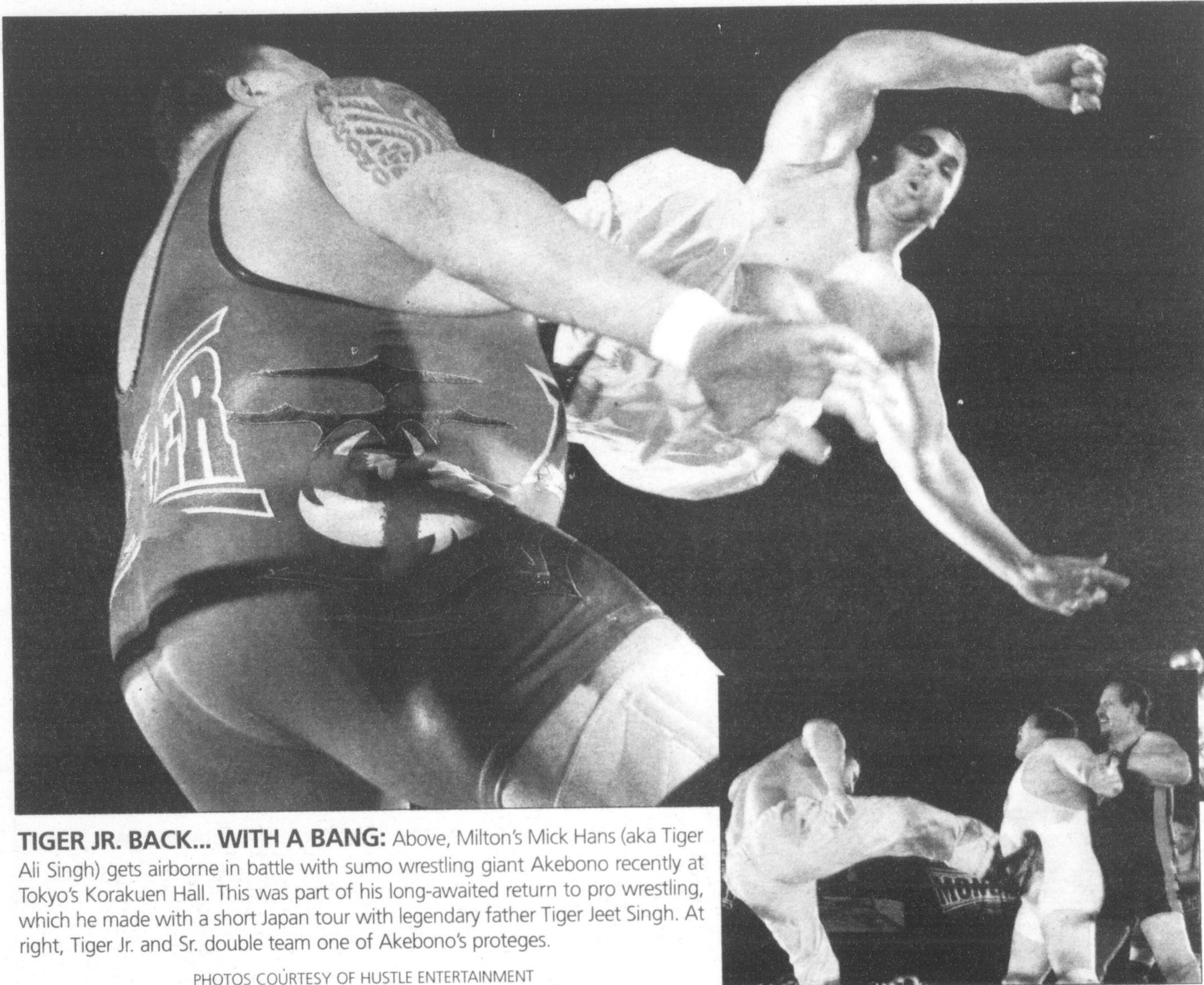


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TIGER JR. BACK... WITH A BANG: Above, Milton's Mick Hans (aka Tiger Ali Singh) gets airborne in battle with sumo wrestling giant Akebono recently at Tokyo's Korakuen Hall. This was part of his long-awaited return to pro wrestling, which he made with a short Japan tour with legendary father Tiger Jeet Singh. At right, Tiger Jr. and Sr. double team one of Akebono's proteges.

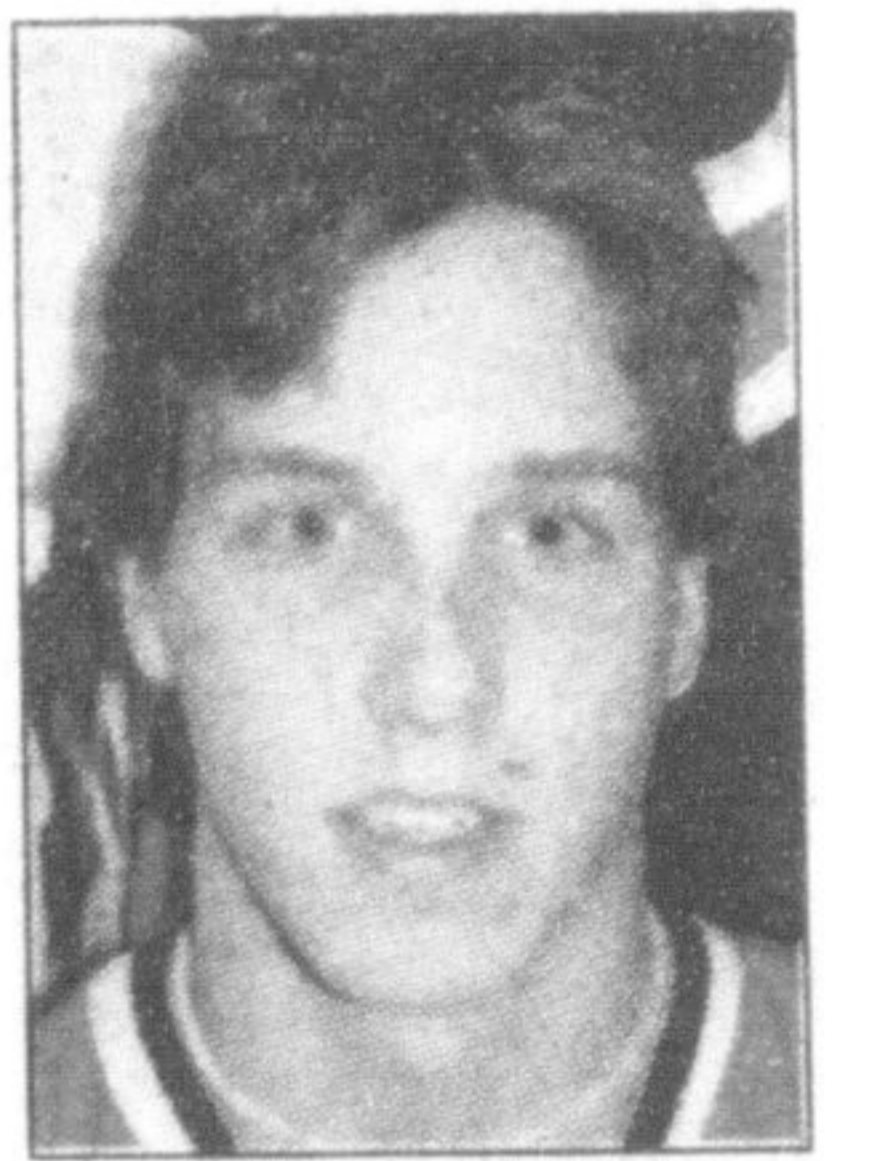
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Jr. A prospects game awaits local blueliner

Price named to Canada East team for showcase in P.E.I.

Jeremy Price has another golden opportunity to raise his profile among NCAA scouts.

Still in the hunt for a scholarship, the 18-year-old Miltonian — now patrolling the Nepean Raiders' blue-line in the Central Junior Hockey League — was named to the Team East roster for the upcoming Canadian Junior Hockey League's (CJHL) Prospects Game in Summerside, P.E.I.



Jeremy Price

Announced last week, the selections are a combined effort of the CJHL and NHL Central Scouting.

"It feels awesome to have been chosen," said Price, one of three Raiders who'll be part of the annual showcase December 16 and 17. "It's a big opportunity (for me)."

His inclusion comes less than three weeks after being part of the Canada East squad that claimed bronze at the World Jr. A Challenge in Camrose, Alberta. The former IceHawks defenceman played all four games — including the 9-1 pasting of Belarus in the battle for third — and drew an assist in a 6-3 first-round win over Germany.

Hoping to help Canada East hang on to the President's Cup (awarded to the winning team at the prospects game), Price is currently riding a six-game point streak with the 21-3-6 Raiders — who beat Hawkesbury and Kemptville with identical 5-0 victories this past weekend.

While a key part of the Raiders' powerplay unit and their top-scoring defenceman — sitting with four goals and 12 helpers — Price seems more pleased with the progress he's made in his own end, and offers plenty of credit to coach Garry Galley (former NHL defenceman) for that improvement.

"He's definitely helped me a lot in that area," said the Canada East blueliner, part of a Nepean team that's given up just nine goals in its last eight games and sports a 2.2 goals-against average overall, which is second only to league-leading Pembroke. "I've been able to round out my game this year."

Brittain dealt to Barrie in five-player swing

For the first time in recent memory — perhaps ever — two local players will be teammates in the Ontario Hockey League.

That's due to Wednesday morning's five-player deal that has 18-year-old Miltonian Josh Brittain now suiting up for the underachieving Barrie Colts, who traded away part of their future to the embattled Kingston Frontenacs for size and experience.

The centrepiece of the deal, Brittain brings both those attributes to his new

team, along with a fair amount of scoring punch — sitting with 17 goals and eight assists in 28 games.

One of those helpers came just a few hours after being traded, as he set up Barrie's initial goal in a 5-2 loss in Owen Sound Wednesday night.

"We get a big time scorer in Josh. He's on pace to get 35 goals this season and there's not too many players like him out there," said Colts head coach Marty Williamson,

whom longtime local fans will remember as the bench boss during Milton's cham-

ampionship heyday in the late '90s.

Along with Brittain, Barrie picks up big 19-year-old forward Peter Stevens, while the Frontenacs get 17-year-old forwards Mitch Lebar and Colton Kennedy plus 18-year-old defenceman Brian Lashoff.

A six-foot-four-inch, 205-pound third-round draft pick of the Anaheim Ducks this past summer, Brittain is now playing with Campbellville's Michael Sgarbossa, a rookie centre who has three goals and 12 helpers in 28 games.

Barrie's newest forward was unavailable for comment at press time.



Josh Brittain

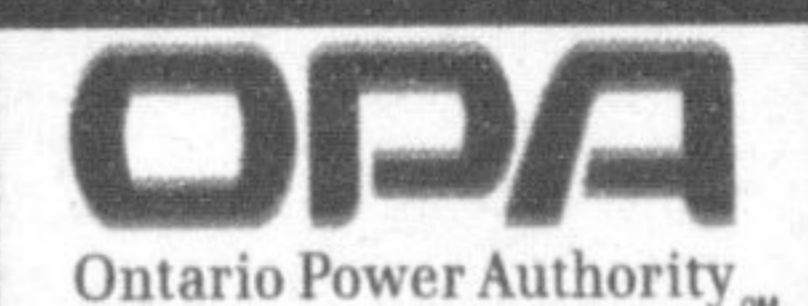
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