More than \$1.5 million in purse money was awarded during the evening including \$1.3 million in four Breeders Crown events.

The brilliant Falcon Seelster mare, Shady Daisy had little trouble handling her seven rivals in the \$306,750 Breeders Crown event for pacing mares.

Driver Ron Pierce guided the four-year-old

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quickly to the front from the rail position but yielded midway on the first turn before moving quickly to regain the lead for a :27.1 opening quarter. Shady waltzed to a:57.3 half

Crown start with a victory.

"It was easier that I thought it would be," couple would have come charging out of

According to her trainer Lou Bauslaugh

with little pressure, turned up the afterburners whose wife, Tamela co-owns Shady with her down the backstretch putting some distance father Ron Jackson, Shady hasn't been the between her and the seven mares who couldn't easiest horse to train. "She's over-enthusiascatch her, let alone keep up with her. At the tic; she's not a mean mare, she's very nice. wire, it was all Shady Daisy and driver Ron But when she gets on the track she wants to Pierce in 1:53.2 to punctuate her first Breeders win." And fact of the matter is she usually

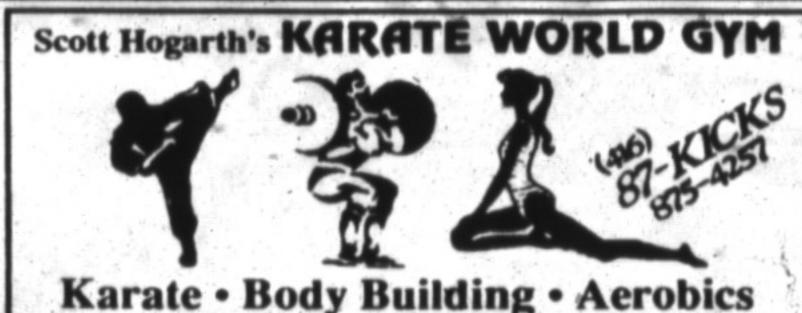
The win was number 8 in 18 starts this year explained an elated Ron Pierce, "I thought a for Shady Daisy and the win increased her bank account to \$404,655.

> The six-year-old Baltic Speed mare, Peace . see NO SEX PLEASE on page 20





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Photos by GRAHAM PAINE

Tearing up the track

Drumquin Park was the scene of the Eastern Canadian BMX Championships over the weekend. The event attracted male and female racers from as far away as Quebec and the United States. Hundreds of BMX race enthusiasts were at Milton's BMX 2000 track, the hosts of the event. (Photo above) One of the age 17 and over Quebec racers is airborne over the first triple mogul in the course. (Photo right, below) Leo Stevens, a competitor in the 11-14 year novice/expert class, goes for a rough tumble down the embankment of turn one in his moto. Leo wasn't injured in the fall.





Loss drops Merchants to seventh

By STEVE LEBLANC Special to The Champion

A combination of sloppy defence and lousy officiating cost the Milton Merchants their second loss of the season Friday night as they were pounded 6-3 in Burlington by the fiesty Cougars.

The loss evens Milton's season record to 2-2 and drops them into

seventh place Central Ontario Junior A League west division standings, ahead of only dismal

Royal York squad who have yet to claim a victory in seven match-ups.

After a great performance the week before against the Brampton Capitals, the Merchants played sloppy hockey Friday. They allowed Cougar attackers to move into the slot much too often and their offensive efforts were almost non-existant through the second and third periods.

"The long lay-off hurt us, you'd like to think that practice makes perfect but that doesn't always happen," said Milton head coach Rick Bince following the loss, "Having my two top defencemen out on 10minute penalties hurt our game also."

While their performance was a far cry from what Merchant fans have come to expect, the loss can't be completely blamed on Milton players.

Referees for Friday's contest lost control of the game early on. They called many unnecessary penalties (mostly on Milton) and wasted much too much time getting the teams back into action after infractions and other stops in play.

It seemed as though any time two opposing players came within two feet of each other, the whistle was blown and someone was headed for the penalty box. Milton found themselves two men short during much of the final two frames and their penalty box was crowd with three players on many ocassions.

More than one hour of penalty time (including 10-minute misconducts to Milton rear guards Mike Murray and Steve Rocco) spoiled what could have been an exciting contest. Rick Bince, stuffing paper in his ears so he couldn't hear the ref's calls, symbolized the feelings of most Merchant and Cougar fans in attendance.

Milton's Daner Finn scored the see MERCHANTS on page 21