



PENETANG - MIDLAND GYM CLUB Gymnastics Corner

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Last Saturday, Dec. 12 was a very big day for our club.

This is our second season in O.G.F. and the first qualifying gymnastics meet this year was a measure of our success or failure.

Out of the fifteen or so gymnasts slated to go, only four managed to be ready in time for this important gym meet.

Meet Results

The Argo B division was represented by ten year old Gabi Held.

She was very impressive indeed. Gabi placed eighth overall, accumulating a composite score of 29.19.

She was just five points shy of the first place winner.

She also earned a third place ribbon for her 8.4 score on the floor exercise. A marked improvement over last year.

The Tyro B category had three competitors: Beatty Spencer, Lorraine Lacroix and Crystal Manson. Once again, there was a drastic improvement over last year.

Beatty Spencer placed ninth overall with a composite score of 29.48. Two marks separated her from the first place finisher.

Her best performance was on the uneven bars. Her score of 8.33 earned her a second place ribbon.

Lorraine Lacroix managed to pick up a tie for sixth place on the floor.

She scored 8.10 and looked very impressive.

Although Crystal Manson didn't win any ribbons, improvement over last year's scores were evident. Her composite score of 27.22 was four marks short of the leader.

Conclusion

The coaching staff was basically pleased with the results of the gymnastic meet. Our

hard work is starting to pay off.

Many coaches from some of the other clubs came over and commented on the improvement that they noticed in our club. The remarks were music to our ears.

It is our hope that at the next meet in March we will be able to send a few more gymnasts to it.

Many members of our club went to Toronto to cheer our girls on and they came away feeling that they could compete successfully as well.

Who knows? With hard work anything is possible.

Holiday Schedule

It was the consensus of opinion of the coaches and the executive, that the Hurons should shut down during the Christmas holidays.

Many coaches felt that the gymnasts along

with themselves needed a break.

The coaches will be using this opportunity to regroup and organize for the next session.

As a result, the program for the holidays is as follows:

-closed weekdays from Monday Dec. 22, 1980 to Friday, Jan. 2, 1981.

-practices will be held from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the YMCA on the following dates:

Saturday Dec. 20, 1980; Saturday Dec. 27, 1980; Saturday Jan. 3, 1981.

In conclusion, we would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season

Gymnastic Calendar

Monday, Jan., 5, 1981-First competitive practice

Tuesday, Jan. 6, 1981-First pre-competitive practice

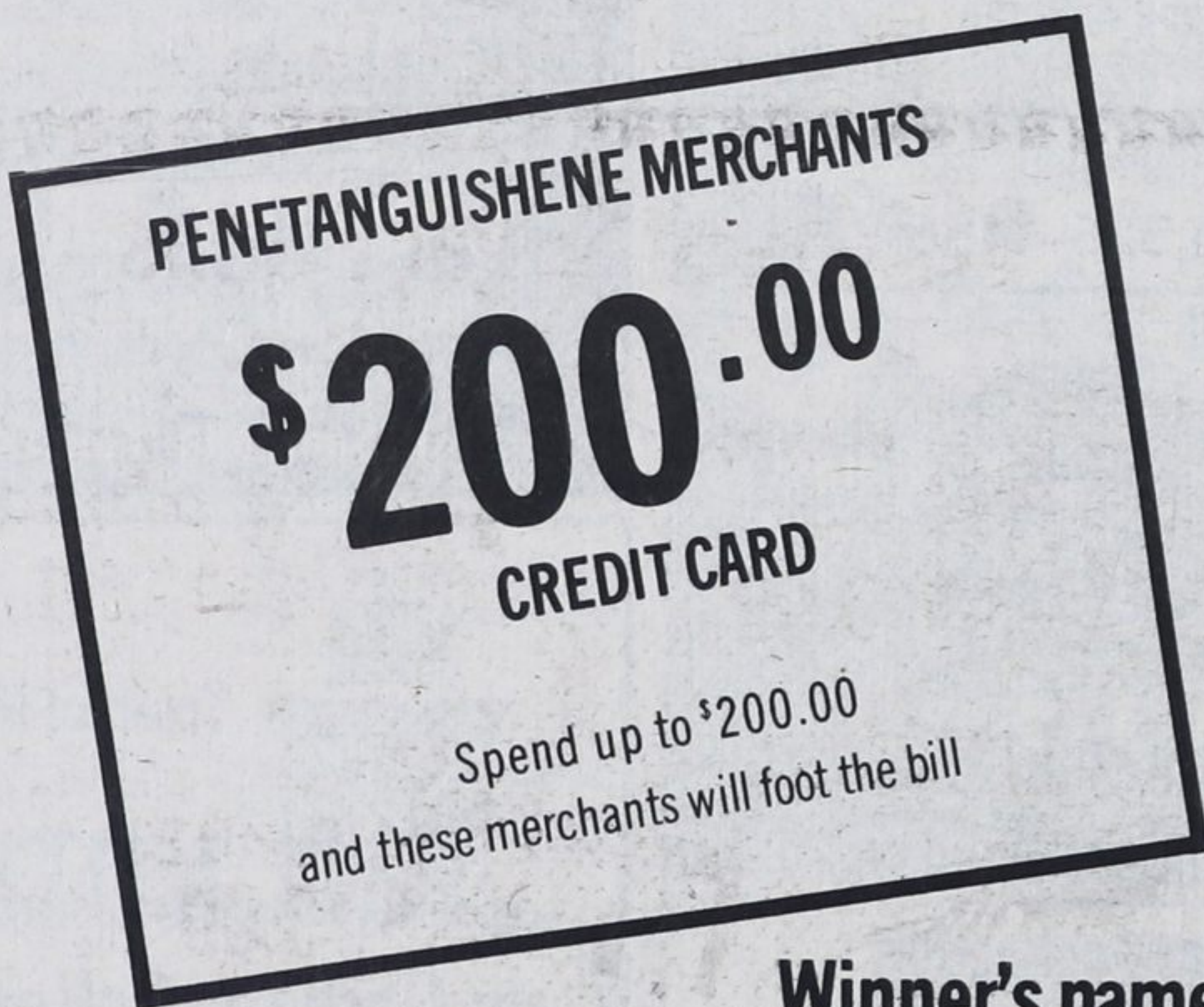
Thursday, Jan. 15, 1981-Developmental section starts

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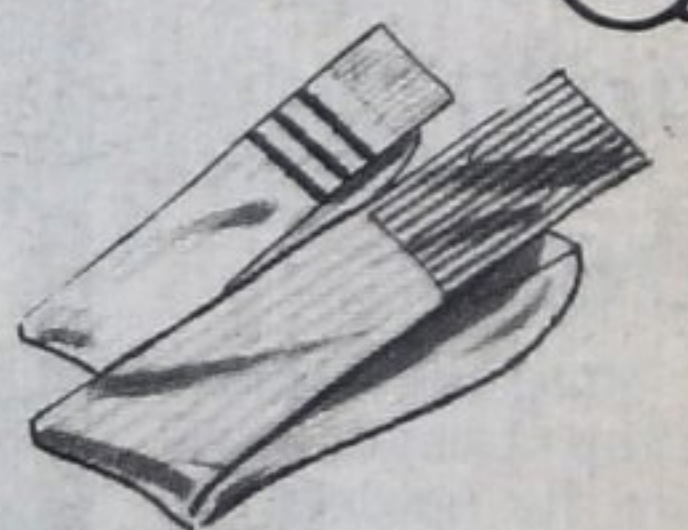
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