

# PC hopeful Perdue called parachutist

By Larry Johnston

THORNHILL — The withdrawal of Don Bailey from the race for the York Centre Progressive Conservative nomination leaves two men in the race, an insider and an outsider.

Kerry Gilmor, 38, long active in the party locally, is taking on Dick Perdue, a former PC candidate in Riverdale who is still the riding president in that downtown Toronto riding.

"This riding needs a local candidate," says Gilmor, who has been on the executive of the riding provincially and

federally. "It needs someone who knows the riding."

Gilmor, manager of Markham Centennial Arena, lives in Richmond Hill and writes a weekly newspaper column.

He refers to his opponent as a "parachute" which he defines as "someone who has dropped into the riding at his own convenience."

Perdue, a lawyer and former newspaper reporter, is living temporarily at his parents' house in Thornhill. He grew up in the next riding in Aurora.

His grandfather was a member of Parliament here and his great-great grandfather settled here. But he himself has never worked in the local riding association.

Alex Cowley, York Centre riding president, admitted that Perdue's not working in the riding before would put him at a disadvantage with some party stalwarts. "If he had worked here, he would be a gem of a candidate."

Perdue himself is still president in Riverdale riding where he was re-elected last fall to a position "no one else wanted."

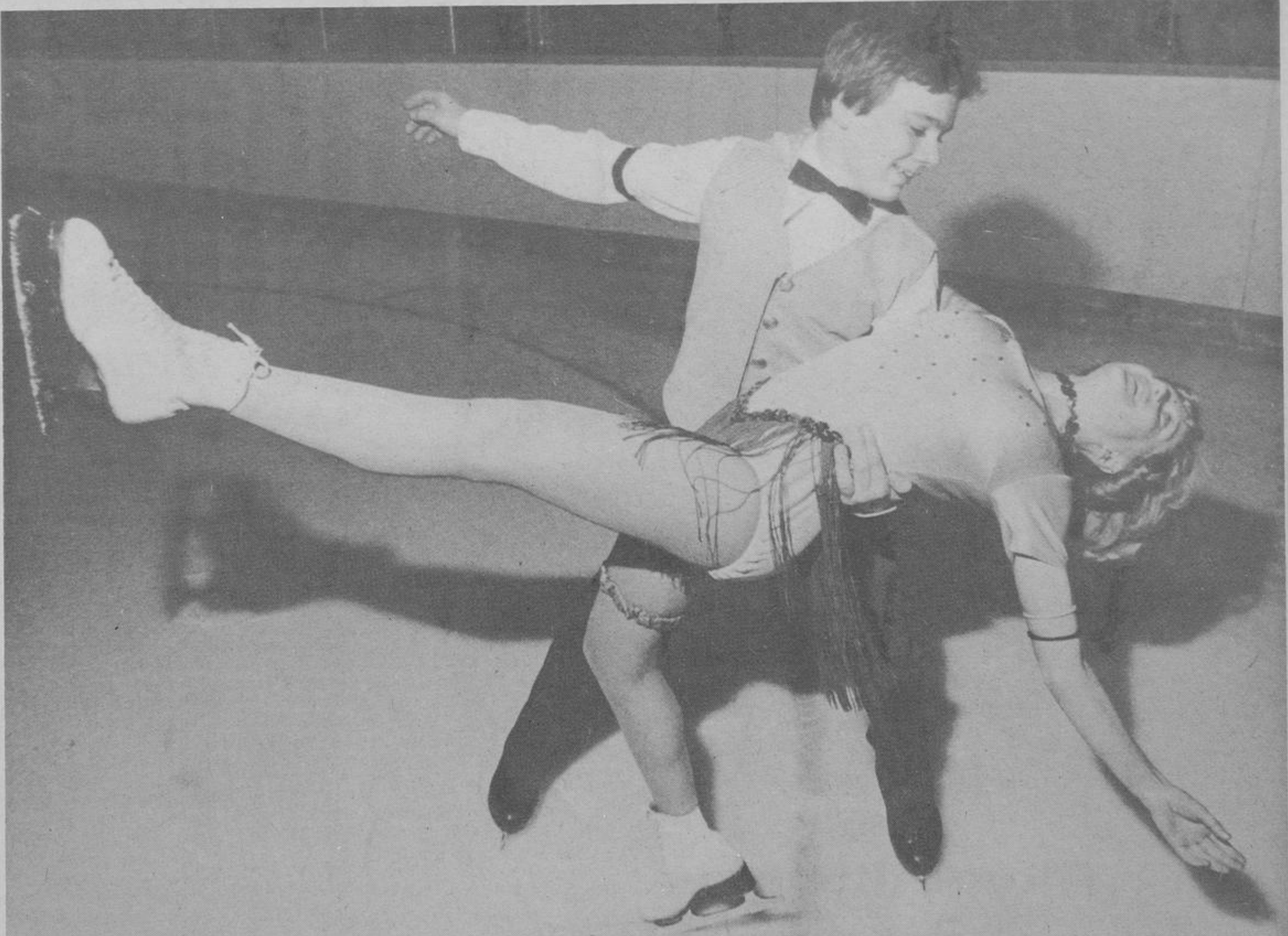
He feels the only issue should be to nominate the person who can win.

Some local conservatives think it will take someone well known in the riding to beat Alf Stong, the Liberal incumbent.

The Tories are getting some new recruits as a result of the nomination race.

Anyone signed up by April 11 can vote at the nomination meeting, which has been postponed until April 19.

Former cabinet minister John Clement will be the guest speaker at the nominating convention to be held in the Thornhill Community Centre.



Ice show stars

Carla Holdsworth, 14, of Banner Lane and Herb Deary of South Road, Oak Ridges, display some of the style that should make the 5th Annual King City Ice Show another success Thursday at the King arena, 7:30 p.m. (See story Page A7.)



Dick Perdue  
... family roots here

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# Stall Houghton move on Richvale schools

By Jim Irving

AURORA — An attempt by Trustee Robert Houghton of Richmond Hill to rescind parts of an earlier board motion covering public school boundary changes, was temporarily stalled at a meeting of York County board of education this week.

The board moved to defer Houghton's proposal "until the trustees get a chance to discuss its implications."

The motion dealt with Charles Howitt, Roselawn, Ross Doan and 16th Ave. elementary schools, all in Area 3.

The schools have been the subject of considerable discussion between the board, parents and administration since it was first suggested changes were necessary because of overcrowding at Ross Doan public school, Weldrick and Avenue Rds. in Richmond Hill.

First proposals had the board moving Grade 4 and 5 classes at the school to four other schools in the area.

However, at its Mar. 14 meeting, the board passed a series of recommendations that would, among other things, put the southeast part of the present Ross Doan attendance zone, in part of the 16th Avenue attendance zone, effective Sept. 1.

Pupils who were enrolled in Ross Doan on Mar. 14 would be allowed by parents' choices to remain there for Grades 1-4, rather than switch to 16th Ave.

It was these two sections that Mr. Houghton asked be rescinded. At the same time, he asked that an Area 3 study being undertaken on accommodations in the Beverley Acres, Crosby Heights, Jefferson and Walter Scott attendance zones, also look at accommodations in the Charles Howitt,

Roselawn, Ross Doan and 16th Ave. attendance zones.

Houghton's motion asked that, in order to relieve overcrowding in Ross Doan for 1977-78, the following temporary arrangements be effective immediately, be approved:

All new kindergarten pupils residing in the zone that had been designated for the boundary change, be enrolled in and "bussed" to 16th Avenue.

All new pupils in Grades 1-4, moving into the zone that had been designated for the boundary change, be encouraged to enrol in 16th Avenue, with transportation provided by the board;

Parents of pupils at present enrolled in Ross Doan, and who reside in the zone designated for the boundary change, and who will be in Grades 1 to 4, be encouraged to transfer such pupils to 16th Avenue, effective Sept. 1, with the provision the board provide transportation.

After the motion to defer by Trustee Margaret Coburn of King, Houghton said he was concerned about such a move.

"We'll still have to come back and do it again," he said. "We will still have to do a study."

The motion to defer was carried 8-7, with Chairman Craig Cribar of Newmarket casting the deciding vote.

Houghton's fellow Hill trustees, Bill Monroe and Eric Baker, are both away on holidays.

# Adds social moss

RICHMOND HILL — Under the chairmanship of Bruce Machon, a local lawyer, the Richmond Hill and District Social Planning Council is becoming a visible force within the community.

In January, the Social Planning Council opened a legal aid office within the facilities of the Richmond Hill and District Family Services.

This venture has had an overwhelming response to date.

It will probably need to be expanded to two nights per week as there are currently waiting lines on Tuesday evenings (with making of appointments requested, 884-9148).

This is the first time in its 12-year history that the council has provided a direct service.

The council has in the past investigated the need for new services, engaged in research and acted as a facilitator in the development of new agencies.

Some of the agencies which have been sponsored or supported in the beginning by the council include the Richmond Hill and Thornhill Family Services, Helpmate Information and Referral Service, the Day Care Centre at St. Mary's Anglican Church, and the United Way of York Region.

"The people of Richmond Hill don't know," says Chairman Machon, "that an organization exists to listen and to act on their concerns. The legal aid office is a reflection of the council's concern to gain visibility and hopefully increase citizen participation."

"Because most social services are organized at the regional, provincial, and federal levels of government," said Mr. Machon, "the council is investigating a vehicle at the regional level to co-ordinate services and to meet the social needs (welfare, housing, counselling, etc.) of the community not met by existing agencies."

The latest efforts of the Social Planning Council are intended to develop an active and informed citizen body who can more effectively contribute to the development of their Town.

The council meets on the second Thursday of each month in Room B Municipal Building, Richmond Hill at 8 p.m.

Approximately 10 people attend this meeting each month. The public is invited to attend and to become involved.

## Transfusion for downtown

RICHMOND HILL — A meeting has been called to discuss the "urgent need" for a transfusion of Yonge Street shops and businesses.

April 6 at 7:45 p.m. the Citizens' Advisory Group sponsors an evening of talk and discussion in the Blue Flame Room of the Consumers' Gas Building, 500 Elgin Mills Road East.

Special guests will be: Dave Barrow, chamber of commerce; Mirco Lakoseljac, ministry of housing, community renewal branch; Harry Billington, Toronto development department; and Doug Cook, of Heritage Ontario.

For more information, contact Dawn Osmond at 884-8393.

## Guitar smasher

OAK RIDGES — Police have issued a warrant for the arrest of a man, who they say, was surprised by the daughter of the house when he walked into the unlocked home of Rosemary Maggincmmo, Bond Cres., and smashed a guitar against a chair.

The man fled in a blue Volkswagen.

# Great goalies aren't all big

By Fred Simpson

RICHMOND HILL — Seven-year-old Devon Bestard of Oak Ridges was a troubled man along about this time last year.

He wanted to play minor hockey but was sidelined with asthma which affected his breathing.

So he settled for watching the Oak Ridges Dynes Jewellers of the Mid-Ontario Junior B hockey league.

Devon especially zeroed in on Dynes' goalie Doug Brumwell and rapidly became his biggest (perhaps littlest) fan.

Devon studied every move of the Dynes star goalie, mentally made every stop that Brumwell did. He even stopped a few that Brumwell missed.

Big decision

He finally came to a decision. Devon made a trip to his doctor and laid it on the line. He wanted to be a goaltender.

The doctor, naturally, gave in. Being a goalie wouldn't involve as much skating.

It was the making of a goaltender. Devon suited up for the Oak Ridges-Victoria Square Lions Club Novices in the house league.

The rest is history.

14 shutouts  
Devon registered 14 shutouts in regular league play which saw his team finish first. He came up with three shutouts in five playoff games. Another championship.

He topped off the season by being named "best goalie" at a "showdown" competition in Oak Ridges.

Large debt  
Devon didn't forget his large debt to Brumwell.

In between stopping pucks, he started a Brumwell fan club. All on his own.

He foraged around for abandoned buttons. Stuck each button on wool backing, painted Brumwell's name on same, went into business.

Peddle buttons  
Devon peddled the buttons to everyone he saw at Bond Lake Arena.

He finally collected enough money (with some help from Mom and Dad) to purchase a gift. A marble desk set with a pen and clock and a plaque.

Devon's big moment came Monday night at the Dynes-Stratford hockey game when he presented his gift to a surprised Brumwell at Richmond Hill Arena.

It was also a big moment for Brumwell who was coming off a serious eye injury.



## Champion congratulates champ

From one star to another. Seven year-old Devon Bestard of Oak Ridges didn't let asthma keep him from doing what he wanted most, and that was to imitate his

hero, Dynes goalie Doug Brumwell. Devon, who himself was named 'best goalie' in his house league is shown here

presenting a marble desk set to Brumwell — bought with proceeds from the sale of home-made 'Brumwell Buttons'.

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### Fashions for spring

The latest spring things for young and old were caught in the camera lens at last week's Hillcrest Mall fashion show. See Page C-1.

Toronto Young Nats won it all in last week's 10th annual International Midget Tournament here. (Pictures and stories Page B-1)

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