## A skate to fame for Addie Beaulieu

by Robert Cotton The News

Adelaide Beaulieu of Jackfish Lake, awarding speed skater, from 1943 - 1956, has been named as a possible candidate for induction into the sports hall of fame of her home town, Dalhousie, New Brunswick.

At recent induction ceremonies in Dalhousie, guest speaker Bill Donovan, administrative editor of the New Brunswick Telegraph-Journal, included Beaulieu's name among a list of potential candidates.

"Induction into the hall of fame is an honor that is earned," he said.

These sports figures are part of rich history and the community should say thank you to them for putting Dalhousie on the sports map.

Beaulieu said she was very surprised when she read about it in the The Telegraph-Journal, which she has sent to her from Dalhousie.

"They never forget their skaters," she said.

She was a member of the Dalhousie Speed Skating Club, a club that is still operating, from 1939 to 1956.

During that time she brought home 54 cups, medals and trophies. She competed throughout the Maritimes and the New England states.

Racing distances up to a mile,

on skates with razor sharp blades 15 1/2 inches long, requires strength, stamina and most importantly balance, Beaulieu said.

"It took a lot out of a person. You weren't really working until the coach saw you sweat," she added.

Beaulieu won the first. Canadian Legion Provincial Speed Skating Championships Senior Ladies title.

She was the Maritime Senior Ladies Speed Skating Champion three years in a row and took home the large K.C Irving trophy - permanently.

In 1954, competing in Boston, Mass., she came third in the New England Golden Blades.

When she retired in 1956 she was still the Senior Ladies Maritime champion.

Beaulieu gives a lot credit to the skating club and to her parents for her success.

" My family, Mom, Dad and two sisters backed me up all the



Adelaide Beaulieu, in her skating days, stands by the numerous cups, medals and trophies won during her 13 year speed skating career with the Dalhousie Speed Skating Club

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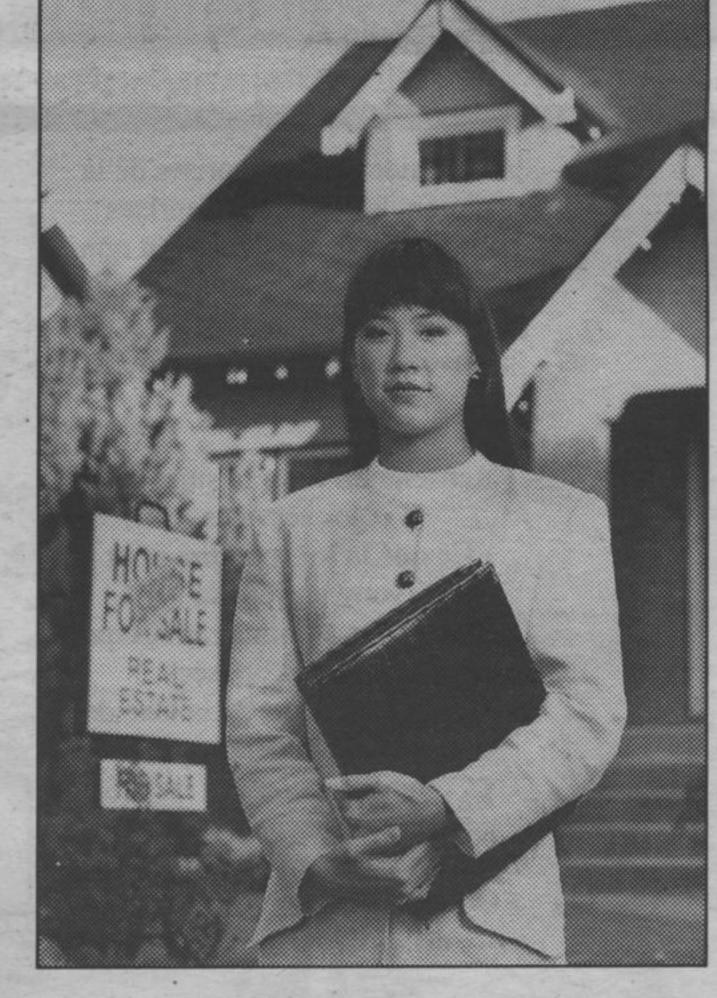
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