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Summitview boys win

Summitview Public School's Intermediate boys team was king of the hill Wednesday at the Area F cross country championships at Bruce's Mill.

The foursome, made up of Roger McMann, Stephen Kerr, Ian Ellis and Bryan Mallinson, placed first in their division.

McMann was third in the overall Intermediate individual standings, while Mallinson finish-

ed ninth.

The school's Tyke Boys, Atom Boys, and Senior Boys all had third place finishes.

Other individual top 10 finishers from Summitview were: Michael Wood, third, Tyke Boys; Nigel Griffin, second, Atom Boys; and Billy Wray, third, Atom Boys.

Aaron Altman was the highest placing student from Orchard

Park Public School, finishing eighth in the Atom Boys level.

Chris Weatherill had a 12th in Atom Boys, while Jonathan Tamlin was 17th in Junior Boys for Orchard Park.

Danielle Timms was Ballantree Public School's high achiever, ending up 15th in Atom Girls competition. School mate Justin Howell was 26th in Junior Boys.

SDSS basketballers win streak ends

The Stouffville District Secondary School (SDSS) Senior girls basketball team had their win streak snapped at five Thursday as they fell 51-39 to King City.

Playing at home, the Spartans refused to give up against their more talented opponents, giving the undefeated King City squad their biggest test of the year.

"The girls fought back when they were down for the first time this season," enthused Spartans coach Sheila Coleman after the game.

"The King City coach told me it was their toughest game so far this season."

SDSS is a Double-A school, Coleman pointed out, with King City being a higher ranked Triple-A school.

Maureen Slater was the Spartans top point-getter with 11, while Anne Beecher had 10. Jen Ingram came off the

bench to register her first basket of the season, and Stacey Black was particularly effective on defence, covering an All-Ontario high school all star player.

In Junior action, the Spartan girls proved the old adage that the bigger they are, the harder they fall.

The Junior Spartans dumped King City 48-24 Thursday.

Sue Baston led the SDSS scorers with 14 points and 18 rebounds.

Julie Coleman hooped 15 points, and played solid defence. Kelly Sheridan added six points to go with a strong two-way performance for the Spartans.

The Juniors showed good balance, with each regular player scoring at least four points.

They put their 8-3 record on the line today against Huron Heights.

Clippers tie

A deflection off a skate with less than two minutes remaining in the game foiled Evan Boyd's shutout bid Saturday as the Stouffville Boyd's Sports Atom Clippers had to settle for a 1-1 tie with Uxbridge.

The game was a reversal of form for Boyd's, who had been thrashed Friday night in front of their home fans 8-2 by Lindsay.

A pass from Kyle Norton put Tim Smart alone in front of the Uxbridge net late in the second period Saturday. Smart buried the puck just under the crossbar to give Stouffville a 1-0 lead.

It was a goal keepers' battle the rest of the way, with the Clippers' Boyd stopping a puck with his head at one point. But the deflection in the game's dying moments eluded him.

Against Lindsay, it was a 1-1 tie at the end of one period, with Dan Tardella scoring for the Clippers from Robbie Spytz and Adam Crowder.

Cross country dynasty ends

The dynasty is over. The Stouffville District Secondary School (SDSS) cross country team was throttled in its bid for a seventh consecutive York Regional title Thursday at the Boyd Conservation Area in Woodbridge.

SDSS placed a distant sixth, and team co-coach Dave Connell was offering no excuses. "It's the end of an era. We got creamed."

Huron Heights edged Markham and King City for the championship, with Richmond Hill right behind. But SDSS wasn't in contention, with their 18 points piling in comparison to Huron Heights' 28.

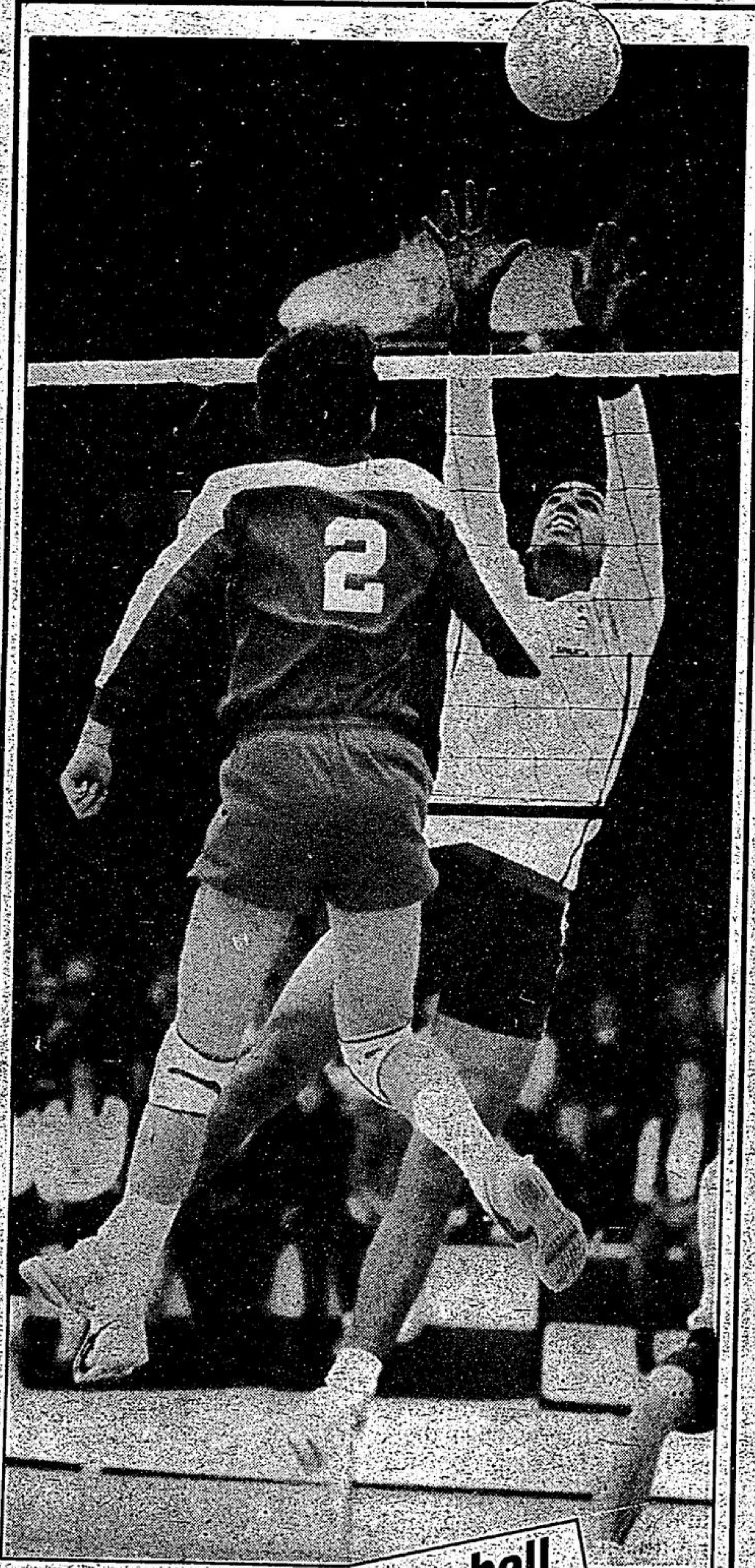
"Our kids just didn't practice enough," said Connell. "A lot of them are involved in other sports, and they weren't in running shape."

However, there were bright spots for SDSS.

The Senior Boys team placed second to Markham, with Steve Bishop, Jason Dixon, Kevin Akey, and Bruch Hachey running strong races.

The Midget Boys placed third in their competition, with Phil DeRoo, Jermain Franklin, Lee Wideman, Chris Benoit, and Dave Gribbon leading the way.

The Senior Girls placed fourth, as Anne Beecher and Brenda Hachey ran well. Michelle Powell, Reaquel Beecher, Tammy Wray and Nicole Dudley all jumped up from Junior to Senior for the meet.



Up for the ball

Photo/RICK MADONIK
 Karam Amer, white sweater, of the Stouffville District Secondary School (SDSS) Spartans Senior boys volleyball team blocks a shot by Anderson's Danny Clamj, 2, during action before a huge crowd Friday at SDSS.

Spartans impressive

An impressive performance.

That's what Stouffville District Secondary School (SDSS) Spartans Senior boys volleyball coach Jim Fletcher said about his team's reaching the semifinals at Saturday's Dunbarton Classic in Pickering.

The Spartans, who won the tourney last year, lost the first game of the semifinals 16-15 to Albert Campbell of Scarborough. The Stouffville boys had led the game 14-10, but Campbell came back and also won the second game 15-4.

The SDSS team won eight of 10 games at the tourney to take their pool and advance into the playoff round.

Craig Stronach, Paul Purdy, Scott Evans, Karam Amer, Kevin Harmer, Tony Persaud and Travis White all contributed solid performances for the Spartans.

Fletcher, who has his eye on the Ontario championships in November, feels his team is coming together as a unit.

All but Evans and Amer are first-year players. "If we can bump more consistently, we can play with anyone," said the coach. "They are playing good volleyball now."



Running hard

Photo/SJOERD WITTEVEN
 Steve Campbell, left, and Kevin Dancy, of the Stouffville District Secondary School (SDSS) Spartans cross country team run through the woods during the York Region championships at the Boyd Conservation Area in Woodbridge Thursday. For the first time in seven years, SDSS did not win the team championship.