

# Pearce gallops away with high honours in Collingwood

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Farm

Stouffville horseback rider John Pearce was riding high at the 11th Annual Collingwood Horse Show, which took place from Aug. 12-17 at Collingwood's Bygone Days

On Aug. 14, Pearce rode to a third-place finish in the \$5,000 Patricia Watt Memorial Open Welcome Stake, a class with 28 entries. Pearce, riding Caspar, had a time of 42:11 seconds, with four faults. The winning time was 40:59 sec-

## Sports

onds. Riding Bernina, Pearce captured another white ribbon in the Tropicana Preliminary High Jumper.

Last Friday in the \$5,000 Bayer Modified Grand Prix, Pearce struck gold on his stellar mount Best Wishes. Pearce's winning time was 45:47 seconds, and was part of the only horse and rider combination to navigate the course with no faults.

The \$50,000 Audi Grand Prix was the final Canadian show jumping team selection trial, and following the event four riders were named to represent Canada on the 1997 international show jumping circuit.

Named to the team along with Pearce were: Ian Millar, Eric Lamaze, from Schomberg, Ont. and Mac Cone, from King, Ont.

## Local riders Rally

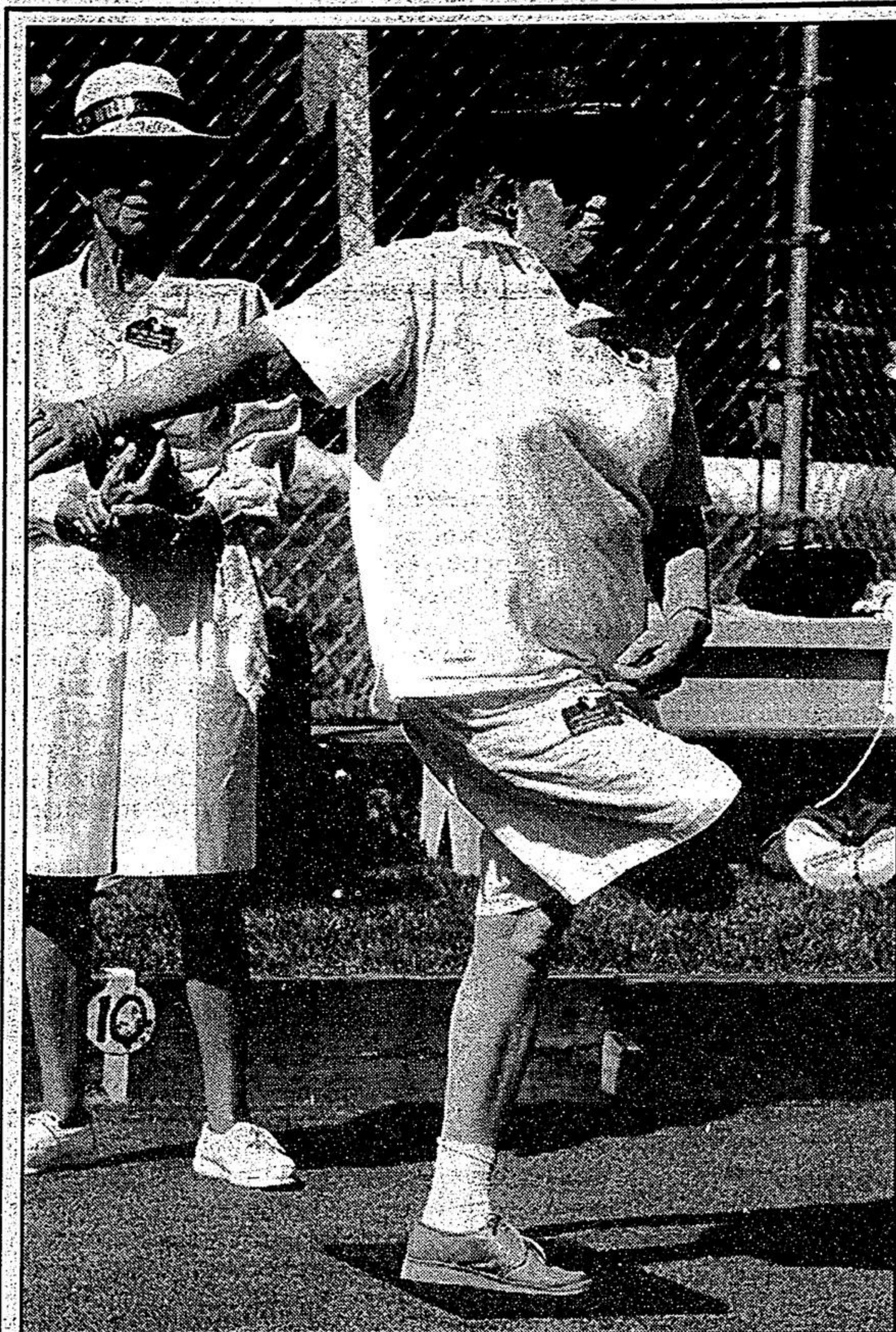
Local Pony Clubbers did well at the Central Ontario D Rally, which was held at the York Equestrian Centre in Cedar Valley on Aug. 17.

The D Rally is a Pony Club event for young riders, and features Stadium Jumping, Dressage and Cross Country riding, Stable Management, such as how the riders provide their ponies with food, water, shade, proper grooming, as well as how well the teams keep their trailer and tack area neat, is also judged.

In the D level, Whitchurch Pony Club riders were in the ribbons. Leah Feitler finished second in Dressage and fourth place overall.

Rohan Sajani was second in Cross Country and second overall, while Kelly Badiali finished fourth in Cross Country and third overall.

In the D-2 level Julia Luxemburger finished second in Dressage, first in Cross Country and first overall.



STEADY AS SHE GOES: Jane Hachey of Stouffville tries to put a little body English into her bowl during her participation in a Ladies Tournament at the Stouffville Lawn-Bowling Club on Tuesday. Photo by SJOERD WITTEVEEN

## A short stay for ball bantams at provincial championships

The Angie's Eatery/Weston Produce women's bantam softball team were happy just to have made it to the Provincial Women's Softball Association (PWSA) Bantam Two Provincial Grand Championships in Sarnia last weekend.

The team made it to the championship by capturing the bronze at the qualifier.

Coach Bill Johnson said this was an excellent accomplishment for a first-year team.

"We knew we were going to have it tough," said Johnson. "But the team played really well, with tight defense

and good hitting and pitching."

The team finished in sixth place overall.

The Angie's/Weston squad were edged by Whitby 2-1 in their first game before rebounding to blank Waterloo 8-0. In their final game, the girls were defeated by Windsor 8-4.

Tegan Bennett and Erin Wickware handled pitching duties. Marlee Johnson had four hits in seven tries at the plate, and Jacky Derasmo was four for nine. Lisa Relf, Jen Davis and Emma Wilkinson anchored the club's defence.

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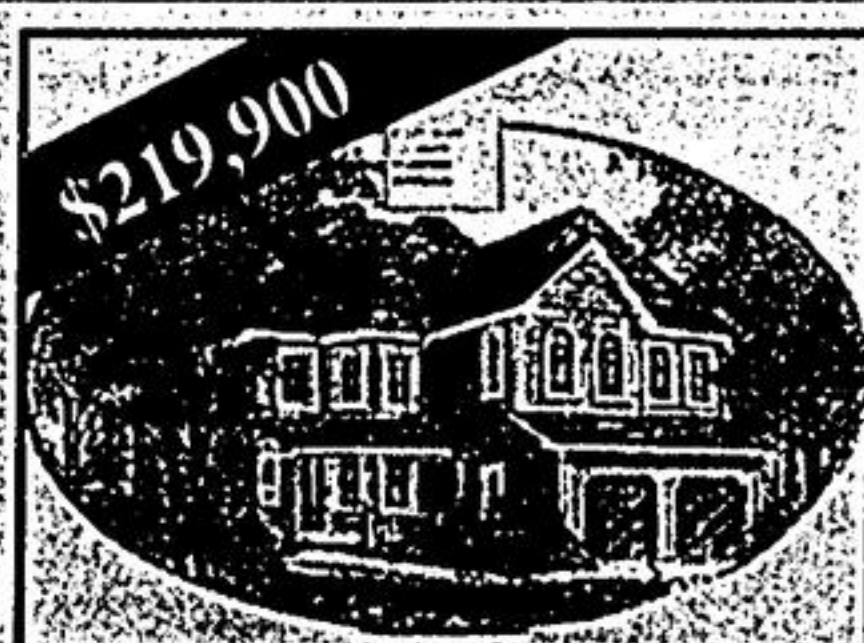
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