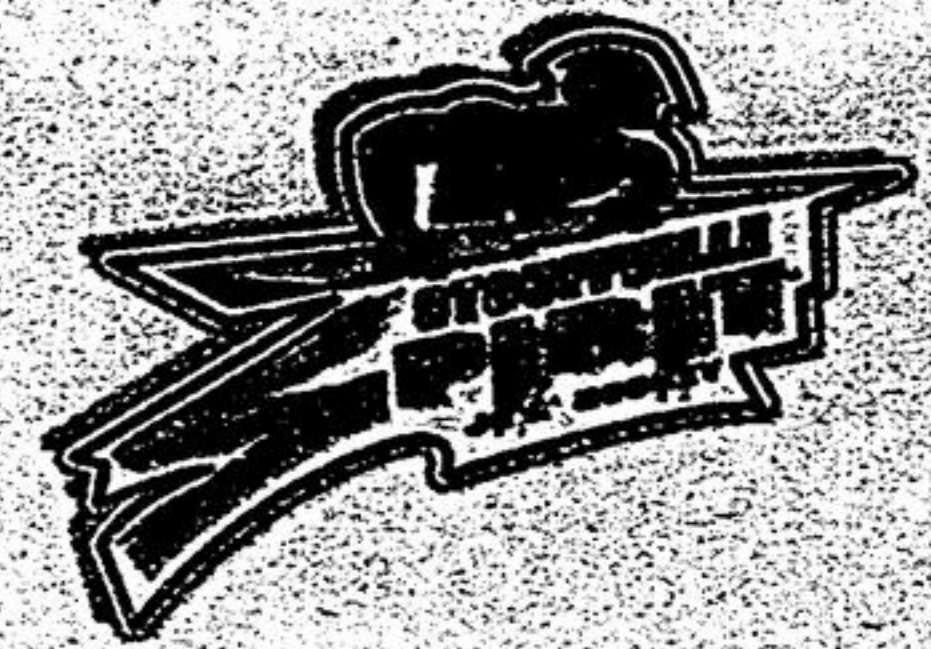


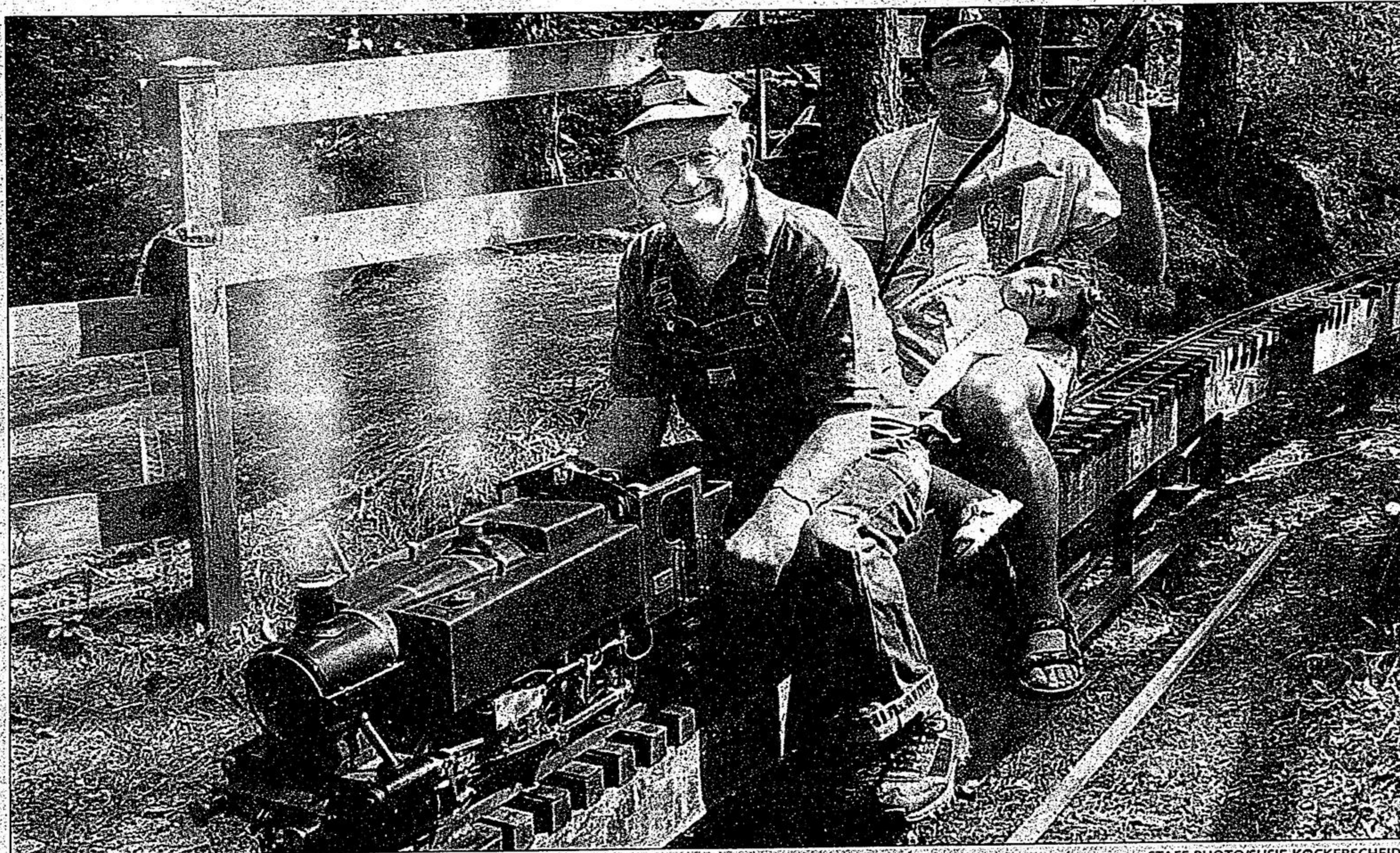
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## Full steam ahead

Art Farrow gives Rebecca Bugeya, 3, and her dad, David, a ride on his train during Richmond Hill Live Steamers' bi-annual open house Saturday. The model train club's tracks are on McCowan Road west of Ballantrae.

## Team Amanda ready to run for mom

BY HANNELORE VOLPE  
 Staff Writer

Zach and Connor Barr will run for Team Amanda with bittersweet passion at the Stouffville Terry Fox Run Sunday.

Their steps will be sped along by the knowledge they have had the support of their entire family since their mom, Amanda Barr, died of cervical cancer after her 39th birthday almost a year ago.

"They are behind me and my brother 100 per cent," Zach said.

The 23 family members of Team Amanda will start out from the downtown Stouffville home of Anne Wildberger, Amanda's sister.

"My mom was the one who brought her home almost 40 years ago," Mrs. Wildberger said.

The run has extra poignancy because Mrs. Wildberger's father died of cancer at 54. Her mother, Linda deVries, is taking part in the Terry Fox Run. The 1 p.m. start from the Stouffville Arena allows family members from Ottawa and Peterborough to gather.

Amanda Barr was born in Stouffville Sept. 19, 1965, the only child of the Dutch immigrant family born in Canada.

Mrs. Barr was diagnosed with cervical cancer in January 2004. She lost her fight to the disease nine months later, despite

chemotherapy and radiation treatments. She died Sept. 22, leaving behind two sons, Connor, now 11, and 15-year-old Zach.

Together with his aunt, Anne Wildberger, Zach decided taking part in the Terry Fox Run would be a good way for the family to get together again.

"Last year on Terry Fox Run day, we were at the hospital," Mrs. Wildberger said.

The Terry Fox Run is a good way for the children to remember their mother, since it is just a day earlier than her birthday and a good time to help out the Terry Fox Foundation.

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## PREDICTING REGION'S FUTURE GROWTH

# York needs more land for jobs: planners

BY ROY GREEN  
 Staff Writer

York Region will be relegated to the status of a bedroom community if it can't free up more land for employment purposes, regional planners say.

There are 7,000 acres designated as employment lands in the region, which translates into an 18-year supply, states a new report from the region's planning and economic development office.

But about one-third of that total is not available for development in the short to medium term, said John Waller, director of strategic planning.

"When you take out the lands that are encumbered or don't have servicing, you come down to an 11.8-year supply of employment lands," Mr. Waller said.

"Because so much of York Region is protected by the Oak Ridges Moraine and the greenbelt, there is a very limited amount of strategically located land."

Ironically, new provincial forecasts call for more than 700,000 jobs in York Region by 2031, Mr. Waller said.

"We need to identify and protect additional land or we'll become a bedroom community."

Aurora, Newmarket and Richmond Hill have little land left for employment purposes, the report states. And although Vaughan has 48 per cent of the region's total inventory of designated employment lands, half of it is frozen until Ontario decides the route of the

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