

SPORTS

Sharks squirt selects field silver at provincials

The Stouffville Sharks squirt selects captured silver at the Ontario Amateur Softball Association provincial championships after falling to the Georgian Bay Rattlers 18-13 in the final in Woodbridge last weekend.

Having faced Georgian Bay twice during the season and with each team winning once, the Sharks trailed 3-2 after two innings before battling back with four runs in the third to take a 6-3 lead.

But Georgian Bay erupted with eight runs in the fourth and added two more in the fifth and three in the sixth to take a 16-6 lead.

The Sharks overcame a five-run, first-inning deficit in their opening match against Topham to emerge with a 12-6 win.

Stouffville then battled the Campbellford Cougars and cruised to a convincing 21-0 victory.

Concluding round-robin play against Grimsby, the Sharks jumped out to an early 13-1 lead and secured their place in the semifinals with a 23-9 win.

Facing Bracebridge in a semi-final match, the Stouffville squad jumped out to a 6-0 lead after an inning en route to a 12-5 win.

Despite falling short of the gold

medal, the Sharks were elated with their season. They had a 15-4 record and won tournaments in Unionville and Bracebridge.

Team members included Nicolas Brandon, Liam Clements, Evan Farrell, Aidan Hopkins, Aidan Kilpatrick, Mathew Offen, Sam Roy, Josh Rundle, Jack Smalley, Braden Smith and Cameron Smith.

Trio conquers Ironman event

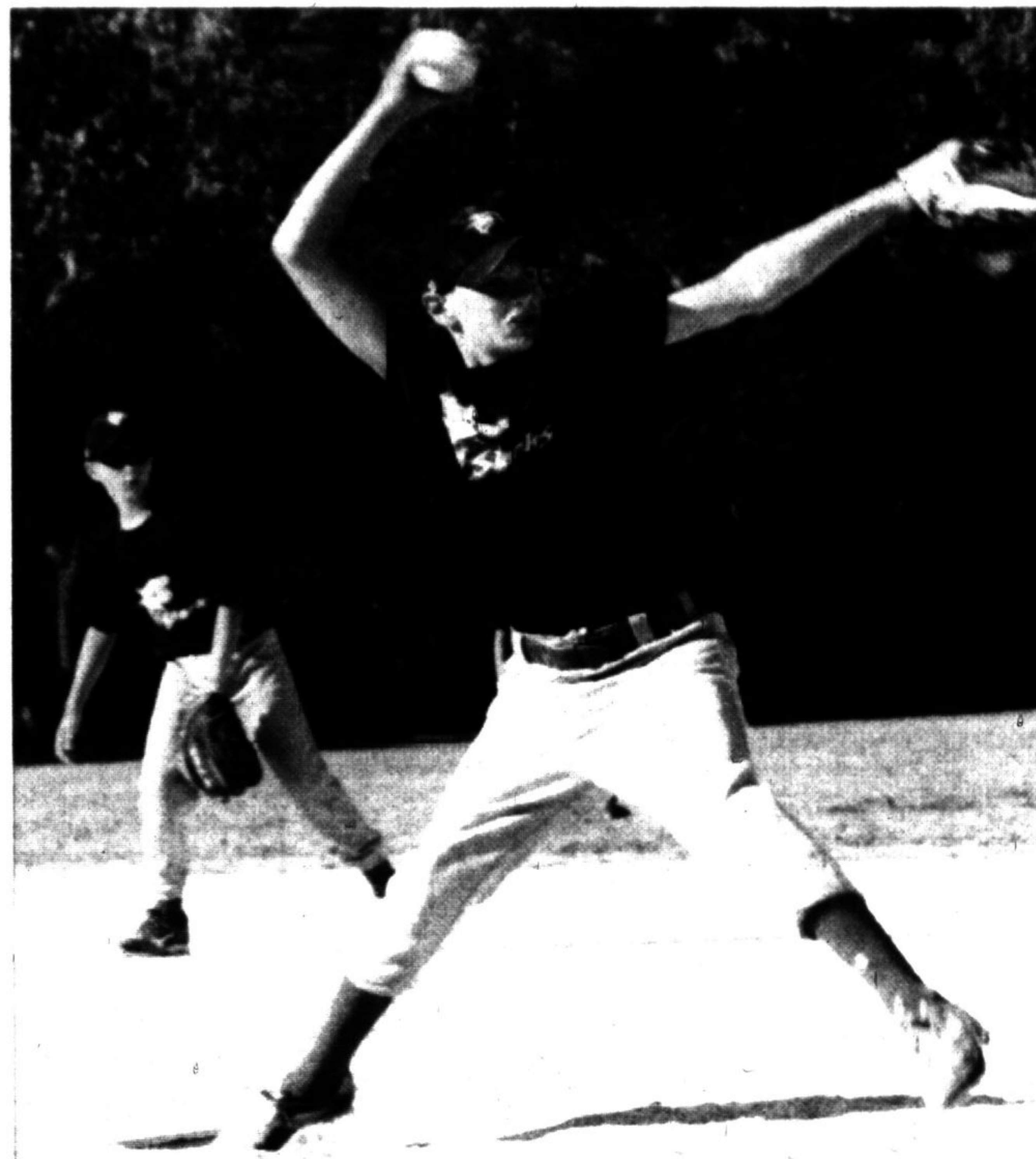
Three Stouffville residents with the Markham Tri Group took to the water, running and bicycling trails en route to completing the 140.6-mile course at the Subaru Ironman North American Championship at Mt. Tremblant last weekend.

Lindsay Smith placed 28th among 105 entrants in the 30-34 age group and was 138th overall out of 593 female competitors when she crossed the finish line in 12:17.16.

Carol May-McQuillan finished 31st out of 110 entrants in the 40-44 age group class and was 197th overall in 12:52.03.

In the men's field, Peter McQuillan completed the course 136th out of 210 competitors in the 50-54 grouping and was 1,225th out of 1,676 male entrants with a time of 13:53.08.

Participants came primarily from Canada and the United States.



Evan Farrell unloads a pitch as Stouffville Sharks teammate Aidan Hopkins looks on during the Ontario Amateur Softball Association squirt select championships in Woodbridge last weekend.

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