

## SPORT BRIEFS

### MAYWEATHER CONVICTED OVER FIGHT WITH WOMEN

World lightweight boxing champion Floyd Mayweather Jr has been convicted of misdemeanour battery stemming from a fight with two women inside a Las Vegas nightclub. Mayweather received a suspended sentence of one-year in jail and was ordered to undergo counselling. Justice of the Peace Deborah Lippis said if Mayweather didn't complete "impulse control counselling and stay out of trouble for a year, he would spend a year in prison. He was also ordered to pay a US\$1,000 fine or do 1,000 hours of community service. AP

### MARATHONER FIRST TO BEAT HORSE IN CHALLENGE RACE

Runner Huw Lobb, 27, made history when he became the first to win Britain's annual man v horse challenge. The previous 24 runnings around the 35km course raced over countryside and moorland round the small mid-Wales town of Llanwrtyd Wells had all been won by a horse. But South Londoner Lobb, a regular marathon runner, broke through to win in two hours, five minutes 19 seconds and pick up the £25,000 cheque. The first horse home in 2:07:36 was Kay Bee Jay, ridden by Zoe White. Reuters

### DUVAL TO SWING BACK INTO ACTION AT THE US OPEN

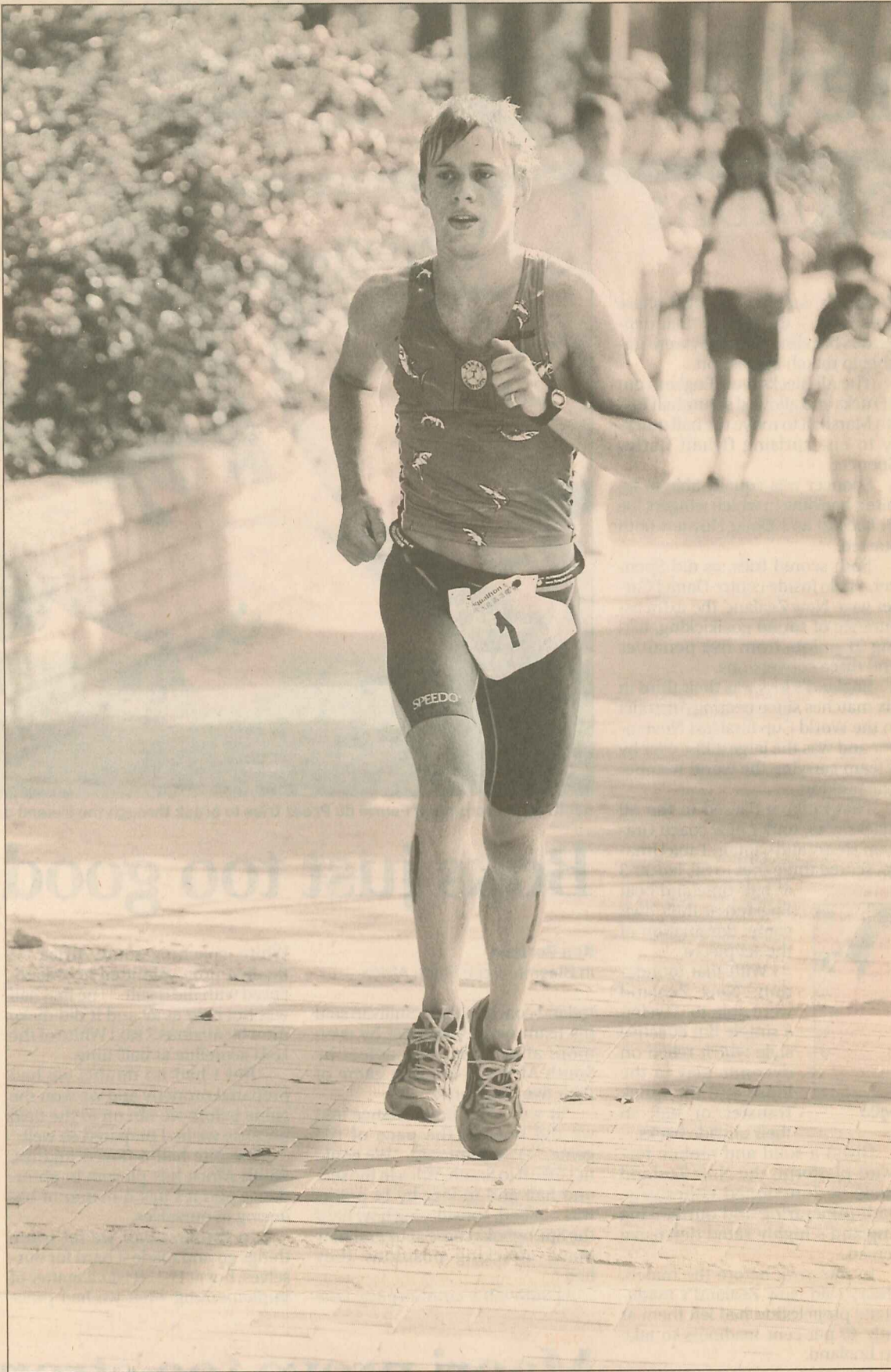
David Duval is ending his seven-month break at golf's toughest tournament and will play in the US Open this week at Shinnecock Hills, his first pro competition since he withdrew from a tournament in Japan in November. "I'm ready to go play," Duval said yesterday. Duval has not played on the PGA Tour since he missed the cut in Las Vegas last October. The last player besides Tiger Woods to the world number one, Duval slid into a slump that dropped him out of the top 100 on the US money list. AP

### ULLRICH WINS OPENING STAGE IN SWITZERLAND

Germany's Jan Ullrich, warming up for the Tour de France, captured the opening stage of the Tour of Switzerland after winning a sprint to the finish. T-Mobile's Ullrich, who was part of a five-man breakaway, beat Phonak's Swiss rider Oscar Camenzind to the line at the end of the 176km stage. Ullrich came home in four hours seven minutes 56 seconds. Reuters

### TUNNICLIFF LEADS BY THREE SHOTS IN SCOTLAND

Miles Tunnicliff shot a par-72 at the Scottish PGA's Diageo Championship in Gleneagles in Scotland and held a three-shot lead after three rounds. Tunnicliff from England, had five birdies and five bogeys on the Gleneagles course for a total of nine-under-



Andrew Wright comes to the end of the run section for an easy win in the open category. Photo: Richard Castka

# Wright shrugs off leg injury

## TRIATHLON Richard Castka

Triathlete Andrew Wright made light work of his first competition since radical leg surgery to win the men's open category in the opening event of the Summer Aquathlon Series at Sha Tin yesterday.

The 20-year-old Hong Kong University student took a commanding lead from the 500-metre swim into the 4km run section and completed the swim-run course in 21 minutes and 23 seconds, almost two minutes clear of Vincent Lam and nearly eight minutes ahead of

lem is persisting, though the talented triathlete is gradually increasing his run training and trying to overcome the problem as best he can.

"I'll see a specialist in the UK next week to get another opinion," said Wright, who is in the final year of a sports science and management degree at Hong Kong University.

"I'm still able to do swim and bike training but I can only increase my run training by 10 minutes each week and then I have a week off every three weeks."

Hong Kong-born Wright is hoping that his ailing legs will quickly

events and we can probably do well in the individuals as well."

With a number of leading triathletes competing in an international event in Taiwan yesterday, Tania Mak So-ning had no opposition in the women's open section but still performed well to record a good time of 23:48.

Mak chose not to perform in Taiwan as there was no junior course, but has instead chosen to focus on an event in South Korea later this month, followed by another in Kazakhstan in July.

In the men's junior event yesterday, Ho King-fun edged out Ivan Lo