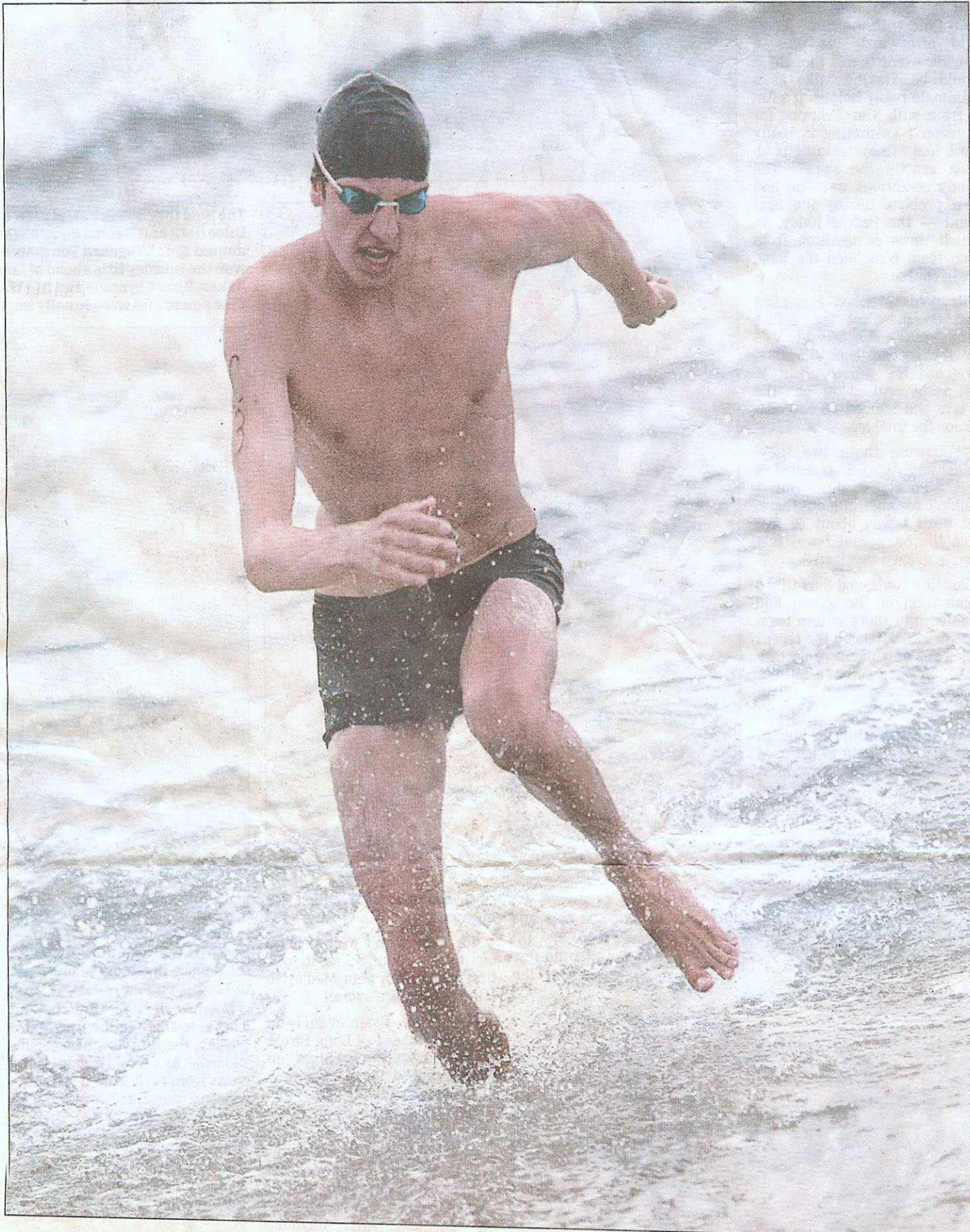


Surf City provides Epic performance



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Surf City competitor Alan Bakes runs from the Atlantic Ocean and toward the finish line during the Epic Run-Swim event at the fourth annual Epic Lifeguard Tournament at Surf City's 5th Street beach last Thursday. Surf City won the tourney with 36 points.

Dileo's crew dominates to take first in tourney

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SURF CITY — After postponing the Surf City Epic Lifeguard Tournament once already, Mark Dileo really didn't want to

have to do it again.

But despite the threat of thunderstorms looming about and the dark clouds rolling by the beach at 5th Street, the fourth annual Epic managed not only

to get under way but completed as well.

"It was an interesting setting," said Dileo, Surf City's captain. "With the stiff current, wind and light rain later on, it

made it all that more grueling."

As grueling as it was, Surf City Beach Patrol's squad came out on top to snare the Epic

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