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Mobile app launch latest step to access info faster

Having local news at your fingertips is now a reality—literally.

The Independent & Free Press will be launching a mobile app of its local news content in early August. The app will run on five different mobile platforms, including the popular Apple iPhone and BlackBerry, and smartphones on Windows, Nokia and Android platforms.

“Our customers want our digital content through a variety of delivery methods,” said Independent & Free Press publisher Ken Nugent. “This initiative allows our local readers to get our unique local content faster, and on a variety of mobile devices.”

Mobile apps are part of a Metroland-wide project, a partnership with Toronto’s Polar Mobile, billed as the largest mobile app delivery in Canadian history. Together the companies are building more than 500 newspaper apps (five distinct mobile platforms for each of Metroland’s 104 newspaper titles).

The app will be available through The Independent & Free Press website—www.theifp.ca—as well as at the individual mobile platform app stores.

Bus service extended for Churchill Estates kids

Brookville Public School students living in the Churchill Estates subdivision recently got an extension to their bus service.

At a recent Halton District School Board meeting, trustees voted to approve a recommendation brought to the board by Milton trustee Donna Danielli.

Concerns were raised earlier this year as two possible routes from the residential community to the school were considered unsafe by parents. The Guelph Line-located school and homes are within the 1.6 km walk-to distance from each other.

However, the routes for those students are either through a wooded area with a plowed walkway or alongside Guelph Line, which is an arterial road with high speeds of traffic.

Trustees voted to approve the continuation of the busing, and that busing will be provided until there is a significant change in the area that addresses the aforementioned safety concerns.

Janice VanBakel, Denise Hutton and Deborah Weenink told trustees the rural route has parts that are not within line of sight or hearing of homes, there is a known presence of foxes and coyotes and students walk to school before sunrise during the winter months.

Tooth Chatter

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By Cory Soal
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