

Firefighters light

Big, loud candle on Canada's birthday cake

Acton Firefighters' first ever Dominion Day firefighting demonstration and fireworks display attracted close to 1,400 spectators to Prospect Park Wednesday night. Hundreds more viewed the spectacle from the Lakeview side of Fairy Lake to celebrate Canada's birthday.

Fire chief Mick Holmes provided a verbal commentary of the demonstration over a loudspeaker, as the Acton brigade proceeded with an informative display, which included proper methods of extinguishing various types of fires and correct use of several pieces of equipment.

With the aid of a volunteer from the crowd Firefighters also demonstrated the use of a rescuator.

Water for the display was

pumped from Fairy Lake into a large tank and then to the fire truck.

A mock fire was set, then quickly doused by the powerful spray from the department's huge hoses.

The brigade used one of the park's oldest and largest trees to demonstrate how high spray from their hoses will carry.

Fireworks chairman Herb Dodds and his crew ignited \$500 worth of the sparklers, to cap off the night.

Firefighters estimate they took a slight loss on the night but were on the receiving end of hundreds of compliments which made it seem more than worthwhile.

They are already planning a bigger and better spectacle next year.



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DEMONSTRATING THE POWER of fire as part of their Dominion Day display hoses, Acton Firefighters doused a mock in Prospect Park Wednesday night.— (Photo by Jim Jennings)



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AN ESTIMATED 2,000 PEOPLE turned up around the shores of Fairy Lake to celebrate Canada's birthday with a fireworks display and firefighting demonstrations, both of which were put on by Acton

Firefighters. Almost 1,400 people crowded into the fall end of Acton park and it is estimated another 600 delighted watchers ringed the outer fringes of the placid waters, which mirrored fanciful bursts of sky

pyrotechnics and dazzling patterns. Only tangle in the show was the traffic afterwards which unsnarled easily as firefighters guided watchers through park gates.—(Staff Photos)



ACTON FIREFIGHTERS' Dominion fireworks display attracted a huge crowd to Prospect Park, last Wednesday night.—(Staff Photo)



NEVER USE WATER to put out a gasoline fire. Acton Firefighters demonstrated the results of such an attempt, at their Dominion Day firefighting display.—(Staff Photo)



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