



LACROSSE players are always popular with cute chicks. This doll, Harriet Otterbein was attracted to boxla player Lucille Cooksley at the Ma and Pa bonspiel. —(Staff Photo)

Water supply will double

Engineers have been authorized to proceed with estimates on the proposed construction of a water pumping station on the Fourth Line, east of town. The station, to be located on Lot 1, Con. 4 of Erin township, is to be equipped to deliver 300,000 gallons of water per day to the existing town system. Construction of the station will almost double Acton's water capacity. The present pumping station at Churchill on the Third Line delivers 350,000 gallons daily.

The project is expected to cost \$91,200, but the town can save \$16,000 by having part of the work completed prior to May 31, final day for taking advantage of a special government assistance program.

OUR READERS WRITE:

Like indelible words, not ink

Dear Sir,

As an Actonite I am a prodigious reader of the Acton Free Press and read every page from cover to cover and enjoy the news in it to the full, however may I make a complaint to you about the printing ink which you have been using for your paper in the last few weeks.

After I have read your paper, my hands and every place that the paper has come in contact with, my clothes etc. have been all black from the ink. The first time I noticed it I thought I had dirty hands (much to my astonishment) so I went and washed them only to realize that the black on my hands was the print rubbing off the newspaper.

Now, how come you can earn all sorts of medals for printing a really good and interesting paper, but use such inferior ink in doing so? We only require the good word to be implanted in our minds, not the word transferred to our person.

Yours truly,
Eleanor McCulloch.

Editor's note—The press foreman assures us they are using the "Cadillac" of all inks now, not a cheap product as has been suggested. However, he assures the editorial side they will not rest until they have solved the problem.

Town house units ready in June

Kingham Hill Estates, Acton's first town house development, on the "Cemetery Hill" will have some units completed in June and developers hope to have the 76 homes in the first stage completed by the end of July.

All Berry and Theo Schmidt of Alteo Construction appeared before the Hydro Commission Thursday to clear up a "misunderstanding" which had developed about who should pay for the development's street lighting and outlined plans for commissioners.

The street lighting mix-up was a lawyer's faux pas, declared Mr. Berry, who said he knew they would have to pay for the street lighting in the development.

"The lawyer asked if hydro was going to put the lights in," Mr. Schmidt explained, "and I said — Yes. He assumed this meant Hydro was going to pay for them as well."

Study plans

The developers pulled out plans for the commission to study explaining that a change in plans also meant installation of two more street lights which would cost 80c per month and maintenance plus buying the lights.

Owners of houses in the subdivision will pay a maintenance fee of \$16 per month for painting, professional landscaping, snow removal and a water fee. Mr. Berry explained that the sum would go into a common pot which belonged to the people and would be used for repairs and other necessities. The fee would be reviewed periodically and lowered if the total was building up higher than need.

"No one has to do a thing outside—even the TV outlets are supplied," he told surprised commissioners. He said there would be a master antenna that one day could be hooked into a

cable system that he understood would soon be installed in Acton.

A start was made on the development in February, some basements are in, the sub-flooring nearly finished on them.

27 sold

Twenty-seven of the three and four bedroom units have already been spoken for, Mr. Berry told the commission. "They are cheaper than rent," he insisted, with homes starting at \$17,400 and some with 100 square more feet selling for \$17,900.

Persons with incomes as low as \$5,000 per annum can qualify under a system of government

subsidies that also assists those with children.

The second stage is planned as soon as the first is completed.

How did the development come to be named Kingham Hill Estates?

"I was brought up in an orphanage in the United Kingdom in Oxfordshire called Kingham Hill," explained Mr. Berry smiling, relating also that he had spent several years in Australia and the name fetish for place names stayed with him when he called a drive-in he owned ANZAC after the Australian New Zealand Army Corps' famous abbreviation.

Georgetown mayor two-time loser

Councillor Norm Elliott is surprised he and Councillor Peter Marks have not yet received an invitation from Georgetown mayor Bill Smith to enter the "crazy boat" races on the Credit River in April.

"Maybe he's still feeling the humiliation of last year's defeat," Elliott suggested at last night's regular council meeting.

Councillors Elliott and Marks placed first in a special contest for municipal councillors during last year's hilarious races.

"Maybe he better try Erin," suggested Deputy-reeve Pat McKenzie. "He's already lost the blood drive to Milton and the boat race to Acton!"

Must revise Hydro line because of airport - C.C.C.

A major revision of plans for Ontario Hydro's controversial Nanticoke to Pickering transmission line is necessary because of the recently announced location of the new Toronto International Airport, Lee Symmes, chairman of the Coalition of Concerned Citizens revealed this week.

His source? a public relations officer from Ontario Hydro.

The new airport may force Hydro to consider a lower voltage such as 400,000 which has been proven underground, in order to pass close to the airport Mr. Symmes told a Friday executive meeting of the CCC. The Coalition hopes the new problem will result in extensive review of the route including underground sections near airports and use of the "parkway belt" or utility corridor described in the Ontario government's Toronto Centred

Region plan.

The new airport will straddle the five tower line corridor as it approaches the Pickering nuclear generating station.

Ask for meeting

The subject will be discussed with Premier William Davis when the CCC presents the first 4,000 signatures on its petition calling for an expert and public examination of the 10,000 acre transmission corridor which Hydro proposes to build.

The CCC research committee headed by Dr. Coombs and L. R. L. Symmes P. Eng., says it has assembled evidence that Ontario Hydro's proposed five tower line corridor is wasteful and outdated in its design. They will submit this information to Premier Davis as support for the petition for a public enquiry. They expect to meet with Mr. Davis sometime in mid-March although the

premier has not set a date.

The coalition executive rejected Hydro's recent defense of the 147 mile line as more "gospel" according to Gathercole (Hydro chairman) and said it supplied too few hard facts.

Residents from Eramosa, Erin, Esquesing, Chinguacousy, Caledon, King, Albion and Whitechurch townships make up the coalition membership along with the Ontario Sierra Club and other interested individuals. The coalition was formed in 1971 to "obtain expert and public scrutiny" of the proposed transmission line which passes through this area.

Word was received Tuesday that Premier Davis will meet with the CCC executive March 27, at 4 p.m. to discuss the ramifications of the proposed power line.

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Baby boa fine pet

"I think everybody should have a boa around the house. They're very decorative and quiet."

So says Acton clothier Paul Nielsen, temporary owner of a four foot model of the beautifully marked South American reptiles. Paul is looking after the boa for a friend, who is travelling abroad.

Boa constrictors are non-poisonous, but have tremendous crushing power. They can grow to a length of 14 feet.

The boa Paul is looking after only eats once a month, but will devour a medium sized rat, when it does eat. The reptiles eat only living things.

Paul intends to lend his pet to biology classes at Acton High School for study.



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