

# Hydro map

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 route. New trees will be planted where necessary to screen certain essential facilities, Hydro claims and every consideration given to the protection of wildlife and its habitat.

In addition, Hydro says when ever possible they will open rights of way for a variety of uses, including parks and recreation.

Suggestions that Hydro would avoid much of the flack generated by opponents of the proposed line if it was installed underground has been answered by the statement that there is no evidence in Canada or other parts of the world that either ac or dc underground transmission is practicable for a power line such as that between Nanticoke and Pickering.

Meanwhile, the Coalition of Concerned Citizens and other groups intend to present briefs of their own to the Solandt Commission, taking issue with Hydro statements.

CCC spokesman Lee Symmes of Terra Cotta said he could not reveal the contents of their opposition to Hydro proposals but expressed the view that the CCC would be going, a little further than before in their submission to the commission. He said it is the CCC view that Ontario Hydro hasn't correctly developed weighted criteria for designing a system and choice of routes.

No charge  
 "I read Hydro's brief to the commission," he said, "and was surprised that Hydro has not changed its plans in any way shape or form in the last two years plus." Symmes said there is a slight change in that the width of the proposed power corridor has been pulled back to 610 feet from the original proposal over 700 feet but the same number of towers and other characteristics are planned.

As he sees it Hydro designed the corridor and now are stuck with it, ignoring new developments in transmission lines such as have been developed in the United Kingdom and the United States.

"They have done a hell of a good job to give us cheap electrical energy in past years," Symmes admits, "but in the

process of working with the system the world has gone by." He said the public's requirements are different now than the cheap electrical energy syndrome Hydro has been working with. He feels the CCC has got to give them a new set of guidelines so Hydro can design a rational system suited to present day conditions.

Mr. Symmes said he was impressed with the fact that the Solandt Commission and Dr. Solandt himself is keen to receive briefs on the proposed corridor from individuals as well as interested groups, and urged residents to send in their own thoughts. They can be on any particular aspect of the proposed corridor and needn't be any more than a letter to gain recognition, he emphasized.

"After all," he concluded, "this is something that is going to affect all of Southern Ontario, not just a few individuals."

## ESQUEQUING COUNCIL BRIEFS

At their regular meeting Monday, July 31, Esqueving Council dealt with the following items of business:

—Council indicated an interest in participating in an Ontario Housing Corporation survey concerning the need for another senior citizens' housing project in Halton county. Esqueving already shares part of the operating deficit of the Georgetown senior citizens' home.

—Council learned the Ontario Municipal Board has dismissed an appeal by David and Marilyn Mulrhead of a township committee of adjustment refusal of a request to sever 25 acres from a 93 acre parcel of land on the west half of Lot 6, Con. 7. The OMB decision stated it would be premature to consent to the severance, while the township's proposed official plan is before the Minister for his approval and modifications.

—Council received a letter from operators of Toronto International Dragway informing them they will make every effort to alleviate the traffic tie up problem on the Fifth Line near the dragway.

—Council approved supplementary road expen-

ditures for this year in the amount of \$69,000. \$67,000 is to be used for maintenance and \$2,000 for bridges and culverts.

—Council received a letter of thanks from Hornby Ball Club for their donation and the use of a snow fence for the annual Hornby garden party.

—Council received an invitation to tour facilities of the Grand River Conservation Authority, Saturday, August 19.

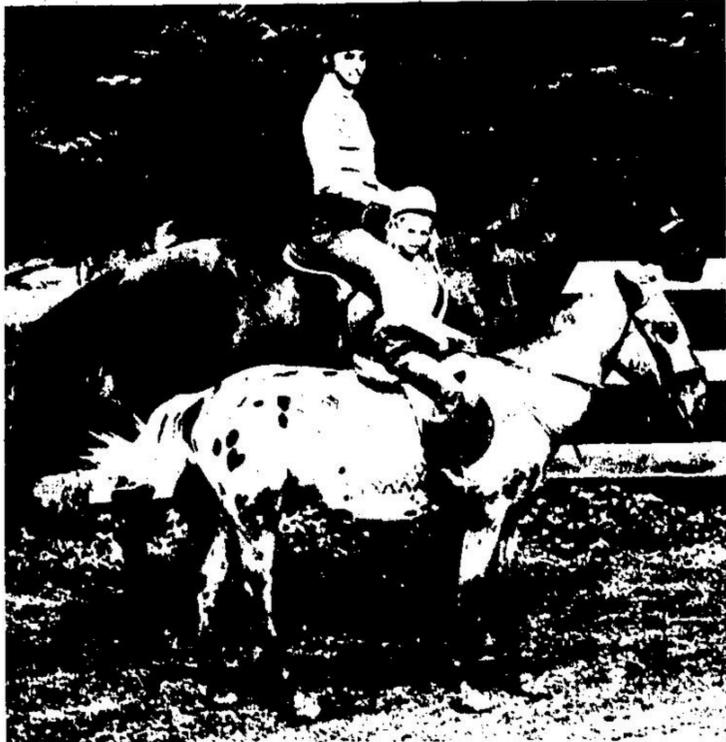
—Reeve Tom Hill said the township will not be able to undertake any major road improvements this year in the area where the 1974 International plowing match will be held on the Eighth Line, near Norval.

—At the suggestion of Councillor Dick Howitt, council decided to send a representative to meet with the Solandt Commission, which has been appointed to study the proposed Ontario Hydro transmission corridor from Pickering to Nanticoke. The corridor may pass through Esqueving. "It may seem like a narrow-minded attitude for us not to want it to go through the township," said Councillor Howitt "but I'm put here to look after Esqueving people's interests. The rest can look after themselves."



JUNE BEATTY ONSHANLAN and Judy Lafferty on Casey let the ponies do the swimming and they encourage them to negotiate the horse pool at Mountainview Farms. The water's depth is well over the heads of both ponies and riders.

## City ponies breathe country air



FIVE-YEAR-OLD Lisle Lafferty and Sharon Olesen demonstrate that the age gap can also extend to a horse gap when they enjoy a trail ride on favorite ponies. Lisle's mount is 11.2 hands while Sharon's is 16 hands high. (H. Coles Photo)

This summer, while a few area farmers are playing host to city youngsters and providing a look at a farm life, one Fourth Line, Esqueving family has decided to give city ponies, who rarely see the outside of a boarding school paddock, a taste of country trails.

Twenty-three ponies (ranging in height from 11.2 to 16 hands) along with their riders, converged on Mountainview Farm, and under the guidance of Ron and Joan Lister trod the Bruce Trail and Check Road area thoroughly.

The remainder of the two day holiday was spent practicing all aspects of horsemanship, getting pointers from Steve Lister, recently returned from working at advanced horsemanship and combined training events in England. Robert Lister directed cross-country events while Jennifer Lister headed up the trail ride.

Night-time brought a huge corn roast, enjoyed by kids and ponies both, and sleep (?) in the tents dotting the front lawn.

This fall the Listers hope to start a local branch of the International Pony Club in conjunction with their riding school.

## Pet care caravan coming

Students from Guelph are scheduled to come to Acton arena August 23 and will offer their help to the public on the proper care of their pets. These are students of veterinary medicine or related fields, and will discuss pet care, handling, management, training and nutrition. They will give a short lecture, show some very interesting slides and then will answer questions from the audience.

If you do not have a pet at the moment, you can get information and advice on how to choose one, how much and what to feed it and how to toilet train. They hope to be able to cover all kinds of pets, including household and wild birds.

There will be no charge. This is a service to the community by the Parks Board and Recreation Committee in co-operation with students of The Veterinary College of Guelph who are giving these talks all over this area under an Opportunity For Youth grant.

Leave pets home!  
 But don't bring your pets with you! Parks and recreation board members plead.

They think if some of the many breeders around Acton were to support this, they could possibly have dog or cat shows or exhibitions of handling.



EMERGING from the pool, the ponies waste no time regaining the bank and plunging in again at the urging of both riders.

## Cattle in deep water

# Beavers, bends blasted to prevent flooding?

Erin township council heard a request from Kirk Sinclair, First Line Erin, that something be done to prevent flooding of his property, along the Eramosa River, when it rains.

Mr. Sinclair suggested that the rocks dumped to widen the road in front of his farm might block

the natural flow of water. He said that if the channel was cut deeper and wider, taking some off his own property, the water might run away faster.

"At present", Mr. Sinclair said, "one good rain and the river overflows and 35 acres are flooded."

Beaver dams hazard?  
 Reeve Lloyd Lang suggested straightening out of bad bends in the river might hasten the flow and also questioned the desirability of beaver dams on that particular stretch of water.

Mr. Sinclair said that two years ago conservation authorities at Hespeler were contacted about the dams. They advised the people concerned to "Shoot, trap, poison, or dynamite" the beavers out, they didn't care.

It was suggested, that while the bends were being blasted out of the river, the beaver and dam might be likewise taken care of.

## Roadrunner errors lead to two losses

By Rick Bonnette  
 Acton Family Pool Roadrunners have been playing their best baseball in the past three weeks, but they're still coming out on the short end of the score.

Roadrunners were dropped 12-7 in Bramalea last Monday and last Tuesday they were whipped 6-4 by Burlington in the Halton County midget "B" baseball league.

In Bramalea, Acton were playing a good defensive game and leading 7-3 going into the fifth inning, when the roof fell in and Bramalea scored nine unanswered runs on six Acton infield errors.

Key hits  
 Key Acton hits in the game were a bases loaded single by Steve Marshall and a two run single by Jim McNabb.

In Burlington a third inning defensive lapse gave Burlington an easy 6-1 lead.  
 Roadrunners refused to give up as they retaliated for three more runs. The game had an exciting finish, as with two out in the last inning Billy Cushman singled, then Danny Allan and Glen McKenzie walked to load the bases. Burlington was then forced to make a pitching change, before they retired the last batter.

Despite the loss, Jeff Ribble pitched one of his best games of

the year. Ribble also helped his own cause by hitting two singles. Billy Cushman and Steve Marshall each had two hits. Glen McKenzie and Roger McEachern each hit a single.

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