

# Milton has woman mayor

Mrs. Anne MacArthur became the first lady mayor to be elected in Milton's history Monday when she defeated incumbent Mayor Brian Best by 225 votes in an election packed with excitement and surprises.

She ended Mayor Brian Best's six year term as the town's chief elected official by a 225 vote margin, winning 2,757 to 2,524.

Mrs. MacArthur took an early lead, and when only polls from the urban ward remained to be reported she held onto a lead of about 300 votes she had managed to build up early in the evening. By 11:45 p.m. Best congratulated the new mayor-elect and conceded the election.

Minutes later Reeve Bob McCuaig conceded to incumbent deputy Reeve Marjory Powys after losing by a narrow 10 vote margin for the regional councillor seat for Milton's ward two.

Even before the final votes were cast, Mrs. MacArthur was chatting about future plans with newsmen.

She spoke of a need for all members of the new council to pull together and think of the new town of Milton as a unit.

Mrs. MacArthur appeared at the election headquarters in the high school early in the evening and was busy chatting, smiling and waving during the evening.

People voted to retain Milton as the name of the town and that vote was the most decisive of the election. There were 4,062 people in favor of Milton while only 1,052 voted in favor of the second proposed name, Mohawk.

Nassagaweya Deputy Reeve Jim Watson defeated former deputy Reeve and former clerk Don McMillan in the race for the regional seat representing rural wards one and three.

McMillan held his own in Nassagaweya but was overpowered by Watson in North Oakville and to a lesser extent in the Burlington area. Watson won that contest 1,202 to 776.

Councillor Jim Kerr topped the polls in the six-way race for the four council seats representing urban ward two. He led the polls with 2,316 followed by Art Melanson with 2,266, Gordon Krantz with 1,781 and Ron Harris with 1,755.

Incumbent Hazel Porter lost her seats, polling just 1,624 votes and challenger Gordon Cartwright failed in his second bid with 1,165 votes.

Bill Lawson came out on top of an interesting race for school board representing ward two on the Halton County Board of Education. Lawson trailed his opponent Ivan Armstrong in the early part of the evening, but in the final analysis he had 1,494 votes compared to Armstrong's 1,088. Both are current members of the Halton County Board of Education

and were forced to run against one another with the redistribution of seats caused by boundary changes.

Incumbents Don Gordon and Rick Day scored an easy win over Tony Green in ward one (Trafalgar). Gordon and Rick Day have both sat on Oakville council and will continue to serve that portion of north Oakville that has been included in Milton.

Commenting on her victory, Mrs. Powys noted only that it was a very slim margin by which she had won. Re-elected councillors Jim Kerr and Art Melanson noted it was a new situation with a new mayor and new areas to be responsible for. Both indicated they would have to work hard to make a new system work.

Councillors Ron Harris and Melanson indicated they would have favored having Mayor Best continuing because of his expertise in urban government knowledge. Harris said he would have to wait and see for sure, but he felt it would be difficult for Mrs. MacArthur to be as effective a mayor as Best had been because of his urban government experience.

"There will be many different viewpoints and we'll have to get along and understand different problems to what we have been used to. It will work. We will have to make it work," Harris suggested.

Nassagaweya Deputy Reeve Jim Watson, elected to serve on both the Milton and regional council had kind words to say for Reeve and Mayor-elect MacArthur.

"I think it is great that Anne got on. We have worked closely together. Our philosophies are very closely aligned. I think she is an honest, hard working woman and I support her whole heartedly."

Watson noted that he on occasion disagreed with the reeve, and said so when he did. He said he had been accused of following Mrs. MacArthur's lead and denied that charge. He said that when they agreed he supported her wholeheartedly and when he disagreed, he said so.

Mrs. MacArthur jumped into an early lead and held it. With about 15 polls in Milton still to be heard from, three in Trafalgar and two in Nassagaweya Mrs. MacArthur's lead amounted to over 300 votes. Spectators and observers paying close attention to the race figured the race would be won or lost in Milton. Many figured urban support for Mayor Best would be more than enough to pull him through, but the lady politician held on in Milton and while her lead dwindled a little, she finished with a lead of 225 votes.

In summary the new town of Milton will have Mrs. Anne MacArthur as Mayor, Mrs. Marjory Powys as regional



BATTLE OF THE ballots ended in Milton and Nassagaweya at midnight Monday when Central Halton got itself a new mayor and name. Student supporters George Hood and Heather Argall give congratulations to their former Milton high school teacher, the mayor-elect.

(Photo by D. Pink)

councillor for the urban ward and Jim Watson as region councillor for rural wards one and three.

Russ Powaduik and Brad Clements had been acclaimed as councillors in ward three, while Don Gordon and Rick Day won easily in ward one.

In ward two Jim Kerr, Art Melanson, Ron Harris and Gord Krantz were returned to office. Ivan Armstrong lost an election for Halton School Board trustee to Bill Lawson. Both are incumbents and were forced to a showdown after board seats were redistributed. Doug Wood was earlier acclaimed as ward one and three trustee on the board

## Hearing into hornet's nest

Hornets invaded the Brown Street court house in Milton Friday morning, forcing Crown Attorney James Treleven to move the third session of the preliminary hearing involving Thomas Bourke to the county administration building.

Bourke is charged with capital murder following the death of his wife Colleen. Police found Mrs. Bourke's body in an apartment in the Maplecrest Apartments on Churchill Road South, May 9.

A prohibition of publication of evidence presented at the preliminary hearing is in force, following a request by Edward Greenspan, counsel for the defence.

Several witnesses testified Friday and more will be heard when the hearing resumes October 19.

## Proclamation of the Mayor, of the Town of Acton.

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## Under 100 meet candidates

A quiet, somewhat restless audience of under 100 attended the Chamber of Commerce Meet the Candidates night last Wednesday evening. Many chairs set up in the high school auditorium were still empty as all the local candidates for mayor, area and regional council filed up on the stage.

Master of ceremonies was acclaimed school board member Tom Watson.

building, staff, planning and paving. Answers were necessarily vague as the candidates reiterated matters to be decided after the new councils are elected.

Chamber president Ed Bendicks introduced the program. Coffee and cookies were served afterwards.

Each candidate spoke, and questions were asked from the floor, covering the new council budget, industrial land, location of government

## \$12,295 in damages

A total of 16 collisions involving 20 vehicles were investigated by the Milton Detachment of the OPP this past week. Four persons were injured in four of these collisions and property damage exceeded \$12,295.

Charges were laid against 18 drivers.

Officers investigated 80 general occurrences this week including four break and enters, a fraud, three charges of public mischief, one prowler complaint, two thefts, an assault, a charge of impersonation and one recovered vehicle.

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# Ward 2 elects Howitt, Miller

Dick Howitt and Russell Miller were elected to local council in Ward 2 (Esqueving) in Monday's election for regional government in the North Halton area.

Howitt topped the poll with 1,609 votes, followed by Miller with 1,544, and George Maltby with 1,325. It was a seesaw battle all the way, with no clear cut victory emerging till the last few polls. Glen Williams tipped the scales for Miller, edging out Maltby.

Incumbents Dick Howitt and George Maltby are members of the present Esqueving Council, and will continue in office till regional government takes over in January.

Russell Miller served on Esqueving Council both as councillor and deputy-reeve. He was defeated in a bid for the reeve's chair, last year, when he was beaten by the present Reeve Tom Hill.

All three candidates conducted a vigorous campaign, knocking on doors throughout the large area of Esqueving. George Maltby said he knocked on almost every door in Ward 2.



THE WINNING husband and wife team in Ward 2 (Esqueving) Russell and Jerry Miller and Dick and Carol Howitt, congratulate each other, as the final tally showed they were elected, Monday night.

(Photo by Ann Currie)

## Ripley ousts Armstrong

Mike Armstrong, Georgetown councillor, and son of veteran politician Jack Armstrong, was ousted from office, in Monday's election for local council in Ward 4 of the North Halton area.

He came third in the Ward 4 race, with 1,320 votes, as opposed to Harry Levy, with 1,554, and Graham Ripley with 1,520 votes.

Levy has been a member of Georgetown Council for the past five years, while Ripley made it in his second bid for

council. He was defeated last year in his first try.

In Ward 3, Roy Booth topped the poll with 1,704 votes, followed by Ern Hyde with 1,576, and John Hole trailed with 922.

In this ward the trend was visible right from the start, and continued all the way. Hole only won one poll.

Both Booth and Hyde are members of Georgetown Council, while Hole served on council six years ago.

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