

Weeds are ahead of us the rain's to blame

Halton Hills works staff is doing as much as it can about destroying weeds in the rural area, engineer Robert Austin told works committee Monday.

Acton Councillor Pat McKenzie wrote a letter to the committee passing on complaints he has been receiving about weed and brush problems in Esquesing.

Austin noted the town increased its weed budget this year and ordered some new equipment but is still having trouble keeping up with the weeds. He added the delivery

of new equipment has been delayed and won't arrive now until Thursday.

Blame rain
"The weeds are ahead of us this summer because of all the rain. If this had been a normal summer we wouldn't have any problems," Mr. Austin said.

He explained the works force is doing as much as it can to control the weeds and noted there isn't too much of a problem along roads. Mr. Austin added spraying of weed infested areas is continuing as usual this summer.

Mr. Austin told the committee the areas where weeds are worst is at the bottom of the Fifth and Sixth Lines.

Councillor Dick Howitt noted some areas where weeds are growing are almost impossible to control because of terrain.

"That's why we bought this side-mounted hydraulic mower, so we can cut more weeds," Mr. Austin stated.

He concluded he would contact Mr. McKenzie about the brush problems since he isn't aware of any.



GORDON CHAPMAN, Acton's newest lawyer is affiliated with C.F. Leatherland and Kaplan Meagher. He plans to move to Acton.

Gord Chapman is new lawyer

Because he did not want his clients to get lost in the shuffle, Gordon Chapman decided to practise law in Acton, where he could meet people instead of seeing their names on a piece of paper.

Mr. Chapman is affiliated with C. F. Leatherland, and Kaplan-Meagher, Main St. N. The 26-year-old lawyer earned his Bachelor of Mathematics degree, specializing in statistics, at the University of Waterloo and his law degree at the University of Western Ontario. He articulated for a year and worked parttime for a few months with a Hamilton law firm, before coming to Acton at the end of July.

Mr. Chapman has had all kinds of cases from civil court cases to criminal ones.

Although he has done a little of everything he will concentrate his practice mainly on civil and matrimonial cases (legal separations, divorce).

Although he originates from Guelph, a tie the young lawyer has to Acton is his uncle, Arnold Brooks, past rector of St. Alban's church. Mr. Chapman is currently living with his parents in Oakville, but plans to move to Acton in the near future.

Mr. Chapman's practice in town, he hopes, will be the lawyer's answer to a general practitioner. He wants to meet his clients and the people of the town. He is looking forward to working in a small town, where faces are more familiar than names on paper.

Three area firms given police tow contracts

After several months of delay and further investigation after an initial report was filed with Halton Police Commission last winter, the commission finally awarded towing contracts Thursday to three North Halton firms.

In Acton Frank Toth Motors, 12 Guelph Street, which has three trucks, a fenced in compound and indoor storage area, was awarded the tender.

Fred's Towing, 61 Guelph Street, was the successful bidder in Georgetown. The report to the commission from regional purchasing agent Roy Higgins noted Fred's Towing has four trucks, a fenced in compound and an indoor storage area.

The successful bidder in the Milton area was Ray's Texaco, R. R. 3, and has four trucks. Ray's Texaco also has a fenced in compound and indoor storage area.

Fred's Towing was the only bidder for police towing in Georgetown and the firm has named King's Towing, Burlington, as the firm which will handle its heavy towing work.

King's Towing will also handle heavy towing jobs for Frank Toth Motors in Acton.

The only other bidder in Acton was Les. Pelitis' Garage.

Ray's Texaco, Milton will eventually handle its own heavy towing jobs. The firm has its truck and chassis and is now awaiting additional towing gear to mount on the

chassis so it can handle heavy towing. Until then Scobie's Towing, Milton, will handle heavy towing in the Milton area.

M. Durante Enterprises Ltd., R. R. 3, was the unsuccessful bidder for the Milton towing contract.

Tragic accident kills local woman's parents

The parents of an Acton woman were tragically killed last Wednesday, August 18 in Welland in a car truck mishap.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Harry Johns, mother and father of Mrs. Doreen Lee, Acton, died after their car came into collision with the side of the truck's flatbed which was hauling a backhoe. The backhoe came loose and

plunged into the John's car. Police estimate \$12,000 in damages to the victim's car, the truck and the backhoe.

Receiving minor injuries in the mishap were the John's grandchildren Alan and Steven Kay ages nine and 12, also of Welland.

Mr. Johns died shortly after the accident while his wife died in Welland County General Hospital in the intensive care unit the next day.

Funeral services were held Saturday in Fonthill with cremation following.

No more bills for P.A. cost

After two years of ducking about the payment for PA system at Acton high school swimming pool, Halton Hills Administration Committee, Monday night decided to quit trying to collect from Halton Board of Education.

has been that any services required when a municipality builds a pool onto a school is paid for from the building fund by the town. In this case the PA system was made entirely left out of the tender documents.

The town paid the \$695 to the contractor Con digh Ltd.

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