

## Car leaves road smashes home

The veranda of an Acton home was badly damaged Sunday afternoon when it was struck by a car travelling eastbound on Young St.

"I didn't see it but I sure heard it," said Jim Brydon, the retired 70-year-old Acton man who lives in the damaged home at 14 Young St.

"Yes, I sure heard it," the retired Town of Georgetown employee said. "When it hit the front of my house I must have jumped about two feet out of my chair."

The accident occurred shortly after 3 p.m. when Raymond Kingsmill, 94 Longfield, driving a Camaro, came around the Mill St.-Young St. turn. Mr. Brydon's home is located on the west side of Young St. and Kingsmill allegedly collided with the house when he came through the turn.

"I usually sit in the veranda in the summertime," Mr. Brydon said. "But there were a few sprinkles of rain coming down so I went to the back of the house to close the windows and shut the doors. I came into the living room, which opens up to the veranda, and sat with my back to the street. That's when it happened."

The veranda has been knocked about six inches off its foundations, the aluminum siding has been bent from roof to floor, the windows are broken and no longer square and the baseboards in the front of the living room and bedroom have been chipped and cracked.

About 14 house plants have been destroyed and Brydon placed a value on them of over \$5 a piece.

However, the irreparable damage comes in the form of the vases that held the plants and the china and small pottery trinkets that sat in the windows of the house, and were smashed.

"Some of the pottery and vases belonged to my grandmother," Mr. Brydon said. "The other trinkets have sentimental value because they belonged to my wife. She died about nine years ago in a train crash near here."

Halt Regional Police estimated the damage to the car was \$500 and the damage to the house at \$600.

However Mr. Brydon said his insurance company had been contacted but an adjuster had not made his report yet, on the actual damage to the house.

### On Mill

Mill St. is almost back to normal with sidewalks and paving done. The parking restriction signs are not all back up yet, and there are no lines painted yet on the new paving.

### No fires

No fires in town this week, reports the fire chief.

## Pet of the week



JILL GOES BOATING on Fair Lake, which would not mean much if Jill were a person. Instead she's a German Shepherd, owned by J. O'Rourke, 1 Cameron St., who submitted the photo of the family pet for our Pet of the Week. When not boating, Jill is swimming or exploring the shore.

## No funds for RC school

The Ministry of Education's refusal to grant funds for a Catholic school at Erin drew sharp response from a separate school board trustee.

"Our children have education needs and a right to their own Catholic Schools," trustee Rick Gazzola said last week.

Parents, who have asked for the school for a year, petitioned the board urging it to build a school to accommodate about 100 pupils.

The cost would be about \$400,000.

The public school board recently approved an addition to Brisbane school.

It has seven portables. Erin District High School has an equal number of portables.

The separate board named a two-member committee to meet the regional director of education on the matter.



OUT OF SQUARE WITH the rest of Jim Brydon's home on Young St. is his veranda. The veranda has been pushed off its foundations and the windows have been broken and pushed out of square. The aluminum door is bent and the aluminum siding is warped and bent. Police estimate the damage at \$600 but Mr. Brydon's insurance company has yet to make its report.



HOLDING SOME POTTERY of high sentimental value to him is Jim Brydon of Young St. The pottery and china vases that were broken belonged to his wife and grandmother and were smashed beyond recognition when a car struck his veranda.

### Dufferin site

Dufferin Quarry at Milton recently received the "Showplace Award" for its rehabilitation of the worked land.

The National Crushed Stone Association of America makes the award for "Exceptional Achievement in community relations through quarry beautification programs."

Green park like settings cover 30 acres of the original crushing plant and stock piles.

Landscaping blends with the Niagara Escarpment north of Highway 401.

The site is marked in with 435 White Ash, Sugar Maple and Australian Pine trees.

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