

16 Acton developments in municipality's files

A report from the Halton Hills planning department shows there are 16 active files for developments in Acton and area.

The oldest development is the Lyncean Developments estate homes project on the old dragstrip east of Acton. It was first proposed in April 1974. The plan is ready to proceed, through a subdivision agreement between the developer and municipality has never been executed.

A project to build some semi-detached homes on Elizabeth Dr. south of the senior citizens' apartments dates back to December 1975. This project isn't very close to materializing since alternatives to building there are now being explored by the town and developer.

A commercial development on the force Electric site called "Mill Street Mall" is still a long way in the future it would appear. The town approved an official plan amendment for the project, first proposed in January 1979. Unfortunately planners are waiting for detailed plans so an amending bylaw can be passed.

Paul Nielsen first proposed a small housing project called Cedar Road Developments on Churchill Rd. North in the vicinity of Acton High School in June 1976. This project is still awaiting an Official Plan amendment and completion of the Acton urban servicing boundary study.

The plan for a plaza on the east side of Acton was first proposed in October 1976. It was rejected by council and appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board. A hearing still hasn't been called and a few weeks ago the developer, Jerry Sprack-

man, brought Halton Hills council a scaled down project for consideration.

Nielsen and G. Giviero came to council in March 1977 with a plan to build single, family homes semi detached and townhouses on property beside the industrial park. This project is ready to proceed but the developers haven't signed the development agreement yet.

The OMB has approved a project to build some single family homes on the old Lehaman Park land on Mill St. East at Acton Blvd., but negotiations continue on this development.

Plans for Kingham Hill Estates Phase Three, semi-detached homes dating back to May 1977, aren't going anywhere fast it would appear. Council has deferred consideration of the project while the developer tries to resolve Credit Valley Conservation Authority concerns. Until CVCA concerns have been solved the developer can't come up with a development proposal for the municipality to consider.

P. Giviero's semi-detached housing project between Bovis and the Acton Curling Club moved closer to approval last month but an Official Plan amendment still needs to be processed and draft plan approval secured. This project dates back to August 1976.

Alteo Construction's Official Plan and zoning amendment for an industrial park north of Highway 7 and west of Highway 25 was objected to and sent to the OMB by Sprackman. The urban servicing boundary study will also have impact on this proposal. It came up in March, 1979.

An amendment must be approved and the developer is revising his plan for six homes on the Berry farm in the Spyside area. This project was proposed in February of last year. A planning study and proposed plan is needed before anything further is done with a project brought to the municipality last July by Norshaw for an industrial park north of Acton.

School Board's new St. Joseph's school project has been approved by council but hasn't been started yet.

Freud Kassian Investment's IGA plaza project downtown has been approved by council.

The Halton Separate



Footwear must be perfect on a 30 mile ride. Chief gets his shoes repaired while he waits by farrier Paul Thoms at Sunday's Rockwood Trail Riders Competitive Ride. Dave Scofield, number 49, was one of the 40 competitors in the annual event.



Strutting proudly, High River, a picturesque Paint stallion, carries Velma Johnston of Acton 30 miles through bush and field on Sunday's annual Rockwood Trail Riders Competitive Trail Ride. The event started at Halton Presbytery Grounds on the Blue Springs Line and attracted 40 contestants.



"Ooh that feels good" sighs Brassett as he gets his heart checked by Gillian Manning before the Rockwood Trail Riders Competitive Ride. Pat Dales of Rockwood owns and rode the experienced horse to a second place win in the heavyweight division. Sunday's annual 30 mile ride attracted 40 riders from all over Ontario. The event started at the Halton Presbytery Grounds, Blue Springs Line.

Rockwood Trail Riders competitive ride



Jane Lillie (formerly Jane Murray of Rockwood) lights the girth on Casey's saddle preparatory to Sunday's Rockwood Trail Riders' Competitive Trail Ride held from Halton Presbytery Grounds, Blue Springs Line.



Trailmaster Colin Vernon of Limehouse explains the 30 mile trail to 40 contestants in Sunday's annual Rockwood Trail Riders Competitive Trail Ride. Co-trailmaster was club president Paul Thompson of Acton.

Tack available locally

Horse enthusiasts don't have to travel outside of Acton to get their gear anymore.

Des Noblett, of Desmond's gas bar and pop shop and farm feed fame has opened Desmond's Tack Shop, downtown on Mill Street.

But since Noblett is kept busy with his other ventures, he's left the running of the new tack shop to two capable young ladies, Lori Jones and Kathy Hansen, both of Acton.

The store opened quietly in May and Lori says it's full of English and Western riding clothing, including scarves, hats, belt buckles and jeans.

Both Lori and Kathy are experienced in horses and tack. Lori was a professional trainer in Brampton and rode English, Western and now harness polines, she said.

Kathy is a Humber College graduate and shows Western horses at club events, added Lori. Although they haven't held a grand opening, Lori says business has been good. People have learned of the store by word of mouth. A tack shop was needed in Acton for some time, she added, saying there hasn't been one since the became involved in horses eight years ago.

Desmond's is the first.



Lori Jones, dressed in some of the western wear available at Desmond's Tack Shop shows off the English and Western saddles in the store. The Mill Street shop opened May 11.

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