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So far no need to restrict water

Despite the fact July was quite hot and dry the region hasn't had any problems with keeping water levels up in the Acton reservoir so water use restrictions haven't been needed.

In May, Halton Region works staff unveiled an emergency plan to restrict water use in Acton if the summer was particularly dry. This plan could be imposed on a 24 hours notice basis and would restrict use of water for car washing, lawn watering and use of water cooled air conditioning systems.

The region wouldn't have the Prospect Park well this summer as a back-up and feared the reservoir could get down to the point where there wasn't enough water to fight a major fire.

Director of public works for Halton, Bob Moore, said the reservoir hasn't gone down. There has been no big fire or emergency clean-out of the reservoir and staff has had no problem refilling the reservoir overnight.

Another plus to ease Acton's water supply worries has been conservation. Consumption throughout the region hasn't been as high as was expected. Capacity was built up during our wet June.

There are no figures for July water consumption, another official, Don Morrier said, but consumption hasn't been a problem. He said the region assumed the worst would happen and prepared everyone for the possibility of restrictions.

May and June were wet so there was only a slight increase in Acton water consumption over last year. Morrier noted water consumption has, for a long time now, had an upward trend. In May 1981 Acton used 79,327 cubic metres of water compared to 85,200 in the same month of this year. In June water consumption here rose to 82,320 cubic metres compared to 80,102 the same month in 1981.

Until the last week of July the month was pretty hot and dry, though there were enough sprinkles and cloudy days that consumption wasn't up as high as the region's "overly cautious" projections had forecast.

Buy local or else-Mayor

Local businesses must get a chance to tender on all Town needs Mayor Pete Pomeroy emphasized, Monday night at Halton Hills council meeting.

Councillor Russ Miller brought up the subject when he said he was upset to find out no local dealer was given the opportunity to bid on the rescue van bought for the fire department.

"The people in Town who pay the taxes should have a chance," said Miller. He said even if the local dealer cannot supply the whole truck, if

special items are required, the dealer can arrange to have them added. He urged a resolution from council to staff to ensure it is done.

The mayor said "it was bad enough with Acti-Van when we found that out, but this is more blatant" He said he wanted it made clear it would not happen again. He said it was embarrassing to council and staff when such things happen. "They'd damn well better not do it again," stated Pomeroy.

New St. Joseph's open for classes September 8

Acton Catholic students won't be returning to classes at the old Stone School this year at all. The new St. Joseph's School being built on Mill St. West will definitely open on time on September 8.

Trustee Irene McCauley reported board members received progress

report on the new school project last week and "it's definitely sure the children will be in the new school for the first day of classes September 8."

She said there may be the "odd little thing" which must still be completed in the new school at the beginning of the school year, but these minor matters won't prevent the start of classes.

Painting of classrooms is underway, some even being painted on the weekends, and several are already done.

Staff is "optimistic" furniture for the new school will be moved into the library during the next two weeks and then moved into classrooms as work in each room is completed.

Millwork will be completed this week and some windows should also be installed this week.

Furniture from the portable classrooms at the Stone School is being removed this week and sent to a school in Milton.

There will be an official opening for the new St. Joseph's but no date has been set, McCauley said, noting every little thing will have been completed at the new school before the ceremonies take place.

Kentner wins car

Kent Kentner of Acton won a car in a recent Super Lotto draw the Ontario Lottery Corporation announced last week.

He won a new Cutlass Supreme as part of a special promotion featuring 500 Canadian made automobiles as bonus prizes in the July 25 draw. In total 121 cars were won 51 in Ontario.

The car will be presented to Kentner sometime in the next few weeks.

Men charged in break and enter

Two men have been arrested in connection with a break and enter at Crown Dairy, on Highway 7 between Rockwood and Guelph.

Quelph OPP report someone entered the premises sometime during the early morning hours of Sunday and made off with a 1974 van and a quantity of dairy products.

Guelph city police later arrested the pair, aged 18 and 21, and charged them with possession of stolen property. OPP have subsequently charged the men with break and enter.

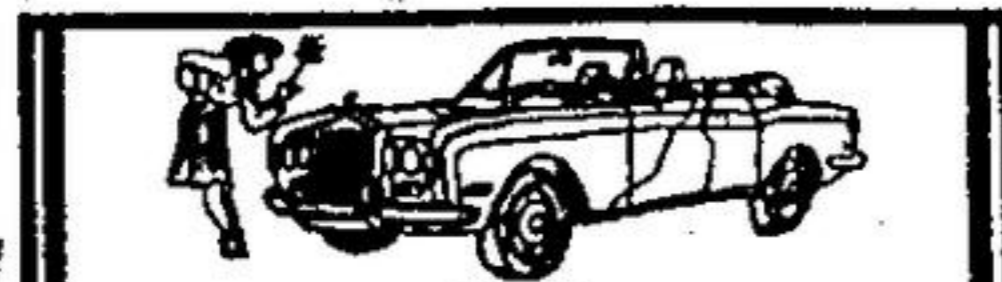
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