



Terry Fox will be coming through Halton Hills July 22, on his way across Canada in his run to raise \$10 million for cancer research. Helping to smooth the way for Terry, and to give Halton Hills residents the opportunity to make a donation to Terry's cause, are a number of local individuals, groups and businesses. John Perl of Capital Ford, Dis. J. McCracken of the Cancer Society, Claudette Smith, president of the Georgetown

Cancer Society, local runner Anita Warner, Jo Lister, public relations officer for McDonald's in Georgetown and Milton, Dee Butwell of the Cancer Society and Bill O'Connor, district director of the Cancer Society, are just some of the people who will be welcoming Terry to the community or helping to organize the drive on his behalf in Halton Hills. (Herald photo)

Terry Fox arriving July 22 on his 'Marathon of Hope'

Terry Fox, the 21-year old amputee who is jogging across Canada to muster support for the Canadian Cancer Society, is expected to pass through Halton Hills July 22.

The Simon Fraser University (B.C.) student has been the subject of widespread media coverage since departing from St. John's, Newfoundland, in April. Accompanied by friends and supporters who jog or ride bicycles alongside him or ride in the van that's always nearby, Terry covers about 25 miles a day, running from 4:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Latest updates from the Cancer Society for which Terry is raising funds through his route-pledges indicate that he will arrive in Guelph July 21 from Peterborough via Toronto and Kitchener. Terry will backtrack further the next day to jog along Highway 7 through Acton and Georgetown.

Terry's "Marathon of Hope" ends in Victoria, B.C. in the fall. Along the way, his unusual gait, relying on a series of artificial limbs supplied, like the van, by corporate sponsors, has become affectionately known as the "Fox Trot".

There will be no stops during

the run for autographs or talks, but only during his breaks, as his running schedule is not flexible. He is running against time, in order to beat the snow through the Rocky Mountains. Scheduling events is the great problem because of the nature of this event. The O.P.P. have provided escorts for Terry, as it is imperative that Terry be protected from the public as much as possible.

Other runners must stay behind at least 10 feet away from Terry. He has been tripped on two occasions by runners getting in his way. Due to the risk of injury to Terry, organizers suggest that only mature runners be allowed to accompany him, and not in large numbers.

One-quarter of a million dollars has been pledged so far. Pledge sheets are available, and the Society will also gladly accept donations from interested people or organizations.

Following is a copy of the letter Terry wrote last October while making tentative plans for the marathon. It seeks support for the battle against a disease which had threatened Terry's ability to walk, but which was handily overcome by a strong-hearted young

man who believes that "cancer can be beaten".

Dear Sir:
"My name is Terry Fox, I am 21 years old, and I am an amputee. I lost my right leg two and a half years ago due to cancer."

The night before my amputation, my former basketball coach brought me a magazine with an article on an amputee who ran in the New York Marathon. It was then when I decided to meet this new challenge head on and not only overcome my disability, but conquer it in such a way that I could never look back and say it disabled me.

But I soon realized that that would only be half my quest, for as I went through the 16 months of the physically and emotionally draining ordeal of chemotherapy, I was rudely awakened by the feelings that surrounded and coursed throughout the Cancer Clinic. There were the faces with the brave smiles, and the ones who had given up smiling. There were the feelings of hopeful denial, and the feelings of despair. My quest would not be a selfish one. I could not leave knowing these faces and feelings would still exist, even though I would be set free from mine. Somewhere the hurting

must stop...and I was determined to take myself to the limit for this cause.

From the beginning, the going was extremely difficult, and I was facing chronic ailments foreign to runners with two legs, in addition to the common physical strains felt by all dedicated athletes. But these problems are now behind me, as I have either outlasted or learned to deal with them. I feel strong not only physically, but more important, emotionally. Soon I will be adding one full mile each week, and coupled with the weight training I have been doing three times a week, by April next year I will be ready to achieve something that for me was once only a distant dream reserved for the world of miracles; to run across Canada to raise money for the fight against cancer.

The running I can do, even if I have to crawl every last mile. We need your help. The people in cancer clinics all over the world need people who believe in miracles. I'm not a dreamer, and I'm not saying that this will initiate any kind of definitive answer or cure to cancer, but I believe in miracles. I have to.

Sincerely,
Terry Fox"

More volunteers sought to help year-round clean-up of Black Creek

The Georgetown chapter of Save Our Streams (SOS) will launch its ambitious clean-up programme along a section of Black Creek July 28.

Formed last February, the group has organized eight work parties of four members each which, under the direction of a committee member, will remove debris and sediment along the Black Creek between the Seventh and Eighth Lines (Trafalgar Road and Main Street). Anyone interested in joining the clean-up effort is welcome to phone 877-5575.

Save Our Streams is an action programme designed to help local community groups or individuals improve and protect a selected stream, and to restore and maintain a healthy, clean and productive waterway. It is co-sponsored by the Canadian National Sportsmen's Shows, the Federation of Ontario Naturalists and Toronto Anglers' and Hunters' Association.

A local SOS committee, co-ordinated by Warren Wright and Mike Ferris of Halton Field Naturalists, has

been set up to mobilize forces. This committee is comprised of representatives from the naturalists' group, the Horticulture Society, the Hungry Hollow Hoboes, the Scouts and interested individuals.

Landowners along the chosen section of Black Creek have been contacted and their approval to proceed has been or is being sought and obtained before any action is taken.

A stream environmental survey has been conducted by high-calibre resource people. The Halton Field Naturalists' Club considers

itself fortunate to have as club members and volunteers on this assessment team the following persons - Ron Reid, biologist with the Federation of Ontario Naturalists; Brian Boyce, environment analyst with Ontario Hydro; Al Johnson, aquatic biologist with the ministry of environment, and Grant Lee, a geographer from the University of Guelph who is very concerned with stream ecology and is doing research on the Sauguen and Credit Rivers. Grant Lee and Brian Boyce have produced an excellent map and a biophysical

assessment of the creek area.

A document with covering letter explaining the action to be taken by the Save Our Streams work force will be forwarded to the landowners, to the Credit Valley Conservation Authority and to others concerned closely with this section of Black Creek. It is hoped that approval from the landowners will be forthcoming.

SOS will follow up on its

Concerns about child safety

Town ok's Churchill stops

By CHRIS AAGAARD
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Action residents along Churchill and Cobblehill Roads, angered by speeding cars, will get the stop signs they have asked for despite

two engineering department recommendations saying the signs won't help and aren't needed.

Council deliberated for more than an hour Monday night, reaching two tie votes on recommendations prepared by

the engineering department.

Following police investigations, the department recommended against establishing a three-way stop at the corner of Cobblehill Road and Victoria Avenue.

"A stop sign does not, in any way, endanger anyone," Coun. Roy Booth argued. "Not having it there could."

However, Coun. Mike Armstrong agreed with the recommendation not to erect stop signs at the location.

"The only way to reduce speeding is by increased radar," he said.

Town engineer Bob Austin confirmed that police use radar in both unmarked and marked vehicles.

Mayor Peter Pomeroy said the stop signs could possibly increase the risk of accidents because of the incline along Cobblehill Road at the corner of Victoria.

However, when the situation reached a vote in general committee, acting chairman John McDonald, cast the deciding vote in favor of the stop signs.

Councillors reached another tie vote over whether or not stop signs should be installed along Churchill Road to check speeders.

"The neighbors will be out there with axe handles...it will force people into vigilante groups", Churchill Street South resident James McGuire warned if nothing is done about the speeding situation along the road.

"There are 60 to 100 kids on that road," he said, "and I've got one of them. I'm not going to bury her."

Coun. Ross Knechtel called Churchill Road "a bloody speedway" and said he would not support the recommendation against erecting stop signs.

"The police have been told about this and nothing has happened," he said. "There seems to be a problem of

communication between the police and the engineering department."

Coun. Armstrong agreed with the recommendation, saying he feared some child might "cross the street by taking advantage of the stop sign."

Mayor Pomeroy said he would vote against the recommendation in this case because he could not see stop signs creating an accident situation on Churchill Road.

The recommendation against the street signs was defeated and a new motion approving their erection along Churchill Road passed following Coun. McDonald's tie breaking vote.

Sale of school is postponed

Sunshine School has been granted a stay of execution, at least until September.

The Halton Board of Education decided in May that the four-room Hornby school was redundant, and instructed superintendent of business and finance Bruce Lindley to put the building up for sale. The school was scheduled to be sold June 30, but several citizens' groups have expressed an interest in the building.

The North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded, the Hornby Women's Institute and a former school principal have approached the board with a view to taking over the school.

The North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded was responsible for the construction of the school, and operated it until it came under the jurisdiction of the Halton board in 1969 as a result of provincial legislation.

The association made a presentation to the board in May, arguing that since the

Hornby School reprieved

The Hornby Nursery School, threatened last month by a council recommendation to close the Hornby Community centre in which the school is located, was given a one-year reprieve at Monday's council meeting.

Upon receipt of a recommendation by town recreation director Tom Shepard, council decided to let the school cut back on costs before reviewing its decision to close the school at next year's budget planning meetings.

school was built by the association with public donations, and sold to the board for \$1 because of the legislation, the board should return the school to the association on similar terms. Other groups have also come forward since then to make their interest known.

Mr. Lindley said the board will be contacting the various parties interested in the school to set up a meeting to discuss its future. Because of the amount of public interest in the building, the ministry of education says the board must give 90 days notice before proceeding with the sale.

The school served all ages of trainable handicapped students in north Halton until 1976, when a new unit for younger children was established at Park Public School in Georgetown. The older students will be attending E.C. Drury School in Milton when it opens in September.

The association is suggesting the school could be used as a residence or for children who wouldn't benefit from a public school environment.

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