

Ruby, Irene win \$350, Actario in the money following first draw

The Actario lottery to raise money for the restoration of the former Acton town hall has crossed from the red into the black following its first draw Saturday.

Committee member Ted Tyler said by the time the draw was ready to begin Saturday morning, about 542 tickets had been turned in. The committee had estimated it would need to sell about 400 tickets to break even and cover the costs of the prizes.

Mr. Tyler said the turn-out for the first of the weekly draws was "anywhere" between 200 and 400 people. Saturday morning outside Family Cleaners on Mill Street, The Acton Citizens' Band played Pled Piper, marching down the street in full voice and bringing spectators along in its wake. Several youths dressed as clowns handed out candy to the children in the crowd.

CITIZEN OF YEAR
The first draw was made by Arlie White, Acton's 1980 Citizen of the Year. Mr. White himself sold 15 tickets and turned his commission over to the Canadian Cancer Society. The weekly prize of \$350 was

won by Ruby Watelhouse and Irene Greenwood. Winners of the regular weekly prize don't have to be at the draw. If they aren't present, a cheque will be mailed to them.

Winners of the bonus draw must be present, Mr. Tyler said. The rules for these draws have been clarified to allow the spouse of the ticket holder to collect the prize, or, in the case of a ticket shared by a group of people, one of the first two people named on the ticket must be present to collect the prize.

In the case of this week's bonus draw, the prize of a black and white television went back into the pot because the winners were out of town on a trip, Mr. Tyler said.

The response from Acton merchants has been superb, Mr. Tyler said. The Actario committee told the merchants they could get involved in the lottery if they wished, and as a result, many of the merchants are offering vouchers as additional prizes in the draws. Seven vouchers were offered last Saturday, and only one went unclaimed.

TRIP CHOSEN
The trip for the month of September has been selected,

Mr. Tyler said. This month's winner of the grand prize will spend a week on Grand Bahama Island at the Grand Bahama Hotel. The package is not all inclusive, but includes seven buffet breakfasts, four dinners, free golf and tennis and a number of other holiday activities, as well as the air fare and hotel costs. The winners can go any time within six months of winning the trip, except during peak periods such as Christmas and the spring break, as long as there is space available.

Tickets for the lottery are still available at a number of local businesses, including The Herald in Georgetown. The Actario committee will have a booth at the Acton Fall Fair and at other local events in the coming months.

Ticket prices will remain the same for the time being, but will be pro-rated by the end of the month, to reflect the fact that those buying their tickets then will have missed out on chances in the earlier draws.

The draw will continue to be held every Saturday morning around 11:30 a.m. in front of Family Cleaners, unless otherwise announced, Mr. Tyler said.



NHAMR \$4,500 RICHER

The North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded is \$4,500 richer following Thursday's cheque presentation from organizers of the June 20 Pro Hockey Golf Day at the North Halton Golf and Country Club. The largest amount ever raised in the 20-year history of the tournament, the money, NHAMR president Mike Evans said, might be used to establish a group home for the mentally handicapped in Halton Hills. Pictured

(front, left to right) Norm Ward, community affairs for Royal Canadian Legion, branch 102 (Georgetown), Mike Evans, Sid Smith, president of the pro hockey golf tournament, Judy Pomeroy representing husband Mayor Pete Pomeroy, (back row) Murray Ezeard of the pro hockey golf tournament, Harold Radham, branch 102 president, Bill Kirk, pro hockey golf tournament, and Harry Watson, branch 102 treasurer.

Shuffle to improve service

There will likely be a major department shuffle at Halton regional headquarters which could mean better service to the public.

Despite concern expressed by Halton Hills Coun. Roy Booth that "council has not yet seen a floor plan," councillors will discuss plans to relocate some departments within the Oakville complex on Highway 25.

"All we're doing is trying to correct mistakes that were made when the floor design was established in 1974," administration and finance committee chairman Mellean Anderson explained last Wednesday.

The proposed shuffle would consolidate the public works drafting crew with the rest of the department, move the works department to the

second level, where the health department is now located and shift the health department downstairs to the planning department's present location. The move is estimated to cost the region \$15,400.

Regional personnel director Dennis Camm told council that the region cannot con-

sider hiring more staff until the floor plan issue has been settled.

Health and social services committee chairman Walter Mulkewich said "the health department staff are very anxious for this move," he said he expects the shuffle to improve service to the public visiting the headquarters.

Partners purchase Pomeroy's sport shop

Halton Hills Mayor Pete Pomeroy is selling his business, North Halton Sports, to partners Chris Milne and Doug Anderson.

Mayor Pomeroy said he and his wife, Judy, had considered selling the store some time in the next year, but Mr. Milne, who has worked at North Halton Sports for six years, approached them to see if they had any objections to he and Doug opening their own store. It was decided then to work out an agreement to sell the store to the two partners.

It was Mr. Anderson who approached Mr. Milne about the possibility of the two of them opening their own sports equipment store. Mr. Anderson was a plant foreman prior to becoming involved in North Halton Sports.

Both Mr. Milne and Mr. Anderson are well-known to local sports enthusiasts. Mr. Milne has played with the Raiders for five years, and the Geminis for three years. He is now assistant coach for the Geminis, teaches power skating for the minor hockey support group, and co-ordinates and instructs at the North Halton Sports Camp.

PLAYED HOCKEY
Mr. Anderson played industrial hockey for three years and industrial baseball

for three years, and is involved in many other sports.

The first change which will become visible at North Halton Sports is in the store hours. The store will be open until 7 p.m. weeknights to give commuters an opportunity to get to the store in the evening when they get home from work, Mr. Milne said.

"Guys who play industrial hockey, or whatever sport, can come into the store when they get home about 6, and pick up a new stick, or get their skates sharpened, anything like that," Mr. Milne said. "Doug or I will be here until 7 each night."

The partners are planning to clear out the fishing tackle and the golf equipment.

"The pro shops can carry more golf equipment than we can, and we just weren't getting the turnover in fishing tackle to justify the space it was occupying," Mr. Anderson said. "We don't feel we'll lose clients. We feel we'll do well serving our clients better."

BICYCLE SHOP
The service will be expanding in tennis and squash, particularly the squash, Mr. Milne said. Alex Donaldson will still be running the bicycle shop downstairs at the back of the store.

"Customer service is the

most important thing to us," Mr. Milne said. "You can get things done, like tennis rackets strung or skates sharpened, while you wait or by the next day."

North Halton Sports is actually an amalgamation of two companies, Georgetown Cycle and Sports and Pete Pomeroy Sports. Pete Pomeroy Sports opened in 1968 and the two companies merged two or three years later. Two years after the merger, Mayor Pomeroy bought out Georgetown Cycle owner Shell Laver. "It was a difficult decision to sell, because it was a family business," Mr. Pomeroy said.

"It was a decision Judy and I made for the family because we felt it was time to move into other areas."

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Chris Milne (left) and Doug Anderson are the new owners of North Halton Sports. The two partners are purchasing the business from Halton Hills Mayor Pete Pomeroy, who said the workload was becoming too heavy, with running the store and his political career as well. Mr. Milne and Mr. Anderson said there will be a few changes in the operation of the store, but the high level of customer service will remain.

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