



POLICE FIELD STUDIES

Three Sheridan College students of law and security administration are spending their Tuesdays and Thursdays with regional police in north Halton. Boosting their education with some practical experience in the field, (left to right) Claudio Ferneti, Brian Bradshaw and Robin Thomson are finding out that real-life police work is a long way from television's "Barney Miller" or even "Hill Street Blues". Impressed by the wide variety of police responsibilities and patrol activities, the three men will stay with the force until April, when their two-year course ends. (Herald photo)

About the Hills

New CO for Lorne Scots

The Lorne Scots (Peel, Dufferin and Halton regiment) holds a change of command ceremony Dec. 6 at CFB Downsview. With a parade scheduled for 2 p.m., command of the regiment will be transferred from Lieutenant Colonel L.H.S. Smith to Lieutenant Colonel R.C. Hesler CD. Reviewing officer will be Hamilton militia district commander Colonel F.E. Ching CD. The public is invited.

Snow Babe-et

Georgetown cattle breeder Valcor Export Ltd. paid \$32,000 for a year-old heifer last week at the annual Meadolake Sale held in Guelph's Brubacher Sale Arena.

Consigned by E. Gordon Atkinson of Barrie, Meadolake Snow Babe-et is the offspring of two "excellent" Holsteins, sire Paclamar Bootmaker and dam Romandale Telstar Branda.

Topic: rural aged

The University of Guelph's Rural Development Outreach Project invites the public to participate in a one-day seminar on "understanding the rural elderly" Dec. 1 at the Listowel Legion Hall. A \$8 registration fee includes lunch, lectures, workshops and group discussions. To register or to obtain more information call (519)824-4120, extension 3586.

Craft Festival goodies

Brookville's annual "Country Craft Festival" takes place Nov. 21 at Brookville Hall, four miles north of Highway 401 on the Guelph Line. Admission is free for a day of browsing amid displays on quilting, woodenware, tole and decorative painting, stained glass and Christmas decor.

TOWN OF HALTON HILLS
 NOTICE OF A SECOND PUBLIC MEETING
 The Kleinfeldt Consultants and the Acton Town Hall Steering Committee are calling a Public Meeting to take place on
November 25th, 1981
 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
 in the Watson Room, Acton Public Library regarding the feasibility of saving the Acton Town Hall.
 All interested persons are invited to attend.

Hint: replace weak batteries

Cold winter weather will soon be upon us so it's a good time now to start preparing for winter driving. Winter weather conditions present some special difficulties for drivers and their cars. The Hamilton Automobile Club suggests you plan now for getting yourself and your car ready for driving in cold, snowy weather.

PREPARE YOUR CAR

To prepare your car for winter driving get a tuneup now. Check or have the mechanic check the following items:

1. Electrical System - recharge or replace weak batteries; have your voltage regulator checked; check all of your car's lights for proper operation; check the ignition system for damaged wires, cracked distributor cap, or worn spark plugs.
2. Brake System - to avoid skids you need equal braking on all four surfaces; brakes should be checked and adjusted for equal braking.
3. Tires - make certain your tires are in good condition; snow tires are recommended.
4. Exhaust System - check for leaks to reduce the chances of carbon monoxide poisoning; if your car is stuck in the snow, clear the area around the tail pipe and slightly open a window.
5. Heating and Cooling System - check your radiator for leaks and cracks, hoses too; add a sufficient amount of antifreeze; test your heater and defroster for proper operation.
6. Windshield Wipers and Washer - check wipers for proper functioning, replace worn blades; fill your washer bottle with antifreeze washer solvent.
7. Winter Driving Kit - carry the following items in your car in case of an emergency: tire chains, small snow shovel, extra clothing, traction mats, ice scraper, booster cables, warning devices (flares or triangles), small bag of abrasive material (sand, salt, or kitty litter), snow brush, flashlight, blanket, candle and matches.

PREPARE YOURSELF

Approach winter driving with the right frame of mind - always drive at a speed that matches the prevailing visibility, traffic and road conditions. To see and be seen by others requires you to clean all of the snow and ice from the entire car - hood, roof, trunk, lights, and windows. Try to avoid driving when the visibility is poor, but if you must, keep your speed low, headlights on low beam, and pull off to a safe spot as soon as possible. Use sunglasses to combat glare off the snow, and as the law states wear your seatbelt.

ADDITIONAL HINTS

- Avoid driving while fatigued.
- Never warm up a vehicle in an enclosed area, such as a garage.
- Make certain your tires are properly inflated.
- Never mix radial tires with other tire types.
- Keep your gas tank at least half full to avoid gas line freeze-up.
- If possible, avoid using your parking brake in cold, starchy weather.
- When you have to slow or stop pump your brakes. This helps to maintain steering and traction.
- "Easy does it" when accelerating, turning, or braking. Plan your maneuvers well in advance and do them smoothly.
- Watch for overpasses, underpasses, and shady spots that freeze first and melt last.
- If you go into a skid don't panic. Take your foot off the gas and steer in the direction the rear of the car is sliding.
- Straighten out the wheel when you feel the skid correct itself.
- It takes longer to stop on ice and snow than it does on dry pavement. Decrease your speed and increase your following distance.

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