

**BMX races new event this year**

**Fuse set to light up Bang-O-Rama fun**



The annual Optimist respect for law awards were handed out last Tuesday night to some very deserving recipients. They are: (front row, left to right) Wayne Clause, Optimist Stan Nolan - chairman of the program, Reg Landriault (back row, left to right) Frank Moretti, Const. Gavin Hayes and Bill Cunningham. (Herald photo)

**CPR revives man, constable honored**

Two civilians, a Halton regional police constable, the Halton Hills public works department and the local fire department were recognized by the Optimists last Tuesday night during Respect for Law week.

Constable Gavin Hayes was selected for honors because of his quick action July 10, 1982 when he applied cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) to an unconscious male in Acton.

Landriault, a fire department captain in Mississauga and Wayne Clause, a steel worker in Hamilton were given awards for help in quieting down a hostile group of youths in Acton.

Though neither man knew each other, they helped police break up a bunch of youths fighting without using violence Sat. June 1982.

Frank Moretti accepted an award as public works department head on behalf of the works department for their helpfulness with police activities. Fire chief Bill Cunningham was similarly honored for the work of his men in assisting the police.

Optimist International's Respect for Law program was initiated in reaction to public apathy toward the increasing problems of crime.

Optimist Stan Nolan is in charge of the program which annually receives nominations from the Halton regional police.

By CHRIS AAGAARD  
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There are events on the Optimists Bang-O-Rama roster this year which are as dizzying as the highest sparkler their fireworks display can throw out.

Bang-O-Rama is the annual salute to warm weather and summer fun which the club puts on during the Victoria Day holiday (May 23). Here is so much to do this year, you might as well arrive early and plan to stay the rest of the day.

By packing in tons of entertainment, not to mention ample food, the Optimists have stripped Bang-O-Rama participants of any reason to go home.

All the action is at Georgetown's Fairgrounds Park. Things get underway at 8 a.m. with the Club's giant garage sale. Admission to the grounds is \$2 for people 16 years of age and over and 50 cents for people up to 15 years.

As always, the accent on this year's event is on kids, especially ones who like to have fun.

There's a bike rodeo and safety demonstration which begins at 9 a.m. to start things off. This is a prelude to a new event at Bang-O-Rama, the BMX races.

It's like moto-cross, only youngsters zip around on peppy little pedal bikes. As a criterion for entering the races, bikers have to participate in the preceding safety demonstration.

BMX races will be held between 10 a.m. and noon,

with the final leg of the competition starting at 4 p.m. A number of other exciting events begin at 10 a.m.

For horseshow fanciers, a competition is planned between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Concurrently, there will be a lawn dart contest on as well.

If you prefer motorized sport, the Optimists have organized a mini-car rides. Meanwhile, the perennially popular pony rides have also returned this year; you'll find them at the northern edge of the fairgrounds.

TRY BINGO

If you think you have the Queen's luck on her birthday, try your hand at bingo. It will begin in the morning and continue to 6 p.m.

From noon to 3 p.m., elementary age kids are invited to take part in a track and field competition.

The afternoon will be filled with music. A special folk showcase is planned and, at 7 p.m., the Jeff Barry Country band will move on stage to raise the dust a bit just prior to the fireworks.

Activities like these burn up a lot of energy. No problem, say the Optimists; just about anywhere you turn, you'll find some on the grill.

One of the culinary highlights of Bang-O-

Rama is the chicken barbecue. The smell is irresistible as soon as the Maple Lodge Farms chickens hit the open coals later in the morning.

The Optimists will also have their van at the Fairgrounds serving burgers and hotdogs. The chicken barbecue begins at 11 a.m. and will continue until 5 p.m.

The grand finale and namesake of Bang-O-Rama is the gala fireworks display which gets underway once the sun sets. Last year, a localized fog bank rolled in almost at the last minute before the display was to go off.

It was sufficient to snuff out the giant crackers and sparklers. This year, the club has promised an even better display than the one planned last year, so break out the deck chairs and blankets and have a blast.



The ferris wheels will be spinning as Bang-O-Rama gets underway May 23. Kids' events are highlighted with a bike rodeo and safety demonstration at 9 a.m. prior to the BMX races. Fun times for the entire family are planned again this year. (Herald photo)

**Aerobatic team**

May 23 marks the opening for the Ontario Aviation Historical Society's Billy Bishop hangar and new museum building.

The Ray Ban Golds aerobatic team will be at the Brampton flying club headquarters May 23 from 11:30 until 1:30 p.m.

The Ray Ban Golds are a trio of aerobatic bi-planes flown by CP air pilots and sponsored by Bausch and Lomb. The Golds and the Museum's WWI replicas will perform a flypast after which the Golds will depart for their performance at the Air Circus at Canada's Wonderland.

The Flying Museum is situated at the Brampton Airport which is located 10 km northwest of Brampton, one road west of the village of Victoria. For more information call 453-1503.

**Future budgets need new taxes**

By CHRIS AAGAARD  
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If there's no growth in Halton Hills' assessment base, some of the projects on the town's five-year capital budget forecast may have to be dropped.

That was the news attached to the forecast by finance committee chairman Russ Knechtel as he presented the document Monday night to the town's general committee.

Including the possibility of issuing debentures (a form of borrowing money) for \$1,000,000, to pay for a municipal centre, the forecast anticipates that between 1984 and 1987 the town will have capital expenditures of \$14,202,200.

About \$6 million of this will be raised from taxpayers and the rest from provincial subsidies (\$4.95 million) and other recoveries (\$1.43 million).

For 1983, the town has anticipated it will spend about \$2,808,529, but that figure includes the "possibility" that if the town and Halton Hills Hydro decide to jointly build a new municipal centre, Hydro will need a

debt issue of \$300,000.

As part of its approval of the capital budget forecast, the committee has asked staff to prepare a report on the town's ongoing practice of steering lot levies revenue in the administration building account.

Some councillors have argued that the money should be used on other municipal improvements, like road repairs.

Among the items included in the forecast, and subject to change at council's annual budget deliberations, are:

- road reconstruction in 1984 along McNabb and Albert Streets in Georgetown. It's expected this will cost about \$208,000, half paid by town taxpayers and half through provincial subsidies
- road reconstruction is also planned for Georgetown's Byron and Brucewood Streets during 1985 at an estimated cost of \$221,000. Engineering designed for reconstruction along Keats and Shelley Streets and other trouble-spots in the area, has been included in the 1985 part of the budget as well, but reconstruction isn't included until 1986
- there's road reconstruction in Acton as well, including the Meadvale Road area in 1984 and Longfield and Roseford Roads in 1985—all part of Acton's Glenlea subdivision
- park development and improvements are planned throughout the forecast. By the end of the forecast, the town's recreation and parks department hopes to have begun a system of trails on municipal open space and a fitness course through Georgetown's Cedarvale Park

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