



Speyside Highland Games

Their day in the sun

By ANI PEDERIAN
Herald Staff

You'll see lots of hairy legs out and about Saturday. Two of them may even be the mayor's. Ahh, but that's a wee bit of speculation.

Once again, the annual Speyside Highland Games will let the menfolk unashamedly show off their shapely limbs.

That's part of the fun when Halton Hills goes Scottish for the ninth year in a row.

Don't miss this grand celebration of Canada's Scottish heritage. The Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, John Black Aird isn't going to.

He'll be officially opening the festivities at 12:40 p.m. Saturday after a colorful parade in downtown Georgetown.

PARADE

The parade begins at 11:30 a.m. from Georgetown's Remembrance Park, proceeds down Main Street, along Park Street into the Georgetown Fairgrounds.

Escorting the parade and the Lieutenant Governor will be the Fraser Color Guard of Toronto. Dressed in colorful, ceremonial fashion,

the Fraser Color Guard is a treat to see.

Along with various dignitaries like MP John McDermaid, Mayor Russ Miller, MPP Julian Reed, the Brampton Mayor, Honorary Chieftain of the Games Henry (Mac) Shannon and Master of Ceremonies Dr. Alistair MacIntosh, the parade will feature several pipe bands and different Scots clans in their kilts and ancestral gear.

HELICOPTER

After the parade, Highland Games organizers will have to whisk the Lieutenant Governor over to the Georgetown Memorial Hospital. He'll be catching a helicopter at the hospital's landing pad to take him to Kingston, where Mr. Aird is to open a museum.

But don't be thinking everything begins and ends with the parade. Not at all. Over 300 Scottish dancers and from 25 to 30 pipe bands will be flaunting their stuff from 7:30 a.m. Saturday morning till 7 p.m. that night.

There'll be athletic activities like the hammer throw, shot put, caber tossing, and a tug of war. Contestants are coming from the U.S. and Quebec to take part. One of the contests has them walking with very heavy weights in their hands,

weights that normally take two to three people to lift.

Organizers have arranged for a special sheep dog demonstration in which spectators will be amazed to see sheep dogs controlling a flock of sheep in response to a man with a whistle.

Kent Robinson's karate students will be giving a demonstration on the effective and ancient oriental techniques of martial arts. Don't stand too close or you'll come to blows with them, unintentionally, of course.

FIRE TRUCKS

And the by now very familiar Halton regional police van and the fire department trucks will be on display for the kiddies to check out.

Women's church groups will be in attendance selling baked goodies as will some Scottish concession booths with ethnic mementos.

There's a warm up to the Saturday events, with a Scottish party Friday night from 7 to 11 p.m. at the Georgetown Fairgrounds.

The Highland "Fling" takes part in a beer tent with the folk group Cromdale. With your admission, you get a Highland Games button which gives you \$1 off on your admission fee

Co-op open house

The Morley Mills Co-op is holding an Open House Sunday afternoon and everyone's invited. Residents of the co-op will be there to answer your questions about what a co-op is.

They've got a slide show for you to see as well as a tour through a couple of the residential units.

The Open House runs from 1 to 4 p.m. with MP John McDermaid and Mayor Russ Miller giving a chat at 1:30 p.m.

The first annual election of a board of directors for the Morley Mills Co-op on John Street is taking place tomorrow, Thursday at the Gordon Alcott Arena hall.



Above the Crowd!

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ABOUT THE HILLS

Antique plane display

The Great War Flying Museum will be hosting an antique aircraft fly-in at the Brampton Airport just west of Highway 10 Sunday June 10 at 2 p.m. In addition to the 25 old aircraft to be viewed, there will be a ground display from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Tickets are adults \$2 and children free. For more information call Bob Clipham at 877-2211.

Play it safe

"Play it Safe" is the theme of the Red Cross Water Safety-Small Craft Safety Week, June 3-9 this year. It's at this time of the year when the lakes and rivers look so appealing, especially to your young ones.

Let's make sure they're conscious of safety rules before you let them go out on their own. If you'd like more information on Water Safety-Small Craft Safety, get in touch with your Georgetown and District Red Cross Branch at 877-5233.

Through Red Cross everyone can learn to "Play It Safe" both in and around the water.

Wilfrid Laurier grads

Two Georgetown students were among the 960 students who received graduate and undergraduate degrees at Wilfrid Laurier University's spring convocation.

Keith C. Norris and Laura E. Shepherd both received a General Bachelor of Arts degree.

Builder's association



The bricks are being laid for a new association in Halton Hills.

Developer Al Pilutti told town councillors Monday night that he's in the process of forming a Halton Hills Builders Association.

He said he hopes that anytime council intends to pass bylaws to affect the building industry, the Association will receive draft copies of the bylaws and be invited to give its position on the bylaws.

Councillor Mike Armstrong said he was happy to hear about a Builders Association being formed. "They are in the field. We are in the office. And they are totally conversant with what's going on out there," Coun. Armstrong noted.

Disarmament meeting

You are welcome to join the meeting of Halton Hills Action for Nuclear Disarmament group June 12, 7:30 p.m. at St. John's United Church, Georgetown. The Agenda will be the Peace Petition, which is coming this month to as many homes as possible in Halton Hills and across Canada.

Peace camp vandalism

An estimated \$4,000 in damages occurred at the International Peace Camp which is located on the Halton Hills Town Line.

Sometime between May 31 and June 3 a 1976 Ford truck which was parked there had been completely burnt. A Bell telephone located in the area had been torn off a hydro pole and some of the picnic tables had been burnt.

The incident is being treated as mischief by Halton regional police.

Bottles flying

A surprised driver of a 1983 Chevrolet pick-up truck received \$300 in damages after a beer bottle was thrown through the window of his vehicle.

The incident happened at Delrex Boulevard and Jessop Court.



Robert Bateman was generous with his time Friday for the opening of an exhibition of his early paintings. Friends of the Library sponsored the opening at the Halton Hills Cultural Centre.

Patrons flock to see Bateman

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A former professor of Robert Bateman told the audience at the Halton Hills Cultural Centre Friday night a bit more about the man and his work they had come to see.

We "see the persistence of curiosity that makes him a great naturalist," says former teacher John Hall.

Mr. Bateman captures the spirit of an animal and he draws with strength and rhythmic designs, he said.

"Bob's very involved with his subject. He's concerned with the accuracy of his work - everything is skillfully

composed," he said. A capacity crowd filled the gallery at the cultural centre to see the famous Canadian artist, known mostly for his stunning wildlife and landscape paintings.

Mr. Bateman spent time saying a few words at the opening, then later gave a group tour

of his paintings from the earlier days. Two hours later he was signing autographs for people holding out books about his work and prints of his paintings.

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Norval school bell stolen from centre

It used to ring in children in 1840, but now the whereabouts of the old Norval school bell is unknown.

The 24-inch diameter bell was discovered stolen from its resting spot in front of the Norval Community Centre Friday.

The cairn in which the bell had been welded sits empty.

"It's a darn shame, a mean, low-down trick," Mrs. Wes Louth of Norval told The Herald. "It was used at the old Norval school before they closed it."

The bell had been erected on the cairn in 1967 as a centennial project by the Women's

Institute. Women's institute members gathered the stones for the monument from their fields and gardens.

In 1840, the bell began to ring in school children for the two-room schoolhouse located near the cairn's site. In 1953, the schoolhouse, which served as many as four generations of Norval families was torn down and a new school built adjacent to the old location.

The bell survived past attempts to remove it. In 1974 Norval school was closed by the Halton board of education and until residents protested, workers attempted to remove the bell for safekeeping.

"I really don't hold out much hope we'll see it again," Dorothy McLean, keeper of the Women's Institute history book of the village said.

"It's part of our history. It certainly couldn't mean near as much to the person who took it as to the people of our community."

"Whether it's somebody who collects them, or somebody who was going to sell it, I don't know," Mrs. Louth said.

The theft hasn't been reported to Halton regional police, Staff Sgt. Roy Smith said.

Agatha Christie, where are you? Norval has a mystery to be solved. Jamie Patrinquin, (left), 11, and Lori Gow, 14, were scratching their heads Monday afternoon trying to figure out who would take the over 100-year-old school bell from its cairn on Highway 7.

Fisher declines comment

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There are five runners so far for the Progressive Conservative candidacy in the provincial riding of Halton-Burlington.

One is from Georgetown, two from Milton, one from Naasagoweya and the fifth from Burlington. Although there



BETTY FISHER
are rumours that Halton board of education chairman Betty Fisher is running for the post, she hasn't put herself on the nomination slate yet.

Riding president for the Conservatives Ken McDonald told The Herald that he hasn't heard

anything from Mrs. Fisher, a Georgetown resident.

A call to the education chairman got a "no comment" response. Mrs. Fisher declined to say whether she was considering running, although she said she was aware of the rumours about her.

"It's a hot rumour, I guess," Mrs. Fisher said. "If I have any formal announcements, I'll let you know. But there's nothing to print at this point."

Mr. McDonald refused to name the people who've come forward as nominees. He said the party currently has a search committee on the hunt for a winning candidate.

"I've a lot of people sniffing around for candidates, as well as people coming to me saying they're interested in running," Mr. McDonald said.

Asked what kind of person would be the perfect PC candidate, Mr. McDonald said it would have to be somebody who can stand up and talk about the issues.

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New process could solve waste dilemma

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A new technology for storing industrial and toxic wastes unveiled Monday by MPP Julian Reed undermines the theory that a clay base is required for a waste management site.

That means the three candidate sites in Milton chosen by the Ontario Waste Management Corporation (OWMC) no longer need to be considered if the technology is sound, said the Halton-Burlington MPP.

At a Milton press conference, Mr. Reed outlined a new type of storage system that eliminates the need for clay, a prerequisite in which the OWMC selected eight possible sites in southern Ontario.

In addition, Mr. Reed said he has information about clay burial sites in Europe that have gradually turned granular and porous, allowing for chemical seepage.

STUDY
The MPP wants the OWMC to study further the technology called the "Rollins Environmental Vault".

The vault system consists of an above-ground enclosure with three protective barriers.

The system was developed and tested in

Houston, Texas and units are under construction in West Germany. The process has been endorsed by the

prime agricultural land and the Rollins Environmental Vault technology would prevent those sites from being considered.

INDUSTRIAL
The vault technology would provide opportunities to locate sites near the industrial areas currently producing the toxic wastes, rather than farmland, Mr. Reed said.

The costs are probably more expensive than the clay storage proposed by Dr. Donald Chant and the OWMC, but it's important to look at the long-term implications such as possible leaks with clay and the problems with transportation for a large central waste site, he said.

The Rollins vault system could be adaptable for a number of smaller sites, he said.

OWMC chairman Donald Chant was approached with the findings of the vault method a week ago, but Mr. Reed hasn't received any response.

He expects his own Liberal Party to endorse the new technology, but in the meantime, he is waiting for more detailed information from the United States.

Mr. Reed emphasized that all of the Milton sites are located on



BEAR HUG

Five-year-old Melanie McGugan makes friends with her new bear, which she won for selling 105 boxes of chocolates in support of the youth bowling program in Georgetown. The top seller, Melanie picked out her new friend at the YBC year-end ceremonies last Wednesday night at the Georgetown Bowl.

(Herald photo by Gerry Timbers)

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Section B
McKenzie-Smith principal Carl Hymers traded in a career of hockey for teaching. Limehouse man races Saturday in the sport of Autocross. Pioneer Days comes to life June 21. Legion Lines and more.

Section C
Stewarttown gym teacher Jim Ridley is off to manage the Canadian youth baseball team in the world championship tournament this July. Also, Acton's Dorcas Urzulek finished second overall in the 800-meter event at OFSAA.