

Six have enrolled, but 15 needed

SCUBA diving course needs more people

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What would be your initial thoughts if when SCUBA diving, a six foot barracuda appeared out of nowhere and was swimming right beside you?

Georgetown's Joe Letts was not scared, but startled, when such an

incident happened to him while diving in Nassau awhile ago.

Letts will be holding an instructional course in SCUBA (Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus) diving Sunday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The course is 12 weeks in length, and will

provide the successful applicants with their certification card from the Association of Canadian Underwater Council as well as recognition from the world diving body. To date Letts has about six people who are definitely interested in taking the course, and has had another 15 inquiries.

He said he needs to have about 15 people to make the course go. Letts said the course will provide applicants with 12 hours of instructional lectures and 24 hours of pool time (at Georgetown District High School's indoor facility). Letts added most of the other courses offered tend to limit the pool time to about 12 hours.

"That way we can take our time with the people," he said, "and let them become comfortable with the equipment."

A popular conception about diving courses is that people think in order to dive, one must be a champion swimmer. Letts said as long as a person is comfortable in the water, he can then learn how to SCUBA dive.

Letts, who started diving in 1964, and was a diver for the Canadian Navy, said the \$135 fee for taking the course will include the use of equipment as well as a manual that will be given to applicants. Letts said interested people will be responsible for their own mask, fins and snorkel, but added if a person does not possess such equipment, and is interested in taking the course, arrangements can be made.

Letts is hopeful a diving club can be formed as a result of the course. He said it would be nice if families would become involved in the sport, and potentially a new club.

"I'd like to have a family atmosphere in the club," he said. "That way if you wanted to go diving, you could have a person to go with. You should always dive with a buddy."

"Women should not be shy because diving is not totally a man's sport," Letts said. "It is easily accessible to women."

"I think if we could get a family makeup in a club, we would have the makings of a good club in Georgetown," he said.

Letts and his wife Charmaine, a native of the Bahamas, said once a club was formed, trips could be planned.

"With our knowledge of the Bahamas, maybe we could organize a trip there away from the tourists diving spot, and find a nice spot of our own."

But if the numbers for the course do not improve, the dream of a club might become tainted.

"Our starting date is November 4, but we could hold off until November 18 before having to make a decision," Letts said.



BANTAM CHAMPIONS

George Kennedy Bantam cross country team won top honors in the Halton cross country meet held for elementary schools recently. Members of the winning team from left to right are: Scott McGuigan, Jake Mashinter, Andrew Elliot, Helen Tannock, and Heather Donker. Back row from left are: Denny Ray, coach, Jeff Pasma, Natalie Pustak, Stephanie Kulpers, Alan Poyntz, and Alexis Kerr.

(Herald photo)

Free Ice Capade tickets offered in Herald Quiz

Judging from the response on the last Herald Sports Quiz, a lot of people chose not to submit their entries. So, this week The Herald is offering the winner of this week's quiz two tickets to the "Ice Capades" show being held in Toronto tonight through to Sunday. Entries must be submitted to The Herald by Friday at noon, and accompanied by your phone number and name. Good luck to all.

noon on Friday. Please include name and telephone number with entry. Employees of The Herald and members of their families are not eligible. Send entries to: Sports Editor, Halton Hills Herald, 45 Guelph St., Georgetown, Ont. L7G 3Z6

- Who is the local marathoner who ran in the New York City Marathon?
- What team was Darryl Sittler traded to recently?
- What two former world champion Canadian skaters are now skating with Ice Capades. This team won the 1984 World Championship held in Ottawa.
- Name the team that defeated Glen Williams Specters for the Intercounty Fastball League championship?
- What is the name of the Georgetown District High School athletic teams?
- What provincial championship will GDHS be holding Saturday at Georgetown Golf and Country Club?
- Name four of the five Canadian Football League teams that are in the playoff round?
- How many points is a field goal in basketball worth?
- What team recently won the World Series?
- Name three teams in the National Football League?

RULES

All answers must be in The Herald office by

Acton bantam team splits points

ACTON - Acton Fire-fighter Bantams split their points in three games played this week.

Last Sunday the team travelled to Cambridge, and came away with a disappointing 2-1 loss. Mike Simmons opened the scoring, with assists going to Greg Leatherland to give Acton the early lead, but the team ran out of steam in the final period. Cambridge then scored twice in the last half of the period, with the winner coming with just two minutes left to play.

Acton was at home Wednesday against Woodstock, and rallied from an early 2-0 deficit to record a 3-3 tie. John Van Dam scored the first goal on a power play with assists from Simmons and Leatherland. Steve Fleet had the second from Carl Yaroschak and Vince Rogers. Lee Yaroschak had the final goal for Acton with assists from Leatherland and Simmons.

Saturday, Acton travelled to Hespeler and came home with a 5-3 win. Greg Leatherland scored Acton's first goal on a power play from Van Dam and Evan Hayter. Craig Cadenhead had a goal also for the winners with Carl Yaroschak assisting. Van Dam had two goals while Cadenhead scored his second of the game as the Acton team put the game away. Leatherland and Simmons had two assists each while singles went to Yaroschak and Dave Roden. The team plays Sunday against London at 1 p.m.

AFTER FIVE

AND THINGS TO DO AND PLACES TO GO

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