

POLICE BEAT

Hubcaps pinched

Hubcaps worth a total of \$200 were taken from a car parked outside O'Tooles Roadhouse Restaurant at 270 Guelph Street in Georgetown. The hubcaps were taken between 8:30 and 11:30 p.m. April 20.

Arson blamed

Police said arson was the cause of the fire at Miracle Food Mart April 22. The fire, which started in the paper products shelves caused \$20,000 damage. Henry Korba, a store employee, suffered minor injuries while trying to take paper off the shelves.

Found camera

A 30-year-old man of no fixed address was charged April 20 at 2 p.m. with stealing a \$760 camera. The camera was taken during the day from a trailer at Lot 23 Con. 2. The \$760 Minolta was recovered.

Wallet missing

A Chrysler vehicle was left unlocked at 95 Main Street South in Acton between 3:30 and 9 a.m. Saturday. A black wallet and hockey equipment with a combined value of \$1,500 was taken, police said.

Fishing gear gone

The rear door of a van parked on Lynden Circle was forced open between 9 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. Saturday, and \$500 in fishing equipment was taken. Twelve Molson Lite were also stolen.

Office ransacked

A 1974 Yamaha and about \$60 in cash were taken from L and L Ford Mercury Sales at 45 Main Street North in Acton overnight Saturday. Entry was gained through a door left unlocked, police said. Three large tool boxes were pried open with a crowbar. The office was ransacked, police said.

Honda recovered

A \$3,700 Honda motorcycle was stolen from a James Street driveway in Georgetown between Friday night and Saturday morning. It was recovered near the CNR railroad tracks on Carruthers Road Sunday at 3 p.m.

Back window

Thieves entered Classic Auto Car by a back window and stole \$38 from a cash box sometime between Friday night and Saturday morning. There was \$50 damage to the window of the Armstrong Avenue, Georgetown, business.

Washroom access

Three 59 Willow St. Acton businesses were broken into overnight Thursday. Four chain saws worth a total of \$1,500 were taken from Frizzell Electric Ltd. Standardbred had \$50 taken, and nothing was taken from the former Acton Free Press building. Offices were ransacked. A screwdriver was used to get into the offices of Frizzell Electric, police said. Entry was gained by removing a screen on the men's washroom window.

Lost control

Poor road conditions contributed to a 16-year-old Georgetown man losing control of his car and rolling it over in a ditch on Sideroad 15 near the Eighth Line. The man was eastbound on Sideroad 15 at 60 kilometres per hour Saturday at 10:40 p.m. He lost control while going over a steep hill, police said. Damage to the 1984 Mercury was \$5,000.

Third robbery

The man charged with robbing the Bank of Nova Scotia and Canada Trust in Georgetown was recently charged with robbing the Royal Bank in Erin.

He was charged April 23 with robbery and threatening violence. The man gave the teller of the Erin Royal Bank a note April 2 stating he had a gun and demanding money. The Georgetown banks were robbed in a similar way. In all three robberies no gun was seen.

The Bank of Nova Scotia on Mountainview Road South was robbed Feb. 20, and the Georgetown Canada Trust was robbed March 21. About \$1,000 was taken each time.

Charged in connection with the Erin robbery is Gregg Frank Johnston, 25, of no fixed address. He will appear in Guelph Provincial Court tomorrow (May 1) for a bail hearing.

Power cut

Two hydro wires broke, a grass fire started and power was off for a few minutes after youths broke a hydro insulator with rocks. The hydro wires fell on Halton's Sewage Treatment Plant property on Churchill Road South in Acton.

Halton Hills Hydro, the public works department and the fire department were called to the scene. Nobody was caught.

Faulty bottom

A fireplace with a faulty bottom caused \$3,000 damage to a home at Lot 11 Con. 10 April 22 at 9:52 p.m. The floor beams caught fire. Firefighters had to remove bricks and part of the floor.

Fishermen dunked in Fairy Lake

Two men fishing on Fairy Lake Friday evening suffered hypothermia when their canoe overturned. John McMullen of Acton and Jeff Finley were taken by ambulance to Georgetown Memorial Hospital. They were treated and released.

The men were fishing without life jackets and neither could swim, a fire department official said. Firefighters arrived at the scene with a resuscitator, but it was not needed.

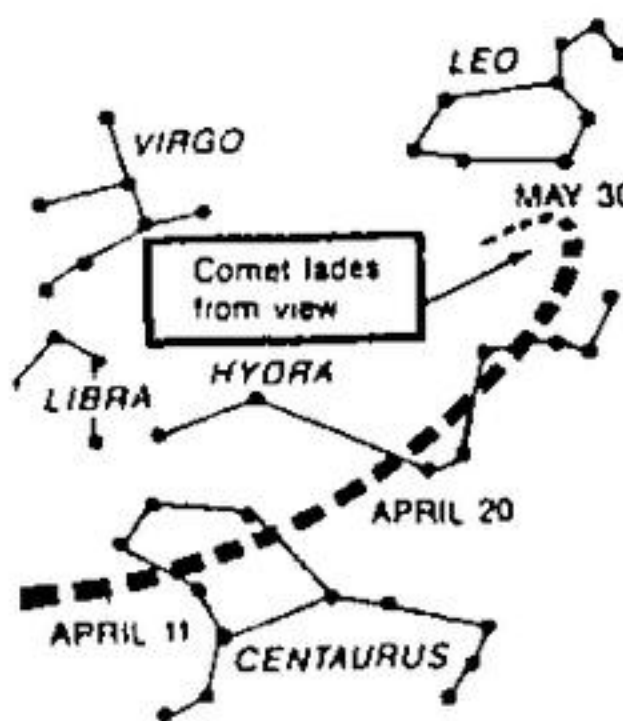
Councillor wants Acton ambulance

By MAGGIE HANNAI Herald Special
A near drowning in Fairy Lake Saturday evening prompted Ward 1 Coun. Rick Bonnette to question again what can be done to get Acton its own ambulance service.
Coun. Bonnette pointed out that the 911 emergency number worked well. Police and fire staff arrived promptly. The ambulance took only 10 or 12 minutes to come up from Georgetown to take the victim to hospital for treatment of hypother-

mia. Still, had the victim been injured in some other way the delay in getting an ambulance to him and returning with him to a hospital might have been fatal.
Mayor Russ Miller said he wrote to the Ministry of Health after Coun. Bonnette raised the issue some weeks ago. He has heard nothing back but such a delay is not unusual in dealings with the province.
He promised to pursue the matter once he had some answer from the ministry.

Halley's coming back

Halley's Comet is back after its trip around the sun. And at the Georgetown library on Monday, May 5, and the Acton library on Wednesday, May 7, one of the Royal Astronomical Society's most popular speakers, Francois van Heerden will return as well. Those who enjoyed Mr. van Heerden's presentation last December have a special invitation to return for an evening of comet watching at no additional expense. There will be at least one powerful 8" telescope, and probably more, but everyone is urged to bring out their own binoculars (the higher the power the better). Registration for the Georgetown presentation May 5 and the Acton presentation May 7 can be done at those libraries. A nominal sum of \$1 for adults and 50 cents for those under 12 is being asked of those not already registered.
In the event of cloudy weather in



Georgetown May 5, registrations will be honoured in Acton on Wednesday evening, or money refunded. Both programs will start at 8 p.m.

Croatian Centre

Gets liquor permit okay from reluctant council

By MAGGIE HANNAI Herald Special
Town council endorsed a resolution to let the Croatian Cultural Centre near Norval have a liquor permit for its pavillion during Carabram, provided liquor consumption is confined to indoors and off-duty police are used for traffic and crowd control during the three day event.

The appeal by Paul Dudar on behalf of Carabram organizers almost went unheeded as council voted seven to six against a resolution opposing the issuing of the liquor licence for the event.

Mr. Dudar said Carabram was seeking the permits on behalf of all the 12 international pavillions represented at the multi-cultural festival to be held July 4, 5 and 6 but the permits will be issued to each individual pavillion and policing of its requirements will be done by the individual groups.

Ward 1 Coun. Rick Bonnette said he was "almost appalled" at the way council was giving Mr. Dudar the "third degree" about crowd control, noise, trespass and other possi-

ble problems during the three day festival.
"When is this town a purist community?" he asked. "It's part of the event. I can't believe how old-fashioned we've become."

Mr. Dudar said the Norval site has been used for the Croatian pavillion for the past two years and he was aware of no problems in connection with the event. He estimated attendance could go to 4,000 or 5,000 people during the three days with groups coming and going. Carabram provides free transportation to the various pavillions, he said, if council was concerned about people having consumed too much alcohol and trying to drive.

Ward 2 Coun. Pam Sheldon expressed concern for the Centre's neighbors who have had noise and trespass problems in the past. Getting conditions into a resolution supporting a licence application was the only way to meet those concerns, however. The event could go ahead without a licence and council could make no stipulations which would help the neighbors, she pointed out.

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