

Police beat

Police chase

An 18-year-old Huttonville man faces several charges following a police chase Saturday at 4:43 a.m. The man was driving a 1978 Suzuki motorcycle with no plates and improper lighting. The police chased him for almost 10 kilometres in a roundabout route that spanned Maple Street, Delrex Avenue, Mountainview and Rexway Avenue until the biker lost control of his motorcycle in the parking lot of Holy Cross School.

The police car hit the frost fence at the school causing \$100 damage. The biker was charged with dangerous driving, failing to stop for police and causing a pursuit. He will appear in court August 31.

Break and enter

Between 1 a.m. and 4 a.m. Sunday, someone broke into a home at 43 Charles St. Georgetown. Entry was gained by forcing the screen in a window on the northeast corner of the house, police said. Nothing was taken. Police suspect the thieves were trying to steal a television set near the window. The estimated damage to the screen is unknown.

Tires stolen

Twelve spare tires, valued at \$3400, were stolen from Georgetown Chrysler, 15 Mountainview Rd., some time last week. The tires were fastened by cable to the outsides of the trucks. A wire cutter was used to sever the cable, police said.

Impaired

Police laid three impaired driving charges last week.

A 32-year-old Georgetown man was stopped by police for driving erratically July 23 at 12:15 a.m. He was later charged with impaired driving. He will appear in court August 24.

A 22-year-old man from Flamborough Township was charged with impaired driving and possession of a narcotic when he was seen driving erratically Thursday at 2:15 a.m. He will appear in court September 7.

A 25-year-old Mississauga man was stopped by police when he failed to stop for two stop signs Sunday at 4:30 a.m. He was charged with impaired driving. He will appear in court August 17.

A Georgetown man and two Acton men, all aged 22, were charged with possession of a narcotic Thursday at 7:30 p.m. They were found carrying hashish, police said. They are due to appear in court Sept. 14.

Drug charge

An 18-year-old man from Puslinch township was charged with possession of marijuana Thursday at 2:40 a.m. He will appear in court Sept. 7.

Glass smashed

A glass was smashed out of the door at a home on 49 Park Ave. at approximately 4:40 a.m. Saturday. Estimated damage is \$450.

\$600 damage

Willful damage up to \$600 was caused to three cars parked at 203 Guelph St., between 9 p.m. Thursday and 8 a.m. Friday. The rear wiper of one car was ripped off and the hood was pried up around the sides of another car. The third car had the rear window smashed and dents in the sides.

Police cars collide

Two police cars collided Saturday after one tried to stop a motorcyclist. Damage to both cars, 1986 Chevrolets, was minimal.

Escapes injury

A 31-year-old Georgetown woman and her five-year-old daughter escaped injury last Wednesday when her car was hit in the rear at the corner of Mill and Guelph Streets. The driver of the second car failed to see that the first driver was stopped at the intersection to make a left turn onto Mill Street. The second driver, an 18-year-old Georgetown woman, was charged with careless driving. Damage to both cars is estimated at \$2500.

Hits a ditch

Four thousand dollars damage was caused to a 1989 Chevrolet on the weekend when it rolled down a driveway on the 10th Line and hit a ditch. A 29-year-old Georgetown woman was steering the car as it was being pushed manually out of a garage. The driver lost control of the car and tried to jump into the vehicle to put her foot on the brake. The car hit some trees before it landed in the ditch. No charges were laid. Sandra Oliver, Georgetown, was taken to Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital with minor injuries.

Two foxes suspected of carrying rabies

Two cases of foxes acting strangely were reported in the Halton Hills area in the last week but provincial statistics show there is a significant decline in rabid fox cases this year.

Early last week a rabid fox was shot near a house on Regan Crescent at 7 a.m.

On July 23 a fox reportedly attacked a dog on the First Line at Sideroad 17 in Acton but the fox was not caught and it is unknown if the fox was rabid, said Halton Hills Animal Control officer Joe Kirley.

The fox shot on Regan Crescent did not come in contact with any humans or domestic animals so it was not tested for rabies, Mr. Kirley said.

Provincial government policy permits testing only if a fox has come in contact with humans or animals, he said.

Halton has only three cases of rabid foxes reported to date this year. The first rabid fox was shot in

Limehouse in May. The second rabid fox was found in the north of Acton in early July and a third fox was shot near the peel county border east of Georgetown the Health of Animals Centre reports.

Since the beginning of April 169 rabid foxes have been reported in Ontario, said Dr. Elliott Salsberg of the Health of Animals Centre.

That's down significantly from last year, he said.

In April of this year 67 rabid foxes were reported. In May there were 37 cases of rabid foxes in the province and June saw 65 cases reported.

In April of 1986 200 rabid foxes were found while 103 were reported in May. There were 97 cases of rabid foxes in Ontario in June last year.

Rabies goes in cycles, Dr. Salsberg said. When many foxes contract rabies and the resulting decrease in population results in a lower number of rabid foxes the next year. The first rabid fox was shot in

Ice users now pay before they play

Ice users in Halton Hills two arenas will soon be invoiced for their ice time before they lace up their skates.

Recreation Director Tom Shepard told councillors July 20 that 95 per cent of the ice users pay for their ice time before they go on the ice now but there are a few major user groups who are still billed after their ice time and that is going to change.

"Everything we charge for is cash or invoice in advance. We did it because we were multiple thousands of dollars behind," Mr. Shepard said.

He admitted that some bad debts were accumulated because the Recreation Department invoiced after the ice time.

"In one case we just got paid for February and March ice time," Mr. Shepard said.

Mr. Shepard intends to bill the remaining groups once they know their fall ice schedule. That way

they can begin paying their ice time bill once they collect registration fees in the fall, Mr. Shepard said.

The policy won't affect OHA teams who already pay before they step on the ice, Mr. Shepard said.

Acton Councillor Rick Bonnette objected to the policy saying it puts a strain on volunteers.

Some ice users have already objected to the new billing policy. "I got five phone calls in two days from different groups at different times and with different versions," Mr. Bonnette said. "What I'd sooner see is an invoice at the end of each month and bill them for an Apr. 15 deadline," he said.

"Groups in Acton feel they are being penalized."

"We're the only show in town that doesn't charge interest for late payments," Mr. Shepard replied.

"At times they book too much and don't use it and leave us to eat that ice time," Mr. Shepard said.

Jehovah follower has the last word

Over 12,000 Jehovah's Witnesses gathered at Hamilton's Cops Coliseum Sunday for the annual District Convention of Jehovah's Witnesses.

The convention's closing ceremonies featured a speech by Eugene Rosam of Georgetown and a Bible play.

Mr. Rosam discussed society's distrust of itself, citing examples from newspaper articles, which depict corruption in government and a "shockingly high" divorce rate around the world.

"Never before have people faced what this generation has faced," Mr. Rosam said. "Two horrendous wars, and scores of others, that have taken the lives of about a hundred million people in this century."

Mr. Rosam noted trust has been eroded through conflict and the suggestion of conflict. "Humans can annihilate all life on earth with nuclear weapons," he said.

Fear of becoming a victim of crime has caused people to become skeptical of each other, Mr. Rosam told his audience.

Quoting the surgeon general, he said "some four million Americans fall victim to serious violence every year - murder, rape, wife-beating, child abuse, muggings."

Mr. Rosam added that distrust accumulates as the economy breaks down. Even the wealthiest nations are now plagued by economic problems, he said. "Last year the United States had the largest number of bank failures since the Great Depression of the 1930's."

The speaker urged the audience to trust "the Creator of the earth and of humans, Jehovah God."

Mr. Rosam concluded his speech by telling the group that God is preparing for His final judgement of "this blood guilty world of mankind." God, he said, is aiming to annihilate nations and their religions for what they have done, and he will then create a new world.

The Bible play, directed by D. Clegg, was a re-enactment of Joshua's battle of Jericho. It depicted the protection of the prostitute, Rahab, as the wall surrounding the city collapsed.

Hilarious detectives make up 'Bea Team'

Tickets are still available for tomorrow's theatre performance for children at the Georgetown Public Library. Don't miss Lollipop Productions' latest play, "The Bea Team", an hilarious detective comedy for children ages 6-10 years, taking place July 30 at 10:30 a.m. in the John Elliott Theatre. Tickets cost \$2 a piece, and may be purchased at the Acton or Georgetown Libraries.

On August 12, the Library will be presenting Tom Kubinek, comedian, juggler and magician. Tom will perform in Acton at 11 a.m., and in Georgetown Library at 2 p.m. This show is sure to delight children ages 5 and up. Tickets are one sale now at both Libraries.

For further information, call the Libraries at 873-2681 (Georgetown) or 853-0301 (Acton). These performances are made possible

through the assistance of Halton Hills Public Libraries and Outreach Ontario, a program of the Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Culture.



Oh, lucky day

Don Kingshot has found more than his fair share of four leaf clovers in his carport farm on Heritage road but last week he found something he overlooked many times before - a

five leaf clover. Yes, Mr. Kingshot found this five leaf clover while he was strolling his 34 acre farm Saturday, July 18. (Herald photo)

Town offers to buy trailer park

An Ontario Municipal Board hearing about Willow Park owner Norm Guthrie's objection to a subdivision was adjourned July 22 when the Credit Valley Conservation Authority and the Town offered to buy the park.

In an eleventh hour settlement the Authority and the town have come up with a joint venture to buy Willow Park from Mr. Guthrie but funds have yet to be approved for the purchase.

The Authority will ask the Ministry of Natural Resources for funds to purchase 55 per cent of the park while the town of Halton Hills would pay the other 45 per cent, said Town Planning Director Ian Keith.

Mr. Guthrie had formally objected to bylaws for the new subdivision plan in the Georgetown south area because of the excessive flooding that would occur in Willow Park resulting from work on Silver Creek.

A major condition of the agreement is that the funds are approved for purchase in 1988, Mr. Keith said.

If the Authority buys the park, either through expropriation or a straight purchase, it is likely the land would be leased back to the town for a recreational park, said Vicki Barron, the General Manager of the CVCA.

The only reason for expropriation is if the two sides cannot agree on a price, the General Manager said.

The Authority had proposed a similar plan last year but funding did not get approved by the Ministry, Ms. Barron said.

This year Willow Park has been identified as a high priority flood risk so the likelihood is higher the funds will be approved, she said.

"I'm fairly confident it will go through," she added.

Enterac Property Corporation project manager Toby Barwick said "it is a major step if everything falls into place."

He is very cautious about the settlement considering both the Ministry and the town have to approve funds in the upcoming year.

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Fairy Lake still safe for swims

It's safe to take the plunge into Acton's Fairy Lake on a hot summer's day - or any other day.

The Halton Regional Health Unit says Fairy Lake does not exceed government standards for fecal bacteria count and it hasn't been closed down for at least 21 years.

Terry Murphy, a public inspector for the Health Unit, says three samples of three different points in the lake are taken once a week.

Samples are taken at the supervised swimming point, the Smallwood Acres trailer park and the new boathouse.

The fecal count should not exceed 200 per 100 millilitres and so far this year it has averaged between 150 and 180, Mr. Murphy said.

Samples at the three points surveyed are averaged out to get the "geometric mean."

It would take two sets of three samples exceeding the 200 level before the lake was closed down, Mr. Murphy said.

The only type of pollutant tested for in Fairy Lake is fecal bacteria from the intestinal tracts from man and animals, he said.

The fecal count has approached the 200 mark at times but it has remained satisfactory most of the time, Mr. Murphy said.

The fecal count tends to rise with hot weather and heavy rainfall, the inspector said.

A lot can also depend on the amount of water fowl on the lake, he said.

UW meeting

Aug. 10 the United Way of Halton Hills will be holding an open meeting for the residential sector of its campaign. They would like to invite the Acton community residents who would be interested in working with the UW to attend.

The meeting is to be held on Aug. 10 at 7:30 at the Acton High School. For more information call 877-8335.

Enterac still faces the possibility of another OMB hearing stemming from traffic complaints from the Mountainview Area Ratepayers Association (MARA).

Willow Park owner Norm Guthrie was not available for comment at press time.

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