# Community News

# POLICE BEAT



### Numbers To Note EMERGENCY

Police, Fire or	
Ambulance	Dial 911
Fire (Information)	.877-1133
Police (Non-Emergency).	. 878-5511
Hospital	877-0111
Distress Centre	. 877-1211

#### **Hunter** shot

Halton Regional Police report an Acton hunter was hit in the arm by a pellet that ricocheted from his hunting partners' rifle Nov. 5 while the two were hunting deer near Hwy 25 and 25 Side road in Acton. Police say the two were walking parallel to each other but were separated by a dense clump of cedarwoods in the wooded area. One hunter observed a deer come from his right, cross his path and shot at the deer believing his partner to be well clear of the area. After shooting, he told police he heard his parner say he was hit. A police investigation revealed one of the pellets from the suspects gun ricocheted and hit the victim in the forearm causing superficial skin injuries. No charges have been laid.

## Stolen welder

A construction company engaged in work at 22 Sideroad and Hwy 7 reported to police that a \$12,000 Miller 2000 portable welder was stolen from the site between Nov 3 and 4. The portable machine was parked at the construction site and police believe unknown culprits hooked the machine to the back of a vehicle and drove away. The machine is described as having a black frame, 15 inch white wall tires and is blue in color.

### Evidence at scene

Police are continuing their investigation of a theft at Holy Cross Separate School on Maple Avenue in Georgetown between Nov. 1-4 based on evidence found at the scene. Police will not reveal what the evidence is which was left behind when unknown culprits stole an air conditioning unit from a

lower story window.

## Troublesome boy

An Acton couple reported to police a neighborhood boy, who they say is always causing trouble, was responsible for smashing their front door with a rock Friday night. Police say the boy was harrassing a couple of local children and throwing rocks at the complainants door. One rock smashed the glass part of the door causing \$200 damage.

## **Bodily harm**

A 17-year-old Georgetown youth has been charged with assault causing bodily harm in relation to a fight at Georgetown Cinemas Friday night. Police say a fight broke out between two males after the accused allegedly spat on the victim's girlfriend. A fight ensued which was broken up by an usher at the theatre. The fight continued outside the theatre when the accused allegedly punched the victim in the face, causing him to fall against a window ledge. The victim was taken to hospital with a black eye and cuts to his eye which required stitches on the eyelid and under the eye. The accused also required stitches to his hand. The accused will appear in Milton court Dec. 20.

### Roll over

A Norval woman was taken to Milton Hospital with minor injuries after she rolled her car at 5th Line north of 5 Side road Nov. 7 say police. The woman was southbound on 5th Line when an animal crossed her path and she attempted to stop, but skidded into the ditch and rolled her 1990 Chevrolet sedan, demolishing the car.



# Mangled mechanical van

Plumbing and mechanical parts were strewn all over Mayfield Rd at Heritage Rd after a Honda Civic, driven by Bryan Gilmore of Georgetown, struck an AGE Mechanical Ltd. van driven by Keith Cairns of Georgetown Monday at noon. Mr. Cairns was rushed to Georgetown District Memorial Hospital by Halton Hills ambulance where his con-

dition was unknown at press time. Caledon OPP say the accident occurred when Mr. Gilmore, who was westbound on Heritage Rd., proceeded into the intersection as Mr. Cairns was driving west on Mayfield. Caledon OPP charged Mr. Gilmore with falling to yield to traffic. (Herald Photo)

# Robbery spree investigation continues

The process of laying charges against robbery suspect Hermann Beier has been slowed as 11 police forces unite to determine if he may also be responsible for "numerous" other bank robberies across Southwestern Ontario.

Detective Sergeant Michael Eacrett of the Halton Regional Police criminal investigation bureau said 11 police forces including Halton Regional, Peel Regional and Guelph, Caledon, Lindsay, Barrie, Rockwood, Metro, Orangeville, York and Peel OPP are planning on laying charges against the 50-year-old Alliston

man who was shot down following a police chase Oct. 31.

Det. Sgt. Eacrett said police suspect Mr. Beier began robbing banks in April 1991. They also know Mr. Beiers' three businesses, including a budgie exporting business, a karate instruction business and pool hall are all experiencing "financial difficulty."

Though Halton police haven't officially laid charges, they are considering charging Mr. Beier with robbery, use of a firearm, wearing a disguise during the commission of an indictable offence and using explosives.

A Halton police officer, Constable Alan Stennet, was shot at five times by the robbery suspect, but Halton Police aren't considering laying attempted murder charges because the exchange of gunfire took place in Caledon.

Mr. Beier is suspected of robbing three backs Oct. 31, including the Royal Bank on Guelph St. in Georgetown. He led police on a lengthy pursuit, firing at them from the crest of hills and was eventually run into the ditch by an OPP cruiser in Caledon.

A "substantial" amount of money was recovered from the stolen suspect vehicle along with a .22 automatic gun, a .357 magnum revolver and a .44 calibre revolver, all of which are restricted weapons.

# Transformer catches fire

Halton Hills firefighters responded to four calls over the weekend including a call Saturday evening from 22 Side Road where a hydro transformer was on fire.

Halton Hills firefighters requested the assistance of Hydro workers but before they were able to arrive, the fire had burnt out.

Firefighter to two calls concerning rubbish fires over the weekend, one Friday afternoon on Calvert Drive in Georgetown where ashes from a fire place had been put in a plastic bag and dumped in a blue box and the other Saturday afternoon on Poplar Ave. in Acton where a brush and graph fire started in a nearby revene. No damage wa caused in either case.

The only other call came from Robert Little School in Acton Saturday afternoon when a contractor working in the school accidentally cut a wire to the alarm system.



# **New Acton Police Station**

Special guests from Halton Regional Police Force look on as Halton Hills Mayor Russ Miller and Halton Regional Police Chief James Harding cut the ribbon to officially open the new Acton Police Station, at 39 Mill St., across from the old station at

40 Mill St,in Acton (Left to right) Deputy Chief Wayne Jessop, Village Constable Bill Riddle, Acton Sergeant Marty Power, Len Griffiths, representing the Ministry of the Solicitor General, Sergeant Rick Dawson, and Deputy Chief John Barratt. (Herald Photo)



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