THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2011



TRAMPOLINE CHAMP: Acton's Amanda Nelles, 19, earned a Gold medal in the National Novice 15-plus Double Mini trampoline event at the recent Ontario Trampoline and Tumbling championships in Oakville. The win qualified Nelles to advance to the Canadian Championships May 24 to 28 in Charlottetown, PEI. - Submitted photo

Safe summer boating tips

The snow is gone, the blackflies are out and the May long weekend is within sight. For tens of thousands of Ontario boaters and anglers, it's the first chance to get the boat into the water for another exciting season. It's also a time to give some serious thought to making this summer a safe one on the water. With this goal in mind, the Ontario Conservation Officers Association (OCOA) proudly joins the Canadian Safe Boating Council (CSBC) to mark North American Safe Boating Awareness Week - May 21 to 27.

The OCOA and CSBC offer the following tips for safe boating:

Wear your life jacket or PFD

 PFDs save lives – but they have to be worn to be useful

• Have enough life jackets or personal flotation devices (PFDs) on board for each passenger - it's the law

Don't drink and boat

• It is illegal and unsafe to consume liquor on a vessel unless your boat is equipped with sleeping, cooking, and washroom facilities AND you are anchored

Take a boating course • All operators of recreational vessels in Ontario are required to possess a Pleasure Craft Operator Card

• In addition to taking the test to get a card, all new boaters are encouraged to take a boating safety course

Be prepared

Be sure to carry the safety equipment legally required for your boat • Be familiar with the

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operation of your boat and know its limitations for passengers and gear

Anyone looking for more information about boating safety is encouraged to visit the Canadian Safe Boating Council website at www.csbc.ca For more information about natural resources regulations and enforcement, please visit the OCOA website at www. ocoa.ca, or contact your local Conservation Officer.



Soggy season opener

best, she could not stop the kickoff of Acton Villa's 2011 outdoor soccer season on Saturday. Disrupted by soggy weather and equally sloppy field conditions, the games went ahead

Although Mother Nature tried her undaunted. Some games only lasted one half, but the main focus of the day was for the players to meet their coaches and team mates. So let the games begin, and good luck to all involved.



SOGGY SOCCER: Despite stormy weather, the Acton Villa Soccer club kicked off its outdoor season on Saturday in Acton East. - Submitted photo

Time-of-Use Pricing Starts June 1st in Halton Hills

The Province of Ontario is introducing Time-of-Use pricing. We're here to help you understand what this means for you.

Halton Hills Hydro Customer Information Sessions Thursday May 26th 7pm: MoldMasters Sports Museum Hall 2nd Floor Monday May 30th 7pm: Acton Community Center Hall

