

BEAUTIFUL START: Despite the rain on Saturday, the day started with a picture perfect display. - Eileen Dix photo



Halton Regional Police hosting firearms and weapons amnesty

The Halton Regional Police Service will be hosting its second regional Firearms and Weapons Amnesty from October 19 to October 29. Members of the public will be encouraged to surrender their unregistered or unwanted firearms and weapons to the Halton Regional Police.

This amnesty is an opportunity for members of the community to hand in firearms and/or weapons and ammunition that are unused, inherited or illegal, without the fear of being charged for having them.

The Halton Regional Police Service aims to create a safer community by removing these firearms and weapons from locations such as homes, businesses and schools to prevent their use in violent crimes.

Currently, in Ontario there are over 500,000 citizens who hold valid Possession Licenses (POL) and Possession and Acquisition licenses (PAL). There are over 300,000 restricted and prohibited firearms registered in Ontario, not including non-restricted firearms (long guns). In some circumstances, POL and PAL licensees no longer wish to keep their firearms due to age, ability and residential location. Furthermore, POL and PAL holders often omit or forget to renew their license and/or are deceased, leaving the firearms unregistered or in the possession of unlicensed family members. This amnesty is an opportunity to have the police

come and safely take these weapons away.

During this amnesty, we encourage people to turn in illegally held guns and ammunition and any other unwanted firearms, imitation firearms and air guns. In addition, any weapon that may pose a threat to public safety such as switchblades, butterfly knives, pepper spray, nunchuks, shurikens, push daggers, knife-combs, crossbows, spiked wristbands, batons and/or blowguns.

Please call and arrange for pick up:

Between October 19 and October 26, a dedicated telephone line will be available to arrange a firearm or weapon pick up. (905) 465-8733 will be monitored from Monday to Saturday 8 am to 4 p.m. during the ten days.

Do not bring any weapons or firearms to a police station.

Do not transport firearms or weapons in your vehicle.

Do not greet officers at the door with firearms/weapons.

Officers assigned to pick up the weapons will provide police identification and will require a signature for destruction.

This Amnesty is an opportunity for everyone to take part in removing these firearms and weapons from the community, reducing the risk of them falling into the hands of criminals.

Last year, approximately 180 firearms were turned in, about 40 knives and 200 pounds of ammunition.

TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

Municipal Class Environmental Assessment Study

Glen Lawson Road / Third Line from the Acton Urban Boundary to Fourth Line

STUDY BACKGROUND

The Glen Lawson Road / Third Line corridor currently serves as a connection between south Acton and Fourth Line. Increased traffic volume along this corridor reinforces the need to consider improvements.

This study will assess current and future transportation demand, and develop and evaluate suitable alternative solutions to safely and efficiently accommodate traffic along this corridor. Alternative solutions that may be considered include Glen Lawson Road / Third Line intersection improvements and/or new alignments from the Acton Urban Boundary to Fourth Line.

STUDY PROCESS

The Town of Halton Hills has identified the need to undertake a Schedule C Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (MCEA) study, as outlined in the Municipal Engineers Association MCEA (October 2000, as amended in 2007 and 2011). The study process will include the development and evaluation of suitable alternative solutions. Following this, a preferred solution will be selected to safely and efficiently accommodate various modes of transportation along the Glen Lawson Road / Third Line corridor.

PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE

External agency and public consultation is a key component of the study. You are invited to attend a **Public Information Centre (PIC)**, at which background information, problem/opportunity statement, alternative solutions, and evaluation criteria will be presented. The PIC will consist of an open house drop-in centre where you will be able to converse with members of the Project Team and share your concerns and opinions. Details of this event are provided as follows:

Date: Thursday, October 15, 2015

Time: 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

Location: Acton Prospect Park Boathouse – 30 Park Avenue, Acton, ON

Please visit: <http://www.haltonhills.ca/EnvironmentalAssessments/GlenLawsonRd.php> to access additional details and keep updated regarding the study.

FEEDBACK

We are interested in hearing any comments or concerns that you may have about this study. Please contact either of the following Project Team members if you have any questions or comments, wish to obtain more information regarding the study, or be added to the study mailing list:

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Comments and information regarding this project are being collected in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Assessment Act. With the exception of personal information, all other information received may be included in project documentation and may become part of the public record. This notice first issued October 1, 2015.

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