Taxidermists devastated by \$1.5 million antler robbery

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Shawn Galea and James McGregor have owned and operated Caledon's Advanced Taxidermy for decades and now, after a devastating robbery last Friday (Aug. 12), believe they may lose the business that they started more than 30 years ago.

The pair spent that Friday, as well as the two days leading up to it, carefully preparing and loading a trailer full of 69 sets of moose, elk and stag antlers that were to be shipped to another facility for the next stage of the taxidermy process.

What they were preparing to do was bleach, clean and disinfect the skulls of the animals attached to the antlers, which is usually done off property due to a lack of space.

We are seeing people wondering why we were storing this stuff outside, but if it takes you three days to load a trailer what do you do in between? Galea continued. What you do is you barricade it, you



An elk in the showroom at Advanced Taxidermy in Caledon which was victim to a massive robbery of 69 elk, moose and stag antlers.

Photo by Danielle Marr

block it off. You back it up against your building so the back door can t be opened, you park it next to a shipping container so the side door can t be opened. You hook it up to the truck and put another trailer in front of it that s what you do.

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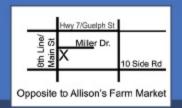


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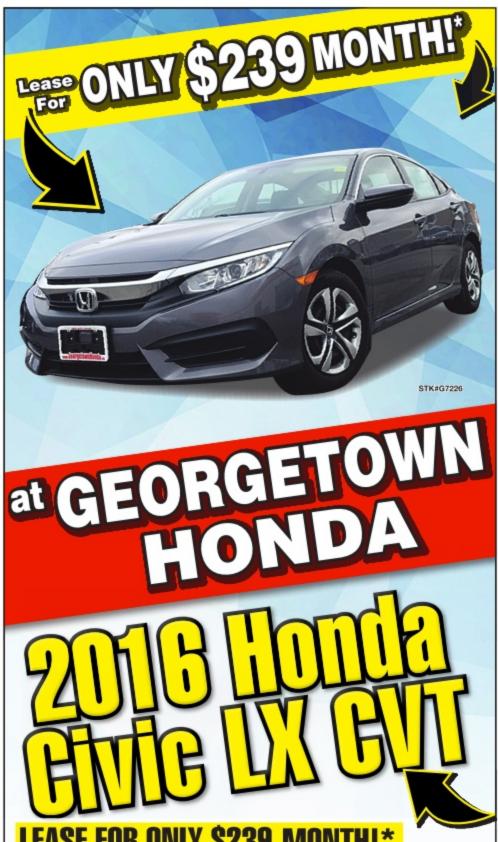
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