

The ROCKWOOD Miller

POLICE REPORT

ASLEEP AT THE WHEEL

A 25-year-old Acton man was charged after being found asleep behind the wheel of his 2003 Honda, which was stuck in a snow bank in the Highway 7/Guelph Line area of Rockwood.

A patrolling OPP found the Honda at 6:12 a.m. on Sunday and woke the driver who was seated behind the wheel. He showed obvious signs of impairment, and was charged with impaired and having over 80-mgs of alcohol in 100-millilitres of blood. He appears in a Guelph court on March 28.

POT STOP

OPP detected the strong odour of fresh marijuana when they pulled over a Dodge Dakota pickup truck during a R.I.D.E spot check in the Wellington Road 29 and 22 area of Guelph/Eramosa Township at 3:19 p.m. last Wednesday.

A clear plastic baggy of pot was turned over to police who charged an 18-year-old Centre Wellington man with possession of under 30-grams of marijuana. He appears in court on April 18.

DODGE AND LICENCE SEIZED

A 19-year-old Tottenham, man lost his 1998 Dodge and his driver's licence for a week after being clocked at 125 km/h in a 70 km/h zone in the Wellington Road 124/27 area of Guelph/Eramosa Township last Wednesday at 10:48 p.m.

The driver was charged with Race a Motor vehicle and appears in a Guelph court on April 16.

DISTRACTED DRIVING NO. 1 KILLER ON ROADS

Irresponsible driving is the focus this week as OPP stage a campaign against Distracted Driving, which killed 78 people last year - more than both impaired and speeding-related deaths.

Police said the only way to stop distracted driving related collisions is to raise awareness of how serious the problem is, and to have everyone make a firm, lifelong commitment to helping the police and safety partners eliminate it altogether.

As of March 18, the fine for distracted driving jumps to \$280.

Rockwood survives Storm

Rockwood's Rinks were formally thanked for their hard work - which earned their ice rink first place in a Home Depot contest - last Wednesday when members of the Guelph Storm suited up for a little friendly shinny with area residents on Max Storey outdoor rink in Rockwood South.

With music supplied by Guelph/Eramosa Township, and hot chocolate and treats from Tim Horton's, approximately 100 people joined in the fun. The Rink



STORM ALERT: Rockwood kids joined in the celebration at Max Storey Park, where a group of locals, known as the Rink Rats, were humoured for their hard work over the past several winters to build and maintain the rink, which won a recent Home Depot outdoor rink contest. - Submitted photo

Rats - Rick Dopheide, George Madelena, Dave Blashuk, Doug Thompson, John Gaida and Mike Zandstra - worked long and hard for several winters to develop the 60 x 90-foot ice surface for hockey and recreational skating.

TOWNSHIP SHORTS

GET CANDIDATE WITHDRAWS

Citing "family" reasons, Rockwood's Steve Liebig has withdrawn from the race for the Ward Three seat on Guelph/Eramosa Township (GET) Council in October's municipal election.

Liebig, who lost by slim margins in the last two municipal elections for the Rockwood seat, said, "it broke my heart to pull out - it was not a decision made lightly," he said on Sunday, adding "it just wasn't the right decision for me and my family at this point." Liebig has been a volunteer Rockwood firefighter for 23 years.

Rockwood's J. Robbin Wood is the only registered candidate for the Ward Three seat being vacated by veteran

incumbent Councillor Doug Breen who is running for the Ward Eight Wellington County seat, which includes GET's Wards two, three and four.

Veteran incumbent Councillor Gord Tosh is not seeking re-election to the Ward Eight seat. After 20 years in public life Tosh said he'd taken a job outside the community and it was difficult to get back to do the job.

GET incumbent Mayor Chris White, and incumbent Councillors David Wolk, Corey Woods and John Scott are all seeking re-election to Guelph/Eramosa Township Council.

Incumbent County Ward Seven (including GET Ward One) Councillor Don McKay has also filed his nomination papers.

SPAGHETTI DINNER

There will be songs and spaghetti on the menu at the Rockwood Nursery School's dinner on March 22 at Rockmosa. Kids from the nursery school will entertain, and there will be a silent auction.

The event is dine-in only, from 4 to 9 p.m.

BABYSITTING COURSE

Twens and teens who want some lifesaving instruction are invited to sign-up for the next Canadian Red Cross babysitting course, offered April 5 at the Rockwood library.

The one-day class includes the care and safety of babies and children, and basic first aid. The class is aimed at 11 to 16-year-olds. Registrations are accepted at the library.

55+

FITNESS PROGRAMS

Registration Opens March 3, 2014 for April - June classes!
Classes start April 7, 2014!

"Teacher is great - feels good... it's perfect!"

"Fun meeting people."

"I smiled, laughed, had fun and loved the music."

"Lots of good fun and a good workout!"

The Township of Guelph/Eramosa is offering programs specifically for Active 55+ residents. Delivered by trained instructors at Rockmosa Community Centre and the Royal Distributing Athletic Performance Centre, our affordable 10-class programs will prove that fun and fitness go together!

Program registration starts March 3, 2014 for April-June classes.

Registration closes April 4, 2014. For more information, call 519-856-9596 ext. 113, email vhafer@get.on.ca or visit our website at www.get.on.ca.

Rockwood Eramosa Minor Ball Association

REMBA Registration is open to all ages 5 and up.
Don't delay teams fill up fast!

Not sure? Come out and find out what it's all about at
Royal Distributing Athletic Centre, Marden
April 14, 7:00 - 8:00 pm
All ages and skill levels welcome!

Online at www.remba.ca
Or in person at
Royal Distributing Athletic Centre, Marden
April 14, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Take advantage of Early Bird fees till March 21st.
Any inquiries please email mcpheds@hotmail.com