



FAMILY FUN: For former Acton resident Barbara Bedard (left) it was worth the drive back to Acton, with her daughter, Sandra Bedard-Rysnik of Whitby, to attend Saturday's annual tea and bazaar at St. Alban Anglican Church. Anglican Church Women volunteer Cindy Blades made them welcome. — Frances Niblock photo

Acton at the Royal

Halton 4-H members won the Provincial champion for the Go For The Gold Competition at the Royal Winter Fair. The contest, which is similar to the high school TV show – Reach for the Top – involves a wide range of agricultural questions.

Coached by Marie Martin of Acton, team members include Scott Gooding, Rebecca

Murray, Deanna Glasgow and Christine Wilkinson. Besides bragging rights, they receive medallions in the competition with teams from Durham East, Oxford, Carlton, Temiskaming and Grey.

Go for the Gold is sponsored by Ontario Insurance Mutuals.

In other news from the Royal:

In the Canadian Classic

4-H Dairy show, Kailey Donaldson of Acton placed 12th of 28 in the Holstein Junior calf class. Her calf, born after March 2011, named Monteith Fremont Jodey, is from the herd of Jeff Nurse, Georgetown.

Sponsored by TD Bank, this prestigious show attracted over 350 competitors from across Canada.

Police launch “No Valuables on Board” campaign

The Halton Regional Police Service marked its annual Crime Prevention Week campaign with a strong message to residents and visitors to Halton Region until November 12.

Themed “No Valuables on Board”, the innovative award winning public awareness initiative will aim to educate members of the public about the rise in theft from auto crime and how to prevent it. In 2009, a similar campaign dubbed “If you can see it, They can steal it” was launched to make local residents aware that over \$1-million worth of valuables were stolen from vehicles throughout Burlington, Oakville, Milton, Acton and Georgetown. A portion of the public has yet to heed that message as the majority of reports filed still indicate people are leaving valuables in plain view ripe for the picking.

This year cards similar to the “Baby on Board” will be handed out, complete with suction cups, with the intention that the public place them inside the rear window of their vehicles. The cards will serve as a reminder to citizens not to leave valuables in their vehicles. It will also notify would-be thieves that the owner of the vehicle subscribes to crime prevention ideology and the chances of valuables being present is highly unlikely and breaking in to the vehicle is not worth the risk of getting caught.

In partnership with Crime Stoppers of Halton, Halton Regional Police Service and GO Transit, Officers were stationed at various GO Transit stations region-wide throughout the week to distribute information postcards and the “No Valuables on Board”

cards to commuters and answer any public safety questions they may have during the afternoon rush hour.

A new, prominently displayed poster will reinforce the program’s message.

In all, the Halton Regional Police Service and GO Transit members hope to reach the more than 14,000 area residents who use GO Transit each day. The GO Transit venue has been selected due to this high volume of ridership that could be targeted for theft from auto in residential driveways, malls, recreation complexes and major parking lots.

In addition to GO Transit locations, Halton Regional Police Service volunteers from the Communities on Phone Patrol program will be attending sports and theatre complexes throughout the region.



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