



**PARK YOGA:** Despite last Thursday being a rainy evening, Yoga in the Park went ahead, as planned but this time inside the Dufferin Centre. Considering the weather, Leanne Monaghan from Staying Alive Fitness, was very pleased with the turnout as more than 45 people registered and attended this popular weekly summertime event. - Les Schmidt photo



**TOURNAMENT UPSET:** The fifth time wasn't a charm for four time champions 'Double Posse' at the Eleventh Annual Nassagaweya Croquet Tournament on the weekend. 'The Stompin Toms' had the wind at their backs and sailed to victory, stomping out the Posse's formidable winning streak. Croquet Tournament winners: Dave Keenan, Brian Weeks, Caleb Fleisher, and Brad Fleisher. - Vivien Fleisher photo

## Leathertown Festival will offer local and family entertainers

By Harry Rudolfs

With the Leathertown Festival less than a month away on August 13, Acton BIA manager Sheena Switzer is finalizing the line up. "As with previous years, our focus will be on local and family entertainment."

Switzer is expecting a robust turnout of anywhere from 10,000 to

12,000 people. "Sharon and Bram are a big draw," she said. The popular children's performers will take to the main stage at the east end of Mill Street from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

There are 13 main acts featured in this year's festival, everything from a magician to a jug band. As well, the festival is still in the process of hiring buskers.

The performances will take place on three stages along Mill Street. A community stage will be set up at the Acton Mews, and a secondary stage, the Tanner Stage, will be located at the west end of town near the Roxy. According to Switzer some half-hour slots are still available for musicians and community groups.

Anywhere from 80

to 100 vendors will be setting up along a pedestrian-friendly Mill Street, alongside the antique and classic car show which is also a big part of the event.

A number of local musicians will be performing, including the winner and runner up of the Inspire Halton's Talent Bash, a "battle of the bands" venue which takes place July 20 at the

Red Harp. Some other local performers taking the stage will be Monty Greig, Tree Top Poets with a taste of classic rock, and The Tradition, a country-folk-bluegrass duo headed by Halton Hills resident Douglas Richard Sinclair.

Switzer is also seeking to get back to Acton's leather roots, and has taken steps to reach out to the Hide House, as well as

some other leather vendors to participate. "Not many people know about the history of Acton."

Chamber of Commerce director Kathleen Dills will be using the occasion to launch her mother's latest book (posthumously): "The History of Acton's Leather Industries" by Kay Dills. "Just sent to the printer," according to Kathleen Dills via email.



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