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SHALL WE DANCE?

Acton's Darren Banks rubs elbows with a player from the Erin-Hillsburgh Devils during an early morning hockey game on Monday. The game was the first of the day during the annual Acton Novice Christmas Tournament. Erin won the game with a dribble shot in overtime to record a 3-2 score. The Acton team won their second game and advanced to the consolation final, where they were defeated. Eight squads participated in the tournament, with the Arthur Aces taking home the trophy. (Mike Albano photo)

New Acton arena site proposed

BY FRANCES NIBLOCK

Another site has been added to the list of possible locations for the new \$4.1 million Acton arena.

Coscan Developments has offered the town of Halton Hills a site on Highway 7 east of Churchill Road. The original Rinarin Development proposal for the north side of Highway 7 east of Churchill Road is still under consideration.

The Town is trying to choose a location for a new arena to replace the aging facility at Prospect Park. Unofficially, Council has ruled out rebuilding in the park, a position supported by the Acton arena users group.

An industrial site on Wallace Street north of McDonald Boul-

evard has not been rejected but Acton east is the preferred location.

Acton Councillor Norm Elliott hopes Coscan's entry will help speed up the process of actually choosing a site.

"I've been anxious for months to get down to the preferred site because we are not going anywhere with the arena until we have the location selected," Elliott said in an interview Wednesday.

"I don't blame the Acton user group and Gord Chapman for coming to Council a couple of weeks ago, asking what was happening with the whole proposal. They weren't aware of all of the back-

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Rural Acton residents up in arms over garbage charge

BY FRANCES NIBLOCK

Halton's decision to withdraw financial support from two privately-owned garbage container stations and close the Region's container station in Oakville has angered a number of rural Acton residents.

In an effort to save three-quarters of a million dollars in 1993, Halton will eliminate funding for the Halton Hills and Burlington container stations. The container station at the new south Milton regional landfill site will be the only place rural residents will be able to drop off their garbage for free.

Until now rural Acton residents have not paid to take their garbage, and recyclables to the Leferink transfer station on Armstrong Avenue in Georgetown.

That will change Friday when Halton makes cutbacks to its con-

tainer station services and residents are forced to take their garbage to the Milton landfill or pay Leferink a \$1.50 per bag disposal fee.

In a letter outlining the new fees, Leferink owner Bert Leferink said the popularity of the recycling program at the station led to the end of the free service.

"The station was used 2,000 times in 1980 and that grew to 87,000 in 1992. Also during the time, recycling was expanded from scrap metal and newsprint and cardboard to include tin cans, P.E.T. plastic, green glass, tires, yard waste and drywall. The popularity of the "free" service added to the Region's budgetary problems year by year and the service had become too much of a burden."

In an interview Saturday, rural Acton resident Kit Woode said he

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