



HALTON HILLS CAO (in dark suit) Steve Andrews warns those who took part in the tour of the old arena in Prospect Park to be careful as they walked around the building in view of safety. The arena has not been used for six months. Town staff has been insistent the building must come down. -Ted Tyler photo

Old arena may be used for Fall Fair

By FRANCES NIBLOCK
The New Tanner

There's still a chance that the old Prospect Park arena can be reopened for use during this September's fall fair, despite last week's announcement by the Town's insurance company that it would not provide insurance coverage for public use of the building.

"We have a letter from our insurance people that they've opened the door a little bit for us," Town Administrator Steve Andrews explained on Monday.

The insurance company wants further clarification of a previous engineering report to clarify whether the building would be safe for three days in the fall so it can be used by the Acton Agricultural Society to house its Homecraft Division exhibits and for other fair events.

Andrews said they will get

their consulting engineer, who has said that the building is safe for use during the fair, to prepare another report addressing the insurance company concerns about wind load on the building.

"The main thing is safety," Andrews said. "We felt, through our consultant, that the building is safe to occupy because the heaviest structural loading wouldn't occur until the winter with the snow. Now, (the insurance company) seems to be concerned with wind load and we're not sure what they mean by that concern so we will have our consultant speak with them."

During a Town-led tour of the facility last week Town staff bolstered their recommendation to demolish the facility before this winter with a shopping list of deficiencies with the building, including problems with the roof, floors, walls, heating, electrical and water systems.

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By DOT REDEKOP

We had a great day for our Fun Day in the Park. It was a very hot day but at the park there was a cool breeze blowing to cool off the 100 folks who came out. We played horseshoes, had a putting green, baseball (the men won, darn it) and lots of talk and laughs.

There were draws all day and we ate hotdogs and drank pop. In the afternoon tea, coffee, punch and goodies were served.

We wish Frances Hogenbirk and Marjorie Fidler luck when they play golf at the Seniors games in Windsor in August. They are playing for Halton.

Our trip to the Shaw Festival has been cancelled but the Big Band Cruise on July 23 is still a go. Anyone wishing to come on the cruise can phone the Centre at 853-5951.

We are busy working on the newsletter for the fall season. I will be able to let you know later when they can be picked up, early September.

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