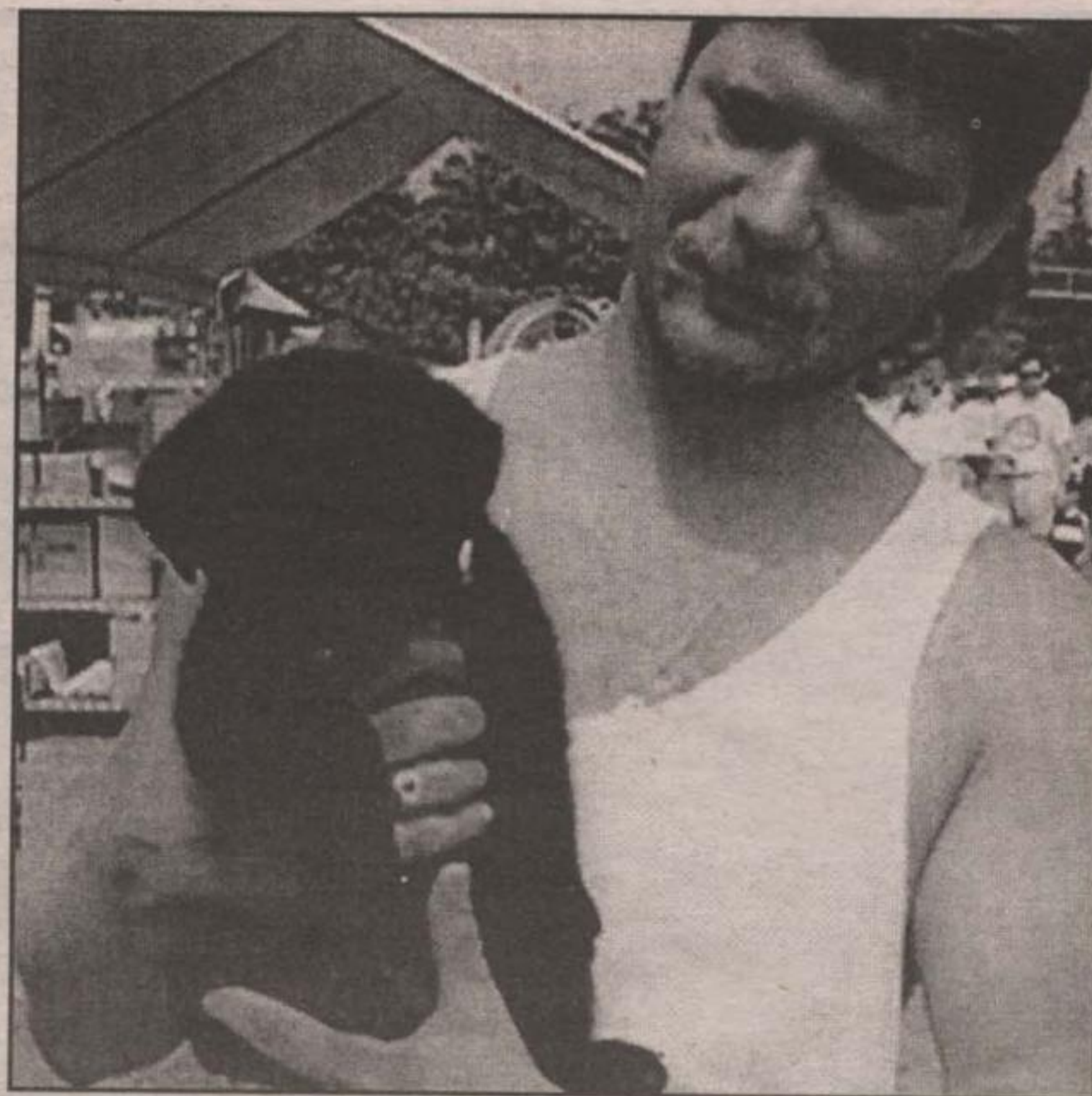


WHEW, IT'S HOT: Adidas the Rottweiler takes a break with owner Merick Stuckless and his daughter Montanna.



SMALL AND FLUFFY: Tyko, age 4, travelled to Acton from Georgetown with its owner Gail Williamson.



WHAT'S HER NAME? Askher, is just 6 weeks old and owned by Jill and Todd Ellis from Brampton.



CAN YOU SEE THE DIFFERENCE? Brother and sister, Daisy and Duke are 3 1/2 month old husky/lab crosses owned by Jason Blagdon.



COME ON, LET'S PLAY: Buddy, a black lab cross tries to take a break from the heat but his kitten friend just wants to play.

Dog Days



I CAN'T HIDE FROM THE HEAT with this black coat. Brodie is 2 1/2 years old and is owned by Laurie Lamontagne.



A SURVIVOR: L.B. (Little Boy) is a 7 year old, 3 legged dog owned by Joann Kri.

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Compromise 'no benefit'

By FRANCES NIBLOCK
The New Tanner

An Acton developer is unhappy with a compromise resolution worked out by Town council last week concerning the proposed development of Leathertown Junction on the south side of the intersection of Young Street and Guelph Street, the old Ajax building.

While council still insists that the owners of Bower Street Investments - the Fread and Rivers families of Acton - must provide an updated retail market analysis to support their request for additional uses and space in the proposed plaza, circulation of the development application won't be delayed until the report is ready. Normally the Town won't circu-

late development applications to commenting agencies until all of the key studies are complete.

Outside of the council chambers following council's decision property co-owner Doug Fread complained that the study was not necessary and that the compromise would be of no benefit to Bower Street Investments. It wants approval for an 8,000 square foot general merchandise store (not currently permitted) and an additional 75 square metres to increase the permitted size of a pharmacy and speciality food store. Fread said the current zoning doesn't permit an anchor store and prospective tenants won't commit until the anchor tenant has been signed.

An Ontario Municipal Board decision ruled that any

department store in Acton should be built on land east of Churchill Road currently owned by Brookfield Homes, which has objected to the Leathertown Junction rezoning applications.

Town planning director Bruce MacLean noted the Town's current retail market analysis does not support the Leathertown Junction applications. He cautioned council that not requiring the updated market analysis would place them at risk of a possible lawsuit for not following their own policies.

Councillor Rick Bonnette argued that nothing has changed in Acton since the last retail market analysis was done in 1991 and that it wasn't reasonable to ask the developer to pay \$6,000 to \$7,000 to update that study.

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