

HAPPY CANADA DAY!

Committee 'gung ho' for festival

Frozen yogurt won't be the only culture at this year's Acton Leathertown Festival in August – a juried art show and Tarot Card reader will be featured in an "arts and culture area," at the 11th annual street party.

Expansion of events is great news to organizers. Last May the annual Festival was in jeopardy with a core group of volunteers suffering burnout. Fresh faces stepped up and the Festival drew more than 8,000 people to Acton for a day of fun, food, and in some cases, frolic.

Festival and Acton BIA co-ordinator Josey Bonnette said most of the volunteers who joined and helped last year are

back this year, along with some of the favourite events like the street performer whose Truly Odd Show includes breathing fire, stunt riding and tricks.

"The Acton Citizens' Band will open the ceremonies again this year and the band Hellmouth and the Beirido Brothers are back by popular demand this year," Bonnette said recently, adding they're "gung ho" and well on their way to another great Festival.

The PharmaPlus community mobile will dispense sunscreen in a tent and there is an area for kids that will feature

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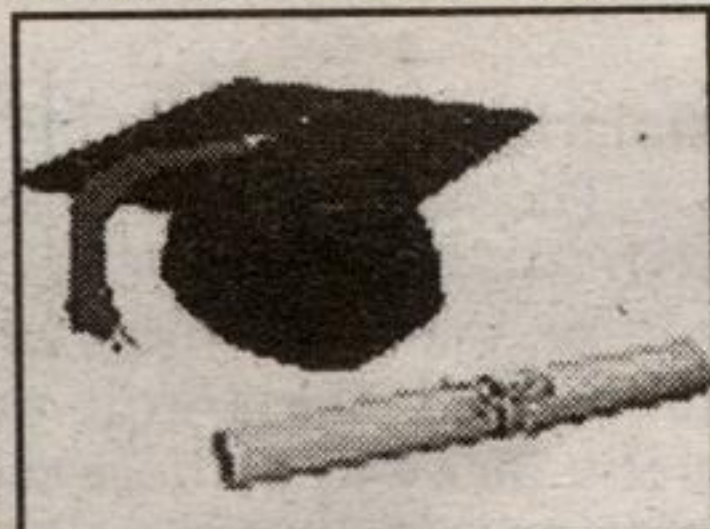
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Halton Water not a concern. See story on Page 19

Acton horse wins Queen's Plate



Molarino gelding 82-1 long shot

By **FRANCES NIBLOCK**
The New Tanner

Acton horse farm owner Gino Molarino has watched the video of his horse's half-length victory in the Queen's Plate – Canada's most prestigious race – "at least 30 times" but still can't believe his three-year-old gelding actually won.

The upset victory for T J's Lucky Moon on Sunday at Woodbine was an 82-to-one long shot, paying \$166 on a \$2 bet, the second biggest upset in Plate history with a \$600,000 purse and a \$6,000 win for Molarino on his \$50 token "good luck" bet.

Molarino, who has 36 horses at his Molarino Stables outside Acton, and 19 at the track, said the win was "unbelievable."

"Nothing describes the feeling," he said on Monday from his Mississauga office, adding they expected great things in the bay's fifth start, but never dreamed of winning the Queen's Plate.

"About a month ago he won a big 1 1/16-mile maiden special and he ran it easy. The trainer (Vito Armata) decided the horse belonged, or deserved, a shot at the Queen's Plate," Molarino said.

As a two-year-old, T J's Lucky Moon had two starts, running second and third and showing promise, running

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Victory parade

LUCKY INDEED: T J's Lucky Moon, born and bred on Dublin Line south of Acton by Gino Molarino (with tie) had a shocking win at the Queen's Plate on Sunday with jockey Steven Bahen onboard. The three-year-old gelding's quarter-length victory paid 82-to-1, or \$166 for a \$2 bet. - *Michael Burns, W.E.G. photo*

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