



Town to spruce up downtown parking

Vehicles will have access to the new downtown municipal parking lot from Main Street once work on the lot, between Main and Willow Streets north of Mill Street, is complete -hopefully by the end of May.

Currently, there is only pedestrian access from Main Street and vehicular access from Willow Street. There are 48 parking spots and three disabled spots.

Ron Goddard, the Town's supervisor of capital works, revealed details of the \$105,000 project at the Acton Business Improvement Area (BIA) annual general meeting last Wednesday at the Legion.

Goddard said along with paving and curbing the lot, it will be landscaped, and lighting will be installed.

"The tender for the project is being advertised on March 29 and all going well,

we hope to start construction the first part of May. It should take three or four weeks," Goddard said last Thursday, adding initially, the plans did not call for vehicle access to and from Main Street.

"We have reviewed the traffic on Main and we at this time that it is okay to have access. And we will monitor it and if (traffic volumes) become a problem in the

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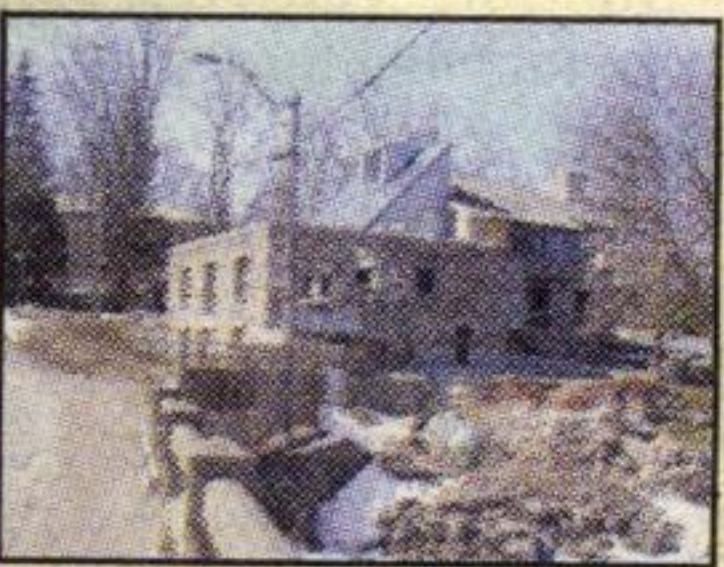
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Eden Mills landmark since 1842, the old stone mill in the village has gained a new life. See Page 12.



Men in Motion, a senior men's club, toured Superior Glove recently, a historic Acton business. See Page 4.



Guess which Acton minor hockey team has won an OMHA title four years running. See Page 15.

Acton man to cycle across Canada



FIGHTING CANCER: These three member of the Acton Branch of the Canadian Cancer society got an early start on daffodil sales in the town and area, proceeds of which go towards the fight against cancer. Left to right, Liz Bailey, Cathy Gerrow and Margaret MacKinnon will be among those selling the daffodils starting Friday. The yellow spring flowers are the cancer society's symbolic of hope.

Celebrating 100 years of his church in Canada

By FRANCES NIBLOCK
 The New Tanner

On August 15, Acton's Al Leferink, 26, will ride his bicycle eastbound along Mill Street, waving to the family and friends who helped him raise \$10,000 on a cross-country ride.

Leferink leaves Vancouver on June 23 for a 7,200-kilometre "Sea-to-Sea" tour to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Christian Reformed Church in Canada. Leferink and his family have been members of the Acton CRC since 1987, when they moved to this community from Limehouse.

Leferink learned about the Sea-to-Sea fundraising ride in the church letter and immediately thought, "that's for me - I gotta do that."

"I wanted to be part of it - it was just something about the unity of it all, I guess," Leferink said last Thursday.

"It was just everybody coming together for the same reason, and they are just calling for every church of our denomination to really help out with this, to really go for it and get the gospel spread and I really

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Car thieves busy on weekend

Police believe a number of thefts from cars, and an actual car theft, on the weekend in Acton was the work of one person or group.

On Saturday night, a Nokia cell phone was taken from a car parked at

a Greenore Crescent house. Police believe that incident is tied to the entry of two unlocked cars, a Ford and a Mercury, parked at an Elizabeth Drive residence.

A set of keys belonging to the Ford

were stolen from the Mercury.

Police believe the same culprits may also have stolen a 1997 Ford, valued at \$2,000, from a Birchway Place driveway overnight on the 25/26 before abandoning undamaged it in Peel on Sunday.

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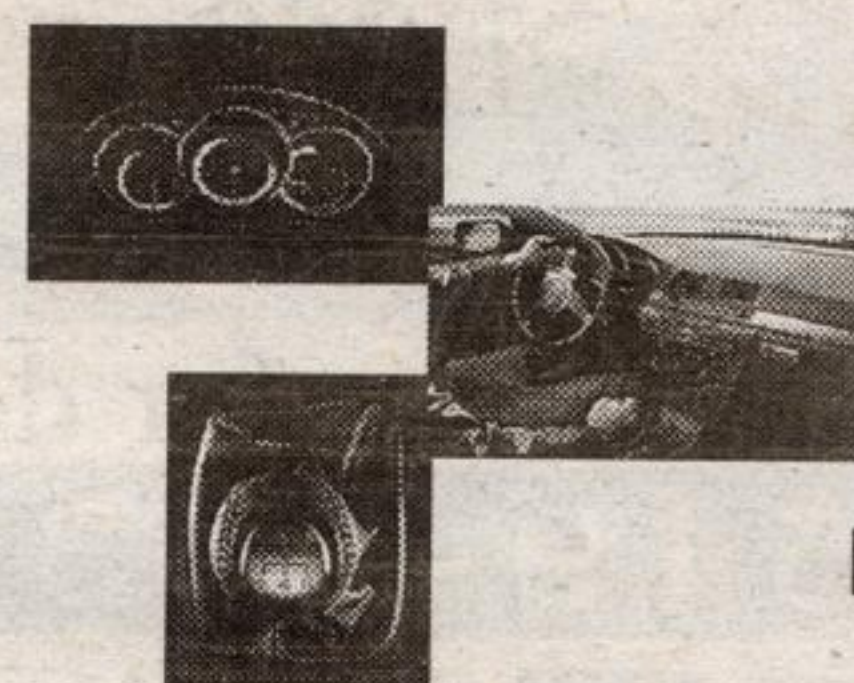
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