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NEWS AT A GLANCE

Driver sought

Halton Police are looking for the driver of a blue Blazer-style Bronco which failed to stop after hitting another vehicle around 3:40 p.m. Friday.

A vehicle westbound on Guelph St. slowed for traffic just west of Maple Ave. when the Bronco swerved into the right lane, scraping the other vehicle's bumper.

The Bronco was last seen turning into a driveway near Georgetown District High School.

Jeep damaged

The windshield and rear window of a 1986 Jeep Comanche parked on George St. were broken Saturday between 7:30 and 9:30 p.m.

Mower stolen

Mastercraft lawn mower was taken from a garage on Churchill Rd. N in Acton sometime between September 8 and 15 between 3 p.m. and 10 a.m. The lawn mower is valued at \$700.

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Three misses and a baby

Miss Acton Fall Fair Tricia Bishop (centre), first runner-up Ruth Eddolls (left) and second runner-up Shannon Gray had their hands full with 3 1/2 month-old Connor Donaldson, who wasn't impressed with the fair's baby show Saturday despite the fact he earned a red ribbon. The 87th annual fall fair was a great success, as usual, as Acton's Prospect Park was filled to capacity during the weekend. More photos on page 8. Photo by Christine Smyth

Two bargaining dates left

No breaks in teacher talks

It's situation status quo following the latest contract talks for Halton's public secondary school teachers.

"We haven't broken down and we haven't broken through," said union leader Larry Chud. "We exchanged information and we have two more meeting dates scheduled."

Compensation, workload and contract language were discussed at Wednesday's negotiations, said Chud, president of Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation District 20 (Halton).

He said the union will await responses from the Halton District School Board on contract issues. The upcoming bargaining dates are tomorrow (Thursday) and Sept. 29.

Chud indicated the teachers' union has no formal job actions planned. Members are handling the extra half-classes scheduled and will make personal decisions about handling extracurriculars.

Halton's secondary athletic convener has estimated only two-thirds as many teams will be fielded for fall sports.

Board negotiating chair Michael Ellis said extracurriculars are "hit and miss" at the province's public secondary schools.

Five boards are running no extracurriculars, 16 have a limited amount and four boards are running more than 60 per cent extracurriculars, he said.

The Ontario Public School Boards Association, which held that survey, also reported elementary teacher contract settlements at four boards and a secondary contract agreement for one board.

Halton is among the boards with elementary settlements.

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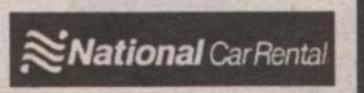


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