



Quite a catch

Jennifer Tutt gives husband Bill a playful nip on the nose with a lobster while son Jordan, 4, and daughter Danielle, 6, look on. The family was having fun at the recent Salvation Army Lobsterfest held at the Sally Ann Church.
Photo by Yves Desjardins

Strike may mean no-GO

GO Train commuters may find themselves looking for another way to work today (Wednesday).

All GO train lines, except the Milton line, will be shut down today if the Canadian National Railways' locomotive engineers go on strike. The engineers, who also operate most GO trains, are scheduled to take strike action at 12:01 a.m. Wednesday.

The strike would not affect the Milton GO line, which is operated by Canadian Pacific Railways.

All GO bus services that are not tied into GO train service will continue to run as close to their regular schedule as possible. Delays should be expected due to increased traffic on the roads.

GO buses will not replace the GO train service as there are not enough buses to carry the number of passengers that take the train. However GO will react to conditions and add extra buses where possible to existing, regularly scheduled trips that become overloaded.

Just in time for the holiday weekend New fireworks bylaw is in effect

With holiday weekends coming up, Halton Hills Fire Protection and Prevention Services is taking the opportunity to inform area residents that an updated fireworks bylaw is in effect.

"The Office of the Fire Marshal is in the process of reviewing the risks associated with consumer fireworks with a view to amending regulations governing their sale and discharge," said Director of Fire Services Bob Meads.

He said the new bylaw is "deemed reasonable in respect to restrictions placed on the sale and use of fireworks by today's standards recognizing the safety of our com-

munity must be the primary concern."

Chief of Fire Prevention and Education, Harry Olivieri says implementing the recommended bylaw will enable staff to distribute information packages to retailers and inform consumers well in advance of the next occasion when fireworks may commonly be used.

Information booklets and pamphlets will be compiled with all the necessary applications to obtain the respective permits as well as tips to safely handle fireworks.

Information packages on the new bylaw are available at the fire station located at 53 Maple Ave.

... and local fire service issue tips on how to properly handle fireworks

Fireworks can be very dangerous in the hands of a child. They can also be hazardous in the hands of an inexperienced adult as they need to be handled with care and respect, said a spokesperson with Halton Hills Fire Protection and Prevention Services.

Fireworks are becoming more and more popular for special occasions including weddings, religious ceremonies and Dominion and Victoria Day activities. And as the popularity of fireworks grows, so do the number of incidents and injuries, says the spokesperson.

The fire department advises fireworks users to take these precautions:

- Read all instructions on the fireworks before using.
- Do not store fireworks in direct sunlight. Store in a cool, dry location.
- Do not allow children to handle fire-

works of any kind.

- Maintain adult supervision at all times where children are present.
- People should never light fireworks in their hands, or hold lighted fireworks in their hands.
- Light the fireworks carefully. Always light the fuse at its tip.
- Keep water nearby. Dispose of used fireworks (including debris) in a pail of water.
- Never try to relight fireworks that did not discharge.
- Do not fire in windy conditions.
- Make sure the site is clear of debris and dead vegetation.
- Never discharge fireworks indoors.

Additional information and a copy of the new municipal bylaw can be obtained at the fire services headquarter station, 53 Maple Ave., Georgetown.

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