

Man leaves trail of damage during rampage

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While he was walking, a man in a pickup truck, who had witnessed the accident, drove alongside him and attempted to convince him to return to the scene of the collision.

The driver thought he had been successful when the suspect got into his pickup truck, but once inside he attempted to flee by grabbing the steering wheel and stomping on the gas pedal.

The driver of the truck managed to pull the keys out of the ignition, stalling the truck.

Police say there was a physical confrontation between the driver and the suspect, who then got out of the truck and walked to a nearby residence.

The man spoke to the homeowner, who, along with the driver from

the pickup truck, attempted to persuade him to return to the accident scene.

The three men began walking toward the collision scene when the suspect returned to the home and attempted to unsuccessfully steal the homeowner's vehicle from the driveway.

The homeowner ran back to his home and followed the man as he entered his house. The homeowner ordered the man out of the residence, but the suspect grabbed a golf club from the homeowner's golf bag on the way out.

Swinging the club as he left, the man hit a hydro meter and continued to swing the club as he walked, hitting and damaging a mailbox.

A Halton Police officer arrived and advised the man he was under arrest.

The man then threatened the officer and started to swing the golf club.

When a second officer arrived, the man continued to be aggressive and was pepper-sprayed, but it had no effect.

The man swung the golf club at an officer as he tried to handcuff him, breaking the club in half on the officer's arm. Police managed to wrestle the man to the ground and arrested him.

The officer suffered a minor injury but didn't require medical treatment and the man received a minor head injury. He was treated at Georgetown and Oakville Hospitals.

Police say the man, 38, of no fixed address, formerly of Kitchener, is still being held in Oakville under the Mental Health Act. Police say there are several charges pending.

Family outing ends in tragedy

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Staff Writer

A family reunion north of Kingston ended in tragedy Saturday evening when a young local man died after jumping into a lake from the roof of a house.

Sgt. Gary Ouellette of Frontenac OPP said Tuesday that Eric Sparling, 21, of Norval was found unresponsive in Sydenham Lake after his leap from the approximately 35 ft. high roof of the lakeside home.

Ouellette said family members immediately removed Sparling from the water and began first aid. Local emergency personnel took over when they arrived, transporting him to Kingston General Hospital where Sparling was pronounced dead a short time later.

Sparling was spending the long weekend at the lake with family, when he and others decided to jump into the water from the roof—described by Ouellette as “a regular occurrence” at the home. He said the water in the lake, located about 20 km north of Kingston, was deep.

“We don't believe he came into contact with anything,” said Ouellette. “He hit at an awkward angle.”

At press time Ouellette said police did not have an official cause of death as they were awaiting results of a post mortem Tuesday.

Sparling's mother Carol declined to comment to *The Independent & Free Press*.

Sparling is survived by his parents Bruce and Carol and sisters Bonnie and Kate.

He was an avid skier and snowboarder, and the family is requesting, in memory, contributions be made to the Ontario Track 3 Ski Association. Visitation at the J.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday. The funeral will be held in the chapel Friday at 1 p.m.



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