

Tree service worker goes to great heights to rescue stranded cat

LISA TALLYN
Staff Writer

A Georgetown woman who orchestrated the rescue of a cat from a tree behind her home earlier this week is hoping the cat's owner will contact her and claim the pet that is now temporarily staying in her garage.

Karen Sykes, of Reid Court, first heard meowing from a nearby ravine Saturday but could not see anything. It wasn't until the next morning when she heard the noise again, investigated, and saw a cat's tail flick about 50 ft. up a tree.

Sykes said the cat was hanging onto a stump of a branch, and when her neighbour tried to capture the cat using a pool net, he scampered up another 10 feet to a fork in the tree.

On Tuesday, after unsuccessfully trying to find someone who would rescue the cat—including police and the Upper Credit Humane Society—Sykes contacted Quality Tree Service, owned by Murray Anderson.

Jeff Coxon of the company arrived shortly after and scaled the tree using spikes. He managed to get the cat and bring it safely down in a cloth bag.

Sykes said the cat was very hungry but quite calm.

She believes the cat—an affectionate black and grey male—is someone's pet. She asks the owners to contact her at 905-877-7910 (leave a message) or her daughter Amy at 905-873-0301, ext. 237.



Jeff Coxon of Quality Tree Service climbed a huge tree to rescue a stranded cat much to the relief of Karen Sykes. The tabby had been in the tree for four days. Photos by Ted Brown



LASER HAIR REMOVAL *Over 8 years experience*

**Get Ready For Summer 2007
ONLY 4-6 TREATMENTS NEEDED!
To free you from that unwanted hair.**

- Affordable • Safe • Gentle
- Permanent Hair Reduction
- For Him: chest, back, shoulders, etc.**
- For Her: bikini, facial, underarms, etc.**
- Call today for a free consultation*
- Certified Electrologist & Laser Technician

Bare Image Electrolysis & Laser
50 Main St. South, Georgetown 905-873-6388
downtowngeorgetown.com/bareimage

Georgetown Fairgrounds Georgetown Highland Games Notice

During the games on June 9th normal park operation will be suspended and a park admission charge will be in effect: adults \$15.00, students and seniors \$8.00. 12 & under with parent FREE.

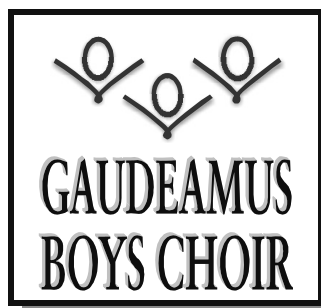
Free parking locations during the games are as follows:

- A - Halton Hills Civic Centre 1.0 km
- B - Cedarvale Park 0.8 km
- C - Memorial Arena 0.9 km
- D - Mill & Main Sts. 0.5 km
- Public Parking 0.5 km



Please respect No Parking areas and private property.

Come sing with us!



The Gaudeamus Choirs of Halton Hills

A COMMUNITY CHORAL PROGRAM
FOR AGES 6 THROUGH 16

Auditions for the 07/08 Season will be held
June 13, 15, & 16, or August 24 and 25, at
St. John's United Church, 11 Guelph St., Georgetown

For information please contact the conductor:
Diane Murray-Charrett, BMusEd., MMusEd.
416-895-2697 gaudeamus@cogeco.ca

www.independentfreepress.com

Humber
leaps into **Orangeville**

Full-time programs starting Fall 2007:
Business Administration
Business Management
Police Foundations

Apply Now! ontariocolleges.ca

HUMBER
Orangeville Campus orangeville.humber.ca