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Canada Day parties set for Glen, Acton

The stores may be closed tomorrow (Saturday) but there is still going to be plenty to do as both Acton and Glen Williams communities host Canada Day parties.

The day gets under way in Glen Williams at 8 a.m. with a Pancake Breakfast, followed by Fun Runs and the annual baseball game between the Townies and Councillors. Children's games start at 10 a.m. followed by the popular noon parade.

Opening ceremonies start about 1 p.m. when the Glen Citizen of the Year and winner of the Best Decorated House are announced. Games, an eclectic music concert, pet show and the Buck Race round out the afternoon activities.

Meanwhile the day kicks off in Acton's Prospect Park at 6 p.m. with Concert in the Park. This includes the Second Annual Acton Idol Contest and songs from hallmarks Alysha Brooke performing county and western tunes along with Jamie Thomas.

Yak Yakk Jeff McEnery will also provide stand-up comedy as well as be the Master of Ceremonies for the Acton Idol Contest.

The Acton Fire Fighters Association provides the explosive finish to the day with a fireworks show, also in Prospect Park. The free event gets under way at dusk. The firefighters, who are promising their largest, loudest and brightest display ever, will be passing their helmets for donations to help pay for their annual birthday gift to the community.

St. Alban's Church in the Glen will also be holding a fireworks display at dusk. It's also a free will offering.

The Independent & Free Press office will be closed Monday, July 3 for the holiday and will reopen Tuesday, July 4 at 8:30 a.m.

Hill on the hill

Pitching against the team he grew up cheering for, Washington Nationals hurler Shawn Hill of Georgetown, duelled with Toronto Blue Jays' starter Ted Lilly Wednesday for four innings before Toronto broke out for four runs and eventually won 5-1. Hill was pulled after the fifth inning, but made the dozens of hometown supporters, who came to watch him pitch in person in the big leagues, proud. See story page 17.

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