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Old 'Mann' Winter's a blast...

...especially for a boy named Snow

Not everyone was complaining about the abundance of snow Monday, as Devan Fobert, 11, put a little air between himself and the ground as he took to the hill at Sir Donald Mann Park in Acton. (Right) Zach Snow, 9, enjoyed a spray in the face as he rode his sled down the hill at the popular park.

Photos by Ted Brown



Region review of council not needed—Town

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Staff Writer

The Town of Halton Hills will likely be standing alone when trying to get a review of regional council representation stopped in its tracks this month.

At a recent special council meeting, Halton Hills council unanimously voted to send a recommendation to the regional representation review sub-committee asking for a deferral to 2011.

But, the councils of Oakville, Burlington and Milton have all sent reports supporting the regional review at this time. Their staff-generated reports all point to the future growth to come. The sub-committee is expected to send its decision to the Halton Region's Administration and Finance committee's March 19 meeting for consideration.

Written by Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Dennis Perlin, the Town's report instead outlined issues that led to the conclusion any review at this time is premature until after the completion of the Halton Sustainable Plan that determines population growth to 2031, the 2011 Census and the upcoming provincial and regional service realignment reviews.

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