

Local voter turnout takes a nosedive

Voter turnout in Tuesday's federal election was down nationwide and Wellington-Halton Hills was no exception.

The final numbers are in and Elections Canada statistics show that of 79,566 eligible voters in the riding, 50,805 cast a vote. That translates to a 63.8 per cent voter turnout rate, compared to 71 per cent in 2006.

Nationally, voter turnout was 59 per cent— an all-time low.

In the Wellington-Halton Hills riding, which has a population of 111,241, of the 50,805 ballots cast, 154 were rejected, bringing the final total of valid votes to 50,651.

Students at Acton High School held a mock election on Oct. 10.

In that contest Conservative Michael Chong was the winner with 124 votes, followed by the NDP's Noel Duignan with 81 votes, Green Party candidate Brent Bouteiller had 74 votes, Liberal candidate Bruce Bowser earned 36 votes and Christian Heritage Party candidate Jeffrey Streutker had 10 votes.

Candidate	Total votes	Percentage
Michael Chong (CON)	29,191	57.6%
Bruce Bowser (LIB)	11,312	22.3%
Brent Bouteiller (Green)	4,987	9.8%
Noel Duignan (NDP)	4,747	9.4%
Jeffrey Streutker (CHP)	414	0.8%

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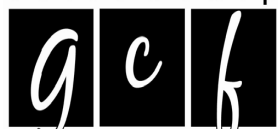
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