

Camera films council following assault charge

By Rebecca Ring

Guelph/Eramosa Councillor John Scott attended his first council meeting on Monday since being charged with assault on March 28 by the O.P.P.

Councillor Reta Moyer accused Scott of shouting at her in rage and swinging his fists close to her face at a March 19 closed session of council.

He signed an assurance that he would

not come within 500-metres of Moyer or anywhere she is expected and that he would have no direct or indirect contact with her. This meant they could not both attend council meetings.

On Monday, however, Scott's lawyer met with a Justice of the Peace to allow Scott to attend council. He was granted permission in a *Recognizance of Bail* in the amount of \$1,000.

The conditions of bail are that he cannot communicate or associate with Moyer, or come within 500-metres of her residence or any place she is expected, except at council meetings. He is not allowed to possess firearms, crossbows or anything intended for use as a weapon under the Criminal Code of Canada.

Moyer said she was advised of the bail agreement. She contends Scott did not want to pay for a security guard to attend council

meetings and says she did not want this cost to fall on the taxpayers, so a video camera was put in chambers instead.

But Scott said his lawyer told the Justice of the Peace that he was willing to pay for security guards or police officers to attend meetings. It was not required, Scott said.

Mayor White said the camera was put in chambers to "film proceedings to keep a proper record" on the suggestion of CAO/Clerk Janice Sheppard.



SPRING CLEANING: The Rockwood and District Lions and Lioness Clubs organized a community clean-up last Saturday along Hwy. 7, Waterside and Bernardi Parks with residents and student volunteers, who earned credits for school. Boy Scouts cleaned Lloyd Dyer Park and surrounding streets, while Girl Guides and Brownies cleaned Rockmosa Park. About 40 volunteers collected 150 bags of garbage, including tires, car batteries and truck parts, but most was litter from fast food. The Whistle Stop generously donated coffee, juice and water. Shown with the day's work are Lioness Beth Mullen, and Lions Darryl Nichol and Cam Mullen. *Rebecca Ring Photo*

Police week in Rockwood

This year, May 13th through May 19th, 2007 has been designated "Police Week" throughout Ontario. This is an annual event, which is dedicated to Crime Prevention, recognition and awareness of Policing Services in the community.

Since 1970, Police Week has been observed in May, coinciding with Peace Officers Memorial Day, recognized internationally as May 15. This year's theme is "Safer Communities for a Stronger Ontario". The theme will focus on heightening community awareness by promoting personal and public safety through prevention, preparedness and social development.

The provincial government and all police services in Ontario will continue

to work with communities to create strategies to address local issues. By strengthening the communities in which we live, we will be able to provide our people with a quality of life that is second to none.

For the police and their communities, working together is essential in preventing crime and building stronger communities.

In Wellington County, there are many special events that have been planned to highlight Police Week.

A Police Week Display will take place at Stone Road Mall in tomorrow and Saturday, May 12th. Both the Guelph Police Service and the County of Wellington O.P.P. will have displays. Members of the public are welcome to come and see the

various specialized units within each police service.

During Police Week, the County of Wellington O.P.P. will have Open Houses and they invite members of the public to come to any one of our offices and take a tour of the detachment. You will have an opportunity to see the many services that are available within your community.

An Open house will be held on Tuesday, May 15th - 10:00am until 3:00pm at the Rockwood OPP Office

OPP seatbelt campaign

Wellington County OPP laid more than 500 charges for seatbelt and child safety seat violations during a spring "seatbelt campaign."

The two-week blitz wrapped up May 1. During that time, officers checked approximately 74,780 cars.

Here's the breakdown:

Total seatbelts checked, excluding child seats: 74,300

Child seatbelts checked: 480

Seatbelt charges, child seats: 2

Seatbelt charges, driver offences: 467

Seatbelt charges, driver occupant offences: 11

Seatbelt charges, passenger offences: 48

Total charges: 528

EWAG NEWS

The EWAG wheelchair accessible van will be heading to Niagara-on-the-Lake on Friday, June 22. The van will arrive in this beautiful town with plenty of free time to enjoy the lovely shops. Once all are shopped out the group will be attending a lunchtime performance of Kiltartan Comedies, part of the Shaw Festival. The cost is \$40, which includes the theatre performance and transportation. For more information or to book your seat, please call Mary Ellen at 519-833-0087.

Soup in a Jar from EWAG Seniors' – Are you looking for the perfect hostess gift or an easy take-along for the cottage? Let the EWAG seniors help you out. For just \$6 you can place an order for a delicious Friendship Soup Mix. Rice, noodles, lentils, barley, split peas and spices make this the perfect meal. All beautifully layered in a mason jar with the recipe attached. If you would like to place an order, please call Mary Ellen at 519-833-0087.

St. John's Day May 5, 2007 – Many thanks to the

organizers of St. John's Day this past weekend. We couldn't have asked for a nicer day and we are grateful for the invitation to EWAG to participate in this community event.

EWAG Thrift Shop MAY Sale – Come into the thrift shop at 106 Church Street during until Mother's Day and save half price on all ladies' clothing items. Beautiful summer dresses, T-shirts, shorts and much more. New items arriving daily...

Perennial Plant Sale Coming Soon – Saturday, May 26 is the date to mark on your calendar for this year's fabulous perennial plant sale. We will once again be taking over the front lawn at 310 Main Street South in Rockwood, selling hardy perennials to support EWAG Community Support Services. The plants are healthy and the prices can't be beat. Shop early for best selection.

If you would like to make

a donation for our sale, please contact Robyn at 519-856-2113.

Location and Hours

The EWAG Community Support Services office and thrift shop is located at 106 Church Street and is open Monday – Thursday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. The Thrift Shop is also open Fridays and Saturdays from noon until 4 p.m. We offer a variety of government forms, laminating, copying, faxing services and much more. Call for more information at 519-856-2113. We are also on the web at www.e-wag.on.ca

Please note the office is not open on Fridays

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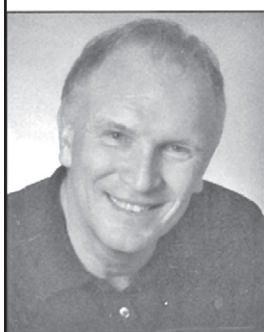
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Speeder of the Week

It wasn't any old car. It was a 2007 Bentley. Unfortunately for the driver, it was also heading into the beam of Sgt. Rick Weiler's laser gun on the northbound Hanlon Expressway in Guelph, just after midnight on May 2.

Weiler clocked the car travelling at 148-km/h in an 80-km/h zone, according to Wellington O.P.P.

A 53-year-old Oakville man is scheduled to appear in Guelph Court on a speeding charge on June 20th.



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