

Collision takes life of 41-year-old Guelph man

A two vehicle collision west of Rockwood on Highway 7 and Jones Baseline on Thursday, August 2 at 6:30 p.m. took the life of a Guelph man and injured a man from Limehouse.

Wellington OPP said the collision occurred when a Chevrolet Malibu southbound on the Jones Baseline entered the intersection of Hwy. 7 and was struck by a Ford pick-up travelling west in 7. The intersection has stop signs for north and southbound traffic on the Jones Baseline.

The driver of the Chevrolet Malibu, Kirk Dowling 41 of Guelph, was airlifted to Hamilton General Hospital in critical condition. He later succumbed to his injuries.

The driver of the Ford pick-up, Donald C. Brooks 27, of Limehouse, was taken to Guelph General Hospital, treated for non-life threatening injuries and released.

Wellington O.P.P. Traffic Management Unit was called to the scene to assist with the investigation and roadway was closed for several hours.



STORIES & SONGS: The focus was on fun and friendly faces at the Rockwood Library on Saturday as children's librarian Lesley Parsons leads a Family Storytime session. - Frances Niblock photo

The ROCKWOOD Miller

Deer/vehicle collisions on the rise say OPP

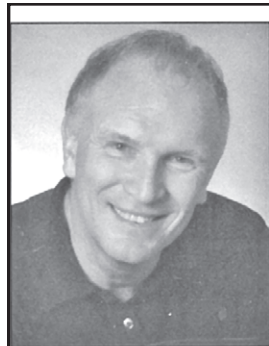
Alarmed at the number of deer/vehicle collisions in Wellington County, this year, the OPP are reminding drivers to take precautions to avoid them. Wildlife habitats are shrinking and the risk of

hitting a deer on the roads is increasing, police say. Wellington has experienced 133 deer/vehicle reported collisions in the first six months of 2007, a statistic which points clearly to a problem.

Deer pose a serious safety risk for drivers and it is important for drivers to be aware of a potential collision and take proper precautions including:

- * Wearing your seatbelt
- * Staying awake, alert and sober
- * Driving with extra caution when driving through deer-crossing zones
- * When driving at night, use high beams when there is no oncoming traffic to better illuminate deer on, or near the road
- * Taking extra caution from sunset to midnight, and the hours shortly before and after sunrise, as these are the most high-risk times for deer-vehicle collisions
- * If faced with a deer in your path, brake firmly, but stay in your lane. Many deer-related collisions occur when drivers swerve into traffic to avoid a deer.

In the event that your vehicle strikes a deer, call the County of Wellington OPP immediately.



Sales Representative

Wellington O.P.P. Report

Drinking, Driving

Wellington OPP officers were conducting Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere spot checks on Falls Street, Rockwood, on Saturday August 4.

During the RIDE checks, the officers stopped a 1995 Mercury exiting Rockwood Conservation Park and found the male driver had been drinking. The driver was administered a roadside screening device test and failed.

A 54-year-old of Mississauga man has been charged with Over 80 mgs. He is scheduled to appear in Guelph Court on August 27 to answer to the charge.

Impaired arrest

On Friday, August 3, at 11:35pm, officers from the Wellington O.P.P. responded to a report of a possible impaired driver entering Wellington County. Officers located the 1995 Hyundai on Highway 7 in Eramosa Township and found the driver had been drinking.

A 53-year-old man from Guelph was arrested and faces charges of impaired driving and refusal to provide breath samples. He is scheduled to appear in Guelph Court on September 17.

Speeder of the week

Officers with Wellington OPP Traffic Management Unit were conducting radar enforcement on Highway 6 of Puslinch Twp. when Constable David Brazier

observed a 1996 Ford Ranger pickup travelling well above the posted speed limit.

A 21-year-old Woodstock man has been charged with speeding at 152km/h in the 80km/h zone. He is scheduled to appear in Guelph Court on September 19 to answer to the charge.

Marijuana grow

On Tuesday July 31st Wellington OPP officers raided to a property located on the Third Line of Guelph-Eramosa Twp. and located 28 marijuana plants growing on this property with an estimated potential value of \$28,000.

Mark Robert Reis, 33, of Guelph-Eramosa Twp. has been charged with production of Marijuana under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act. He is scheduled

to appear in Guelph court on September 10.

Tool theft

Wellington OPP are asking the public's help regarding the reported theft of tools from a construction site at Ridge Top Crescent in Rockwood on Saturday, August 4.

Officers found that sometime overnight thieves pried open a locked utility trailer left at the site and removed a large quantity of tools valued at \$2,500. It included a twin tank air compressor, air nailer in black case, 9.6 volt Makita cordless drill, a cordless 6" circular saw, a laser level in yellow case and a 100 ft yellow extension cord as well as various hand tools and a wooden 2' tool box.

Anyone has information regarding this theft or property is asked to contact the Wellington OPP's Rockwood office at 519-856-1506 or leave an anonymous tip with the Crime Stoppers at (1-800-222-TIPS).

Rockwood Soccer Report

UNDER 16 BOYS:

R & M Construction 3 Acton #2 2
R & M Construction 9 Grand Valley 1

UNDER 16 GIRLS:

Wellington Fireplace & Leisure vs Acton #1

UNDER 14 GIRLS:

Charleston Homes vs Heads #1
Yard & Pool Master vs Heads #2

UNDER 10 BOYS:

Curwin's Pub 10 Grand Valley 7
Curwin's Pub 7 HEADS 1

UNDER 12 GIRLS:

Drexler Construction vs Acton #1
Rockwood Pharmacy vs Acton #4
Rockwood Pharmacy 1 - Drexler Construction 1

UNDER 12 BOYS:

Curwin's Pub 1 -HEADS #2 1
CK Coverings 5- Grand Valley 1
Curwin's Pub 3 - Acton Motors 0

UNDER 10:

C Plus Orange 3- C- Plus Blue 1
RockingHorse Early Learning Ctr. 3 - Freedom 55 Financial 1
Village Beauty Boutique 3 -Eden House 0

UNDER 8:

Freedom 55 Mike Dawkins vs Motts
R&M Construction vs New Orleans Pizza
TD Canada Trust vs. Tylenol
Charleston Homes vs Eden House

UNDER 6:

RockingHorse Early Learning vs. JB's Renovations
Charlene Vanderwal Creative Memories vs. Drexler Const.
TD Canada Trust vs Rockwood Pharmacy
Dr Tim Peloso vs Whistle Stop Cafe

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