



CLEANUP CREW: A bicycle, TV and multiple bags of garbage were collected by Acton Councillor Jon Hurst (left), Mayor Rick Bonnette and Acton/Regional Councillor Clark Somerville along Wallace Street during Saturday's Town-wide cleanup. – Submitted photo

'Idiot' dumps garbage

Briefly, Acton/Regional Councillor Clark Somerville considered returning bags of garbage that had been discarded near the Wallace Street Park to the front lawn of a Rockwood address that he found on a hydro bill in one of the split open bags.

Somerville, his niece Megan Somerville, Councillor Jon Hurst and Mayor Rick Bonnette found the garbage bags, along with a bicycle and TV, while they were taking part in a Town-wide cleanup last Saturday.

Somerville said he was angry enough to want to

return the garbage to its owners, but "calmer heads prevailed" and now he hopes that the McLelland Street "idiot who dumped the garbage reads this article."

He also noted that every year he'd been involved in litter cleanup in the rural area, whenever he found information that would identify the illegal dumper, it has been a Rockwood or Wellington County resident.

"The only reason I can figure out is because they have a bag tag system where they have to pay for garbage (pickup) that

way...so they take it to the next county and dump it and let it be our problem," Somerville said on Monday.

While figures for the amount of garbage and debris collected on the weekend has not yet been tallied, those involved said the situation with illegal dumping has not improved from last year when more than 8.5 tonnes of garbage, two tandem trucks full of scrap metal, one tonne of household hazardous waste and two tandem truck loads of tires were collected during the annual Town-wide cleanup.

Watch dogs work

Dogs scared off would-be thieves who broke into a Mill Street East residence last Tuesday. Although items were moved in the house, nothing was stolen.

False gun report

Students who reported a friend was firing a gun – prompting the lock down of two Milton Schools for 45 minutes on Tuesday morning – were mistaken. Halton police report the alleged gunshot sounds were made by three cans

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of aerosol spray that exploded in a small fire set by approximately 15 teens in a wooded area near E.C. Drury High School.

No charges are anticipated and there were no injuries.

Acton man charged

A 62-year-old Acton man has been charged under the Employment Standards

Act with six counts of failing to comply with orders to pay \$63,572 in unpaid wages owed to 68 former teenaged student lifeguards who worked for his pool supply company in 2007 and 2008.

Charged is Peter Check, a twice bankrupt businessman who lives in rural Acton.

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CORRECTION

On May 4, a 45-day public consultation period begins, offering residents the opportunity to comment on Dufferin quarry's expansion plans, which will be the subject

of a public meeting on June 1 at Acton High School. Incorrect information appeared in last week's quarry expansion story. The New Tanner regrets the error.



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Special Waste Drop-off Days



To make the recycling of household hazardous waste and electronic waste more convenient to residents, Halton Region is holding Special Waste Drop-off Days throughout the year.

Special Waste Drop-off Days are for Halton residents only. No commercial wastes are accepted.

| Date | Location |
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| Saturday, April 24, 2010 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. (part of the Town of Halton Hill's Earth Day event) | Robert C. Austin Operations Centre 11620 Trafalgar Road, Georgetown |
| Saturday, July 24, 2010 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. | Halton Regional Centre 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville (Please note: this location is not the Halton Waste Management Site landfill) |
| Saturday, September 25, 2010 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. | Burlington Closed Landfill 291 North Service Road, Burlington |
| Saturday, October 23, 2010 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. | Mohawk Racetrack (Parking Lot) 9430 Guelph Line, Campbellville |

The following materials will be accepted for collection free of charge:

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

- **Acceptable materials include:** pesticides, paint, stains, motor oil, antifreeze, varsol, fuels, cleaners, pool chemicals, pharmaceuticals, propane tanks, household batteries, car batteries, and fluorescent tubes and bulbs.
- **Unacceptable materials include:** needles, syringes and lancets, asbestos, commercial and industrial waste, PCBs, explosives, and ammunition.



Electronics

- **Acceptable items include:** computers, stereos, phones, TVs, VCRs, DVD players and computer monitors
- **Unacceptable materials include:** metal and appliances, microwaves, vacuums, and scrap metal

Tires, reuse materials (clothing, etc.), metal and appliance are **not** accepted at the Special Waste Drop-off Days.

If you are unsure whether an item will be accepted at a Special Waste Drop-off Day, call Halton Region by dialling 311 or 905-825-6000, 1-866-4HALTON (1-866-442-5866) or TTY 905-827-9833.

If you are unable to attend the Special Waste Drop-off Days:

- Household hazardous waste and electronics can be dropped off free of charge at the Halton Waste Management Site, 5400 Regional Road 25, Milton.
- Visit www.dowhatyoucan.ca for a list of retailers and community organizations that take back select household hazardous waste and electronics for recycling.

Please let us know as soon as possible if you will have an accessibility or accommodation need at a Halton Region hosted event or meeting.

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