

# Police form crack team to combat terror tactics

By Linda Kirby  
Hostage-taking situations, sniper incidents and major catastrophes can prove deadly, but Halton Regional Police hope to be in a better position to tackle those possibilities with the formation of a rescue and tactical team.

Twenty-two police officers, the majority holding First Class Constable positions have volunteered their services for the unit and will undergo rigorous training for the job in the next few months.

Recent gun slayings, hostage taking incidents in Toronto, Peel and Hamilton prompted the creation of the team, according to Staff Sergeant Eric Bullock, head of the force's firearms di-

vision. "We are lucky we haven't had those kind of things in Halton, but there is going to be a time," he said.

The average police officer is not trained for special tactics and a team of qualified policemen is necessary, he added.

Staff Sgt. Bullock, who will be assisting with the training, said it is the hope of the force to eventually have four men in each division and one man around the clock specifically trained in rescue and tactics.

The unit replaces the now-defunct special weapons division which was disbanded in 1978 as a result of an insufficient number of officers.

The trained team will

travel with a 1966 Ford vehicle that will house equipment and weaponry devices.

Officers will receive training in gas guns, heavy duty guns and special protective vests, said the staff sergeant.

In addition to answering calls to dramatic situations, the team will respond to major disasters, fatalities and incidents such as lost children.

In order to qualify for the team, officers were required to volunteer and pass a physical fitness test.

They will now take part in special training and must pass certain psychological tests.

The idea for the team was the brainchild of Police Chief James

Harding who said he is not prepared to expose officers to barricaded gun and hostage situations unless they are properly trained.

"Officers who undertake such a hazardous task should be properly selected, evaluated for the role they will be asked to perform, trained to fulfill that role and be properly equipped to discharge their very demanding duty," he said during a presentation of team members.

The unit includes several officers from the north Halton area. They are Constables Colin Vrooman and Pat Wood from Milton, and Constables Don Cousens, Alex Fishbein, Jack Poot and Tom Rudock from Georgetown.



## Certified hospitality

Employees of the Bavarian Inn, Milton Mall received their hospitality certificates recently which they earned by taking part in a hospitality training program sponsored by the Ministry of Industry and Tourism and Milton Chamber of Commerce. Ulrich Nowak (left) gave Bridget Sivera her hospitality pin while restaurant manager Burkhardt Nowak offers a handshake. The other staff (from right) are Parin Kassam, Andrea Pettigrew (behind), Dorothy Edwards, Bev Edwards, Linda McKeown (behind), Bev Harper and Don Nisbet.



Tactical unit. Halton Regional Police Chief James Harding introduces the force's new tactical unit, a group of police specially trained for dangerous situations, during a press conference in Oakville. Oakville Mayor Harry Barrett, Chairman of Halton Police Commission, is shown with the Chief.

## Holsteins at US show

Several Holsteins from Halton headed out to the World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisc. as soon as Milton Fair ended, and the trip was worthwhile for the owners.

Donna Stewart's 1979 4-H calf A Tripp-Falk Matt Eileen was first in senior yearlings, with 59 entries in the class. Eileen is owned by Bertram Stewart, Glen Tripp and Valcor Livestock. In the same class, Helens Astronaut Kay, owned by Jeff Nurse of Georgetown and Wilson Ross of Milton, came seventh.

Claude F. Picket's two-year-old Pickland Fury Echo, reserve grand champion at Milton Fair, was fourth in her class at Madison. Donna Stewart's 1980 4-H calf A Ridgedale Christina was 14th in senior heifer calves.

Ontario won the State Herd trophy, which included the Nurse-Ross yearling. Also in the herd of eight was an aged cow exhibited by Doug Wingrove of Campbellville, who won seventh in aged cow and 15th in two-year-olds.

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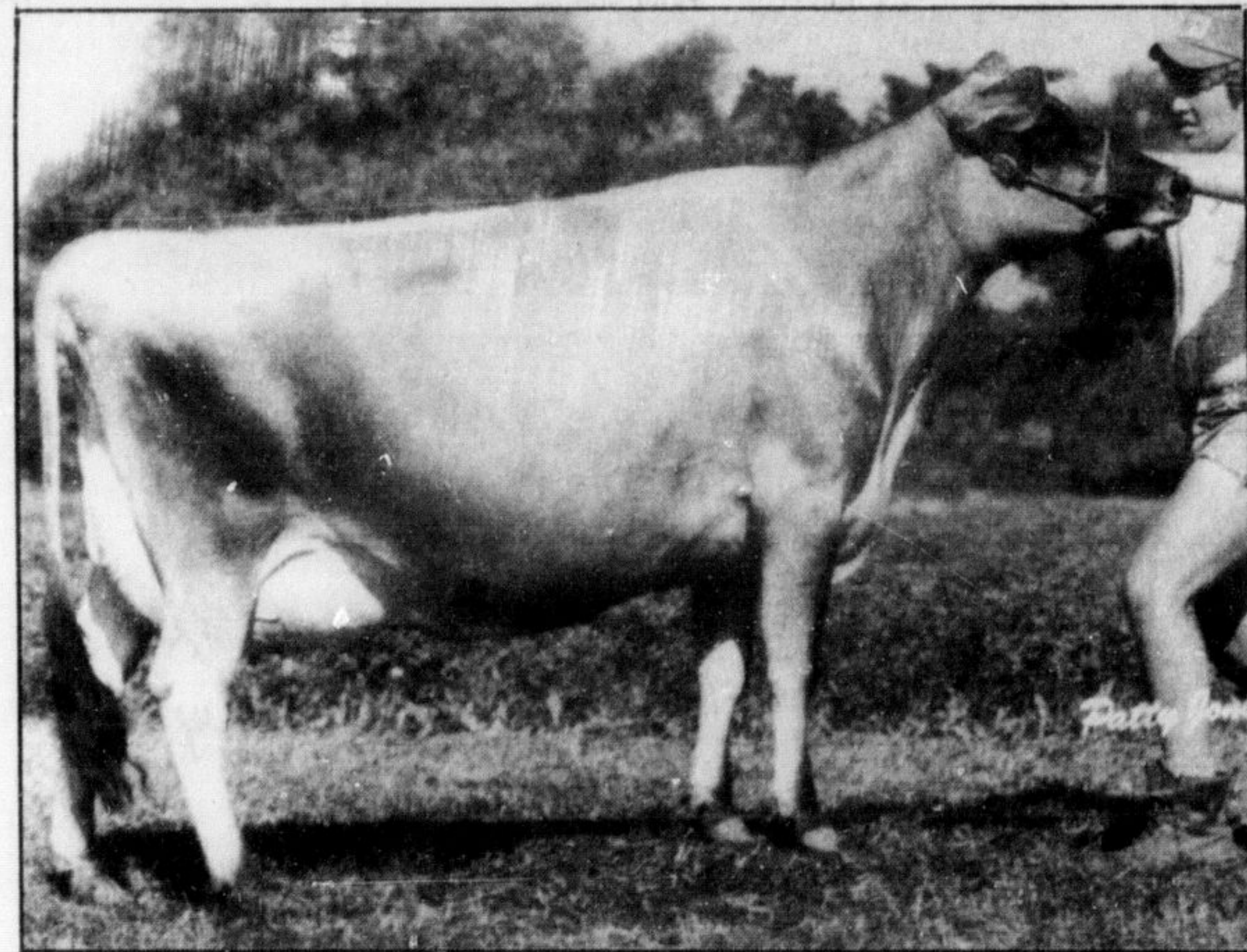
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Such Nomination Paper shall be filed during the period commencing on: THURSDAY, October 16th, 1980 through FRIDAY, October 17th, 1980 between the HOURS of 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.  
MONDAY, October 20th, 1980 between the HOURS of 8.30 to 5.00 p.m.  
Nominations may be filed for the following offices:

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**2 COUNCILLORS** - To serve on both the Regional and Town Councils. One such Councillor to be elected from the combined Wards 1 (Trafalgar), and 3 (Nassagaweya) and one such Councillor to be elected from Ward 2 (Milton).  
**8 COUNCILLORS** - to serve on the Town Council only. Two such Councillors to be elected from Ward 1 (Trafalgar), Four such Councillors to be elected from Ward 2 (Milton), and Two such Councillors to be elected from Ward 3 (Nassagaweya).

**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF HALTON**  
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**NOTE:** - As the Town of Milton is combined with the Town of Halton Hills to elect one Member to the Board of Education for the Regional Municipality of Halton to represent Roman Catholic Separate School Supporters in the respective Municipalities, Nominations for Candidates for the said Member will be received by the Returning Officer of the Corporation of the Town of Milton at the Milton Municipal Offices, 251 Main Street East, Milton, Ontario, between the hours of 8.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m., Thursday, October 16th, 1980 through Friday, October 17th, 1980 and Monday, October 20th, 1980 from 8.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

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Notice is also given that the Municipal Elections Act, 1977 provides that a Nomination Paper:  
(a) Shall be signed by at least ten electors whose names are entered on the preliminary list of electors or who have made application to have their names included on the list and who are entitled to vote;  
(b) Shall state the name and address of the candidate in such manner as will identify him and the office for which he is nominated; and  
(c) Shall state the name and address of each elector signing the nomination paper and, where the office for which the candidate is nominated is a member of a school board, that such nominator is a public school elector or a separate school elector, as the fact is; and  
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