

# Council Dog fines are passed

Milton's new dog control bylaw has gone into effect. Under the new rate system a dog caught by animal control officer George Harrington can be "redeemed" for \$15 the first time it is captured. A second offence for the same animal will cost \$26, and a third offence will bring a \$25 fee to have the animal released. In addition to these fines, an overtime charge of \$5 will be added if a dog is caught between 5 p.m. and 8 a.m. Dog licences are now on sale at \$1 each. They can be obtained at Milton Town Hall.

## Three appointed

Three citizen members have been appointed to the Board of Management for the Milton Downtown Business Improvement Area. The members are J.M. Ledwith, Herb Crowther and Mrs. Andrea Costigane. While they will be allowed to give input, the citizen members will not have voting status. The term covers 1981 and 1982.

## Crosswalks in

Crosswalks at Ontario St. near E.C. Drury School and at George St. near the senior citizen's residence have been officially created by bylaw. The crosswalks, officially known as "pedestrian crosswalks", will be painted on the roadway and there will be an overhead, illuminated sign. Failure to observe the crosswalk and stop when a pedestrian is passing can result in a fine under the Highway Traffic Act.

## OMB hearings

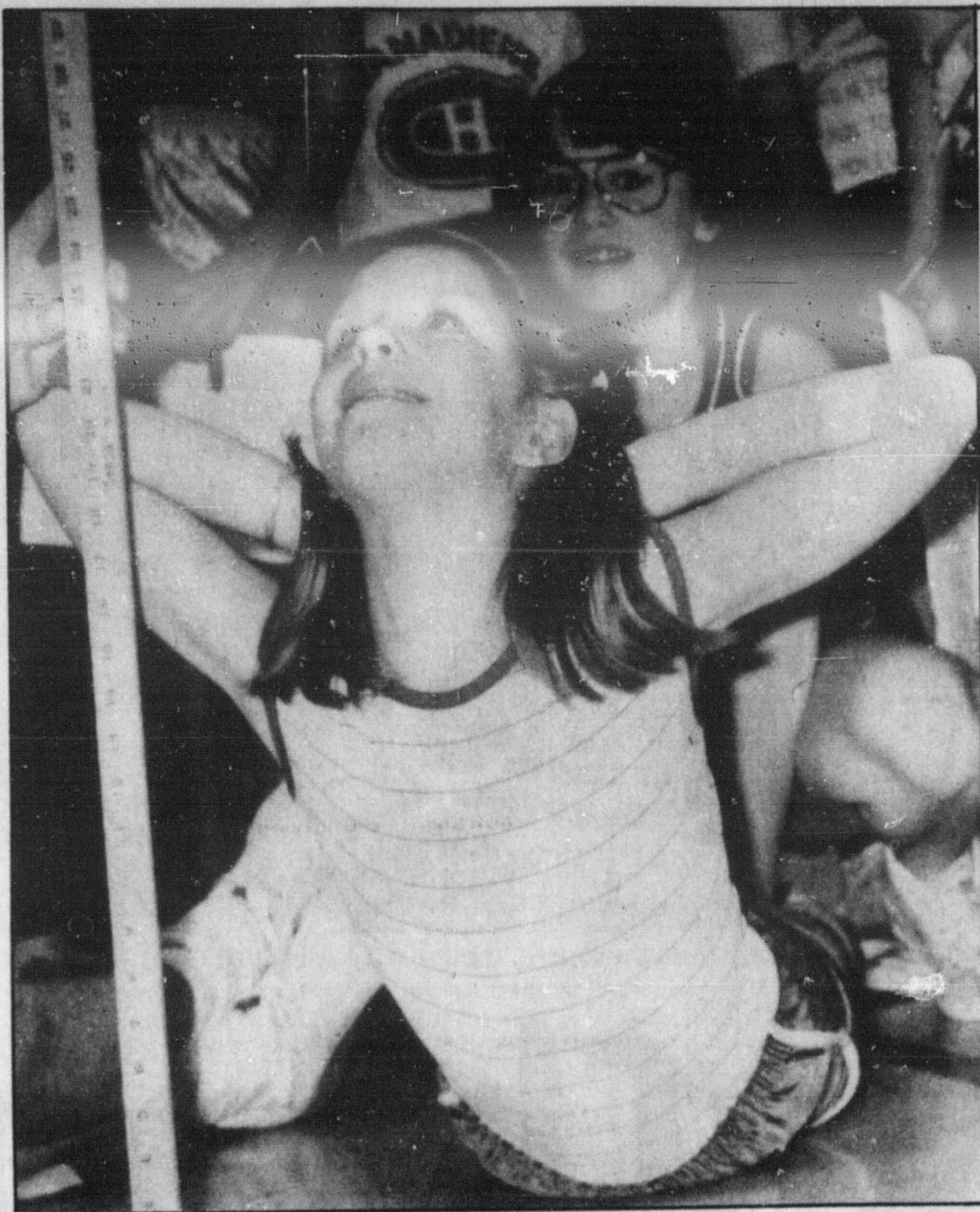
Two appeals by Halton Region against decisions by the Land Division Committee will be heard by the Ontario Municipal Board March 27. Milton Council has learned. The first hearing regards Halton Planning Department opposition to a land severance in Milton granted to Edward and Lucy Tor. The Tor's were allowed to sever their farm into a retirement lot and another lot for their daughter. Halton does not object to the retirement lot but does object to the smaller lot being given to the daughter as it might represent a non-farming use in an agriculturally zoned area. The second hearing will be against a decision to allow Conklin and Garrett to convert holding between Appleby Line and Bell School Line into three separate properties. Halton contends the three lots are all half the minimum size for a lot in an agricultural area.

## Scouts grateful

The Milton District Boy Scouts have thanked Milton Council for a \$750 grant. The money will be used to offset the \$560 per person cost of sending 13 boys and two leaders to the Canadian Scout Jamboree to Kananaskis Provincial Park in Alberta on July 1. "Once again thank you very much for the grant. It enables us to do our best to keep the "out" in scouting," said boy scout president Jim Strain.

## No vote change

Ontario Intergovernmental Affairs Minister Tom Wells has informed Milton he cannot support the proposal by an Ontario municipality to disenfranchise non-local landowners seeking council seats. The Township of North Burgess had appealed to Mr. Wells, and other Ontario municipalities to restrict voting qualifications for those holding municipal office to resident property landowners. Milton had received a request from the township to support the move but Milton declined. At a council discussion on the matter, it was thought unwise to restrict those running for office to only local residents. Councillor Brad Clements said such a restriction would not enable city people owning cottages in northern areas to seek a seat to represent their interests and the interests of other cottage owners. In his letter to Milton Council, Mr. Wells said "it is a very serious and difficult matter to disenfranchise citizens, in the context of their right to hold office, particularly as the government has long been committed to broadening Participation in the electoral process."



## S-T-R-R-E-T-C-H

Shelly Atkinson, 10 along with fellow Grade 4 and 5 students at Robert Baldwin saw how she measured up in the back extension flexibility test. Grade 13 students from M.M. Robinson High School in Burlington put the children through 20 different fitness tests for the community involvement portion of a fitness course. The tests, geared mainly for the children's enjoyment, were conducted Friday afternoon at Robert Baldwin.

## Junior Citizen of Year awards honor youths

Believing that the time has come for young people to be recognized for outstanding deeds performed in their community, the Ontario Weekly Newspaper Association (OWNA) and CP Air have decided to institute a Junior Citizen of the Year Awards Program. "When compared to the worthwhile contributions that youngsters are continually making, you soon realize the bad news always seems to outweigh the good news," explained Dave Wenger, President of the Ontario Weekly Newspaper Association. "We are going to do something about it by giving them the recognition they so rightly deserve." The announcement was made at the OWNA annual convention held in Toronto, March 6. The awards, to be presented annually, will go to boys and girls between the ages of 6 and 18 who have performed acts of physical heroism; overcome disabling physical or psychological handicaps; made meaningful contributions to personal family well-being or have been involved in some other worthwhile service. Competitors will be nominated by members of their own community who become aware of a youth who has performed an outstanding deed or accomplishment. Nomination forms will be available at all community newspaper offices, CP Air ticket sales outlets and all elementary and secondary schools. The awards will be presented at the OWNA convention next spring by the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, the Hon. John Black Aird. Fifteen of the most outstanding nominees as well as two group awards will receive a framed citation certificate outlining the individual or group's accomplishment; a savings bond; a Junior Citizen of the Year pin, and a family portrait with the Lieutenant Governor.

## Still three left

Council was told "no progress" has been made towards clearing up three remaining residential home buyouts in the Milton-Highway 401 Industrial Park, Amendment 7 area. Two developers, Tony Perotta and Jack Singer have until April 13 to complete arrangements to buy three homes along Fourth Line or the council will be asked to rezone all the area north of Highway 401 and east of the CPR track back to agricultural. Clerk Roy Main said a "high level" meeting of developers in that part of the industrial park was held recently, but he does not know the outcome. In the case of Mr. Perotta, he needs money to buy out the homes on his acreage and he says this is to come from other developers to compensate him for an 11-acre water storage pond which will go on his lands.

## Hint of hope for 15 families in need

The Ontario government is considering a plan which may yet put 15 geared-to-income families into the Domus Charitable Foundation subdivision. Milton Councillors all expressed surprise prior to Christmas when it was learned a group of Toronto companies, headed by the Delzotto Group, and a Toronto credit union might not be making up to 15 of its 120 units available for rent-geared-to-income and low income families. Although this had been the understanding when Milton Council reluctantly issued a building permit to the Domus Charitable Foundation; the group, headed by Domus spokesman Dennis Marsell have since stated conditions for entry into the subdivision may all be based on an income requirement. This requirement may be higher than geared-to-income families can pay. A meeting was held Feb. 3 with councillors, representatives from the Ontario Ministry of Housing, and Mr. Marsell. At that meeting, Domus said it might be willing to accept five families from Milton in desperate need of shelter. These five families would come from a waiting list in the hand of the Ministry of Housing's Community Housing Branch. Roy A. Holmes, director of the branch, has stated that he understands Domus may accept the five families the town wants placed and "the town expects Domus to respect the intent of the clause in its development agreement which requires that up to 15 or more tenants drawn from the Housing Authority's waiting list may be accommodated in the project as units become available and subject to need by eligible families. Mr. Holmes said that in response to a question at the meeting about supplementary assistance by the Ministry, he said there is consideration of subsidies which might be paid to private non-profit and co-operative housing corporations for eligible families or individuals on a geared-to-income basis. "Because this matter is still in the formative stage, I was unable to provide specific details, but indicated that I expected this new program to be in place in 1981," he said. Mr. Holmes has since confirmed on Feb. 12 the Ministry intention to have at least five needy families take units in the Domus project with some form of assistance.

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