

Man faces charges over break-in at Beer Store

A man has been arrested for allegedly breaking into the beer store and driving dangerously as he fled the scene.

A Halton Regional Police officer who responded to an alarm at The Beer Store on Millside Drive at 2:20 a.m. July 9 noticed a vehicle leaving, said Acting Det. Sgt. Kim Duncan.

But the car sped off with speeds reaching as

high as 120 km/h. A suspect was later arrested.

A 30-year-old Guelph Line man faces charges of break and enter and dangerous driving.

Woman assaulted

A 25-year-old woman suffered a black eye and a split lip after she was punched in the face at her No. 5 Sideroad home Sunday, police said.

A 30-year-old man of the same address faces an assault charge.

Construction site targeted

Two batteries worth \$300 apiece were taken from a Guelph Line construction site sometime last weekend.

The thief cut the cables on the batteries, which

were from a front end loader.

Money stolen

About \$180 cash was stolen from a wallet left under the seat of a Ford van August 4.

The van was parked at Kelso Conservation Area when the theft occurred. It's unknown how the locked vehicle was entered, police said.

Owner defends her dog

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manently "weepy."

The dog was put in a 10-day quarantine at Ms Freer's home by the Halton Regional Health Department in case it had rabies.

The quarantine ended last Friday and the dog is fine, Ms Freer said.

She said she no longer leaves Sheba chained unattended to the fence and is making sure the dog goes nowhere near Nikki.

She added that she has spoken to other families in the complex about the incident and they don't appear to fear the dog.

The attack is under investigation by the Oakville Humane Society, which has indi-

cated it has concerns about Sheba due to the serious nature of the bite.

Shelter manager Bronwyn Darnley has said she couldn't comment on the society's intentions with the animal, except that the focus will be on what's best to ensure the safety of the public.

She has said the society can take action under the Dog Owners Liability Act to seek a court order stating that the animal must be muzzled when it's in public, or even destroyed.

Ms Freer said she has no problem with muzzling the dog, but would fight any suggestion that the dog be put down.

Prisoner escort charged

A Halton Regional Police special constable faces sexual assault charges after the family of a prisoner complained to police.

The alleged victim is a 19-year-old Oakville woman, who was transported by a member of Halton police's court services bureau in late July.

One of the charges alleges that the escort officer sexually assaulted the woman in a prisoner holding cell area shared by the court house and police station in Oakville.

The second charge stems from an allega-

tion that he assaulted the prisoner in a police cruiser in rural Milton.

The charges involve inappropriate touching and oral sex, said Inspector Mike Kingston.

Special constables are not police officers. Their main responsibility is prisoner escort.

The 44-year-old special constable — a 19-year veteran of the service — has been suspended with pay. He will appear in Ontario Court in Oakville in September.

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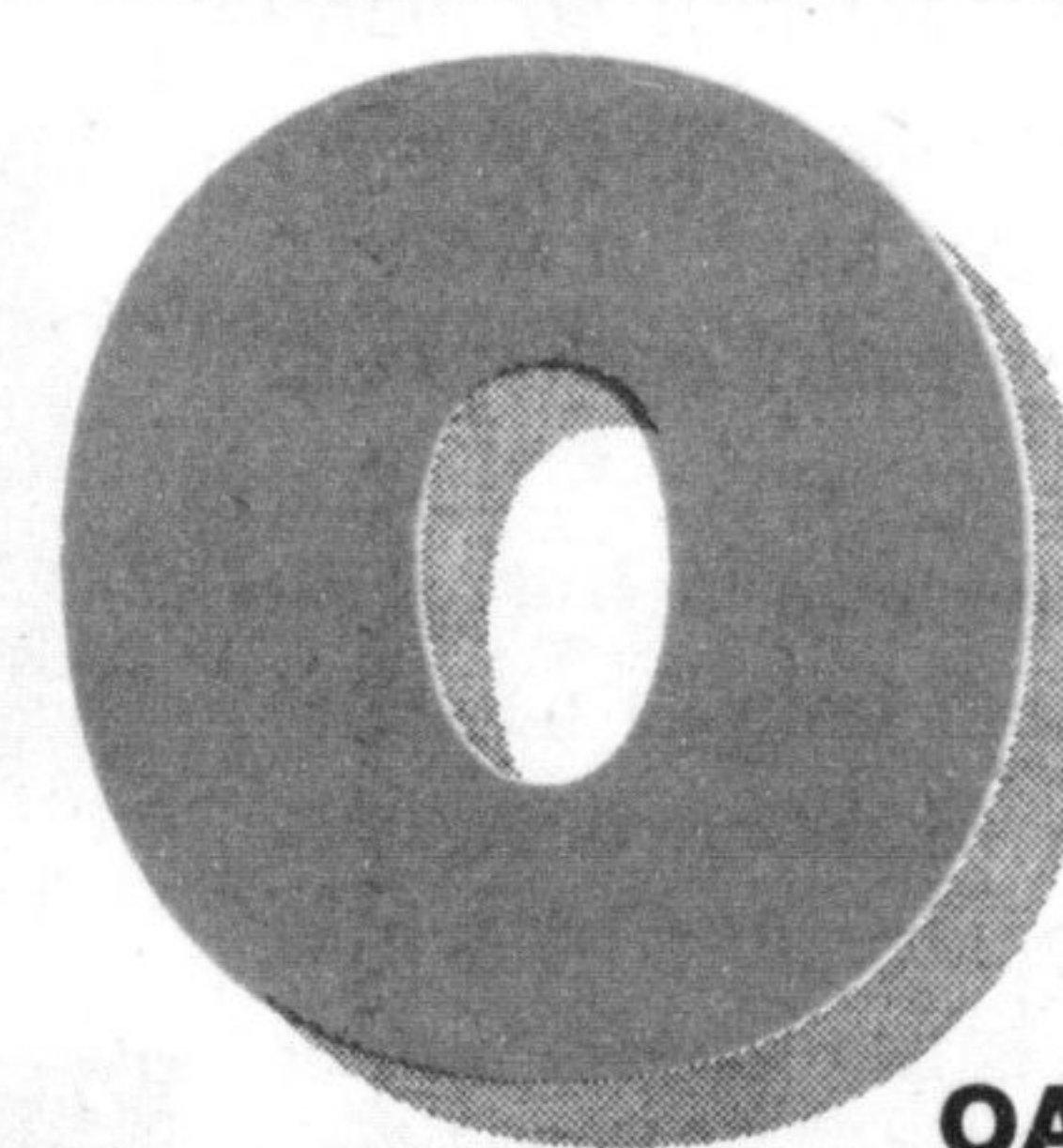
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