



Photo by GRAHAM PAINE

Cat in the hat

Kurtis Morrison, 12, steadies pet cat "Dudley" in his stylish head wear while competing in the Milton Fall Fair's Pet Show. The pair eventually won the cat division. See more fair photos on page 7.

Protected land

NEC says no way to developers' bid

By IRENE GENTLE
The Champion

Development should not be permitted on 179 hectares of protected land, the Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC) decided Thursday.

But the 9-3 verdict reached at an NEC meeting in Tobermory does not deliver a fatal blow to the aspirations of four landowners to build on their lands, said

Cops called to quell brawling

By KAREN SMITH
The Champion

The Milton Heights neighbourhood was disrupted by a large group of youths who police say became violent after partying at a nearby home.

Two residents of Milton Heights Crescent called police after seeing about 20 teenagers chasing two youths through the neighbourhood September 19 at 12:30 a.m.

Wakened by the sounds of yelling and fighting at the front of her home, Teresa Lewin of Milton Heights Crescent called police. So did another neighbour.

"It was like a gang of loose horses," said Ms Lewin. "I was terrified. The worst thing was I couldn't understand what was happening or why."

She said she heard a male youth yell out "I'm going kill ya."

Ms Lewin said she was soon comforted by the arrival of the police helicopter, which flashed its floodlights onto the area, prompting the youths to disperse.

But the group returned a little while later and Ms Lewin made a second call to police. A patrol officer responded to the scene both times, but none of the youths rounded up would reveal any details, said Det. Sgt. Jackie Gordon of Halton Regional Police.

The officer, who also paid a visit to the

Mitch Fasken, vice-president of real estate at Jannock Properties Inc.

"We didn't expect anything different," he said.

Jannock, along with John Grant, the numbered company 825927 Ontario Inc. and Central Milton Holdings, have applied for their lands to be released from the restrictive Niagara Escarpment Plan (NEP).

Their combined properties are bordered by Bronte Road to the east, Tremaine Road to the west, and Main street to the south. They then veer north towards Milton Heights on the CPR line.

The NEC decision was lauded by Protect Our Water and Environmental Resources (POWER) spokesperson Barb Halsall.

She was one of a dozen or more environmentalists who arrived at the meeting — many via a specially chartered bus — to lobby the NEC to protect the lands.

"We are certainly pleased," she said. "The NEC are taking a strong position."

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NEWSLINES

Amity appreciates help

Amity Goodwill celebrated three years of community service by saying thanks to Milton recently.

"We have found the people of Milton to be very supportive of Amity's work, knowing that the items they donate and the purchases they make in our store contribute to our goal of providing job training programs," said Andrea McQuilter, store manager. "A big thank you to Milton for our continued success."

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