

Crash destroys cars, but motorists not badly hurt

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The Champion

Luck was on the side of local residents last Friday when a head-on collision in rural Milton demolished two vehicles but left those involved with only minor injuries.

The crash — at No. 15 Sideroad, west of Sixth Line — could have been a lot worse, said Const. Clive Hubbard of Halton

Regional Police.

"It was a very serious collision," he said.

The accident happened at about 6:15 p.m. when a 1990 Toyota Corolla, driven by Cathy Miller, 36, of Moffat hit a patch of oily substance on the road.

"I was coming to an 'S' turn and put on my brakes to slow down," she said.

That's when she hit the slippery stretch and lost control of her car, sliding across the centre lane and colliding with a 2000 Dodge Caravan.

The driver of the van, a 30-year-old Miltonian, received minor injuries. Her two-year-old daughter was not hurt.

"When the car stopped, I saw flames coming out of the hood," Ms Miller said in an interview with The Champion Tuesday.

Ms Miller said she went to get out of the car, when her foster puppy, an eight-month-old black lab named Jordie, bolted from the vehicle. Jordie, who belongs to the Lions Club K9 division in Oakville and will be trained as a seeing eye dog, was asleep on the passenger seat and didn't wake until impact, Ms Miller said.

Despite calling Jordie, the dog disappeared.

Ms Miller said she went to see how the people in the other vehicle were. She said she saw the woman walking around with her daughter in her arms.

Both cars were written off in the accident.

"I was lucky and thankful," said Ms Miller. **• see DOG on page 19**

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