

# Project Safe Start targets unsafe drivers

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Wednesday wasn't a good day for the 10 or so drivers pulled over that morning by a traffic enforcement officer with yours truly peeking over his shoulder.

Just ask the young, smartly-dressed woman in oversized sunglasses who was motioned to the side of the road at about 10 a.m.

As she put out her cigarette, Halton Regional Police Const. Gary Schultz approached her four-door Honda Civic and she rolled down the window.

Her explanation didn't go far.

"You're driving in a school zone," Schultz replied. "It's well posted."

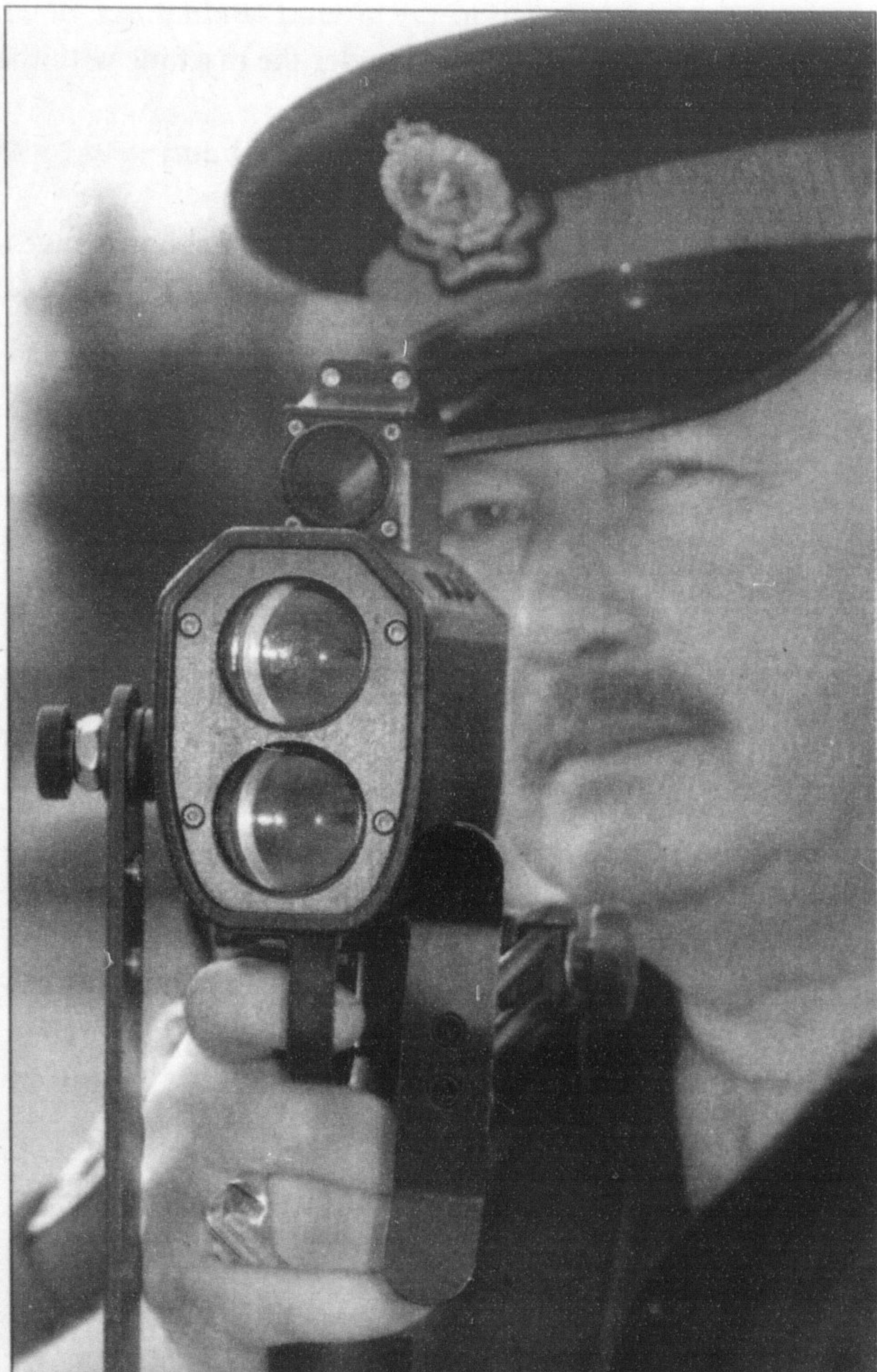
Clocked by radar at 71 km in a 50 km/h community safety zone — which means fines are doubled — this woman started her day with a \$197.50 ticket.

Other drivers were lucky enough to be let off with warnings.

Ticketed or not, everyone who traveled west along Main Street near Bishop Reding School Wednesday morning was at the very least reminded by the cruiser's presence to slow down.

And that's one of the objectives of Project Safe Start, a traffic initiative that'll continue until next Friday. The

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