

# All kinds of garbage and discarded items found during spring clean-up



Sarim Nadeem was one of many volunteers who came out to clean up the rural area last month. Spring clean ups are becoming more and more important, as rural dumping continues to increase. *Graham Paine / Canadian Champion (Follow on Twitter @halton\_photog)*

came into effect April 1.

There's a three-bag limit, but residents are able to get extra complimentary tags that can be used until September 7.

However starting September 9, garbage tags will cost \$2 per tag and can only be purchased in sheets of five tags (\$10 per sheet).

Still, Lunau admits dumping persists throughout the rural areas, despite the community's best efforts in trying to keep the area free of litter through Good Neighbours Community Day, Earth Day and Nassagaweya clean-ups.

The last clean-up, which took place on April 20, saw a number of volunteers out collecting bags full of empty water bottles, coffee cups and other debris and items like tires and old televisions.

Lunau notes that dumping doesn't only happen on quieter streets, but it also happens on well-travelled roads like Guelph Line.

She recently saw insulation materials dumped alongside the major arterial road.

"I'm not sure why people feel the interior of their car is more sacred than our countryside," she said. "It just boggles my

mind."

Lunau said it comes down to prosecution, which can be tough, and changing social attitudes.

Garbage that is dumped is usually not identifiable, which makes it difficult to fine a person, she said.

"Unless people feel it's truly socially unacceptable, some people will continue to do it," added Lunau.

She said it's important to continue on with public awareness campaigns to deter people from dumping garbage. She said community clean-ups also help as people are more likely to litter in areas where there is already garbage.

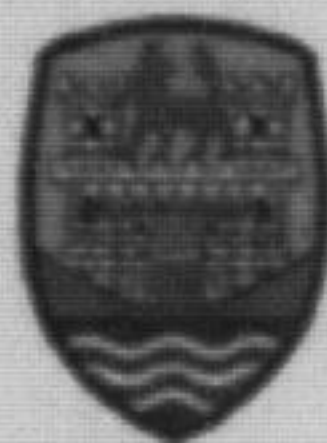
Cripps added to help the Town enforce its bylaws, help from residents is needed to report people who are littering or dumping waste. A licence plate number and the location will help enforcement officers track people down. Call the Town at (905) 878-7252, ext. 2137.

The Town also continues to put up signs in the rural area to help deter people from dumping waste.

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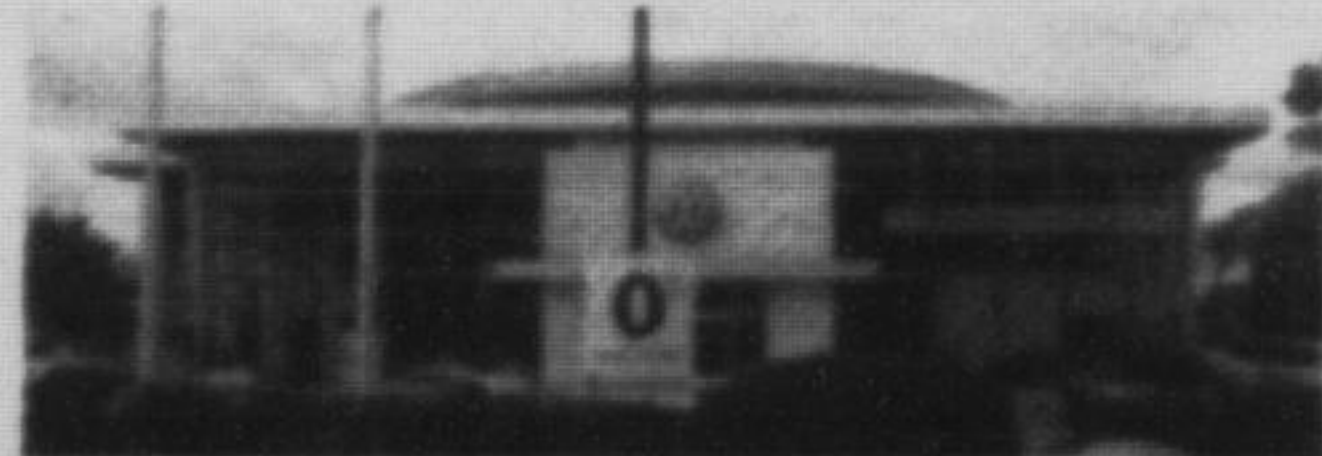
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