

# Town police

## False pretences charged

Penetanguishene police charged a Midland youth with obtaining goods under false pretences, following an incident at a town store April 8. A spokesman said a cheque was cashed at the store on that date, and no bank account existed to cover it. Charged by constable Graham Whiteside is Wayne Contois, 17, of Princess Street in Midland.

## Stolen car found

Quick work by constable Bernard Maracle of the Penetanguishene police early Sunday morning resulted in a stolen car being returned to its owner and two Penetanguishene youths charged with joyriding. The car, valued at \$2,000 was reported stolen at 12:45 a.m. Sunday, by its owner Marguerite Ruth, of Champlain Road. It had been parked on Simcoe Street, as was found on Church Street about an hour later by Maracle.

No damage was apparent to the car, and Michel Bechard, 21, of Burke Street, and Gary Belcourt, 20, of Water Street were charged.

## Front end loader burns

At 11:40 a.m. Saturday, the Penetanguishene fire and police departments answered a call to Ken's Esso on Main Street to extinguish a front end loader which had caught fire. No estimate of damage is available. About 12 hours later they were again called out to a different location, only to discover it was a false alarm.

## Sailboat damaged

Overnight Friday, someone released a rope on the main mast of a sailboat at the town docks, allowing the boom to fall. Damage to the boat, owned by Robert McKillip of Lucy Street, is estimated at \$60. The incident is still under investigation.

# Smelt should start their run this week

The smelt should begin their run for 1975 this weekend or early next week unless the weather takes a drastic turn for the worse.

According to a spokesman for the fish and wildlife branch of the Ministry of Natural Resources in Midhurst, a few smelt are showing up in the Moom River near Parry Sound and in Lake Simcoe, but as far as he is concerned the run is not on yet.

He said that for the past few years the fish have not been abundant in Georgian Bay, and the only place in this area with a sizeable run is around Honey Harbour.

They may have petered out in Georgian Bay, but he will almost guarantee fish to come in Lake Simcoe. Apparently the lake has seen a good run for four years, and officials are expecting "an even better one this year."

Though the run may actually last a couple of weeks, the smelt are only heavy for

five or six days.

The only season for smelt is when they're running and there is no limit to the catch. The spokesman said smelt fishers could take as many as they want, "and I hope they take a lot." A dip net requires no licence, while a seine net requiring several handers needs a licence at a cost of one dollar, available at the offices in Midhurst.

He suggests fishers try any place with a bay and a small stream feeding it. A few of the known places close to the Midland-Penetanguishene area are: the Stream between McRae Lake and Georgian Bay, the Atherly narrows, the foot of Gill or High streets in Orillia, Bluss Creek off Highway 11B, Carthew Bay, the Hawkstone Public Wharf, Minet Point off Highway 11, or Pain-swick.

The ministry will be checking the smelt runs, but according to the spokesman the fish were so thick in some of the small streams last year that the water was bubbling.



## Get set for some cookies

Kimberley Anne Marchand of Maria Street in Penetanguishene, on the left in the picture above, and Teresa Puddicombe of Main Street are only two of the girl guides and brownies who will be knocking on doors this weekend in an effort to sell girl guide cookies and thereby raise money for their groups. Teresa and Kimberley Anne are members of the Second Guide Company, which meets in the Basement sale at 75 cents per box.

# Junior Civitans biking

The Midland and District Junior Civitans and their supporters will be biking it on Sunday, May 11 in order to raise money for a variety of community projects in the area.

The bikers will be wending their way on a 35-mile course, beginning at the Midland Civic Centre on the

Sunday morning. The course will take those with a great deal of stamina through Balm Beach, up to the 16th concession of Tiny Township, through Georgian Bay estates, up the 18th concession, along the old Thunder Bay road, to Penetanguishene, out through and over to Vindin

Street, along Bayshore Drive in Midland, to William, to Yonge, and back again to the Civic Centre.

About 95 per cent of the route is paved.

There will be five check points along the route, and at the end of it all, food and drink at the finish line.

As an incentive for the bikers this year, 10 per cent of money collected by the individual (if it's over \$35 or \$1 per mile) may be kept by the biker.

Last year, Civicycle raised \$1,700 to aid local projects and activities, with 184 people entering the bike-athon.

Pledge sheets for the 1975 version of Civicycle are available at any local sports shop, and all schools in the Midland-Penetanguishene area. If you want to enter support someone with a bike and a little energy, contact Dave Collins at 526-4312.

# 18-year-old jailed on joyriding conviction

Eighteen-year-old Brent Bylow of Midland was jailed for 30 days on each of two charges of joyriding after he pleaded guilty in Penetanguishene Provincial court last Thursday.

Presiding Judge L.T. Montgomery, noting a previous conviction and probationary sentence for car theft, said Bylow had been "given an opportunity to rehabilitate yourself, and as the court has been fair with you once (it must) deal a little more severely with you now."

In another case Thursday, one Christian Island youth was jailed and a second given a suspended sentence and 12 months probation after pleading guilty to stealing a car owned by one of the Indian band members.

David Sylvester, 17, was jailed for 60 days as the judge noted he was on

probation at the time of the offence, and Kenneth Marsden, 16, received a suspended sentence for a first offence.

The most important thing for Marsden, according to the judge, was to "do something — get a job..." The youth is unemployed and out of school.

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It has become known as Student Government Day, and breaks the usual tedium of class routine. Students will take over the roles of the principal, vice-principal, the three guidance teachers, the three librarians, the office staff, four janitors, and the teachers.

Each of the students will handle the job seriously and to the best of his ability. In effect, the shoe is on the other foot. The student will get the feel of an office or sitting in front of a class. If the student has been a

trouble-maker all year, he might all of a sudden find his lesson being disrupted by a teacher giving the teacher-for-a-day a taste of his own medicine.

According to student council president Tim Robitaille, the program also has value helping students determine their future occupation. Often the real teacher gives a test the next school day just to see how much of the lesson sunk in.

Robitaille claims the day remains in control, overseen by the principal and vice-principal. It is all done on a volunteer basis.

Asked whether he will adopt a role, Robitaille was uncertain. He said he might, and continued, "the staff

seem to enjoy it. It gives them a break and the teachers have a chance to get back. Our math class is pretty bad for that (being lively), so..."

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# Rocky Shores Guiding

Parents of our brownie, guide and ranger packs are requested to billet the guests on the evening of August 12. Elaine Edwards, divisional public relations director, is in charge of planning events.

Mrs. Edwards would like to hear from the parents who intend to have these girls in their homes. Her number is 534-3256. It is a wonderful opportunity for our children to learn of guiding in other parts of Canada.

The group leaves for Toronto on August 13, and their trip will end with a rally at the Canadian National Exhibition grounds on August 15.

**Cookie Blitz**  
Spring is here and so is cookie day — the annual cookie blitz is set for Saturday May 3, starting at 9:30 a.m. All parents are asked to come to St. Ann's Church basement in Penetanguishene to help with the driving or distribution and checking of boxes of cookies.

Profits from the sale of cookies are divided among the individual packs, so all money benefits our children.

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