



Having a good time

CBO Parks and Recreation and the Balm Beach Chamber of Commerce combined Saturday to host a summerfest at the beach which attracted a large crowd and a parade to boot.

Platt carries the ball at Monday's meet

Alderman Richard Platt left his mark on Monday night's meeting as he introduced a number of resolutions near the end of the session.

A notice of motion he had included on the agenda and another he planned to table were both withdrawn for the time being.

The Ward 3 alderman who also heads up the town's finance committee easily carried Monday night's meeting which for the most part went off without a hitch.

Alderman Platt's ability to do his

homework before attending council meetings was again in evidence Monday.

Meanwhile more than 36 spectators attended the meeting however only a few managed to stick it out to the very end.

Most were the only to support their pet causes and then leave something which usually occurs in Midland.

Man arrested following complaint

William Dodds, 40, of Mildred Street, Midland, was arrested

and charged with fraud Monday morning as the result of a complaint made to police Aug. 7.

However with the fall municipal election looming there's a good chance more people will show up (as they always do) to see what goes on before decided if they should run for office or support one of the incumbents or set out to seek other candidates who they'll urge to seek office...

The routine is a regular as death and taxes.

Meanwhile a report was received by Midland police Sunday from a Manly Street resident, Dave Hudson, that water skis worth \$150 had been stolen.

A wood splitter weighing 400 pounds and worth \$900 was taken sometime last Wednesday or Thursday from the Bike Shop on Bay Street.

Police on patrol at 3 a.m. Saturday discovered one of the posts holding a chain across the entrance to Pete Petterson park had been sawn off with a chain saw.

A 25-year-old woman fractured her neck and damaged her spine Sunday around midnight after she dove off a four foot high dock into less than three feet of water.

Malissa Langevin, an Oakville resident, struck her head on a rock, Midland OPP reports.

Her injuries were diagnosed at Huronia District Hospital. She was continued on to Toronto by ambulance.

The accident occurred on the beach along Robin's Point Road, Victoria Harbour.

Trees fare better than pickup truck

Midland police report an accident involving a Ford Bronco and a tree early Saturday evening.

The unoccupied pickup truck, police say, was parked on Seventh Street on the west side

facing north. It rolled forward, crossed the street, and hit a tree on Seventh Street.

Damage to the truck was assessed at \$750. The tree was undamaged, police say.

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Validated ticket parking program still up in the air

by Murray Moore

The decision as to whether to go ahead with a validated ticket parking program in downtown Midland will be made at a meeting tonight, says Bob Voorzanger.

He is the chairman of the parking committee of the Midland downtown Business Improvement Association (BIA).

The BIA executive will meet tonight to consider the results of its campaign to drum up support for the idea.

The response to the mail canvas was less than the committee had hoped for, although better than the usual response to a mail canvas, Voorzanger said.

Forty responses came back in reply to about 150 letters. The committee was hoping for a 75 per cent response.

A door-to-door canvas is being conducted now. Voorzanger hopes the number in favour will increase before Wednesday's meeting.

Five or six of the 40 respondents have their business outside the BIA boundary. This is significant because, while they would not be reimbursed their expense in paying back to shoppers their parking meter money, they still support the idea.

Under the scheme, a shopper will park in a parking lot and receive two tickets, instead of one. One goes in his car window, the other he can take to a participating store and get a cash refund.

The store-owner in turn gets his money back from the BIA, which gets its funds through an annual levy of all businesses within its boundary.

Voorzanger hopes enough businesses will participate so that the public will not be confused over which stores validate tickets and which stores do not.

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