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## Taxi? Seniors Ride Free

August was free taxi month for senior citizens in the Richmond Hill, Richvale, Thornhill area, and hundreds took advantage of Avenue Taxi's offer of a free ride each Wednesday of the month.

Residents of Dufferin Court senior citizens apartments were particularly appreciative, commenting, "The drivers were so nice. They are always nice, but this month they seemed especially so, and it has meant so much to us."

The service was available within a five mile radius of the pick-up point, and many seniors took advantage of it to do their shopping, or to visit friends. Pictured above, Mr. and Mrs. James Moreland of Cartier Crescent are being picked up by Karl Spracklin, vice-president of the association of independent taxi owners who sponsored the service.

## Debby Young, Gentles, Griffiths Pass National Lifeguard Course At Aurora

What does the term "lifeguard" mean to you? According to the National Lifeguard Service, a lifeguard is "those persons who, as volunteers or as paid personnel, undertake to safeguard swimmers at a specific area." This is accomplished first by a total awareness of water safety and its applications and secondly by the knowledge of and ability to perform the latest in lifesaving techniques.

In the early 1960's a number of organizations involved in aquatics recognized the need to establish a standard of training that would be recognized across the country as one giving professional status to lifeguards. In response to this need, the National Lifeguard Service was founded in 1964 as a result of the combined efforts of the National Council of the YMCA, the Society of Directors of Municipal Recreation of Ontario, the Canadian Red Cross Water Safety Service and the Royal Lifesaving Society Canada.

This month, a pilot national lifeguard course for people presently working in aquatic programs was run by Willy Mueller, manager of the Aurora Pool. The course was a pilot program in that

since the candidates were all presently working swimming pool employees, only 15 hours were spent on course preparation instead of the usual 30 to 36 hours. The course candidates, 16 staff members from pools in Newmarket, Aurora and Richmond Hill, proved that such an abbreviated program could be successful when 14 of them passed the test last week. Examiner Judy Trevelyan, well known in aquatic circles in Toronto, was impressed with the standards displayed by the candidates but warned them that as professional lifeguards displaying the insignia of the National Lifeguard Service, they must constantly strive for improvement in techniques and ability in the performance of their duties. Miss Trevelyan pointed out that the National Lifeguard Service certificate is presently being studied as the only recognized qualification for lifeguards at public pools and beaches in Ontario.

Those who qualified from the Richmond Hill staff were Locker Attendant Debby Young, Instructor-Guard Mark Griffiths and Assistant Manager Stephen Gentles. It is hoped that next year will bring an enlarged program to qualify professional lifeguards in the area.

## Former Resident Recalls Childhood Days

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for tennis. But its charm for me lay in the English violets which grew in profusion perfuming the air in spring. Their fragrance suggests the wonder of those fresh days.

The doctor's office was dark, with big leather chairs, and a collection of South American butterflies in a huge frame on the wall. The beauty of their blue served to distract one from the pain of a tooth- or tummy-ache.

There was no area of that house not explored by us children. It was a marvellous place, from the attic, where a skeleton frightened us — the back stairs, the sign of a mansion to us — the bathroom, where we slid into the cold water on hot days — the upstairs room, where the Christmas Tree stood, a marvel to us who hung our stockings over the foot of the bed on Christmas Eve — the dining room with a small serving window open to the kitchen — a marvellous help to the cook, I thought (we didn't need it; most of the time we ate in the kitchen) — the kitchen itself, long and bare, the scene of many an operation, as we used an old kit of the doctor's (the doses of mustard, pepper, brown sugar, we made in the small bottles were not exactly palatable) — the smooth long bannister on which we loved to slide (we did not like the knob in the middle at the end; I wished they'd remove it; it was a real hazard) — the stairs where I read books to the son of the family before he started to school, the doctor listening, smiling in the background — to the huge verandah, where we swung in the hammock as we made our way over the Atlantic in the Great War, to fight

the back yard had magic, too, in the long metal hitching poles, ideal for skinning the cat, the huge maples with branches just right for climbing. How free we felt as we swayed in the wind on the top limbs!

Then there was the doctor's car, one of the first Fords in Richmond Hill. (Dave Hill had the other). The Model T had curtains one could pull down in the rain, but the air was more glorious on sunny days. Only my hat would keep flying off, to the doctor's exasperation. Finally he decreed there would be no more rides until mother had sewed an elastic on it. There were drives to farms through summer along the roads bright with daisies and buttercups, the song-sparrows sweet in the air, the scene of clover permeating it.

The blacksmith's shop stood at the end of the doctor's lane, on Yonge Street. Its yard was always full of teams waiting to be shod. Fine teams they were, from the huge Percherons of the Langstaff Jail Farm to the big bays of James McLean. The coldest day of winter, the hottest of summer brought the most business, for the farmers then sought relief from their work. Dad, exhausted, would slip up to the house for an egg-nog with a drop of the "cratur" in it. What tremendous strength he had! He held the record for the number of shoes put on in a day, as well as that for the number of tires set.

That operation always fascinated me. There was a round metal ring, in the centre of which huge tree roots were set ablaze. Then when the tire was stretched and beaten into the shape of

## Family Shooting Day Sunday At Cold Creek

Which member of the family scores highest on the rifle range? Is it dad? mom? son or daughter?

You can find out by taking part in the family shooting day at the Cold Creek Conservation Area this Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Cold Creek Area is one of the 13 conservation areas administered by the Metro Conservation Authority and is located between Bolton and Nobleton north of the King Sideroad.

The event includes rifle shooting and trap shooting as well as a running deer target for centre-fire rifles. Guns available for those who do not have their own, with the exception of the high-powered ones (they must bring their own ammunition). The only fee is the nominal \$1.00 parking charge for cars and the cost of ammunition used.

The family shooting day is being sponsored by the West Toronto Fish and Game Protective Association in conjunction with the authority.

Other family entertainment will be provided. From 1 p.m. on, movies will be shown by the Department of Lands and Forests; there will be a demonstration of family camping units by the Canadian Family Camping Federation, and Smokey the Bear will be in attendance courtesy of the Ontario Forestry Association.

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## Field Trips Featured At Several Conservation Areas This Weekend

A special three mile hike through the beautiful Albion Hills Conservation Area, just north of Bolton on Highway No. 50 this Sunday will be the highlight of this weekend's conducted field trips by the Metro Conservation Authority.

The special hike will commence at 2 pm and will include nature trails, the managed woodlot and farm. Hikers will meet at the entrance to the nature trail.

This weekend sees the resumption of the regular conducted field trips through some

of the conservation areas for the next seven weekends. They will take place this weekend at the following areas:

- Saturday: Albion Hills, just north of Bolton on Highway 50, 2 pm and 3:30 pm.
- Boyd Area, just north of Woodbridge, 2 pm and 3:30 pm.
- Bruce's Mill, two miles east of Don Mills Road on the Gormley Road in Markham Township, 2 pm and 3:30 pm.
- Sunday: Boyd Area, 2 pm and 3 pm.
- Bruce's Mill, 2 pm and 3:30 pm.
- Greenwood Area, four miles north of Pickering on the Greenwood Road, at 2 pm.
- Clarendon Area, in Pickering Township, 1 1/2 miles north of Highway 7 on Sideroad 10, at 8:59-5425.

## Centennial Swimmers County Championship

The final league meet of the York County Summer Swim League held at the Aurora Pool on the weekend of August 29-30 saw a strong team of local swimmers edge Thornhill for the league championship. The contest, hard fought throughout, saw Richmond Hill accumulate 358 points to Thornhill's 325. Third place went to Aurora with 157 points, while Markham finished fourth with 122 points, Stouffville fifth with 105 points and Unionville sixth with 45 points.

On the basis of these results next year's competition for the league will see Richmond Hill, Thornhill and Aurora competing in the "A" division with Markham, Unionville and Stouffville swimming in the "B" section.

Swimmers achieved 71 time standards during the course of the meet, twenty-two of them being won by Richmond Hill swimmers. This must be acknowledged as an outstanding achievement considering that the Aurora Pool is 25 metres long, some 7 feet longer than the 25 yard distance that the standards are set for. Local swimmers to win awards are:

- Gold: David Forbes, Birgit Pfening and Lorna Griffiths.
- Silver: Bridget Harris, David Forbes, Birgit Pfening, Karen Pfening, Ken Lund and George Barr.
- Bronze: Karen Pfening (2), David Forbes (2), Debby Young (2), Jennifer Hunter (2), Lorna Griffiths, Cathy Buck, Mary Lamb, Kerry Chapman and Karen Chapman. Of the 32

## Auto Body Boys Tie Series 1-1 Edge Kent Clothes By 2-1 Count

The young, upstart Richmond Hill Auto Body team edged Kent Clothes 2-1 last week to tie their best-of-three Richmond Hill and District Fastball League semi-finals at one game apiece.

Third and final game was slated for this Tuesday with the winner advancing into the finals against either Unionville or Aurora Merchants. Unionville now leads the series one game to nothing.

The Kent-Auto Body game was a scoreless pitching duel for six innings between Auto Body's Stan Hammond and Kent's Larry Guio each of whom allowed just two hits to that point.

Auto Body tallied single runs in the seventh and eighth innings and held the Clothers to single markers in the ninth to gain the decision.

The seventh inning saw Moe Williamson, one of the few veterans on the Auto Body squad, open the inning with a single. With one out, Ian Oliver dropped a bunt down the third base line and was thrown out at first.

Williamson, showing great daring, continued running toward third. The throw from Ken Goddard to Catcher John McDonald covering was in time to get Williamson but the ball spun out of his glove and Williamson was waved home.

The metal benders got their second tally in the eighth inning which turned out to be hit. He smacked a pair of the winning one. There was

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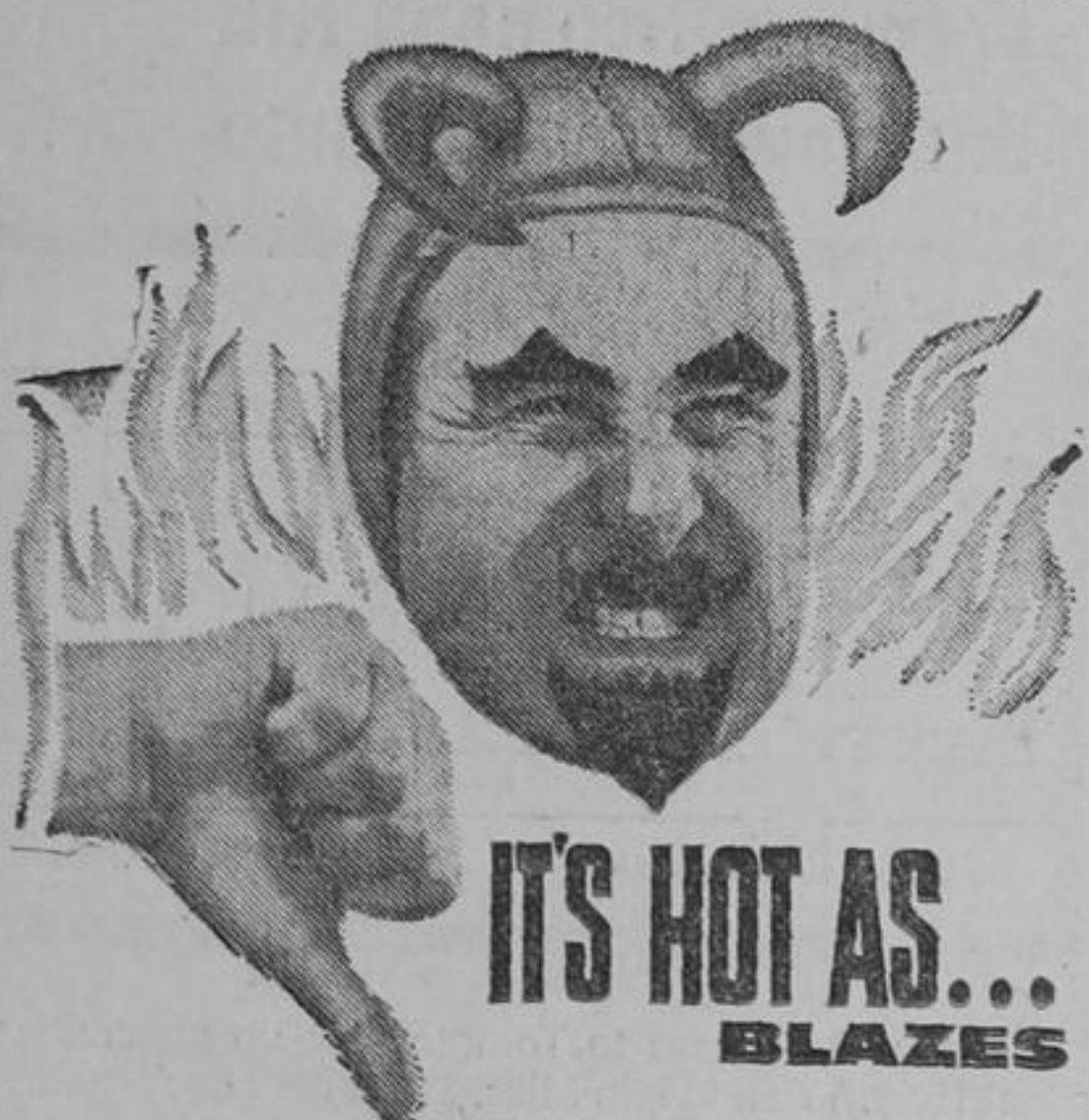
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