

By Mary Dawson
Richmond Hill's Town Council will have five new members for the 1975-76 term. For the first time its membership will include two women — Regional Councillor Mrs. Lois Hancey and Ward 4 Councillor Mrs. Marylo Graham.

their ballots Monday. Two years ago the percentage was only 36.
The race for the mayoralty saw David Schiller, a former councillor, compile a total of 6,002 votes to incumbent William Lazenby's 3,394.
The result of this race was never in doubt from the time results from the first polls were fed into the computer. Lazenby conceded at 9:07 o'clock, a little more than an hour after the polls closed at 8 pm.
The mayor-elect called for

a full-time mayor, meaningful citizen participation and responsive government during his campaign. He was supported by a large and hard-working group of citizens.
Recent law graduate
A recent graduate of Osgoode Hall Law School, he is articling in Unionville. At 37 he is also a professional engineer, a 1960 graduate of the University of Toronto.
Mayor-elect Schiller lectured at Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, obtained practical ex-

perience with General Electric and was in a private consulting practice for a time.
During his time at law school he specialized in municipal law and undertook assignments with the provincial Departments of Justice and Municipal Affairs. He trained with the RCAF and was commissioned as a Pilot Officer in 1959.
Schiller was elected to Richmond Hill council in 1969 and served on all its committees. In 1972 he was defeated by William

Lazenby in a bid for the mayoralty.
Schiller lives at 51 Markham Road, a residence he owns, with his wife, Marilyn, and sons, Mark and Trevor.
Led polls
The two incumbents, Lois Hancey and Gord Rowe were returned to the regional council seats with Councillor Lou Wainwright in third position.
Hancey led the polls with 5,973 votes, Rowe had 3,927, Wainwright 3,368, George 1,749 and Fuller 802.
Leader in the regional

council race, Lois Hancey, has 11 years experience in the municipal field. She was first elected to council in 1964 as Ward 3 Councillor and in 1973 stepped up to regional council.
During her campaign Hancey pledged on behalf of the people of Richmond Hill to continue to apply integrity, responsiveness and common sense to local and regional council affairs.
She also has taken an active interest in many other facets of community life and has served on many committees, both those of

council and those of community groups. Mrs. Hancey and her husband Lionel have two sons, George and Arthur. They live at 173 Sussex Avenue.
Roe a veteran
Gord Rowe has nine years of municipal political experience — five years on King Township Council and four years as a Richmond Hill regional councillor.
He and his wife, Melissa, live at 45 Elmgrove Avenue. They have been married for 34 years and have five children: Anne, Gord, Ted, John and Melissa.

During his campaign, Rowe called for visionary, yet realistic, planning which will provide the municipality and region with a balance between residential, industrial, commercial and park development.
He wants continued support for family services; continuance of the road and sidewalk construction program; grade separation on Markham Road; completion of Elgin Mills Sideroad and Major Mackenzie Drive; orderly

expansion and development of water and sewage disposal and holding cost of sewage processing to 49c per gallons; additional parkland and completion of a library and fire hall in the northern part of the municipality.
The mayor and the two regional councillors are elected from the whole area municipality of Richmond Hill. The above figures are the official count released Tuesday afternoon by Clerk Mack Clement, returning officer.

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An editorial

Aroused voters demand changes

An aroused Richmond Hill electorate in the worst of weather Monday turned out in unusually large numbers at the local government polls.
The voters made it known in no uncertain terms they wanted a change. They did this by ousting the mayor and planning committee chairman.
The result is a reform council with a majority of members inexperienced in the office they hold, namely the mayoralty and four council seats.
There was little dissatisfaction, apparently, with those elected to public school board positions. All incumbents were returned.
This is perhaps surprising in the light of the recent teacher strike here. A Roman Catholic separate school trustee, on the other hand, was replaced while that board had no strike.
Altogether it was an exciting election of surprises and upsets.
The result for the town, however, is a municipal council which may be tempted to go to extremes in implementing promised reforms. We hope they will consider carefully any changes they make. Too sharp a turn in direction could have more harmful results than the bad believed to be due to the condition being remedied.
The four new councillors and neophyte mayor have won the election. But now they must demonstrate their ability to govern. It will not be enough just to stop the municipality where it is.
The municipality is a living thing. There is a necessity for responsible and desirable growth. To throttle development would be destructive. To guide this growing town properly and happily will take great wisdom, steady hands and dedication.



Mayor-elect Schiller had family support

Mayor-elect David Schiller poses with his family at Masonic Hall Monday night, where he staged his victory celebration. All the members of the clan, including his two "frantic sisters," as they described themselves while awaiting the first results, were on hand there and throughout the campaign. Left to right, sisters Mary Lavoie and Martha Martin, both of Toronto; wife Marilyn; Schiller, and sons, Trevor and Mark.

Schiller takes mayoralty with greatest ease

By Jim Irving
Shortly after the polls closed at 8 o'clock Monday night, the first return came in to Dave Schiller's meeting place for his supporters in the Masonic Hall on Crosby Avenue. The first figures showed him in front 42 to 24.
"That's a good omen," one of his campaign workers remarked as the result was posted on the board.
"Let's hope so," replied another one, with just a shade of caution in her voice.
As it turned out the caution was unnecessary as the former Richmond Hill councillor won all but five of the 69 polls. This brought about an early acknowledgement from Mayor William Lazenby, less than an hour later, conceding Schiller his victory.

interviewed, the mayor picked up his coat and left. "I guess they don't want me here," he said, obviously upset by his loss.
The mayor was critical of both The Liberal and Channel 10, both of whom he said had not treated him

fairly during the campaign. When told he had been given considerable publicity, he replied that "My best publicity was when I was in office." Still, it had been a good fight, hadn't it? (continued on page 2)



Mayoralty race winner Dave Schiller gets a congratulatory kiss from one of his campaign workers at his victory party at Masonic Hall, Monday night. A steady stream of people filed through the hall to extend their best wishes, both while the results were coming in and after Mayor William Lazenby had conceded defeat, a little more than an hour after the polls closed.

Britnell wins again in King

By Fred Simpson
It wasn't the most drama-

drenched race of all time in King City Monday night as incumbent Mayor Margaret Britnell outweighted her burly opponent Murray Sheardown at the polls, if not the weight scales.
But it had its moments. Sheardown was in the race most of the way. Still, the mayor always maintained sufficient breathing space, winning by 2,228 votes to her opponent's 1,945, a margin of 283.
Perhaps the most suspense of the night generated around speculation as to if and when the Ward 2 Nobleton poll would arrive. It had the "make or break" result for Sheardown, who represented that ward for the past four years.
Sheardown's downfall
The final polls from that ward did arrive, apparently via Sudbury, around midnight. And it turned out to be one of the keys to Sheardown's downfall.
Sheardown took the ward as expected. But Britnell attracted 458 of the votes to her opponent's 683.
"I was extremely happy with my showing in Sheardown-country," acknowledged Britnell. "He had to win heavy there at the least."

her showing in Ward 2 to the "senior citizens vote. I've fought hard for their rights there, as has council, and it's my feeling this resulted in a fair share of the votes for me."
She was referring to her appeals to Ontario Housing on behalf of senior citizens to permit housing units to be built on septic tank beds at King City and Nobleton.
"Now we're in the process of having 22 units approved for King City and another 26 for Nobleton, so we're headed in the right direction," she said.
Mayor Britnell's most decisive win, as expected and as necessary, was in the Ward 1 King City jurisdiction where she compiled 793 votes to Sheardown's 320.
"I can't say King City was a surprise. It would only have been one if I had done poorly there," she admitted.
In the north
Something of a surprise in

a definite pleasing vein was her showing in Schomburg's Ward 4 "which is in the north west area of the township, part of which is in Mr. Sheardown's territory." She lost that polling division by 470 to 300 votes.
Mayor Britnell won heavily in the Holland Marsh Ward 6, part of the township which is unopposed Councillor Jack Van Luyk's private domain. She took this one by 232 votes to 57 for Sheardown.
Her poorest showing was Ward 3 (west of Highway 27) which saw her losing 226 to 71. She took the Kettleby Ward 5 297 to 138.
Britnell happy
Mayor Britnell's over-all feeling?
Happiness.
"I'm very pleased with the outcome," she said. "I increased my votes by 10 percent over the last election, which means I kept my hard-core supporters (continued on page 2)

Happiness Santa's parade

Ideal weather for a parade — clear skies, a bright sun and crisp temperature. That was what greeted the biggest and best Santa Claus parade ever in Richmond Hill Saturday.
The big event drew large numbers of children and adults out to see the hundreds of participants.
The sounds of Christmas were dominant as band after band, brass, pipe, trumpet and accordion, passed by. In between were floats featuring the favorite stories of generations of children.
There were horses, from the Governor-General's Horse Guards which led the mile long parade, to western

riders. There were mules pulling a covered wagon with outsiders from the Lazy C Ranch, and there were big cats — Tony the Tiger (a real live one), a black leopard and a cougar — and of course the nine reindeer on Santa's sleigh (including Rudolph and his red nose).
And there were marchers — majorettes, drum corps, members of the minor soccer association, of the minor ball association and the Sea Cadets — some of them very young but stepping out with determination to finish the complete route.
The service clubs were well represented, with floats

and sponsored groups. There were clowns and clowns, galloping hippopotami, beautifully costumed dancers, and the El Shamaly Shrine Club with its rickshaws and costumed pullers and riders.
Also there were Oompik and the Seven Dwarfs, the Winter Carnival Snow Queen, Alice in Wonderland, Santa's helpers, the Old Woman Who Lived in A Shoe, children dreaming of sugar plums, a gingerbread house and a many-legged big orange worm. All this was to delight the children.
But the biggest delight was the Man In The Red Suit, who brought the parade to an end.

Seniors' vote
Mayor Britnell attributed

Fighting inflation

Inflation may be hinted at in the rest of the country, but it's really acknowledged in Thornhill.
Robert Hudson, Henderson Avenue, reported to York Regional Police, that sometime in the past two weeks his residence was broken into. \$140 in \$10's and \$20's was taken from a candy box in his bedroom.
The thief, however, scorned \$14 in one dollar bills.
After all, what does a dollar bill buy nowadays?



Delighted youngsters were greeted by one of the many clowns in Saturday's big Santa Claus Parade in Richmond Hill. One even got to wear the clown's hat for a few minutes. (For a full nine columns of parade pictures, turn to Page 3.)



Definitely the sweet smile of success here as incumbent Mayor Margaret Britnell gets the word that it's "all over" and in her favor by 2,228 votes to 1,945. The scene is the King Township Municipal offices about midnight Monday. At left handing out congratulations is William Hodgson MLA, York North.

2 brothers RC trustees York Region

York Region Roman Catholic School Board will have a two-brother combination for the next two years as a result of Monday's election.
Leo Wigglesworth, the present vice-chairman of the board, led the polls in the Town of Markham with 671 votes. He is principal of Blessed Trinity School in North York and lives in Thornhill.
Brother Jim Wigglesworth was elected as one of the two trustees from King Township in his first try for office. He lives at Pottageville.

Inside The Liberal Complete election coverage

Complete coverage of the school board and municipal council election Monday in southern York Region is included in this week's paper. Turn to pages 13 and 14 for further stories and pictures.

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