



### Medal winner

Olympic-style sports events have been understandably widespread and popular around the region this summer, and especially popular with the youngsters taking home medals. First place winner shown above is Beth Wood of Victoria Square, who topped all competitors at last week's Olympic Day sponsored by Markham parks and recreation department. Making the presentation is parks leader Terri Edney.

# Downtown facelift urged to aid Markham business

**By Helen Adams**  
**MARKHAM** — Improving and revitalizing downtown Markham was the goal set for a group of town businessmen last week in a meeting with industry and tourism ministry official Bob Pollock.

Their concern is the result of a shopping mall planned for Highway 7, which a recent study showed would take away from 80 downtown mer-

chants as much as 40 to 60 per cent of their business.

The proposed mall was also the reason for forming a businessmen's association two months ago with Hailey Wilson as chairman.

Pollock told the group they must move now, or their potential market may be taken over by developers. He outlined procedures for establishing a business improvement district, and cited examples of successful im-

provements which have been made in other Ontario towns.

If a bylaw is passed to designate a business improvement area, businessmen would be required to pay an additional tax. However, it might be considered well worth the cost if their market is retained or increased.

The excess taxes would be used to beautify and promote the downtown core, and might include lining the streets with trees and converting stores into malls. "You have to look at what you can do to compete with the shopping plazas," Pollock said. The 80 people present appeared enthusiastic about Pollock's suggestions, but were cautioned by him against rushing into the plans. They will meet again in September before any arrangements are made final, and by this time all merchants will be aware of the situation.

## Kids entertain

**OAK RIDGES**—Time to get back to reality. Summer's soon over. The kids are coming home again.

What better way to prepare for their return than to immerse yourself, not only in the company of your own children, but 600 of them in the same place, at the same time.

Tonight (Wednesday) at 7:30 p.m. at Bond Lake Arena, youngsters from all over Richmond Hill who have taken part in the summer playground program, will entertain their parents with skits and songs they have learned. It's the third annual Summerfest

celebration, winding up Richmond Hill's recreation department playground activity program held in 12 schools around town.

"Until two years ago each playground ran its own closing night celebrations," Lynton Friedberg, superintendent of recreation explained.

"We decided that one massive closing event would be better than eight separate ones," he added.

In addition to enjoying the evening's entertainment, parents will be able to view a display of their children's arts and crafts work and meet the playground staff.

## Lower speed limits proposed for Yonge

**TORONTO**—A lower speed limit is being considered for Yonge Street from Steeles Avenue to Major Mackenzie Drive.

In a letter to York Centre MPP Alf Stong of Richmond Hill, E.N. Knight of the department of ministry and communications, said it was felt a more uniform speed zone was necessary for the north-south route.

As a result, the government proposes to reduce the existing 40 mph zones to 30

mph, and the existing 45 mph zone to 40 mph.

"The effect of these changes will be a 30-mph zone from Steeles Avenue to 100 feet south of Longbridge Road and a 40 mph zone from that point to 600 feet south of Major Mackenzie Drive," Knight said.

He said, also, that the Ontario Provincial Police endorsed the proposals, and the municipalities involved had been told about them.

## Firecracker injury

**KING CITY** — A 15-year-old youth faces a charge of assault causing bodily harm as the result of a firecracker incident earlier in the summer.

Police said the incident occurred July 14 at King City Plaza, when a youth

threw a firecracker at a woman standing in the area.

The cracker exploded and resulted in partial deafness to the woman.

A court date for the youth is pending.

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## GO-TRANSIT

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**RICHMOND HILL** Contract 76-T-5 for snow and ice control at GO Transit parking lot. Near Junction Markham Road and Newkirk, Town of Richmond Hill.

**NEWMARKET** Contract 76-T-6 for snow and ice control at Go Transit Terminal, Junction of Highways 11 and 9, Town of Newmarket.

Bid forms, specifications and information may be obtained from Mr. Ken Yip-Chuck at the office of the Toronto Area Transit Operating Authority, 3625 Dufferin St., Downsview, Ontario; Telephone 630-2635.

Submissions should be physically received at the Authority Secretary's Office at the above address not later than 1:00 p.m. E.D.S.T., Thursday, August 26, 1976.

BIDS WILL BE PUBLICLY OPENED ON THE ABOVE DATE.  
 TORONTO AREA TRANSIT OPERATING AUTHORITY

## TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL NOTICE OF APPLICATION

TAKE NOTICE that the Corporation of the Town of Richmond Hill has applied to The Ontario Municipal Board for approval of its proposed By-law 100-76 being a by-law passed pursuant to the provisions of Section 359 of The Municipal Act to amend By-law 1289 which imposed a Special Charge on classes of buildings that impose or may impose a heavy load on the municipal sewer or water systems.

The proposed by-law 100-76 is set out below.

Objections to the passing of the said by-law may be filed in writing with the Town Clerk at the Municipal Offices of the Town of Richmond Hill within 21 days of the 4th. of August, 1976.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL  
 C.D. Weldon,  
 Clerk.

BY-LAW NO. 100-76

A By-law to Impose a Special Charge on classes of buildings that impose or may impose a heavy load on the Municipal Sewer or Water Systems

WHEREAS the erection or enlargement of residential, commercial and industrial buildings impose or may impose a heavy load on the municipal sewer or water system or both by reason of which municipal expenditures are or may be required to provide additional sanitary or storm sewers or water supply capacity that would not otherwise be required;

AND WHEREAS authorization has been given to impose a special charge over and above all other rates and charges to pay for all or part of the cost for providing the additional capacity;

AND WHEREAS The Ontario Municipal Board by its Order made on the day of approved the imposition of the special charges hereinafter set forth;

NOW THEREFORE, THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF RICHMOND HILL, HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. THAT from and after the passage of this by-law, as a condition of the issuance of a building permit for the erection or enlargement of any of the classes of buildings set out in Column I of the following Table, the charges in the amounts set out in Column II of the Table in respect of Storm and Sanitary Sewers and in the amounts set out in Column III of the Table in respect of water supply facilities, shall be payable over and above all other rates and charges, prior to and as a condition of the issuance of such building permit.

COLUMN I	COLUMN II	COLUMN III
CLASS OF BUILDING	STORM AND SANITARY SEWERS	WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES
(a) Residential	\$300.00 per suite or dwelling unit	\$300.00 per suite or dwelling unit
(b) Commercial	Nil per acres of lot area	Nil for each 5,000 sq. ft. of lot area
(c) Industrial	Nil per acre of lot area	Nil for each 5,000 sq. ft. of lot area

2. THAT the following are exempt from any charges imposed under this By-law.

(a) Every building on land exempt from taxation under any general or special Act.

(b) Every building on land in respect of which an agreement has been entered into with the municipality under Section 33 of The Planning Act or any predecessor thereof.

(c) Every building or any land in respect of which a contribution to provide sanitary or storm sewers or water supply facilities has been made within the ten years previous to the application for a building permit, to the extent of the contribution so made.

(d) Every residential building having not more than two dwelling units.

(e) Every building, other than a residential building, with an inside floor area of not more than 3,000 square feet.

3. By-law 1289 be and is hereby repealed.

READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 7th DAY OF JUNE, 1976

"H.D. Schiller"  
 Mayor  
 "C.D. Weldon"  
 Clerk

## Oak Ridges moraine studied by students

**BOLTON** — A report on the environmentally sensitive areas in the Oak Ridges moraine region of Central Ontario will be presented at 8 p.m. Monday at the Albion Hills Chalet.

The chalet is in the Albion Hills Conservation Area five miles north of here on Highway 50. The public is invited to the two-hour presentation.

The report is a consolidation and review of existing material about the Oak Ridges moraine.

It was prepared by a group of students sponsored under the senior

conservationist program of the ministry of natural resources.

The students will offer their findings and recommendations about the moraine.

This student work is part of the continuing effort of the Metro Conservation Authority to provide information concerning the headwaters of local streams to interested individuals, landowners, elected representatives, municipal and provincial staff, plus related agencies.

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION BY THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MARKHAM For approval of a By-law Imposing a SANITARY SEWER RATE

TAKE NOTICE THAT

1. The Council of The Corporation of the Town of Markham intends to apply to The Ontario Municipal Board for the approval of construction of Sanitary Sewers on

**VICTORIA PARK AVENUE**  
 -from Steeles Avenue north to the existing southern limit of Victoria Park Avenue as per registered plan 9001, a distance of approximately 755 feet.

**ESNA PARK DRIVE (PHARMACY AVENUE)**  
 -from Steeles Avenue north to the existing southern limit of Esna Park Drive as per registered plan 9001, a distance of approximately 1020 feet.

**TORBAY ROAD**  
 -from eastern limit of Torbay Road as per registered plan 9001 to the proposed extension of Esna Park Drive (Pharmacy Avenue), a distance of approximately 2015 feet.

**STREET "A"**  
 -from south street line of proposed extension of Torbay Road southerly to the end of cul-de-sac, a distance of approximately 510 feet.

**STREET "C"**  
 -from south street limit of proposed Street "B" southerly to the end of proposed cul-de-sac, a distance of approximately 550 feet.

**STREET "B"**  
 -from eastern street line of Esna Park Drive extension to the east limit of the proposed subdivision, a distance of approximately 740 feet.

at an estimated cost of \$123,751.00 and intends to charge the whole of the cost of the work as a sewer rate for a period of twenty years upon owners or occupants of lands who will or may derive a benefit therefrom.

2. The estimated cost of the work is \$123,751.00. It is proposed to raise a part of the annual payments by an estimated annual rate of \$1.10 per foot frontage on the lands abutting the said sanitary sewer plus an annual acreage rate estimated at \$6.99 per acre on land hereinafter described in Item 3.

Example	Annual Estimated Frontage	Annual Estimated Acreage	Total Annual Levy
Frontage	Cost	Cost	Levy
150 feet	\$165.00	\$6.99	\$171.99

It should be noted that this area will be over and above levies described in Phases I, II and III, local improvement and there will be further increases in Sanitary Sewer Area levy for additional stages.

3(a) The area upon which such sewer rate is to be levied is that part of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Concessions 3 and 4 of the Town of Markham bounded on the North by the Canadian National Railways Toronto by-pass line; on the East by the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario Hydro transmission line; on the South by Steeles Avenue and on the West by the Ministry of Transportation and Communications right-of-way to be designated as Highway No. 404.

3(b) There shall be exempt from the said foot frontage rate, flankage of corner lots and one side of lots that front and back on two streets and lands at the junction or intersection of streets or highways.

4. Any ratepayer may, within twenty-one days after the first publication of this notice, send by prepaid post to the Clerk of the Town of Markham, at the address given below, a notice in writing stating his objection to such approval or to the imposition of the special rate.

5. The Ontario Municipal Board may approve the said special rate pursuant to the statute and may approve of the works, but before doing so it may appoint a time and place for a public hearing when any objections will be considered, but notice of such hearing will be given only to those persons who have given notice of objection as provided for above.

DATED at the Town of Markham this 5th day of August, 1976

Diane E. Whetter,  
 Town Clerk  
 Town of Markham,  
 8911 Woodbine Avenue,  
 Markham, Ontario

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