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The OPP Special Olympics Torch Run passed through Terrace Bay and Schreiber last Saturday morning. The run is being held to raise money for the Special Olympics and also to raise money towards programs for the disabled. Photo by Dave Chmara

Shoeless suspect hides for hours

By Dave Chmara

The Schreiber OPP and Terrace Bay Police have been involved in two high speed chases involving stolen vehicles in as many weeks.

On Friday, July 29, a suspicious vehicle was observed in the factory area. Terrace Bay Police went to investigate and upon seeing the police the vehicle and its occupants fled the scene.

The Terrace Bay Police chased the van, which was headed west, and also called in the Schreiber OPP for assistance. After a 54 km chase which reached speeds in excess of 140 km/h, the van was stopped and its four occupants were apprehended.

The four were charged with possession of a stolen vehicle and failing to stop for police.

One of the four pled guilty and the charges against the other three were dropped.

The van was stolen in Caloden, which is south of Orangeville.

Suspect hides in bush

Last Wednesday, August 2, local police were again involved in chasing persons who had possession of a stolen vehicle.

At 12:10 p.m., an attendant at the Imperial Esso in Terrace Bay reported to the Schreiber OPP that two occupants in a white vehicle had stolen \$25.50 of gas

and were headed west.

Police went to investigate and saw the vehicle on Highway 17 just east of Schreiber. The vehicle sped away from police who then gave chase. As police neared the east entrance to Schreiber they saw the vehicle parked half on the highway and half on the shoulder of the road.

Two suspects were seen running for the bush and Schreiber OPP were able to apprehend one of the suspects, a young offender, while the other managed to escape.

As the Marathon radio station, CFNO, and other interest groups were notified, police searched the

bush. Terrace Bay Police were called in to assist with surveillance as were the Nipigon and Marathon OPP.

Police found a pair of shoes in the vehicle and reasoned the escaped suspect was in his socks.

At 9:30 p.m. that night, a citizen reported seeing the person described on CFNO at the government dock at Hays Lake.

Police went to the area but were unable to find the suspect. They felt he would try to use the railway to attempt an escape and the Canadian Pacific Police, who were already involved in the search, were notified.

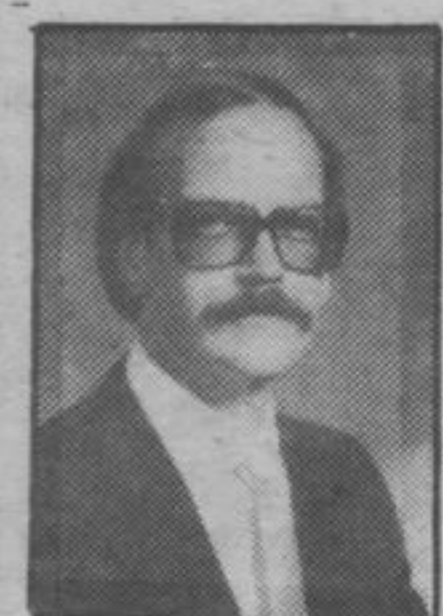
Shortly after, at 10:20 p.m.,

the suspect was arrested by Constable Paul Crowder at the Hydro crossroads by Highway 17. He was put in a cell for the night a shipped to Thunder Bay to appear in court Friday.

The vehicle, a 1989 Chrysler Dynasty, had been stolen in Hamilton and the occupants had stolen gas at several locations along the way.

The two were charged with possession of stolen property, theft under \$1,000 and failing to stop for police.

The suspect, who was in the bush for 10 hours, had his cut and bleeding feet treated by the North Shore Ambulance.



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