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Marianne Mann (front) does her best to hold onto the ball while Sue Huxtable and Debbie Foley attempt to take it off her during a practice game held as part of the water polo clinic conducted at Stouffville Pool last Friday. To drum up interest in the sport representatives of the government sponsored Ontario Aquatics were on hand to demonstrate water polo and competitive swimming. There was a good turn out for the clinic and pool staff are hopeful there will be enough interest to form two teams. Practices for the newly formed teams will be held Tuesday and Thursday evenings between five and six p.m. and everybody is welcome. More pictures page 8.

John Montgomery

Airport start soon as cabinet says go

PICKERING — Despite provincial opposition, the federal cabinet approved an immediate start to construction of the proposed Pickering Airport.

Provincial Treasurer Darcy McKeough called the move "irresponsible" but said the province is powerless to stop the airport.

The province had called for a two-year delay in construction, pending agreement on cost sharing for services to the airport between the federal and provincial governments.

A meeting last week between Transport Minister Jean Marchand and members of the Ontario cabinet failed to budge the federal minister.

Cabinet endorsed his decision that construction should go ahead as planned. Preliminary work will include construction of a new storm drainage culvert, grading for one runway, taxiways and aprons and relocation of power and telephone lines.

John Rhodes, provincial minister of Transportation and

Survey shows fewer favor new airport

A survey, conducted by Elliot Research Corporation shows that support for the Pickering Airport has slipped in Metropolitan Toronto since a similar poll was taken earlier this year.

In March 34 per cent of the people questioned favored the Pickering airport; in July, the percentage fell to 23 per cent. Undecided opinion went from 10.6 per cent to 24 per cent.

"These results are extremely significant," Jim Nevins of the Save Stouffville Committee told The Tribune. "They prove that opponents of the airport are winning their battle with the federal govern-

ment for the support of Metro Toronto.

In both random surveys the same question was asked: "As you have heard, the Federal government has announced its intention to build a second international airport in Pickering. Are you in favor or against the proposal?"

Respondents were selected at random from all parts of Metro.

Jack Rettie quits top York post

YORK REGION — York Region's top civil servant submitted his resignation to a shocked council last week.

Jack Rettie, Chief administrative officer for the region since its inception, declined to state why he resigned.

In a closed session Thursday, council voted to give Mr. Rettie a one-month's leave of absence to reconsider.

In an interview Friday, Mr. Rettie refused to give reasons, but informed sources say that he is upset by regional council's failure to come to grips with region-wide problems and the lack of consideration of staff in regards to salaries.

For a full report see page 13.

Simple request brings surprise

BALLANTRAE — During this hot spell some people have apparently found ways of keeping cool which have run afoul of the law.

Saturday afternoon a man drove into Alexander's Gas Mart in Ballantrae and asked the female attendant to bring him a can of pop.

When the woman approached the car she noticed the man was stark naked. The man made no comment or gesture but simply paid for his pop and drove off.

Police are investigating the incident which they have referred to in their reports as a "potential" sex offence.

Another heat wave related incident occurred in Markham where two air conditioners were stolen from the office windows of Interhome, Dennis St.

The \$420 air conditioners were reportedly easily removed as they were insecurely mounted.

Unsorted material in bins plagues recycling depot

example of the problem occurred when someone threw newspapers in the large bin which has been reserved for corrugated cardboard. The papers had to be removed and carried into the depot.

Mrs. Nailer feels that the real answer is a permanent site for the depot with space enough to store the bins indoors. "Our job would be made a lot easier if our customers would observe the rules," she said.

Markham Fairgrounds deal signed and sealed

MARKHAM — Sale of the Markham Fairgrounds at Highways 7 and 48 has been completed.

The fair board has closed the deal on the purchase of the 100-acre Stanley Watson farm on 18th Ave. west of Highway 48.

The Town of Markham has retained some land on the old fair grounds and the arena.

Shortage of capital blamed

No phone service until March

STOUFFVILLE — Families moving into the new Northdown Homes subdivision being built south of town will not have telephone service available until next March, Bell Canada announced last week.

According to Dr. R. Huntsman, public relations manager for this area, spending priorities forced by a shortage in capital dollars and different development rates for subdivisions have

combined to delay phone service.

Bell Canada will install buried cable within the subdivision, but the "feeder cable" which connects to the Stouffville central office will not be installed until next year.

The subdivision, the largest in Stouffville's history, has over 100 units in the first stage and a total of 180 units when completed. Some of the houses

are already occupied.

Mr. Huntsman said that a pay phone will likely be installed to provide some communication. He added that the subdivision was developing faster than Bell had expected, and that the failure of the company to receive the rate hikes it asked for from the federal government, had caused the delay.

Without debate on Thursday, council approved the report of its negotiating committee, which recommended the following salary schedule retroactive to Jan. 1:

Registered Nurses — \$13,000, up from \$9,992 last year. (The original raise put a registered nurse's salary at \$11,191 for 1975.)

Assistant Director of Nurses — \$14,200, up from \$10,980 last year. (The original raise set this salary at \$12,298 for 1975.)

Director of Nurses — \$16,000, up from \$12,846 last

Manor nurses get 30% pay increase

NEWMARKET — A 30 per cent pay increase for nurses at York Manor Home for the Aged was approved Thursday by York Regional Council.

Slated for Sunday, Aug. 17, the show will feature a bake sale and live entertainment.

Newmarket Citizens Band and the Newmarket Legion Pipe and Drum Corp. will be on hand for the occasion.

year. (Original 1975 salary \$14,560.)

York Manor has four full-time registered nurses on staff.

'75 antique car show

BOGARTTOWN — Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum antique car show will have some added touches this year.

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the show will feature a bake sale and live entertainment.

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Smoke under eves alerts neighbor

STOUFFVILLE — A smouldering electrical box in the utility room of a Victoria St. house was quickly extinguished Wednesday, when a neighbour saw smoke coming out from under the eaves.

It occurred about 6:30 p.m., when Ivan Harris, of Main St., saw the smoke and phoned his neighbor Larry Spang. Mr. Spang called the fire department.

Total damage was estimated at \$400. Fire Chief Walt Smith said that the fire would have been raging out of control had it started in the middle of the night.

Mr. Spang said that an electrical box short circuited and started the wooden beam on fire. The house sustained mostly water damage.

"I would like to express my appreciation to the fire fighters who were here within three minutes of me sending in the alarm," Mr. Spang said.



It's not as tricky as it looks, but this relay with a plastic gold ball and spoons proved a challenge for Margaret McEwan and Ron Yakely. It was part of the wind-up field day of the first session of Operation DAISY, an OFY project running this summer at Stouffville Dist. Secondary School. For pictures and story see Page 8.

Ted Wilcox