

# Big bash in park

STOUFFVILLE — Mayor Gordon Ratcliff heads a list of local celebrities planning to make a big splash this weekend. The mayor, along with Councillors Eldred King and Becky Wedley, Jack Chambers and Ken May, will all be volunteering for duty in the dunk tank as part of this week's Stouffville Canada Day celebration.

The Kinsmen Club is sponsoring the tank, which will operate Friday night and all day Saturday, July 1st, from 1 p.m. Proceeds from the tank will be used for town needs, such as lights for the park.

The dunk tank is just a small part of the various activities that will take place on Saturday, at the park.

The celebrations begin at 9 a.m. with the start of the soccer Squirt tournament.

The midway rides, which start Thursday night, open at 10 a.m. Saturday along with the arts and crafts booths, the Silver Jubilee tea garden; the ladies auxiliary bake sale and the museum and food booths.

Strictly for the kids is the bicycle decorating contest, with registration at 10:30 in the park, judging at 11 a.m. Also at 11 a.m. the popular chamber of commerce hamburger booth opens for business.

And another favourite, the Latcham Hall beer garden, will be back this year, sponsored by the newly chartered Ballantrae and district Lions club.

The highlight of the afternoon should be the baseball game between the CHUM Allstars and the Stouffville Pickups at 2 p.m. in the ballpark.

Besides the ball game, those sports minded residents will also be able to watch a t-ball contest at 1 p.m. and a lob-ball match at 7 p.m.

The days activities will wind down with the Stouffville Legion

sponsored open house at 8:30 p.m. at the Legion hall. Entertainment and refreshments will be made available.

The final event of the day is for the teen set, a dance in the Stouffville arena, featuring the popular group, Liverpool.

And if anyone wants to cool off during the hectic day, the Stouffville pool will be open for free swimming from 1 to 6 p.m.

## Board considers museum's removal

AURORA — The future of the Whitchurch — Stouffville Museum at Bogartown rests with York County Board of Education's planning and building committee.

A delegation from the town asked the board Monday night to consider plans for moving the former school building, which has served as a museum for the past eight years, four miles to Vandorf park.

The current site forms part of a proposed cloverleaf for Highway 404, Mayor Gordon Ratcliff told trustees.

"The museum has been very active," he told the board. "It really has been a going concern."

Mayor Ratcliff will attend a meeting of the committee this Thursday night, June 29, to hear the school board's decision.

The mayor told The Tribune he expects full cooperation from both the school board and the Ministry of Transportation and Communication in completing the move, hopefully to take place in 1979.

When the county school board was formed, the board authorized completion of sale providing the site be maintained as a museum for at least 15 years.

## Markham given region seat four reps on York council

NEWMARKET — The Town of Markham has successfully applied to the provincial government for an increase in the size of the regional council by one member.

Markham has now increased its representation on the council by one member, from three to four. The council, including the chairman grows

from 17 councillors to 18.

Mayor Gord Ratcliff of Stouffville felt the increase in membership will decrease the efficiency of government in the region. The mayor commented on the situation by saying that "the bigger councils become too unwieldy to work effectively" and that he felt "more work got done on a smaller council as

there was less time to grandstand as on a larger council".

At present the town of Whitchurch — Stouffville has one member at the region.

The mayor went on to point out that the Town of Richmond Hill has only three members and he feels that Markham has "never been short changed at the region."

Joe Pickard, administrator for the town of Markham said that it is felt with the towns rapid growth and with Markham paying one-third of the regions tax bills, three councillors only, for Markham, represented an imbalance.

The town applied twice before to the region for increased representation, but both times was refused. This time the town went directly to the Ministry of Intergovernmental Affairs, and were successful in their bid.

The new representative will take a seat on council after the next regional elections, December 1, 1978.

## Board ok's contract caretakers to vote

AURORA — In a 6-6 vote broken by chairman John Stephens' ballot, York Region public school trustees Monday night ratified a salary contract with caretakers, secretarial and administrative staff represented by the Canadian Union of Public Employees.

Although terms of the agreement won't be released until members of CUPE Local 1734 vote on the proposals during a meeting Thursday evening in Aurora, it was learned that the settlement is a 19-month agreement retroactive to June 1.

Members of the CUPE local, with an annual payroll of about \$2.5 million, will receive a five per cent increase plus increment allowance retroactive to June 1.

Salaries will jump an additional five per cent Jan. 1, 1979 and will increase with an increment allowance in June, 1979.

Board finance chairman Bob McMonagle praised the settlement.

"We've got a deal over that period of time," he said, noting that the 19-month agreement avoids reopening negotiations in 1979, a year when unions are expected to demand major salary increases to offset losses created through the Anti-Inflation Board regulations.

Markham Trustee Doreen Quirk was among the six representatives voting against the package.

While all refused to discuss terms of the agreement, Mrs. Quirk noted, "It's not

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Stouffville and Richmond Hill firemen could do little except keep the fire from spreading when a large barn at Sundance Farms went up in flames. More than 2500 bales of hay and straw were stored in the building and firemen contented themselves with wetting down the nearby house while letting the fire burn itself out. —Annegret Lamure

## Barn gutted in Gormley

GORMLEY — Fire totally destroyed a large barn at the Sundance Farms and Equestrian Centre on Stouffville sideroad at the 3rd Concession last Wednesday afternoon.

No animals or persons were injured, but some 2000 bales of hay and 500 of straw, along with valuable farm machinery and a camper trailer were destroyed.

Police and fire officials suspect that the blaze was caused by an overheated tractor. Several workmen were unloading hay in the building when they saw fire near the tractor. They attempted to

contain the blaze but were unsuccessful. "It was just like a blow-up," said owner Paul Schneider who is leasing the property, "it was too fast."

Both Richmond Hill and Stouffville Firefighters arrived

at the scene but could do little except keep the flames from spreading to the nearby house. The approximately 80 by 45 foot barn and its neighbouring milkhouse were completely gutted. Damage is estimated at \$60,000.

## Mischief charge over false theft

DICKSON HILL — Information police received recently regarding the theft of a \$100,000 tractor-trailer and bulldozer from Don Traill Ltd., Lot 32, Conc. 8, Markham, was proven to be false and as a result a Stouffville area man has been charged with public mischief.

Police were told the Ford tractor with 32-foot flatbed trailer and caterpillar bulldozer, valued at approximately \$114,000, disappeared from Don Traill Ltd. lot between June 3-5.

The items were found near Binghampton, New York, and a suspect was investigated and a warrant issued for his arrest by York Regional Police. However, police now find that certain facts provided to them were incorrect, and they felt the charge will not stand up in court.

Consequently, Donald Victor Traill, 34, of the Ringwood area has been charged with public mischief and will appear at court June 20.



Joe Sider, who was instrumental in getting tenants and residents of Parkview an attractive new games room with the help of a New Horizon's grant, tries out the new shuffleboard along with Ruby Burkholder, who helped decorate the room. The new facility was opened on Wednesday during Open House at Parkview. Mayor Gord Ratcliff, Rev. Ted Green, Parkview Administrator, J.M. Nighswander, as well as, 130 persons enjoyed the event, which was part of the towns Senior Citizens Week activities. For story and pictures see page 9. —Annegret Lamure

## Acton pick of Montreal

Keith Acton did, and didn't get his wish.

Keith, who was waiting to be drafted by the National Hockey League following his final year with the Peterborough Petes, was taken in the sixth round. However, Keith's desire to play for a "weaker team" was not realized, as the Stanley Cup champion Montreal Canadiens picked him.

Two other players from Stouffville were also taken in the draft. Doug Todd, who is presently attending the University of Michigan, was selected by the Atlanta Flames in the ninth round. Todd played for both the Markham Waxers and the Markham Royals.

The other player, Doug Feasby, who also played for the Waxers and Royals, was taken by Detroit Red Wings in the 17th round.



Lee Hall of the Ballantrae 1st den beams with pride after being declared Cub of the Year. Eleven-year-old Lee has only been in cubbing for a year.

## Lee Hall Cub of the year

CEDAR VALLEY — In his first year in cubs 11-year-old Lee Hall zoomed right up to top position "Cub of the Year".

Of course the title of cub of the year in the First Ballantrae pack has become almost a family tradition as his older brother Norm Hall was cub of the year twice, in 1969-70 and 1970-71.

In his first year Lee earned his skater's badge, toymaker and housekeeper. In addition he earned his tawny, green and blue stars and racked up an amazing total of 40 'bones'.

The grade five student gets a large plaque to keep at home for a week or so and a smaller trophy which is his for keeps.

## Arrested out west

STOUFFVILLE — A 16-year-old Newmarket youth has been charged with taking a truck and tanker-trailer from T. H. Paisley & Sons without consent, June 11, after the stolen equipment was recovered at Ignace, Ontario.

York Regional Police said the truck was driven to Calgary, Alta., and was returning June 19 when it was driven into a ditch at Ignace. The youth was arrested and the vehicle impounded.

Gregory Wm. Paisley, 16, 85 Rye Cresc., Newmarket, was ordered to appear at court June 27. Charges include taking auto without consent, possession over \$200 and mischief to private property.