

Weekender

Comment

Work-to-rule hasn't hurt this Region

As the York Regional Police work-to-rule campaign drags on into the fall, editorial writers have been calling for police to return to their normal duties and end the work slowdown.

However, we don't see any real reason to end the work-to-rule. In our observations there has been no great increase in crime and the law abiding citizens of York Region seem to be as safe now as they were prior to the supposed slowdown.

There seems to be only one real reason to end work-to-rule — keep the provincial government coffers filled with money from fines. The drop in fine revenue seems to be the only real effect of the work-to-rule.

As near as we can tell, York Regional Police are doing their duty in regards to criminal offences, the officers look much more relaxed without their ties, and the baseball caps are acceptable instead of the regular hats.

We have always thought that police are overzealous in issuing tickets, anyway. It has been a nice relief to have them issue warnings, instead, for the past few months.

Although the current situation may not sit well with certain police and government officials, it doesn't seem to have affected the general public at all.



Speaking Out

Are you looking forward to going back to school? (Asked in Centennial Park in Markham and in Stouffville Town Park)



<p>Leigh Frederick Stouffville Student</p> <p>"Yes, I'm bored with summer. There's nothing to do."</p>	<p>Lori Upton Stouffville Student</p> <p>"Yes, I'm looking forward to my French class. I'm bored right now."</p>	<p>Colin Amos Markham Student</p> <p>"Yes, School's fun. I like Math."</p>	<p>Greg McLaughlin Markham Student</p> <p>"Yes, I like summer, but school's nice, too. Math is my favorite."</p>
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Weekender Mailbag

Hospital trustee thanks principals for golf tourney

Dear Sir:
On behalf of the Markham-Stouffville Hospital, I would like to thank the Markham Economist & Sun, the Stouffville Tribune, the Markham Canadian Tire and the Stouffville Canadian Tire for their generosity and involvement as sponsors of the First Annual Golf Tournament held at the Sleepy Hollow Golf Club on Friday, August 23.

I would also like to express my appreciation to all the other firms and individuals

for their donations of prizes, to Sleepy Hollow for the donation of the golf course and to their staff for their co-operation and assistance.

Lastly, I would like to thank all the volunteers for their support. The result was an enjoyable day for all who attended and a rewarding day for the Hospital.

Harry Bowes
Trustee
Markham-Stouffville Hospital

Peeping Tom on the loose

Dear Sir:
Attention: Residents in the Willowgate Dr., Drakefield Rd., Banfield Ave. and Jolyn Court area. Lock your doors and close your blinds, we have a Peeping Tom on the loose.

Warning to said Peeping Tom: Watch your step, you have been seen and the police have been notified.

Concerned Citizen
(Name withheld on request)

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