

## Big drug bust Man arrested

**MARKHAM** — A four-month combined investigation by York Region and Metro police has led to the seizure of more than \$600,000 worth of drugs and the arrest of a 35-year-old Markham man.

Inspector Barry Delaney explained that in December, York Regional Police Intelligence, joined forces with the Metro Morality Squad to investigate the sale of narcotics by a major trafficker.

Inspector Delaney said undercover officers made numerous purchases of hashish and hash oil valued at thousands of dollars wholesale.

On April 2, police purchased 20 pounds of hash oil and 70 pounds of hashish valued at \$160,000 wholesale. The narcotics, which are believed to have arrived from Buffalo, were delivered to a pre-arranged location.

Norman Rasul Mohamad of Steeles Ave. East, Markham, formerly of Guyana, was arrested and charged with four counts of trafficking in narcotics.

As a result of the investigation, drugs valued in excess of \$600,000 were seized.

"This arrest is being considered a major breakthrough in preventing narcotics from hitting the streets of Toronto and York Region," said Inspector Delaney.

The accused is to appear in court April 23.

## Neighborly Notes

By JIM THOMAS  
**Crash!**

Patrons and staff of the Country Style Donut shop on Woodbine Avenue, south of Hwy. 7, were startled last week when an errant motorist drove his car through the front plate glass window and 'parked' it in the kitchen. Damage to both the vehicle and the building was extensive but fortunately no one was injured.

**On sick list**

It was anything but a McHappy Day for me, Wednesday. Dick and Mary Ann Cohen of McDonald's in Markham had invited me to work behind the counter in order to raise funds for a project

at Participation House. One dollar from every Big Mac sold was to go to this worthwhile endeavor. Unfortunately, I was bitten by the flu bug and had to cancel out. However, I've already reserved a spot for next year, hoping I've fully recovered by then.

**Goofy times**

Hockey's going through some goofy times in both Aurora and Newmarket. Aurora Town Council has agreed to drop a lawsuit against the Aurora Community Tigers Ltd., if the Tigers are willing to drop their counter-suit against the Town. The municipality claims something over \$7,000 is owing in back rent from the team's 1984-85 season. Equip-

ment, valued at \$1,800 has been seized. The Town hopes to have hockey, possibly at the Jr. 'B' level, back in Aurora this winter. At Newmarket, a disgruntled parent is threatening legal action against the Newmarket Minor Hockey Association. Tom Cummings says son Chris, 13, was unfairly treated by the Pee-wee coaching staff in not being permitted equal playing time as prescribed by the constitution.

**In left field**

Town councillors found themselves sitting out in left field, Thursday night, when a public recreation meeting in the Vandort Community Hall failed to attract a single ratepayer. After a wait of thirty-five minutes, the politicians, (and the press), packed their bags and went home. Although several reasons were given for the zero attendance, Mayor Fran Sainsbury suggested it might possibly be "everybody's happy". While Mayor Fran may have been a trifle optimistic on this score, there was no one present to prove her wrong.

**'Chewed out'**

The reporting game is sometimes a hazardous occupation. On Saturday night, I was verbally 'chewed out' by an officer of York Regional Police for refusing to produce any identification while en route to a fire up in the 'boonies' of Whitchurch-Stouffville. I figured the I.D. could wait but the fire couldn't. When the 'boy in blue' finally caught up with me, (after I'd taken my pictures), he gave me a tongue-lashing like you wouldn't believe, even threatening to report my 'disobedience' to a senior

authority. But all's well that ends well. I completed my assignment and so did he.

**Watch out!**

Motorists using Rupert Avenue in Stouffville will be surprised to find the intersection at Fairview and Rupert is now a 4-way stop. Good idea! Perhaps Councillor Wayne Emmerson has had some close calls there, as I have. The stop sign on Rupert Avenue at Winona Drive has now been removed. This doesn't mean those motorists who were previously ticketed at this corner will now be reimbursed. The law doesn't work this way.

**Help wanted**

Marie Adams of Stouffville's Christian Supply Store tells me there are temporary jobs available, (preferably for young people), in the roll of acquiring information for Statistics Canada. Forms are to be distributed to every household nation-wide. The Canada Employment Centre at Newmarket is seeking young folk to do this work. It will require about two weeks. For additional information call Mrs Adams at 640-1314.

**Missing cat**

Please help. Suzanne Hilton of 383 Elm Road, Stouffville, has lost her cat. It's been missing since Feb. 28 and Mrs Hilton has searched everywhere, even scoured the farming area around Dickson's Hill without success. "Shosti" is black with a white patch under her chin. She's small but fully grown, a much-loved family pet. Anyone seeing a cat meeting this description is asked to call 640-2489.

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