

Town let its hair down



June 25 to July 1 was Strawberry Festival Week in Whitchurch-Stouffville, with activities geared to all ages. On Thursday, the Town honored Don 'Beanie' Lehman, (right), its 'Citizen of the Year'. The Tribune, sponsor of the event, was represented by Publisher Bruce Annan.

Ontario Premier David Peterson officially opened the Festival, June 25. He was accompanied by wife Shelley and the Town's Mr and Mrs Strawberry, Colleen Scott and Tammie Kelso of Altona. Later, Premier and Mrs. Peterson enjoyed a beef barbecue hosted by the Lions Club.



Lovely Christine (Hodgson) Berry takes a last stroll along the boardwalk before relinquishing her crown to the Queen of '86, Jacquie Chong.

Three-year-old Carissa Isaac of R.R. 2, Stouffville, downs a spoonful of cake while perched atop her daddy's shoulders, Sunday afternoon in the Park.

Jacquie Chong, Whitchurch-Stouffville's Strawberry Festival Queen, served dozens of customers, young and old, at a party Sunday afternoon.



'Arrow', a Yellow Lab owned by Mike and Robin Haines, R.R. 2, Stouffville, was selected Grand Champion in the Bahai-sponsored Pet Show, Saturday. Here, she's congratulated by Festival queen Jacquie Chong while handler Michael Green and two-year-old Andrew Haines look on.

Rev. Chris Sorley, (right), former pastor at the Bloomington Christian Gospel Church, was the guest speaker at the Community Worship Service Sunday. Rev. Sorley was introduced by Town Mayor Fran Sainsbury. Rev. Craig Pitts, (left), is chairman of the Stouffville Ministerial.



The strawberry pie-eating contest, Saturday, attracted many hungry competitors, both boys and girls. Michael Green of Lori Avenue, Stouffville, heads into his final mouthful.

The Teddy Bear's Picnic, hosted by Latcham Gallery, attracted the attention of nine-month-old Lauren Schlinkler, daughter of George and Maureen Schlinkler, Loretta Crescent South.