

Take care walking among grazing cows with calves

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DURHAM WEST — A farmer in the northern part of this area, responded to considerable bellowing among his herd of cows one evening last fall. He immediately grabbed his gun and ran to the field. To his surprise, he discovered the animals had treed four black bears.

A cousin of mine, when quite young, was attacked and seriously injured by a shorthorn cow with a calf by its side.

The peaceful look of a herd of cows grazing with their calves

can be misleading. These cows like all protective mothers, will react to any real or imagined threat to their offspring.

Unlike human mothers, they tend to act first and ask questions later.

Farm workers are advised to use extreme caution when moving among grazing cows, especially when they have calves.

How fast can you climb a tree?

Strangers should never cross a pasture. Cows can run faster than 20 miles-per-hour over short distances.

Trip to art school a hassle

By KATE GILDERDALE
STOUFFVILLE — Stouffville and area students, attending Unionville High School for the arts program there, are facing a difficult transportation problem.

Trustee Harry Bowes has advised The Tribune that one parent is making a presentation to York Region Board of Education on this matter Jan. 16.

"We won't be doing anything until we hear what she has to say," explained Bowes.

Mr. Bowes said a bus from Stouffville serves Don Head Secondary School, travelling along Major Mackenzie Drive. It's possible, he suggested, that the five Stouffville students going to U.H.S. could possibly avail themselves of this opportunity. They could be dropped off en route, he stated.

Margaret Brock, Duchess Street, Stouffville, has two sons attending Unionville High.

"We fear the program will

become elitist, serving only those students who can get to it," she said.

Only those who live in the Unionville area or who have a second car and a non-working parent can take advantage of the program, she claims.

At present, one mother, working in Scarborough, drives past the school. She provides transportation for some of the students. Another father takes the rest.

Mrs. Brock usually picks the young people up, if she has

room. Often, she returns later for one of her sons, who sometimes stays for sports practice.

Mrs. Brock says she knows of one Grade 9 student who rides the bus daily from 6:30 to 8 a.m. To get home, this same boy takes Markham Transit to Markville, then transfers to a GO bus. The trip extends from 1 to 3:15 p.m.

"That's three to three and a half hours travelling every day," she notes.

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