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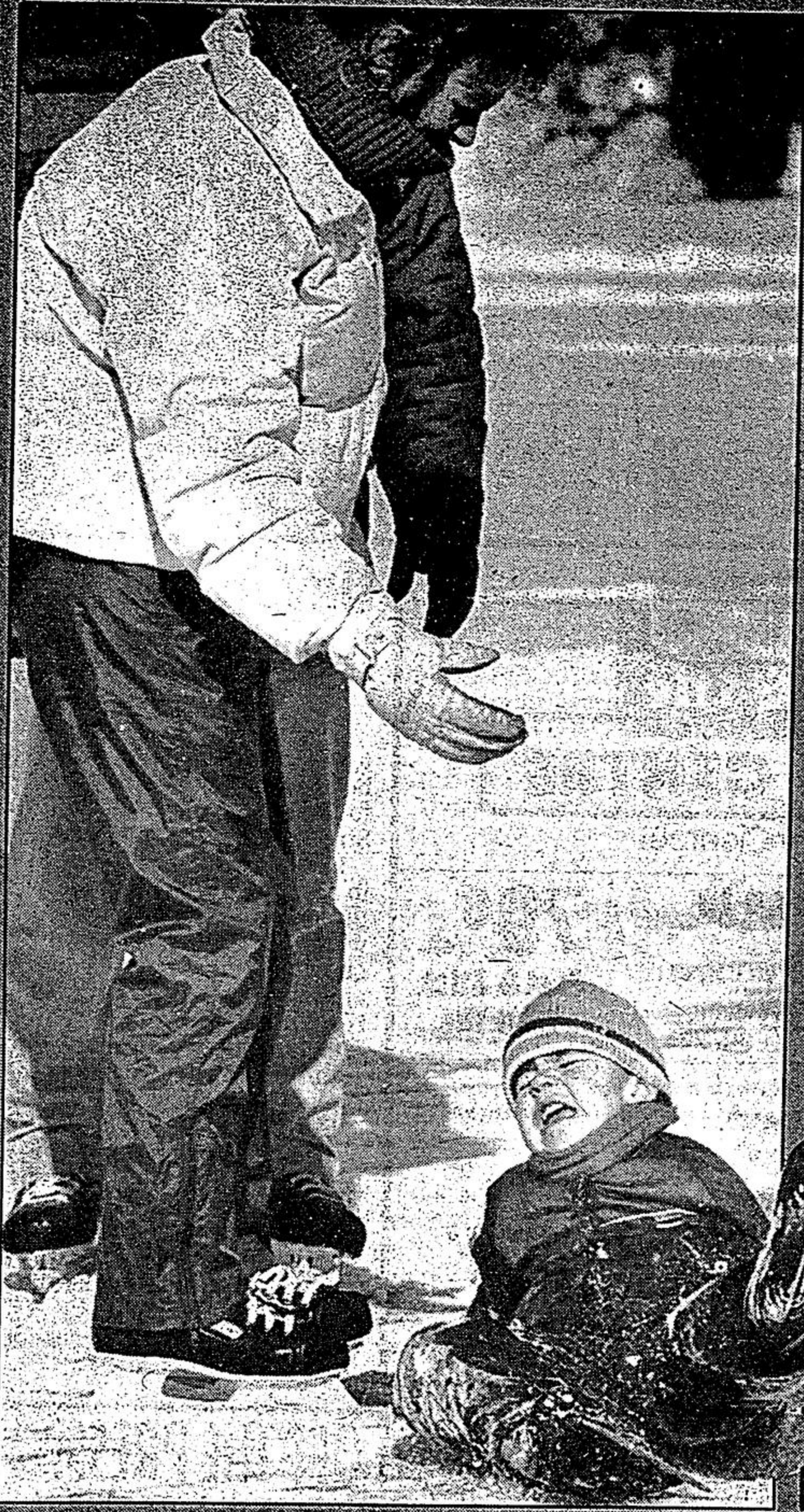
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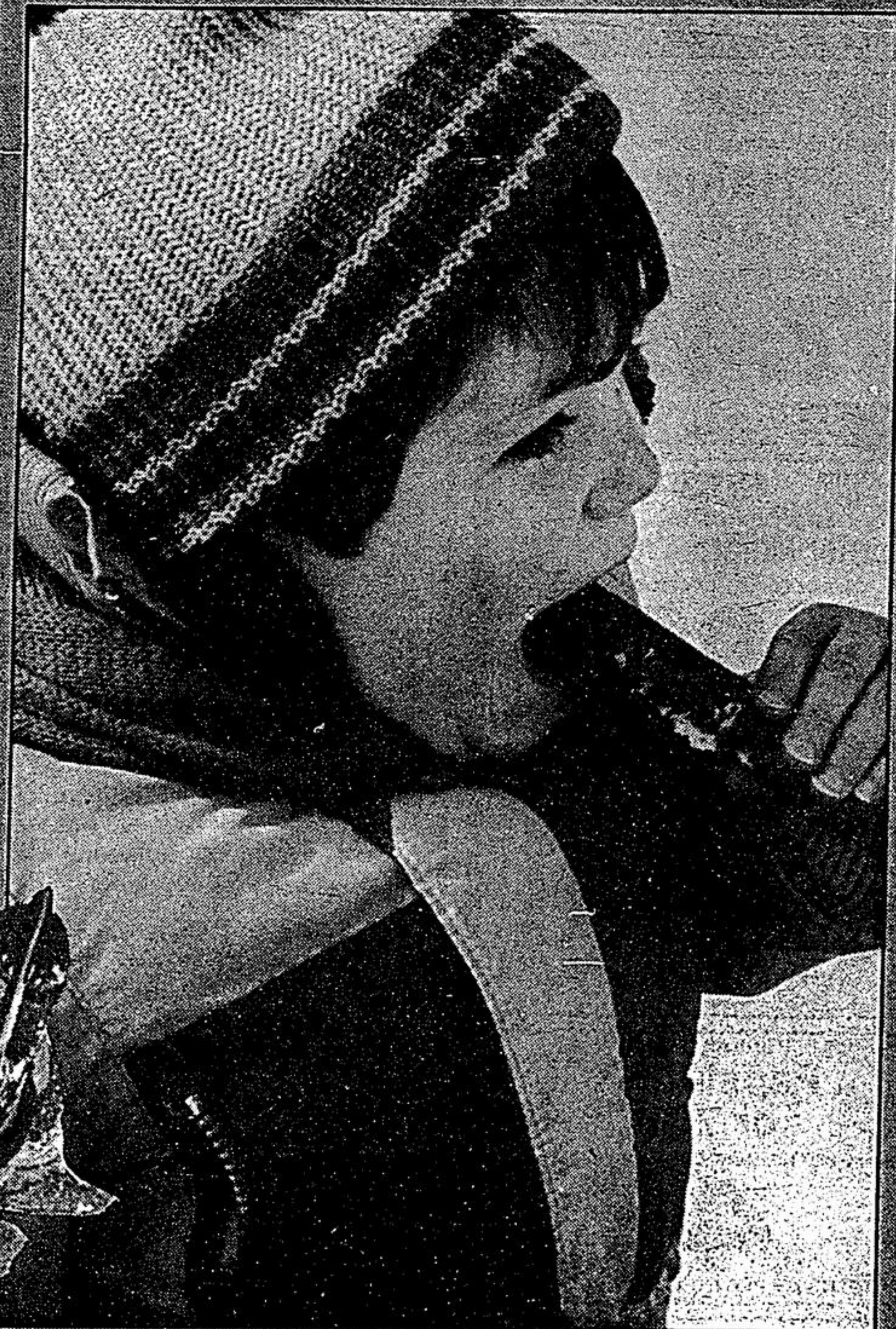
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Taking the chill off winter



Musselman Lake and area residents enjoyed their first annual Social Skate Sunday sponsored by the Musselman Lake Environmental Advisory Corporation. Below left, Adam Kernaghan, 4, gets no sympathy from Rosemary Hogg after falling on the ice. Adam had a little trouble staying upright at first, but eventually got the hang of skating on a rough surface. Below, two-year-old Michael Goncalves gets a bite on a hotdog at the social event. Hotdogs for the event were donated by Stouffville IGA. The advisory group meets at Ballantrae Community Centre on the third Wednesday of each month at 8:30 p.m.



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Complaint generates new town noise bylaw

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Whitchurch-Stouffville's noise bylaw is about 20 years out of date and police say they can only take action according to each municipality's laws concerning excessive noise.

York Regional police spokesman Sergeant Norn Miles says there is no specific bylaw covering York region as a whole and after viewing Whitchurch-Stouffville's bylaw, agrees it could use some updating.

"Bylaws have to be updated to reflect the ever-changing lifestyles and attitudes of society," he says.

Sgt. Miles adds police can react to complaints for excessive noise in their area but complainants "must be willing to go to court."

But if the municipality in which they reside has a lax noise bylaw, this rarely is the case.

Passed in August, 1970 by the Corporation of Whitchurch, the bylaw reads: "No person shall ring bells, blow horns, shout or make any unusual noise or noises likely to disturb the inhabitants."

Chief Bylaw Enforcement Officer Bob Bennett says he will review all other bylaws in York Region as well as the draft bylaw from the Ministry of the Environment before making any changes.

The noise bylaw became an issue when a local couple from the Woodbine Avenue area complained repeatedly and filed charges against Magna International's private employee park, Simeon Park.

The couple told Town council Jan. 23 they have had to leave their home to escape vibrating walls, loud recorded music and excessive yelling, screaming and cheering from the next door park.

"One of the biggest problems in contemporary life is the level of noise," said L. Douglas Petrie, solicitor for the couple, who asked council to enact a better bylaw.

Mr. Bennett earlier admitted the bylaw here "is weak and needs updating" and says the Simeon Park noise complaints "brought the issue to the forefront."

Stouffville woman flown to hospital, not admitted

A Stouffville woman was rushed to Sunnybrook Health Science Centre Friday afternoon by air ambulance, but was never admitted to hospital after she lost control of her car and smashed into a hydro pole.

The accident happened at 3:10 p.m. on Stouffville Road just east of Kennedy Road following a snow squall.

Julie Glen, 27, was travelling eastbound on Stouffville Road when her 1989 Pontiac left the roadway, headed down a steep ditch and smashed into a hydro pole next to a corn field.

Whitchurch-Stouffville volunteer fire department helped free the conscious woman from the crushed metal while Chief Bill Brown communicated with

the Bandage 1 helicopter ambulance crew, stationed at Buttonville Airport, to guide them to a landing site in the adjoining field.

The woman was placed in an ambulance to be stabilized and then transported by stretcher to the air ambulance unit bound for Sunnybrook in Toronto. Chief Brown flew to the hospital with

the patient who arrived but was not admitted and went home, hospital officials said Monday. Police said Ms. Glen was stable when she left for Toronto.

York Regional Police are continuing their investigation and no charges have been laid in the one-car crash. There were no passengers. See the photo on page 3.

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