

Cable Tech cuts work week to save jobs

A business slowdown at Cable Tech Company Limited on Main Street in Stouffville will affect all of its 300 employees, company officials announced this week.

The company, which has been stationed in Stouffville for about 20 years, is cutting back its work week to four days, said Cable Tech's Director of

Human Resources, Paul Gibson.

Cable Tech has experienced a "downturn in the demand for its wire and cable products, which began following a construction electrician strike earlier in the year and a downturn in the automotive industry during the second half of 1990," the company announced.

Cable Tech and its employees made the decision this month to make use of the Unemployment Insurance Work Sharing Program in order to keep all employees working and to be able to respond to any upturns in customer demand, according to the statement made Monday.

At present, Cable Tech is working a four day work week and is actively

working to improve its sales levels, Mr. Gibson said.

The cutback affects everybody in the company, including management, Mr. Gibson said.

He added it's not known how long the slowdown will last, but maintained the unemployment program means there will be no layoffs at this time.

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Easy does it

Christopher Dodds, 2, gets a little help from his mom, Jane, as he tries out the blades in Stouffville Park on Monday. In the first photo, he gets his

balance, but as the second photo shows, that balance just doesn't stay with him. In the third photo he glides effortlessly for his proud mom.

Pool survey "disappointing" says Councillor Marshall

TRACY KIBBLE
Staff Reporter

A survey of 375 Whitchurch-Stouffville households is not a "good cross-section" of the needs

of the entire community, says one rural town official.

Ward 1 Councillor Margot Marshall says she is not happy with the consultant, Leisureplan

International, which performed two phases of study to determine the feasibility for a public indoor pool.

Councillor Marshall, who has objected to starting the project

during these hard economic times, says council should practice budget constraints.

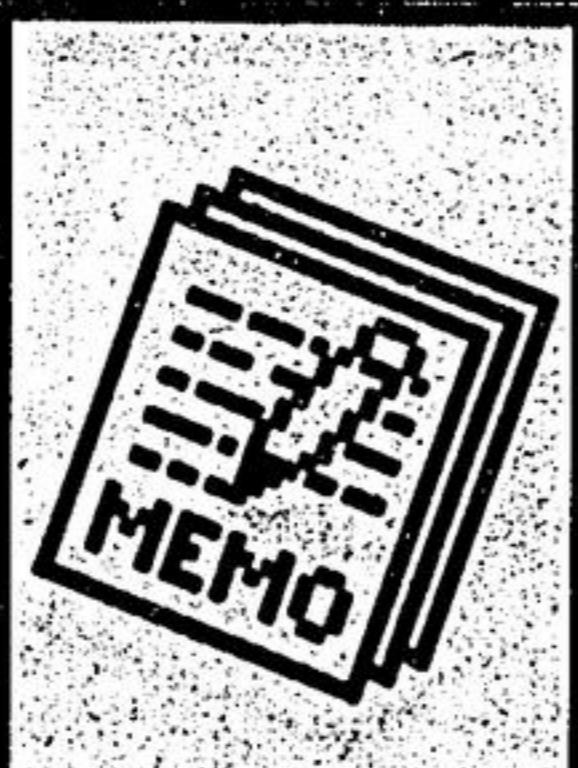
"These statistics all look lovely in the booklet but they are all really

useless statistics," Councillor Marshall says.

She claims, along with many residents in the rural areas, that

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