

Trailers too close: Resident

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A Musselman Lake resident is fed up with "built-up verandahs" at Cedar Beach Trailer Park that he said are too close to his property line, council heard last week.

Henry Malec, who owns land along the trailer park boundaries, is angry "ugly" trailers are being parked close to his property which he said infringes on his privacy.

He said there should be public input and a plan of subdivision before Cedar Beach owner Vern Davies can be allowed to expand

the park further.

Malec said he feels "double-crossed" because the owners said they would not park trailers on the road opposite his property and then reneged on the deal.

Malec also showed a site plan approved by council of 1982 that did not include the additional seven lots. He wants the nine-year-old agreement honored and the additional lots eliminated.

Cedar Beach has grown since 1972 from 263 lots to its current 563 trailer lots, which is "well below capacity" of what is allowed, said Town Chief Administrative

Officer Bob Panizza.

Malec said trailers are being parked right against the fence at zero lot line clearance from the cottages.

But town bylaw enforcement officer Keith Saunders said he inspected the site last August, measured the distance from the trailers to Malec's property line, and found a 65-foot distance between the two.

"I had to get through 10 feet of thick cedar trees to get to (Malec's) property line," Saunders told officials.

But Malec said he can hear the goings-on at the sites from his property and added the original agreement should be honored, which eliminates them.

"It's not the number of lots that concerns me, it's the location," Malec said.

Council voted to remove one lot only, directly in front of Malec's property but will allow the remaining six lots to be used for parking trailers.

Main St. closure no problem for fire crews

Whitchurch-Stouffville Fire Department had to make use of a temporary emergency route Sunday and Monday during repairs to Main Street's CN railway tracks.

Crews began the \$44,000 repair project Sunday and continued Monday morning as the first of two weekend road closures.

Cars were re-routed down the 9th Line to Millard Street east to Summitview Public School on both occasions.

During discussions from September regarding the project local fire chief Bill Brown had stressed concern that the brigade needed quick and easy access to Main Street in case of an emergency.

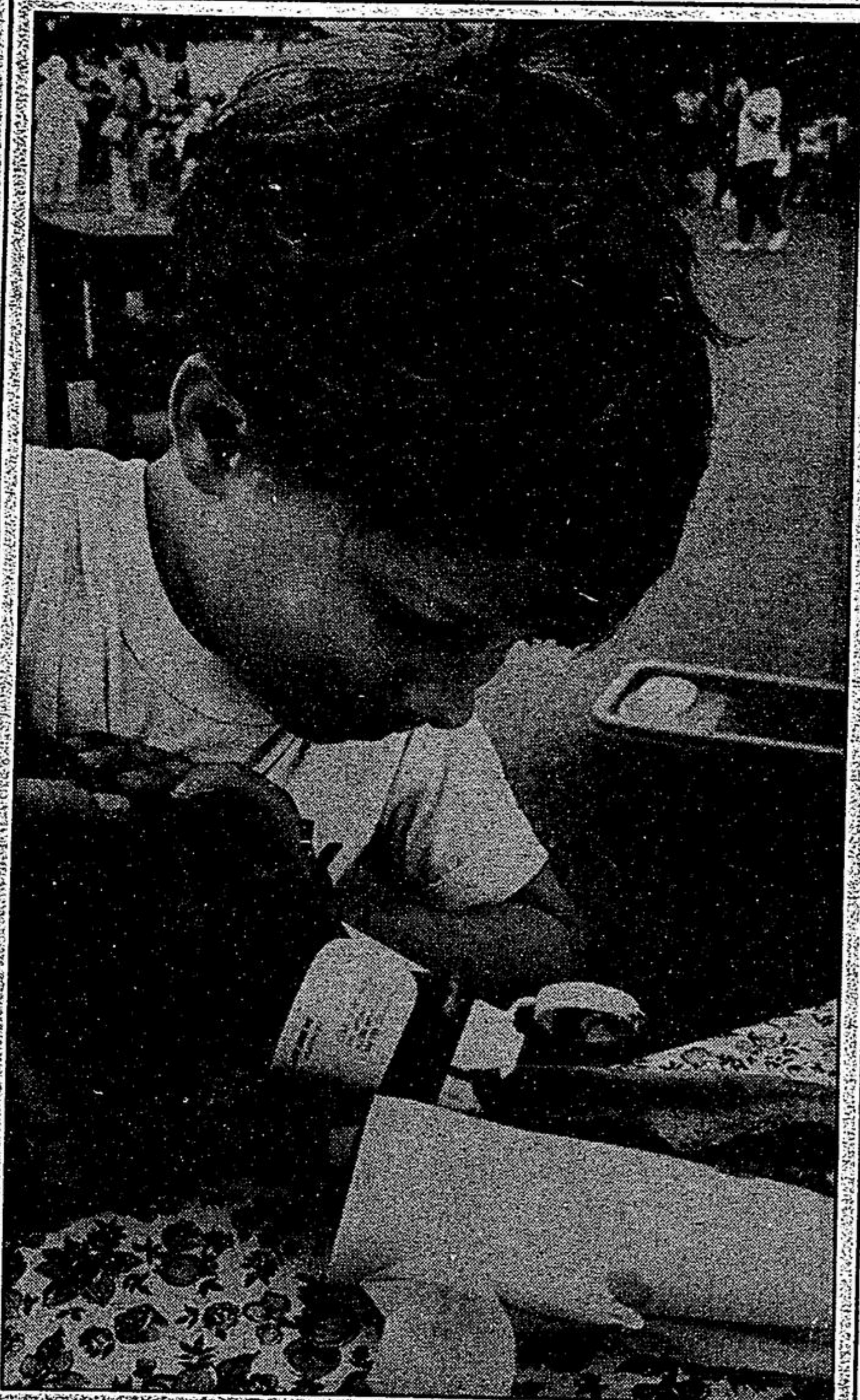
Such an emergency arose Sunday and again Monday morning.

Fire trucks and ambulance crews were let through the blockade to the north of the main tracks Sunday where CN officials had set up a 50-foot temporary crossing.

Both calls were not serious and there were no delays getting to the scene because of the inconvenience, deputy chief Murray Emmerson said.

CN is paying 90 per cent of the cost for the top-of-the-line mud rail and rubber panel installation allowing the smoothest ride over the tracks.

Main Street will be closed again to complete the repairs Sunday, June 9 and Monday, June 10.



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Playing ketch-up

Geoffrey Hoeller, 6, headed straight for the hot dog stand at the spring fun fair at Christ Church Anglican in Stouffville Saturday. Here, he concentrates on applying ketchup.

Council wants GO sound barriers

Local officials want sound barriers set up and a limit on train frequency if GO Train decides to expand its service through Stouffville, it was decided last week.

Ward 5 Councillor Doug Alles, whose ward stretches across a vast residential area, said he is concerned the number of trains will infringe on peoples' privacy.

"There are a lot of houses in Wards 4 and 5 that trains will be going by and some considerations should be given to sound screening," Alles said.

He added the expansion would be a "positive sign" for business but requested to hear more on the expansion plans from CN officials.

And Ward 4 Councillor Wayne Emmerson echoed Alles concerns regarding noise, and stressed he will be asking about sound barriers especially along Millard Street.

Town Chief Administrative Officer Bob Panizza assured officials, however, that sound barriers and environmental concerns would be a major part of the expansion proposal and included in the planning studies.

CN is proposing, through a recently released study, to revamp the 52-km rail line from Scarborough to Uxbridge, which could affect Stouffville.

The expansion plans may mean that Stouffville's GO Train station would re-locate outside the urban area of the community to the north.

"Most stations are located on the fringe of a development area. You wouldn't want them near homes because of the noise," Panizza said.

Council will request more information about the proposal from CN officials.

Oil changers careless: Bellerby

Despite being a danger to the environment, some Musselman Lake residents are being careless when changing oil in their cars, cautioned Ward 2 Councillor Stephen Bellerby last week.

Bellerby said people must be more careful when handling and changing oil in their cars around the lake.

He added that one litre of spilled oil will cover and contaminate one square kilometre of surface water in the lake.

"I encourage people to be very careful when handling oil," Bellerby said.

Proper handling of oil means to

place the used substance in a safe, sealed container in the garage and have the oil transported and dis-

posed of at one of York Region's free Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days.

Setbacks hinder park care

The town parks department is behind schedule this year in its park maintenance, but expects things to pick up in the next few weeks, officials were told last week.

Town Public Works Director Paul Whitehouse told council the park maintenance program has suffered "a few setbacks" this year because of machine breakdowns.

He added the town is also expecting summer students to arrive as soon as school is out, which will also help speed up the process.

Whitehouse said the grass is cut in the parks on a rotation basis once a week from urban to rural areas.

He said all parks will be maintained to the best of the town's ability and added things should get back to normal soon. The issue was brought up after Ward 1 Councillor Margot Marshall said some Vandorf residents had called her about the long grass in Vandorf Park.



WHITEHOUSE

Developer wants first sewage hand-outs

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A developer wants first crack at any sewage allocations the town may be handing out in the near future and wants to see the "waiting list" of other recipients, council heard this week.

Robert Johnston of Alcorn & Associates Limited said a 120-home "final portion of a logical rounding out of a planned urban area," should get first priority of any sewage hand-outs the town may consider.

Thicketwood Developments, located off Lori Avenue and the 10th Concession, will add 90 detached homes and 30 townhouses to the Thicketwood three-phase project, Johnston said.

Johnston said this final stage of development was approved in principle by the town and York Region in 1986 subject to water and sewer availability.

He added that a recent study, which indicates another 1,000 units could be added to the plant's capacity level, means Thicketwood Developments should receive the extra units first.

Johnston is referring to a study, performed by consultant group MacViro, which explored three options to serve the community's sewage needs for a forecasted 20,000 people.

The study, paid for by York Region, indicated an expansion of 1,000 units would be the most realistic solution without harming the environment.

But Ward 5 Councillor Doug Alles, without meaning to "sound humorous," stressed concern the development may be located too close to the sewage treatment plant.

"Are the houses down or upwind from the plant? In the summer this could be a problem," Alles said, adding council should be cautioned about the location of the houses.

Johnston, however, said the wind comes from the west and northwest and the homes are opposite "functioning parts of the building."

However, the Ministry of the Environment has not yet commented on a draft plan of subdivision for required setback from the plant, Johnston said.

Council agreed to consider the request when discussions relating to sewage are brought before them.

Census Day June 4

Statistics Canada is urging all Ontarians to take part in the 1991 Census of Population and Agriculture June 4. The 12,000 census representatives will be handing out questionnaires to four million Ontarians between May 27 and June 1.

Residents are asked to complete and mail back the questionnaires in postage paid return envelopes. There are nine questions based on demographics such as age, sex and home ownership. Kept strictly confidential, the information is needed to determine the demographic, social and economical conditions of Canadians every five years. For more information call 1-800-267-1991.

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