

Storing worms can save money

Purchasing live bait can be an expensive proposition these days.

In the case of purchasing worms it's almost like picking dimes off the ground based on the price you pay at a bait shop.

You can certainly save a considerable amount of money by picking your own worms. The key, however, is to ensure long-term storage.

What can be more frustrating than to labor long hours in the dark by picking dozens of worms from your backyard and have them spoil by the time you've reached your favorite fishing hole.

More often than not, a worm possessing a healthier appearance is far more appealing to a fish than one that appears to be on its last leg.

Taking a little extra time and care your worms will create that healthier appearance. And it's relatively easy to do.

Upon picking your earth worms store them in material like moss or top soil. If you don't have access to these materials outdoor stores sell commercial worm bedding material.

Your worms should then be stored in ventilated containers under cool conditions like a wine cellar or refrigerator.

Compost boxes can also be used to store and rear worms.

Old tea leaves, coffee grinds or compost material can be used to feed your worms over the long haul.

The day before your outing, select what worms you intend to use and place them in a separate and ventilated container filled with strips of wet newspaper material.

The following day your worms will appear to be bigger in appearance and more enticing to a fish.

During your outing store your worms in a non-metallic container and be sure to avoid placing them in direct sunlight.

When not using your worms, place the container in a small cooler box.

TROUT SEEDINGS

The Ministry of Natural Resources are scheduled to plant within the near future a total of 20,000 rainbow trout into three York Region streams that drain into Lake Ontario.

The trout, six-to-seven inch yearlings, are to be seeded into the main tributary of the Rouge River at Hwy. 404 and Major MacKenzie, Berczy Creek (Warden Ave., just north of 16th Ave.) and Bruce Creek (Elgin Mills and 18th Ave.).

Ministry spokesman Mark Heaton said the yearlings should find their way into Lake Ontario sometime in June.

He added their return to native feeder streams is expected within three to four years time.



Outdoors

Mike Hayakawa

Rebels gain split

The Claremont Rebels are learning early in their initial Oshawa City and District Fastball Association season that runs are to be treated like gold.

The Rebels made the most of the scoring opportunities as they rallied for a 2-1 win over Bramalea Wednesday night in front of a good sized crowd at Claremont Park. The win came on the heels of the Rebels first defeat of the season two nights earlier as they were downed 7-1 by the Oshawa Blues on the road.

The Rebels erased a 1-0 Bramalea lead Wednesday as Ray Kurhan singled in the fifth inning, went to second on a sacrifice bunt by Tom Watson, then scored on a single by Cliff Herbert.

The Rebels took the lead the next inning when pitcher Tim Evans doubled and scored on a single by Jim Chilvers.

Evans handcuffed the Bramalea batters, using a devastating change up to

keep them off balance. He struck out seven while walking just two. Evans was backed up by a flawless Claremont defence.

The win lifted the Rebels record to four wins against one loss. Their defeat at the hands of the Blues Monday wasn't helped by the fact the visiting Claremont club was playing short staffed.

The Rebels have added former Greenbank Gambler player John Tait to their coaching staff. Tait will coach third base while head coach Frank Hendy directs traffic at first. Hendy said Tait will make a big difference to the Rebels.

"He's a super addition to the team," said Hendy. "He's played some competitive ball, and at the level we're playing at this year, one run can make a big difference."

The Rebels are in Port Perry Tuesday, then return home to host Markham on Wednesday.

DON VALLEY NORTH LEXUS - TOYOTA ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Madeline Hayes

Madeline Hayes twirled her way to an impressive performance at the recent Ontario Provincial and Team Trials in Newmarket. The 11-year-old Grade 6 student at Kateri Tekakwitha Catholic School, who twirled with the Progress Baton Club of Richmond Hill, was the Juvenile B Medley provincial winner and Juvenile B

Solo silver medalist.

Paired with Caitlin Varga of Richmond Hill, the pair won the Level B Junior Pairs competition.

Hayes also competed with a Corp that took the Junior Parade Corp Provincial Championship and the Junior Twirl Corp bronze medal.

In addition, Hayes was part of the WBTF Team that claimed a silver in the WBTF Team Competition. In finishing second, the team gained entry to the National Team Trial Championships that will be held in Edmonton this July.

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THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK STOP UP AND CLOSE STOUFFVILLE ROAD (Y.R. 14) TOWN OF WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE

THE COUNCIL OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK PROPOSES TO PASS A BY-LAW AUTHORIZING:

1. The stopping up and closing as a public highway that part of Stouffville Road (Y.R. 14) designated as Part 1, Plan 65R-19160, Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville and the conveyance of the said lands to the abutting owner.

Pursuant to Section 300 of the Municipal Act, the Transportation and Works Committee of the Regional Council will, at its meeting to be held at 10:00 a.m. on the 4th day of June, 1997 in Committee Room "A" at the Regional Administrative Building located at 17250 Yonge St., Newmarket, hear any person who claims that his/her lands will be prejudicially affected by the by-law and who applies to be heard. Anyone wishing to be heard is requested to advise the Office of the Regional Clerk (telephone 895-1231 or 731-0201, ext. 1303).

DATED at Newmarket this 31st day of May, 1997.

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