Controlled area hunts provide an alternative

Outdoors

Mike Hayakawa

You've renewed the required licences to hunt upland birds or waterfowl and have Sept. 25 circled on your calendar with the high hope of getting out at the crack of dawn to take in the opening day festivities.

While it's nice to be optimistic and think of what this season has to offer, an equally important matter exists in where to go.

If you have the required permission to enter someone's private domain, half of the battle is won.

With the amount of crown land dwindling each year, finding a place to go can be a frustrating experience.

It doesn't have to be this way, though, as the Ministry of Natural Resources has places set aside in the form of Wildlife Management Areas.

Among those nearby areas offering controlled public hunts are: Scugog Island, Kendal and Darlington Park.

Scugog Island, located in Wildlife Management Unit 73, will begin Sept. 25 and operate each Saturday until Nov. 15.

Admission fees are $30 per hunt and there's a two pheasant limit.

This area, which is run by an individual for the ministry, does have one exception to the public Saturday hunts. This weekend, along with the periods of Oct. 25 and 26 and Nov. 22 and 23, are designated as exclusive hunts. Under this arrangement the operator, in exchange for running the ministry hunts, will charge private game club rates of $175, notes ministry spokesman Glen Price.

Another area to hunt pheasants is the Kendal Conservation Area.

Also located in Wildlife Management Unit 73 (Clarington Township), the Kendal hunt commences Sept. 25 and operates six days a week, except on Sundays, until Dec. 15.

Operating hours are from 8 a.m. until noon and 1 p.m. until 5 p.m.

In addition to possessing your small game licence, a $50 Township of Clarington licence is required. To hunt either the morning or afternoon period is $10 per session.

A maximum of 25 hunters are allowed and the number of birds released is based on the number of hunters present.

When hunting for upland game, be sure to don the mandatory hunter orange hats and vests.

For the waterfowling enthusiasts, the Darlington Provincial Park in Wildlife Management Unit 72B has seven, two-man blinds set up.

In addition to possessing your licence and migratory game bird licence, tentative fees are $12 per hunter. Blinds are operated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Hunting will take place on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturday until noon. Because Sept. 25 falls on a Thursday, the opening day at Darlington will take place Sept. 26. The season will run until Dec. 31 or until freeze up, which ever comes first.

Waterfowlers are also reminded to discharge non toxic shot only.

ERROR IN REGULATIONS

The Ministry of Natural Resources' Aurora District office notes a misprint in the current 1997 Sport Fishing Regulations Summary. The season for white fish and lake herring in Division 5 (Lake Simcoe) should read as follows: Whitefish, Jan. 1 to March 15 and May 10 (second Saturday) to Oct. 6. The lake herring (cisco) season is Jan. 1 to March 15 and May 10 to Dec. 31.

The ministry also reminds anglers that the lake trout season in Lake Simcoe will close on Sept. 30 as shown in the 1997 Summary of the Sport Fishing Regulations.

Yellow perch anglers fishing Lake Simcoe and its tributaries or the waters of Lake Couchiching are reminded that new perch limits are in effect and will be enforced by ministry conservation officers. The new limits are: Seasonal Fishing Licence - daily catch limit of 50, possession limit of 100. Conservation Fishing Licence - daily catch and possession limit of 50. These limits are listed on page 14 of the current Sport Fishing Regulations Summary.

POWER SQUADRON COURSES

Anyone wishing to improve their knowledge of safe boating might wish to enroll in power squadron courses.

The Frenchman's Bay Power Squadron will conduct a course at West Hill Collegiate in Scarborough starting on Monday.

For those wishing further information call 416-286-4645 or 416-282-7425.

DON VALLEY NORTH LEXUS - TOYOTA ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Amanda Mueller

Amanda Mueller played a key role in helping the Unionville Accord squirts girls' fastball team in capturing their recent year end tournament with a 6-2 come-from-behind win over Jordan Stuart in the title tilt.

The 12-year-old Mueller was one of two players that handled pitching duties during the tournament and was given the starting assignment in the final. Mueller also helped her own cause at the plate by collecting three hits and driving in two runs in the big game.

DON VALLEY NORTH LEXUS - TOYOTA
3120 Steeles Ave. E.
East of the 404 (Pkwy.) 475-0722

CORRECTION NOTICE

We wish to draw your attention to the error in last weeks 75 Years Anniversary Sale" flyer.

Page 1: 25-pc mini tool kit, 58-9076-0. The illustration should not show the Mastercraft logo.

ALSO ...

We wish to draw your attention to the following in our current "75 Years Anniversary Sale" flyer.

Page 2: 16-piece Kitchen Necessities knife set, 99-2125-8. The illustration should show a "Whiltshire" logo.

Page 10: Beechwood co-ordinates, 42-3246x. Copy should read: Sale 5.99-24.99, NOT 5.99-23.99

Page 13: Sony discman, 44-1573-6. Copy reads: Reg 149.99, Sale 139.99. Should read: 139.99

We sincerely regret any inconvenience we may have caused you.

cnote 338/339-97 zones: all (excl. 7/8/9)

New look to SAHL this year

The Stouffville Amateur Hockey League (SAHL) has taken on a new look as it sets to kick off the 1997-98 season on Wednesday.

The revised league will take to the ice with two divisions, down from the three it has maintained for the past several seasons.

The league now includes an Under 40 division, incorporating players from the old 20 and over and 30 and over flights.

The Over 40 division will be continued.

The 12 team under 40 loop plays Wednesday nights from 9 p.m. until midnight on Pad A, and from 8:40 p.m. 'til 11:40 p.m. on Pad B.

The over 40 category, which is made up of eight squads, plays Sunday mornings from 7:40 'til 11:40 a.m. on Pad B beginning Sept. 28.

Got a score? Call us at 640-2100 or FAX them to us at 640-5477.

Sunderland Agricultural Society

September Meeting

Monday, Sept. 22, 1997
8:00 p.m.
at the home of
Wilma & Ted Smith

For Directions call

357-2427 Wilma or 432-2833 Karen

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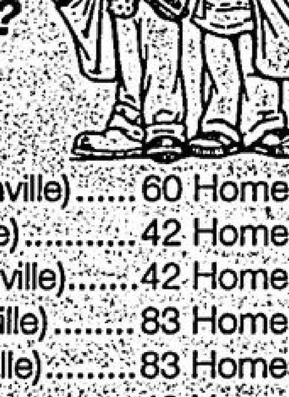

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