

Contract vote averts transit strike

Members of the Amalgamated Transit Union averted strike action Tuesday by voting to ratify a contract offered by Miller Transit Ltd.

Miller Transit Ltd. employs 220 contract bus operators.

The company employs transit workers that work on 46 York Region transit routes, in Markham, Whitchurch-Stouffville and Richmond Hill.

If a contract had not been ratified, it would have jeopardized service on those 46 routes.

The Amalgamated Transit Union is not releasing the number of employees who voted in favour of the contract, but president of local 1587 Denis Tanham said the vote was not overwhelmingly in favour of the contract.

Bar blitz serves up charges

Booze busts are booming in York this month.

The OPP York Regional Police and Alcohol and Gaming officials headed out on a one-night blitz targeting bars and restaurants in the north end of the region Friday, looking for violations of the

Liquor Licence Act.

Seventeen licensed establishments in Aurora, Newmarket and Georgina were inspected resulting in 25 Liquor Licence Act charges, including selling liquor to an intoxicated person, permitting drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

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This just a week after a total of 278 Liquor Licence Act charges were laid in a four-night blitz targeting bars and restaurants in Markham and Whitchurch-Stouffville.

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