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OPPOSITION NO-SHOWS FOR OMHA TITLE GAME

Clippers win trophy, protest by Pelham

BY JIM MASON
Staff Writer

It will go down as the shortest championship game in history. Any sport, any planet. Captain Landon Wideman took a faceoff at the Stouffville Arena Sunday night and suddenly his Stouffville Clippers juveniles were Ontario Minor Hockey Association A champions. The opposition from Pelham, near Welland, were no-shows for the fifth game in the first-to-six-points series.

Old rulebook used to misinterpret referee's call, OMHA says /page 19.

Stouffville was awarded a 1-0 win. It won four games and tied the other, although one of the victories was in doubt. Stouffville thought it had won the series with its 3-2 victory Saturday in Pelham. But there was no trophy presentation, or medals or OMHA champion hats for the Clippers to wear. Earlier in the day, Pelham protested its 4-2 loss in Game 3 of the series Friday in Stouffville, saying a misconduct for not wearing a mouthguard was improperly assessed one of its star players. The Clippers, who thought the protest would be quickly tossed, partied like champions on the

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OUT ON A LIMB



STAFF PHOTO/SJOERD WITTEVEEN

Whitchurch-Stouffville's Patricia Leier climbs a big red oak in the York Regional Forest north of Ballantrae to demonstrate tree climbing skills and tree maintenance Saturday. Ms Leier and partner Christian Dube of Roots to Shoots Tree Care participated in this monthly event at the popular forest.

\$930,000 grant for new arts centre

No tax, hydro money needed for Nineteen on Park facility

BY HANNELORE VOLPE
Staff Writer

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville has received a \$930,000 grant that will defray a substantial portion of the \$3.4 million cost of Nineteen on the Park, the town's new arts and culture centre. Receiving the grant from the Ontario government's Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative means the town's hydro reserves won't have to be used, Marc Pourvahidi, the town's treasurer said. The funds were to be used as a back-up in case the grant didn't come through.

Province writing cheques: Town receives \$535,000 for road work/page 17.

The grant, along with community fundraising and money for naming rights, should cover half the cost of the new centre. The other half is to be covered through funds from the town's voluntary assistance agreement, development charges and park trust funds. It means no taxpayer dollars will be needed for work on the former town hall. The new centre will probably open in the spring of 2009, Tom Graham, director of leisure services, said. "The grant keeps us on target and moves us one step further to realizing our vision of a thriving community arts and cultural

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