

Mini-bike crackdown

No room for them in city, says report

By JOHN STEWART
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There is no public land in Mississauga suitable for development as a mini-bike park, says recreation commissioner Lyle Love.

In a report to the recreation and parks committee Monday, Love said it would cost \$20,000 to \$30,000 to develop a park even if a suitable location could be found.

"I just don't think that they are suitable in an urban area," said Love of the vehicles.

Ward 4 Councillor Larry Taylor was the only committee member who disagreed with Love. He suggested that some effort

be made to provide facilities in the northern, undeveloped area of the city. "They are here and they aren't going to go away," he said.

Use of mini-bikes is prohibited on public roads and parks, but there are continual violations. Police have difficulty in catching many offenders despite the constant complaints from residents.

A few weeks ago a new cry for banning mini-bikes or finding a special area for them arose after a seven-year-old Streetsville girl was severely injured by a mini-bike while using a pedestrian walkway near Vista Heights School.

Ward 2 Councillor Margaret Marland said that providing a special park for mini-bikes, "makes as much sense as providing fields for people who have horses, or supplying ski slopes."

Despite constant requests from municipalities the provincial government has not moved to require such licensing. The recreation committee endorsed a city of Brampton resolution which requires that:

- off-road motorized recreation vehicles be licensed the same as cars or motorcycles.
- drivers must be tested and licensed to operate the vehicles by the province.
- parents be held responsible for actions by juveniles which contravene licensing regulations.
- police impound recreational vehicles when they are found operating illegally.
- mini-bikes not be sold to anyone under 16.

Church will fight for day care

The emotional battle between the Meadowvale Bible Baptist Church and the Ministry of Community and Social Services moved one step closer to the front lines this week.

After Sunday's church service, the church membership decided it would appeal the ministry's refusal to renew the day care licence of the Meadowvale Children's Centre, which it operates. Rev. William Hiltz, supervisor of the centre, said the move to appeal was a unanimous decision.

The ministry has refused to renew the centre's licence because it says its day nursery program contravenes portions of The Day Nurseries Act. Susan Waterfield of the ministry's Children's Services Division said Monday she had no idea when the appeal hearing will be held. She said it depends on when the members of the Day Nurseries Review Board can meet.

Hiltz, who has said he will go to jail rather than close the centre against the Church's wishes, said a public seminar meeting will be held tonight at 7:30 in which all parents of the centre's children will be invited to attend. Psychologist Dr. Blair Shaw will be speaking.

The centre, which cares for 170 children, is allowed to remain open until the appeal has been heard.

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Test all kids says Fraser

The Peel Board of Education will investigate administering a standardized general ability and aptitude test to Grade 10 students each spring as the result of the Fraser Report findings.

John Fraser, Peel's director of education, took a four-month sabbatical last fall to study the effects of Peel's secondary school educational practices on local students. The aptitude test is one of 34 suggestions he made.

"Students at or about 16 years of age have a growing maturity and a greater experimental basis on which to make decisions than they had when they were 13 or 14, contemplating leaving Grade 8," Fraser told the board. "It is at the juncture between Grade 10 and 11 that choices affecting career futures can be more appropriately determined."

The board decided to refer Fraser's recommendation to Arnold Kreyer, superintendent of program, for detailed analysis and comment.

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