

Batman coming to town

Caped Crusader targeting criminal element

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The HRM police force is about to get an extra hand in riding the streets of crime.

The vigilante known as Batman has recently been sighted in the vicinity of downtown Halifax, fighting the corruption that eats away at the city's very soul.

Batman leaves behind Gotham City, where he has defeated such nefarious foes as the Joker and the Penguin. However, the move to Halifax may prove his greatest challenge yet, as he is forced to confront the villainy of Ashley MacIsaac.

"The man's a horror," said one citizen, "what on earth can stop him?" It was unclear whether these remarks applied to the Dark Knight or his nefarious foe.

MacIsaac is charged with obnoxious behaviour, and lowering the IQs of all bystanders within 30 feet of his presence. The caped crusader has been charged for similar crimes, stemming from a TV show in the late

'60s and a string of bad movies. In a rare public statement, Batman claimed full innocence, and swore to bring the guilty parties to justice: "Adam West and Joel Schumacher cannot hope to escape the justice that their crimes against good taste demand."

Public officials have railed against the relocation of the Dark Knight, fearing for the public safety and property damage. Some fear that the publicity brought about by this move will cause a downturn in the Halifax economy, which is booming under an influx of capital from Wayne Enterprises.

"I think Batman is a little too much for Halifax," said Dolph Lundrigan. "If you know what I mean."

As for MacIsaac, he replied to this news from his secret lair, stating "Batman will never capture me! I will rant and rave where I please! I am God; you are fools! Expect no further statements from me, foolish mortals!"

We can only pray MacIsaac was sincere.

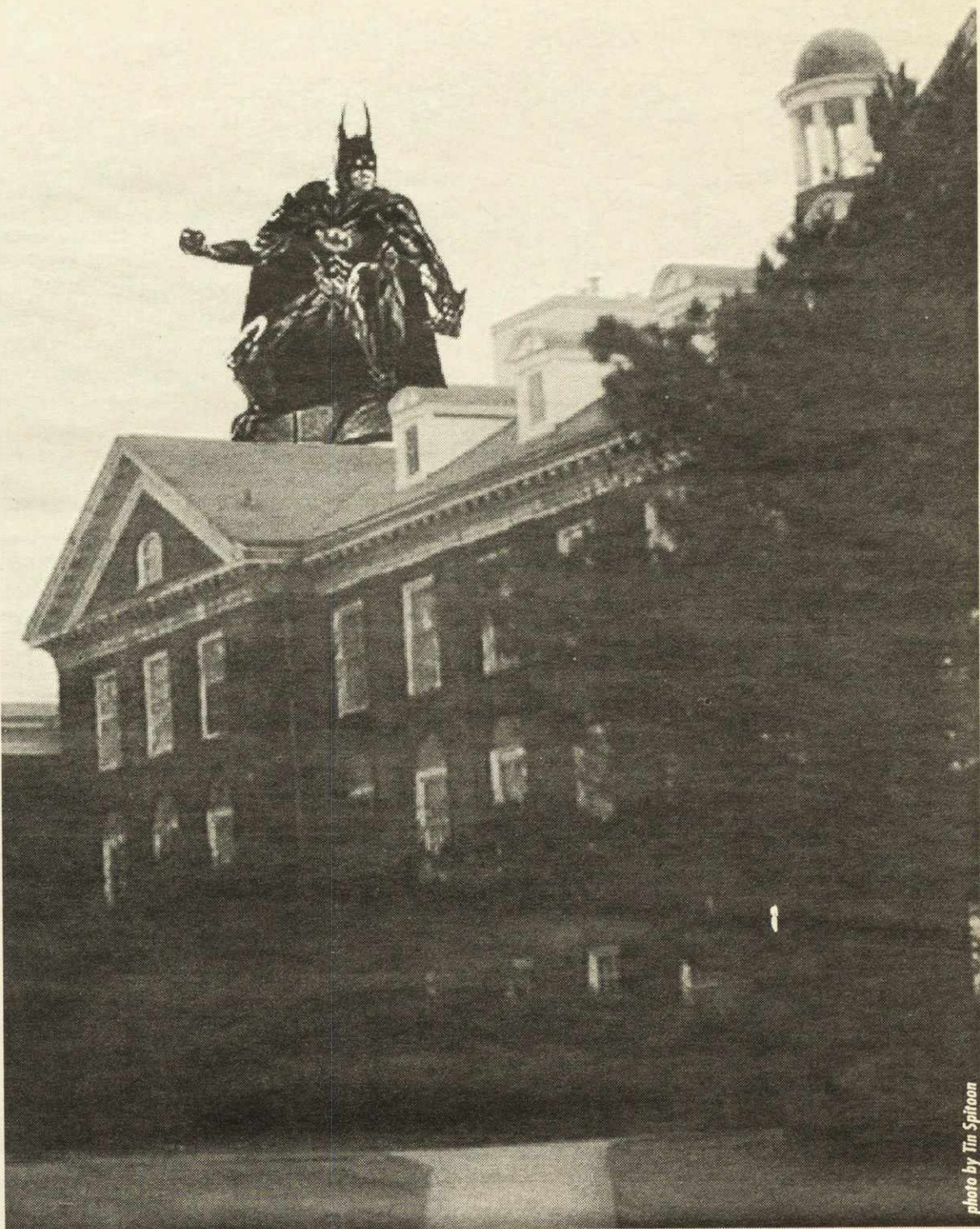


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Who likes short shorts?

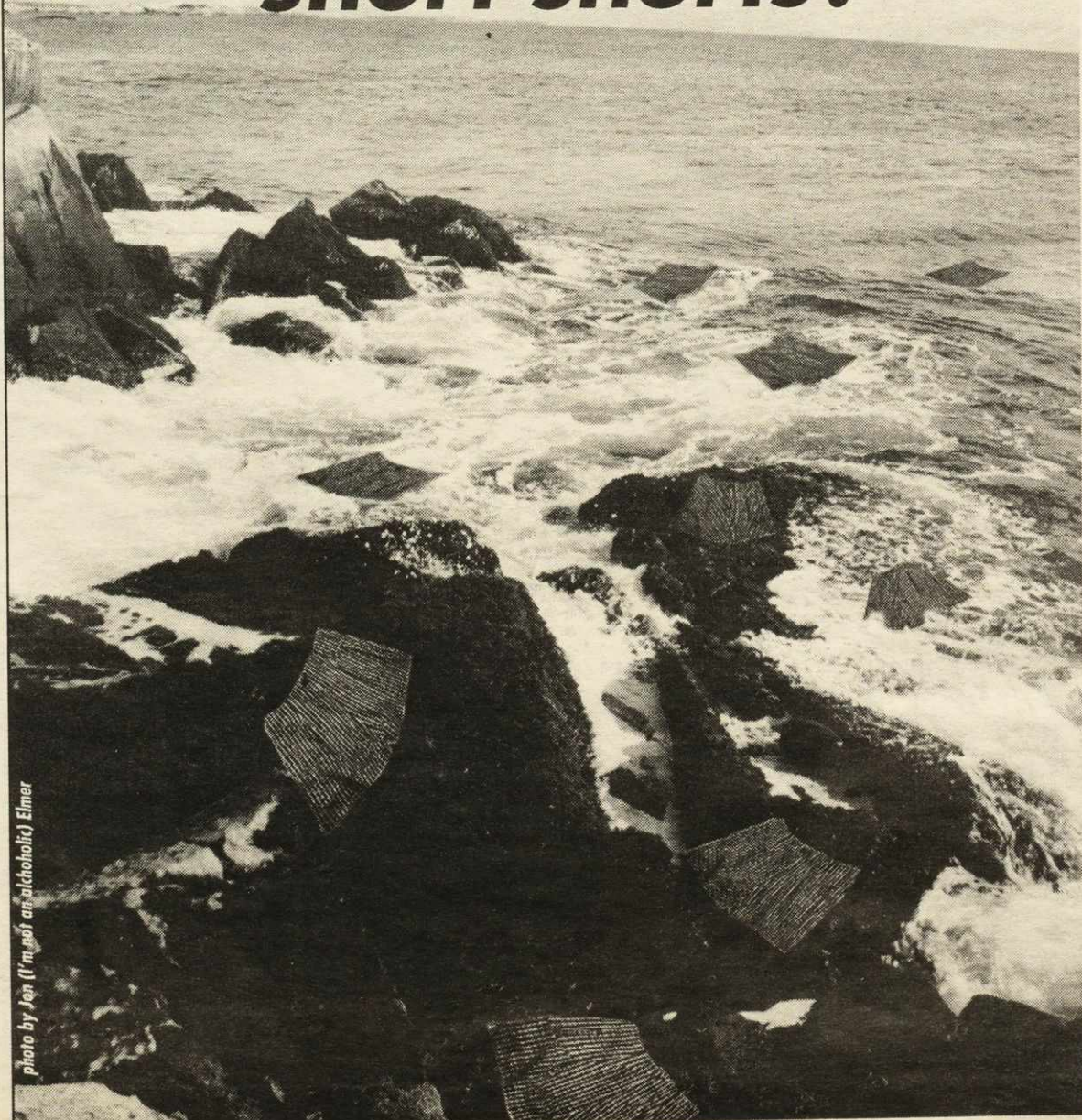


photo by Jen ('I'm not an alcoholic') Elmer

Environmental activists upset over latest hot pants spill

Residents of Peggy's Cove got a bit of a fright last Friday as the automated lighthouse system, E.A.R.L., mysteriously stopped operating, causing one potentially serious accident.

The Captain and crew of the SS Whiskey were unharmed in the incident, but their "precious cargo" of 100,000 pairs of hot-pants washed ashore.

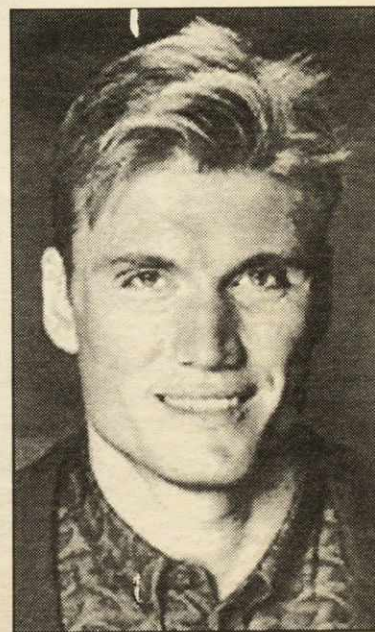
The supply of hot-pants was written off by all save the local residents.

"I don't know why they don't want their shorts back," said Peggy's Cove resident Mable Fipper. "Perfectly good shorts. It's foolishness."

The thousands of shorts that didn't make it to shore are now in the Atlantic ocean, causing environmental problems for numerous sea creatures. "Those poor fish," said Dolph Lundrigan. "I wish that hadn't happened."

But not all are worried about environmental impact.

When *the Gazette* approached the captain of the vessel about the lost hotpants, he replied: "Argh, I hate the sea and everything in it."



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