Carting dogs bring out the 'goodness' at community events

By Mark Pavilons

Our best friends bring out the best in all of us.

And youngsters are simply thrilled sitting in a cart or sleigh, being pulled by a beautiful and majestic dog.

When members of the Good Guys Carting Dogs show up in your community, the smiles are as long as the lines.

At the recent Caledon SnowFest, the Good Guys raised roughly \$1,100 for charity on Family Day. According to event organizers, the Good Guys rank high as one of the favourite family attractions at the annual event.

"That was a lot of rides." said Good Guys member Ross Hamilton.

And they do it out of love, for fun, and for some really good causes.

Hamilton said sometimes the charities are event-specific, and other times, the group supports the Lions Foundation Dog Guide program, which provides dogs for disabled Canadians. In the past, the club has also raised money for pet oxygen masks for the fire department.

"We're out to have fun and raise monev," Hamilton noted.

friends.

The club holds training carting classes, starting in May in Schomberg.

In addition to being long-time draft trainers, the instructors are both draft judges for the Canadian Kennel Club as well as for various other draft testing groups.

Founded in 1987, the Good Guys Carting Dogs is a small group of dedicated dog owners who participate in "doggie disciplines" and support worthwhile community services by way of fundraising events. These fundraising events help to show that dogs with responsible owners can be contributing members of a community. The committed members donate their dogs, time, talents, travel expenses and equipment to make these successful events happen.

The Good Guys come in all sizes, all breeds and mixes of breeds. Some of the breeds participating in our events are Newfoundlands, Bernese Mountain Dogs, Leonbergers, Bouviers, Labrador Retrievers, Collies, Border Collies, Rottweilers, Akitas, Bulldogs, the list goes on and on.

They also do carting demonstrations They're always on the lookout for new that introduce their training methods as



Pottageville Mosquito Control Program **Notice of Aerial Application of Larvicide for Mosquito Control**

Sometime between April 7th and April 25, 2014, Pestalto Environmental Health Services Inc. will apply a biological larvicide by helicopter in the Pottageville area. This application is for the control of Spring Aedes Mosquito Larva only and will be conducted over specific mosquito breeding sites within the boundaries of:

> 8th Concession to the West 19th Side Road to the North

Weston Road to the East 18th Side Road to the South

A detailed map that indicates the specific boundaries of application and affected properties for this program is available at the Township of King municipal offices and on the Township's Web site at www.king.ca.

The program will use a single spring application of VectoBac 200G (PCP# 18158) in a granular formulation. This product contains the active ingredient **B.t.i.** which is a naturally occurring bacterium found in soils and is very specific to mosquito larva.

If your property falls within the treatment area you will be contacted by direct mail. If you have any questions, concerns you may contact Pestalto at 1-866-648-7773 or by e-mail.



TECHNICAL AND PROGRAM INFORMATION

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with a trained carting dog. They typically extremely well socialized. charge \$2 per ride and all funds go to the community service.

members with their best, four-legged well as some of the fun things you can do have excellent temperaments and must be

For more, visit www.thegoodguyscartingdogs.ca or email info@thegood-

Participating dogs are properly trained guyscartingdogs.ca.



Members of The Good Guys Dog Carting were at Caledon's annual Snowfest recently. It's reported to be the number one family attraction at this event.

Photo by Mark Pavilons

York Region provides well water testing for King residents

Spring is a great opportunity to check in on the quality of your well water. The Region of York encourages residents with private wells to make sure their well water is safe.

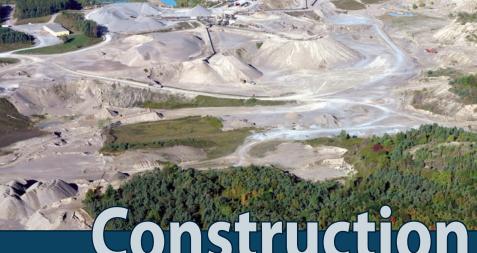
It's easy to do. Residents with private wells can pick up well water sample bottles and drop samples off Monday to Wednesday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., and Thursday between 8:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. at the following York Region Community and Health Services locations:

Township of King Offices, 2075 King Road; Dr. W. Laceby Nobleton Arena and Community Centre, 15 Old King Road and the Trisan Centre, 25 Dillame Drive.

Collected water samples are submitted to Public Health Ontario to measure for bacterial contamination. Bacterial contamination can make well water unsafe to use and drink, causing stomach cramping, diarrhea and other problems.

Private well owners should also inspect their wells annually to ensure they are damage-free and in good working condition. Information on the Well Aware Program for private well assessment is available at www.wellaware.ca.





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— Panel Discussion to follow: Ask our experts! —

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12750 Jane Street, King City (south of King Road, east of Hwy 400) Free Admission – registration at CCKT.ca is encouraged

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