

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

 Chile 1	 Italy 3
 Austria 1	 Cameroon 0

TODAY'S MATCHES

 S. Africa	 Saudi Arabia
vs	vs
 Denmark	 France

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**Stieb's
a Jay
again**

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WEATHER
HIGH LOW
22°C 14°C
Conditions: Sun and cloud
Tomorrow: Chance of rain
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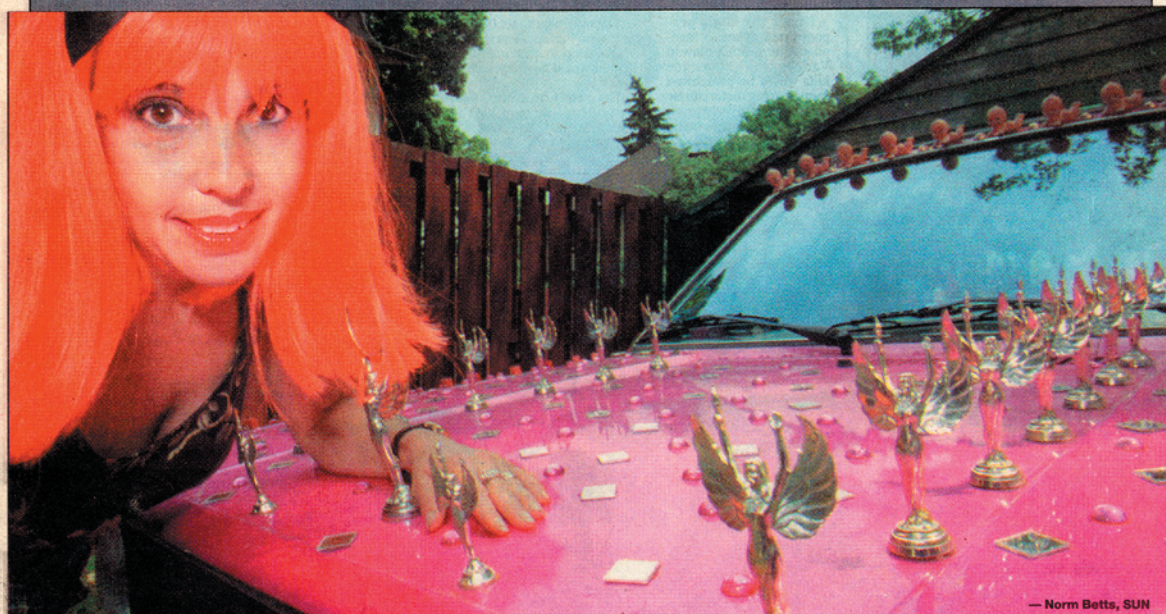
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ARMY SEX PROBE DRAGS IN BRASS

Top officers
to be grilled
on charges
they ignored
complaints:
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— Norm Betts, SUN

VICTIM OF FASHION POLICE? Meleny Melody, the voice of Cheer Bear on TV's cartoon Care Bears, shows off her hot-pink, trophy-decorated VW Cabriolet that landed her in trouble with Toronto cops. The police, fearing the decorations could impale a pedestrian in an accident, pulled the car's plates last Friday. Melody refuses to remove the decorations and has hired a lawyer to defend her sense of style. **Story, Page 26**

Cheer Bear's car drives cop to distraction

By **D'ARCY DORAN**
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MELENY MELODY
Trophies on hood

Cheer Bear has lost her wheels. Meleny Melody, the voice for the Care Bears character, had her licence plates seized by Toronto cops who fear the bowling trophies decorating the hood of her pink 1986 Volkswagen Cabriolet could impale pedestrians. "Who are they?" she asked. "The fashion police?" But Const. Stewart Udall argued the decorations are lethal. "If she even side-swiped a pedestrian or hit one

dead on," Udall said, "they're gonna be ripped to shreds."

The light reflecting off the little square mirrors and the 11 silver plastic trophy angels guarding them caught Udall's eye last Friday on Lake Shore Blvd.

Artistic licence?

Melody had just spent the afternoon in a studio recording a lounge song inspired by her car titled *Cruising on the 401*. The singer-artist was on her way to meet her husband, Clive Smith,

co-founder of Nelvana — Canada's largest animation company — when police pulled her over.

"What is this?" Udall asked, motioning to the car encrusted in rhinestones bought in Shanghai, clown faces from Bali, L.A. crawling baby dolls and Beetle Juice figurines from Arby's.

Melody wasn't charged. Police just told her to tow it away.

Police offered to return her plates if she removed the jagged objects within three days.

Instead, she's hired a lawyer.