

Lawn bowling in Lindsay dates back to the days when a small group of enthusiasts rolled and packed the soil to velvety greens on the present public library grounds immediately west of the Town Hall.

One of the best of the enthusiasts was Bill Ferguson, a member of the Sutcliffe departmental store, now Zellers. Later the greens were on St. Mary's Church grounds at the corner of Glenelg and Huron Streets and at the same time there was a one alley of bowling in a long low brick building alongside the west end of the bowling green.

Three of the stalwart players and promoters were a Frenchman named Felieuz, Harold and Leo Rogers, Geo. Bell and a man named Turner. When the Club folded for a time the bowlers tucked away their bowls until a club was started at St. Paul's Anglican Church.

The big expansion took place when the club was presented with a large lot on the present site at Kawartha Park. Members worked hard and long hours to build the present fine greens and one of the chief enthusiasts was Jim Mackey, founder of the annual Mackey tournament, an annual event at the local greens. The Mackey cup has been in competition for sixteen years.

Today the Lindsay Club has a fine club house, the set-up is beautiful, the membership is congenial but new members are hoped for . . Visitors are welcome.

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How many remember the time when Alex. Paton, a citizen of many fine characteristics, operated a School of Telegraphy on the third floor of the old Academy Theatre? Two Masonic brothers met for the first time in many years last Sunday night at Coboconk while attending the funeral of the late John Thomas Quinn, namely Bros. Bob Tromley of Norland and Bro. Clem Stewart of Lindsay.

Bob Tromley went to the C.P.R. and Clem Stewart to the Grand Trunk and C.N.R. For several years Tromley was stationed in Lindsay and Stewart in Montreal. They were quite talkative regarding the telegraphy school in the Academy building when the long room with the wooden beams overhead was filled with miniature telegraph poles, wires and insulators and thirty or more students were learning the art of telegraphy.

For several years previously Alex. Paton was head man with the Grand Trunk Railway when the first station, followed by the freight sheds and office were located on Victoria Avenue between Glenelg and Melbourne Streets. Alex. Paton was prominent in sport circles, especially as a cricketer and later when he organ-

ized and operated the Sam Hughes hockey tournament in Lindsay for a number of years.