

# Cross Country Calendar

## Nelson WI, Halton

This Branch held another successful spring luncheon and card party, with proceeds going to the Headquarters Fund.

## Woolwich Everfaithful WI, Waterloo North

Waterloo North District President, Margaret Bolender, was presented with the Woman of the Year Award for Community Work. The presentation was made at an Octoberfest event.

## Hillier WI, Prince Edward

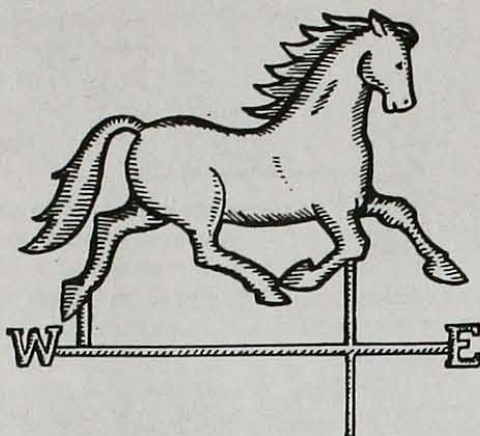
Hillier Branch members congratulates members Carol Quinn and Peggy Burris for their contributions to civic life in Prince Edward County. Carol Quinn served a term on the township council and sought office in the new county council last fall. Among her opponents for the council seat was Peggy Burris, who successfully won the position. Another member of this Branch, Janet Lunn, is a recipient of the Order of Ontario, and more recently the Order of Canada. She has been recognized for her work in organizing the writers of Canada and for her contribution to children's literature.

## Rylstone WI, Hastings North

Members of the Rylstone WI had a guest speaker report on her trip to Germany. The guest later showed the group how to make crafts, which were donated to the Big Brothers and Big Sisters Christmas Store in Madoc. This store is geared to children who can come and buy a gift for anyone for \$5 or less.

## Eden Grove-Cargill WI, Bruce East

Members of this Branch reported a busy year. Many of the ideas for their events came from Branch reports printed in the *Home & Country*. These events included: a strawberry social; a bus trip to the Erland Lee (Museum) Home and the Royal Botanical Gardens; quilt and craft sales, with the proceeds going to a local women's house, a ball diamond project, London's Midwestern Children's Hospital and Walkerton General Hospital; supporting and exhibiting at their local fair; distributing Valentine care packages to local shut-ins and long-term care patients. As well, they have mailed 700 knitted squares, yarn and needles to the Knitted Squares for Zambia Project.



## Camilla WI, Dufferin South

Camilla is an active Branch with sixteen members who devote their time to many local events, including catering, sponsoring craft shows and supporting the local hospital, museum and schools.

## Hudson WI, Temiskaming South

This Branch is proud of member Margaret Arnott, a recipient of one of the one hundred Centennial Awards presented to a "grass roots" member for her contribution at the Branch level. Currently, Margaret is a member of the singing group known as the Grumbling Grannies. She helps plan A Day For You, a series of workshops for women on a variety of interests held in the Cochrane-Temiskaming District. Margaret says there is no doubt that the WI has enriched her life.



Irene Moffat, a member of the Dublin Women's Institute in Halton District for fifty-four years, is pictured above with some of the over 1500 squares she knit for the Zambia Project.

Submitted by Jean McLean, Secretary, Dublin WI, Halton.

## Elmview WI, Northumberland West

Elmview Women's Institute dedicated an oakleaf mountain ash tree and plaque during the Hamilton Township Bi-Centennial Celebrations last year. Several WI members and dignitaries, including the MP, MPP, Warden and Reeve, attended the dedication.

## Simcoe Area WI

Simcoe Area WI members involved with the Lifestyles Committee for the International Plowing Match and Farm Machinery Show presented a quilt, a cherry wood clock and a crocheted doily to various draw winners.

## Bolsover WI, Victoria West

The Bolsover WI enjoyed a visit to the former Grass Hill School House, which closed in 1965. Until last year, it was used by the Grass Hill WI for their monthly meetings. As of last fall, it has reopened as a private school.

## Langton WI, Norfolk South

The Langton Women's Institute is justly proud of member Muriel Jenney, a recipient of one of the one hundred Centennial Awards given to Branch members in 1997. Muriel said it was the highlight of her 75th year.

## Eastern Area WI

Eastern Area hosted a reception for many WI members en route to the ceremony held in Mount Royal Cemetery in Montreal in June to mark the grave of Mrs. Alfred Watt. The event included several visitors from ACWW.



Mrs. Alys Alexander (left) of New Zealand was a special guest of the New Dundee Women's Institute. She presented a tea towel commemorating the 75th anniversary of the New Zealand Country Women's Institutes, as well as a booklet, to New Dundee members.

Submitted by Elva Fried, PRO, New Dundee WI, Waterloo South.