



LEADER FOR 10 YEARS—Mrs. Don MacAdam, was honored Saturday for 10 years of leadership in the Belmore 1, 4-H homemaking club. Bea McClenaghan, ministry of agriculture and food home economist, made the presentation Saturday at the Gorrle area 4-H achievement day. *1978.*



Twyla Dickson (right) last year's Howick Fall Fair Queen is seen above as she crowns this year's Queen, Miss Barbara Harkness of Wingham. Barb is the daughter of Robert Harkness and the late Grace Harkness. Standing on left is the runner-up, Peggy Schneider of R.R. 1, Fordwich. *October 26, 1978.*

Plowing match draws international competition

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While rarely seen on farms today, the art of plowing and tilling with real horsepower is still alive.

Since 1913 the Ontario Plowmen's Association, in co-operation with local plowmen's groups, has sponsored the International Plowing Match and Farm Machinery Show. The event is held annually in a different county or region of Ontario.

Huron County will host this event for the third time, September 26-30. Huron first hosted the event in 1946, and for the second time in 1966. This year the match will be held on the farm of Jim Armstrong and neighboring farms, one mile east of Wingham — an area of cash cropping and livestock production.

Astronaut Neil Armstrong, the first man to walk on the

moon, will officially open the match.

Visitors will see over 200 contestants competing for over \$35,000 in prize money in various plowing classes. Plowmen from different countries make the competition truly international. Special classes are held each year for Queen of the Furrow, Mayors, Warden's and Regional Chairmen, and press, radio and TV representatives.

The miracle of the Tented City awes visitors every year. A fully serviced community rises for a week on the site. The city covers more than a hundred acres and features hydro, telephones, water, toilets, etc. Helicopter flights over the Tented City are popular.

The 1978 match will cover almost 1000 acres — the largest in the history of the show — pro-

viding ample space for competitions; for the tented city's 500 exhibitors, and for the 250,000 expected visitors. With all the exhibit space in the seven-street tented-city sold, displays this year will give both rural and urban visitors an excellent opportunity to view the latest in farm machinery, agricultural services, automobiles and home appliances.

To satisfy the appetites of thousands of visitors daily, some 50 caterers will provide everything from hot dogs to full-course, home-cooked meals. Lending a Fair atmosphere to the Tented City are booths which will sell candy apples and other treats.

Huron County is one of the top agricultural counties in Ontario. The host county exhibit tells the story of the area with antique and historic displays. □

4,000 Throng To Belmore Festival

Over 4,000 people came to the Belmore Maple Syrup Festival, with 3,700 buying tickets for a meal of Pancakes and Belmore maple syrup. During the day 1500 lbs. of sausage were consumed, 1,000 lbs. of flour, 100 lbs. of shortening, 90 lbs. of sugar, 180 dozen eggs, and 130 gals. of maple syrup. A film of the demolition of the old arena and construction of the new one, was shown in the curling lounge every hour all day. Bingo was held in the auditorium, and lucky button draws for prizes donated by local merchants were held every hour. A draw for a quilt was won by Laura Inglis, the pillow was won

by Evelyn Carlgan and the crib quilt was won by Evelyn Dettman. The tug-of-war held in the afternoon was won by the Culross ice crew, and the log sawing contest was won by the Carrick councillors.

A dance to the music by "Mirige" was held in the evening with a very successful turnout. *78*