

DUNROBIN WOMEN'S INSTITUTE was founded January 9, 1918. As Dunrobin is situated on the town-line between Torbolton and March our Community extends into both townships. Lady Tweedsmuir's suggestion that we write down our local history appealed to the members of the Institute and the work was commenced in 1950. However it has taken almost twenty years till the work could be at all considered to be finished. As compared to the old parts of the world our history is very brief but most of the farms have now been settled more than a hundred years and a few for a hundred and fifty. Quite a number are still owned by the original family.

In gathering this information our sources have been: the County Land Registers at the Court-house, the Census records at the Dominion Archives, the Atlas of Carleton County published in 1879, "The Time is at Hand" by R.S.Lambert, Ottawa historian, Harry J.Walker, and some of the older citizens especially Mr. James Armitage, Mrs. Birkett Sweeney and Mr. John Monaghan. Our only regret is that the work was not started earlier when there were more early settlers around. The Institute is now keeping yearly records of the important happenings in the community.

