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COUNCIL REFUSE SALVAGE YARD LICENSE

DECLARE CHAMPIONS AT ANNUAL ACTON HIGH SCHOOL FIELD DAY

Annamarie Spitzer and Jack Davidson were declared Senior Champions when Acton High School students vied for athletic honors at the annual Field Day on Wednesday of this week in Acton Park. Janice Baker and Don Dawkins were Intermediate Champions and Cheryl Morton and Wayne Arbic were Junior Champions.

Divided into three teams, the students pooled their points for a team victory. The Red team nosed out the Blue for the title by one point and the Gold placed third.

Points were awarded on the basis of entry and then in the order of placing. The following are the three winners only in each of the boys' and girls' events.

BOYS' EVENTS

High Jump

Junior—W. Arbic, B. Skilling, G. Gibson.

Intermediate—R. Coon, P. Lawson, D. McVey.

Senior—B. Coon, F. Gordon, J. Davidson.

Pole Vault

Junior—B. Skilling, W. Arbic, G. Gibson.

Intermediate — P. Lawson, R. Morton, D. Dawkins.

Senior—J. Davidson, F. Benton, B. Coon.

Hop, Step and Jump

Junior—W. Arbic, B. Skilling, J. Hufnagel.

Intermediate — D. Dawkins, R. Coon, D. McVey.

Senior—F. Gordon, J. Davidson, B. Coon.

100 Yard Dash

Junior—W. Arbic, B. Skilling, H. Dodds.

Intermediate — B. McHugh, D Dawkins, D. McVey.

Senior—J. Davidson, F. Gordon, F. Benton.

220 Yard Dash

Junior—W. Arbic, B. Skilling, J Hufnagel.

Intermediate — B. McHugh, D Dawkins, D. McVey.

Senior—F. Gordon, J. Davidson, F. Benton.

440 Yard Dash

Junior—W. Arbic, B. Skilling, J. Jany.

Intermediate — B. McHugh, D. Dawkins, D. McVey.

Senior—J. Davidson, B. Coon, F. Benton.

440 Yard Relay

B. McHugh, D. McVey, F. Gordon.

880 Yard Dash

Junior—W. Arbic, B. Skilling, J. Jany.

Intermediate — B. McHugh, H. Sirrs, J. Creasey.

Senior—J. Davidson, B. Coon, R. Rolston.

Shot Put

Junior—W. Arbic, B. Skilling, J. Hufnagel.

Intermediate — D. Dawkins, D. O'Rourke, R. Mason.

Senior — F. Gordon, R. Rolston J. Davidson.

Running Broad Jump

Junior—B. Skilling, W. Arbic, J. Hufnagel.

Intermediate — D. Dawkins, B. McHugh, R. Morton.

Senior — J. Davidson, F. Benton B. Coon.

GIRLS' EVENTS

Running Broad Jump

Junior—C. Morton, E. Botell, B. Anderson.

Intermediate—I. Ritchie, P. Papillon, P. Oakes.

Senior—F. Fletcher, A. Spitzer, E. Hufnagel.

Standing Broad Jump

Junior—E. Botell, C. Morton, N. Lambert.

Intermediate—J. Allan, E. Frank, J. Baker.

Senior — A. Spitzer, E. Hufnagel, L. Roszel.

High Jump

Junior — F. Oakes, D. McMillan, C. Morton.

Intermediate—J. Botell, P. Oakes, J. Baker.

Senior—H. Keelan, B. Price, A. Spitzer.

50 Yard Dash

Junior—C. Morton, H. Luxton, N. Lambert.

Intermediate — J. Baker, K. McCristall, E. Frank.

Senior—F. Fletcher, D. Coles, A Spitzer.

75 Yard Dash

Junior—C. Morton, H. Luxton, N Lambert.

Intermediate — K. McCristall, I Ritchie, J. Baker.

Senior — D. Coles, A. Spitzer, F Fletcher.

Baseball Throw

Junior—D Dawkins, G. Hamilton, F. Oakes.

Intermediate—J. Baker, A. Gordon, K. McCristall.

Senior — B. Price, A. Spitzer, S O'Rourke.

Relay

D. Coles, J. Baker, A. Spitzer.

Award $19,500 In Ware Fatality

A Supreme court decision Monday awarded $7,000 to Albert Henry Ware, R. R. 5, Rockwood, on the death of his wife on Labor Day week-end last year; $5,000 for his own injuries and expenses and $2,500 to each of his three children, Barbara 9, George 7 and James 2. The total of $19,500 was distributed by Mr. Justice D. P. J. Kelly in Guelph.

The small model car of the Ware's and a heavier car driven by James McKinnon, Guelph, met head-on. Mrs. Barbara Mae Ware was killed almost instantly and her husband and three children injured.

Medical evidence was heard to the effect that the father had suffered concussion and abrasions and that tendons on the back of the left hand, affecting three fingers had been severed. He was still unable to close his fist tightly on this hand and it would be a permanent disability. He also had lacerations to the forehead and complained of back injuries so that he had not yet returned to work.

The daughter had suffered a fracture to the roof of the left orbit of the eye socket; George Ware had a fracture of the upper right arm and lacerations to the scalp. James, the youngest child, had lacerations across the bridge of the nose, lacerations through the upper lip and to the middle finger of the right hand.

Counsel in the case advised His Lordship that a settlement had been reached by the parties at the last moment, and the court agreed to accept the figure of $19,500 and costs in favor of the four Ware plaintiffs.

He assessed this amount against Hosking Motors, whose car MacKinnon had been driving at the time of the accident. A counter claim for damage to the vehicle, $2,500 being set out in the claim, brought by Hosking Motors was dismissed with no costs.

ASSISTANT'S NAME DRAWN, PRIZE GOES TO MISS LINDA LOVELL

Winner of the lucky draw for quilt at the Acton W.I. euchre held last Friday in the Scout Hall was Miss Linda Lovell of Acton. Mrs. R. L. Davidson's name was drawn but when she was contacted by the event, she asked another selected.

Euchre winners were Mr. E. Lambert, Mrs. H. Allen, Mrs. of Somerville, Miss Creasey and Mr. Maplesden.

Tennis Underway On Local Courts

Tennis got started this week on the local courts when the club met on Monday evening to make plans for the official opening and election of officers. Entry in a tournament league was discussed but decision was left to the executive to be elected.

The net has been erected on the asphalt court but the clay court is not yet dry enough for playing. Mrs. Doris Graham presided for the lunch and a social time.

Car Misses Turn Passenger Injured

Damage amounting to $250 resulted on Saturday evening about 11 p.m. when a car driven by Harold Kinread failed to make the turn onto the highway from the Blue Springs Line, west of Crewson's Corners.

Bill Blanche, the only passenger in the car, received a bad neck cut when he hit the windshield.

Police report the car was travelling south from the Everton direction and the driver failed to notice the highway, missed the turn and hit the ditch and rock on the other side. The driver was uninjured.

Secretary Leaves Y, Submits Report

At the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Y.M.C.A., the general secretary reported that during the last month the fair weather was responsible for a definite tapering off of indoor activities, but that attendance of 451 was recorded for gymnasium program and 195 in junior handicraft activities.

Approximately 1,500 persons visited the Y during the month of April, over half of those for Y sponsored program.

The Badminton Club and Saturday a.m. dancing classes were reported over for this season. Senior handicraft activities were reported continuing and bridge and chess were still enjoying small but regular attendance.

Brief mention was made of the Father and Son banquet, Easter holiday program, visit by M. G. Dharmaraj of India and the completion of the new Y.M.C.A. kitchen. Y's Men and Phalanx Clubs were reported as very active at this time.

The release of Cliff Sutton, Y General Secretary, to join the office staff of the Metro Plastics Ltd. of Acton was discussed and approved.

Although Mr. Sutton will ... on May 12, he will continue work on boys' program and bowling ... swimming at the Y until May 31.

Other matters of ... were ... and ... were ... and ... by ... in annual meeting.

Look Lovell Lands Prizewinning Fish

Bob Lovell, winner in the annual Free Press contest this year was Jack Lovell of Frederick St., who landed an 11½ inch trout within the 25 mile radius of Acton. The catch this year, as shown in reports to the Free Press was decidedly light with no really big ones being hooked.

The best catch heard of locally is one by a Milton man who took 27 speckled trout in three days fishing. Two of them were big ones at 16 and 17 inches. All were caught within five miles of Acton.

Bob Jack Lovell will receive a free subscription to the Free Press for landing the biggest one in the Acton Isaac Walton Club.

Withold Decision On Closing By-law

Magistrate K. M. Langdon witheld decision one week in Acton court on Wednesday of this week when Frank Toth Jr. was charged under the recently passed early closing by-law covering garages and service stations.

Mr. Toth, represented by D. McConnachie, Oakville, entered a plea of not guilty on the charge of selling gasoline after hours, on the grounds that the by-law was invalid.

Constable Wylie gave evidence that gasoline had been sold after the hours specified in the by-law and without an exempting permit.

Mr. McConnachie, counsel for the defendant, pointed out that the by-law was invalid since it was mandatory that the by-law be passed within one month of receiving the petition. Evidence showed this had not been done.

Mr. McCauley, for the garage operators, cited previous cases in which the statute had been translated as a directive and not mandatory. Since the authorities Mr. McCauley quoted were not in court, Magistrate Langdon witheld decision to investigate.

"If the translation is directory and not mandatory the minimum penalty will be registered," Magistrate Langdon concluded.

Other charges in the court were 26 under the Highway Traffic Act of which five were adjourned. One charge was laid under the Liquor Control Act and a fine imposed. Another charge of non-support was laid and the defendent ordered to pay $35 weekly towards the maintenance of his wife and three under age children.

Favorable Report On Teachers Given

Public school board members inspecting the addition to the school after their regular meeting, anticipated that the floor contractor would begin laying tile in the N. E. Contractor Gordon hopes to complete the general improvements by ... The painting contractors ... a very good job.

Chairman Dr. Chant presided at the meeting held at the school on Tuesday, May 6. The meeting was ... to allow all the boards ... and be informed ... the board that Miss ... Laxton and R. McKeown had signed contracts ... the coming school year.

Principal McKenzie gave a ... fall report on the school and ... board would be able to obtain the services of the efficient and conscientious teachers.

The board approved engaging the school bus to take the cadets and their guests to the Halton Music Festival in Milton on May 9.

Principal McKenzie was instructed to prepare the usual ad for kindergarten - primary enrolment for the Free Press.

Financial statement of $1,253.85 was presented and approved. The secretary was authorized to pay accounts and assess the North Halton High School District Board $469.95 for April plant operation. He reported receipt of $68 April non-resident fees and $7,000 partial legislation grant.

Appoint G. W. Musselle Town Assessor For Acton

Thirteen applications were received by Acton council at their regular meeting Tuesday evening for the position of assessor. G. W. Musselle was hired for the position following an interview on Wednesday and he will tentatively begin on June 2. Applications were received from Timmins, North Bay, Fergus, Sudbury and Acton as well as other points. Frank Crump forwarded the information that he would be willing to help, within reason, any new assessor that might be appointed.

The regular council session began at 7.30, adjourned at 2 a.m. and left over 23 items on the 26 item agenda.

Councillor Taylor asked for a few minutes of council time for what she considered an important matter. She told how she had been talking in a local store when she was accosted by a taxpayer and insulted and abused. "I will urge payment of councillors at the rate of $5.00 a meeting if this abusive attitude is necessary."

"One accusation was that council had not been co-operating with Mr. Rachlin. He said if Salmon had taken office it would have been the same." Miss Taylor continued her denunciation when she said, "Apparently in Acton it has become a crime to speak your mind. My support of Ted Tyler has been shoved down my throat ever since the first of the year. I'm prepared to execute my office as I see fit. I'm not guided by an ex-mayor as I have so often been accused of."

"I was outraged to find that false criticisms could be directed at councillors by one who has never volunteered any time as a public service. It was downright unnational behaviour that I had to take."

Mayor Rachlin assured Miss Taylor that the statements of no co-operation had not been inspired by him. "I feel I have had support from every member of council. I have even told people of the fine co-operation I have received. I'm enjoying the work because I am getting co-operation. I have no complaint at all," the Mayor assured council.

Councillor Taylor concluded that he enjoyed a good argument but she refused to take "attitude abuse."

Refuse Permit

The application of Sam Hoffman for a permit to operate a salvage yard on Main St. west was refused. Council expressed the opinion that there was a place in the vicinity for such a business but they felt the downtown location was not suitable. Mayor Rachlin explained that "I think the wishes of those living close by should be respected." A petition signed by 59 people had opposed the location and granting of a permit.

Consider Claim

A claim of $4,036.06 for contingencies encountered in the construction of the sewerage disposal plant was submitted by R. V. Anderson, engineer, for discussion. The contingencies included well-points, excavation and several other items caused by the delay in steel delivery and weather conditions. Claim for payment of the items came from Jones and Van Gils. The claim was left for further consideration by the sewer committee.

The Engineer also submitted a drawing on the grading required at the side as an extra to the contract. Mr. Anderson urged that the work be done immediately to take advantage of the spring planting, allowing vegetation to grow on the curb banks.

A change was authorized to allow the effluent from the chlorinator to be used in the pump vents rather than water from the well since a continuous supply could not be counted on from the well.

The engineers pointed out that serious damage would result to the pumps if a continuous water supply were not guaranteed. Well water will be available for the sink, hot water heater and toilet.

A meeting with the council and engineers was arranged for Friday evening to visit the site and inspect some of the work necessary.

Will Grant Permit

David Williamson asked written permission assuring him that if the part lot were sold a building permit could be obtained. The clerk was authorized to allow him to sell lot 23 and assure the purchaser he could get a permit. The lot was formerly owned by his father, the late John Williamson.

Permission to build is contrary to the by-law but since a general amendment to the by-law is anticipated it was felt unwise to go to the expense of an amendment on this one item. A public hearing is necessary. Permission to build was granted the late John Williamson.

Confused Lot H.

E. E. Barr asked that a meeting be arranged to deal with the confused condition of lot H, located on Mill St. north between two properties owned by Mr. Barr. The meeting between E. Barr, K. Langdon, T. Seymuck, a delegation from the Planning Board and council was arranged for May 19.

Last taxes were paid on the lot in 1951. Mr. Barr was instructed that the lot had been left for a road by an earlier council. To claim title to it, the town planned to assess the lot and after three years assume title for non-payment of taxes. It has been so used for two years and the last year Mr. Langdon paid the taxes, the second year Mr. Barr paid them.

The following accounts were passed for payment:

Toronto Star Ltd., advt.	$4 20
Thompson Farm Service, oil	9 64
S. R. Hart & Co., graph shts	27 48
Guelph Daily Mercury, advt.	1 44
Acton Free Press, advt.	58 16
Gestetner Ltd., office supplies	3 50
Beare's Limited, supplies	14 50
Ont. Prov. Police	636 20
Watson's Dairy Bar, lunch	9 00
Ballentine Motors, gas	3 70
Anderson Welding	4 00
Acton Auto Body, repairs	45 22
H. G. Barlow and Co.	17 48
Whitham's garage, gas, oil	76 17
MacSwain Motors, repairs	22 92
Gypsum, Lime and Alabastine Ltd., crushed stone	150 50
Hargrave's Service Station	195 31
C. F. Leatherland, salary, etc.	152 07
	$1480 40

Court Set Up

A Court of Revision was set up under new legislation. The county Court of Revision deals only with assessment and the local Court of Revision deals with rebate of taxes.

J. Stewart, R. Thompson, B. D. Rachlin, J. Hargrave and A. Fryer were appointed to the Court.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Cyganek, Victoria Ave., were granted a tax rebate of $19.20 because part of the building had been torn down in April. Mr. and Mrs. Cyganek were present and asked for a lowering of assessment on the basis that their share of taxation was not equitable with others on the street. Chairman Rachlin assured them this Court had no power to deal with assessment changes. He explained that the Court would recommend a complete review of their property before the next assessment of County Court of Revision.

A rebate of $6.40 was granted E. E. Barr on behalf of the late John McCall on Lot H due to an error in assessment.

A rebate of $6.40 was granted Vic Bristow since his business had ceased in 1951, after the notices had been delivered.

E. Denny was granted a rebate of $5.33 since his business had been discontinued in February.

A rebate of $50.24 was granted L. Garner since the house and building had been removed from the lot.

A rebate of $23.47 was granted the Station Hotel because of the demolition of the barn.

Settlement of $100 was made with Mrs. B. Hall and Miss Nellie Hall for damage to their property during the construction of sewers.

The tender of the Municipal Spray Co. for oiling the streets was accepted for approximately 14,000 gallons.

Payment of $15 weekly to Mrs. Wylie was approved as part time stenographer.

Members Of W.A. Express Sympathy

The Woman's Association of the United Church met at the home of Mrs. Earl Lambert on Tuesday, with the president, Mrs. H. Burns, presiding. The meeting opened with the singing of the Ode and prayer.

The devotional period was taken by Mrs. E. A. Currey and Mrs. S. Holmes and roll call was answered by "Cleanse."

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Wesley Murray through the removal by death of her husband who so recently passed away and the Misses Nelles through the passing away of their mother.

Visits have been made to those who are confined in hospitals, cards of cheer have also been sent to them. Members were sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. A. T. Brown, Miss Jessie Walker, Mrs. N. F. Moore and Mrs. C. Ramshaw.

A reading was given by Mrs. E. T. Thetford. A new member is Mrs. G. Ingles. Report of a convention in Simcoe was given by Mrs. James Moore and the meeting closed with prayer.

A vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Lambert for her home and to the lunch committee, Mrs. Thetford, Mrs. McLean and Mrs. Shaw.

LIMEHOUSE

Turkey Dinner To Start Busy Week

This promises to be a busy week with a W.I. committee catering for a turkey dinner on Monday evening, an interior decorating lecture, a special W.M.S. meeting, a Children's Aid annual meeting and a shower still to come.

Recent visitors:

Miss Betty Yakes of Saskatoon spent the week-end with Miss Helen Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Mills and Mrs. Mills Sr. of Toronto visited the W. T. Mills' on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Henderson of Orangeville spent the week-end with the R. Thompson's.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smethurst and family of Barrie visited his mother on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Lane of Toronto were with his mother on Sunday.

The Kirn's visited at London on Sunday.

The W.I. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Fred Geary on Thursday.

Before 1830, Fort Frances, Ont., was a trading post known as Rainy Lake. It was named after pioneer Lady Frances Simpson.

HALTON JUNIORS HOLD THIRD ANNUAL CHURCH SERVICE, MILTON

On Sunday evening, May 4th, in St. Paul's United Church, Milton, the third annual Junior Farmer's church service was held. The choir was composed of members of the Halton Junior Farmers and under the direction of choir leader Mr. Thomas Allen of Waterdown.

The service was conducted by the county president of the Halton Junior Farmers, Mac Sprowl and assisted by the Rev. J. L. Blair.

Mr. James Stockton of Oxford County gave the sermon. The scripture was read by David Pelletterio and Miss Evelyn Course led in prayer. Ushers were George Pelletterio, Sandy Buchanan, Bruce Bawden, Bill Wilson, Burt Watson and Calvin Sprowl.

Immediately following the service, a fellowship hour was held in the Sunday School room of the church with Mac Sprowl as chairman. Numbers included were a sing song led by Dave Pelletterio, two numbers by the choir, a solo by Bill Elliot, a quartette, Mr. Thomas Allen, Misses Marjorie Segsworth, Faye Clements and Mr. Vern McArthur, and a piano solo by Mrs. George Newell.

Presentations from the Halton Junior Farmers were given to Mr. Thomas Allen, the choir leader; Mrs. George Newell, the organist and Miss Janet Elliot, the assistant pianist.

Theme of the service was "Youth's part in building the home and the nation," and organist for the service was Mrs. George B. Newell. Mr. Stockton based his address on the theme and the titles "Courage, faith and hope."

HOCKEY TROPHIES PRESENTED AT BANQUET

TROPHIES WERE PRESENTED to the team captains and best all-round player of the Acton Minor Sports Club's town league at a banquet in the Y.M.C.A. last Thursday evening when more than 100 of the season's players were treated to hot dogs and ice cream, along with chocolate milk and pop. Shown from the left are Bob Heatley, captain of the winning team in the junior section of the league, with the George Molozzi trophy, and team manager Gordon Cunningham. Paul Lawson was awarded the John Kentner Memorial trophy for the best all round player. Kerwin McPhail, manager, and Ed McHugh, captain of the winning team in the senior section of the league, are seen with the Canadian Legion trophy.

—*Staff Photo*

Y's Men Contribute $1,398 to Projects

The Y's Men's Club have announced a credit balance of $19.39 from projects undertaken during the past year. The club has expressed its appreciation to the local citizens for their support.

Projects that brought in money were dream house $88; auction sale $720.12; Christmas trees $77.99; New Year's Eve dance $190.74; turkey draw $340.72. Projects that claimed a share of expenditure were: Hallowe'en party $56.01; Father and Son banquet $38.06; swimming at Guelph $45; swings for park $150.75; remodelling of Y.M.C.A. kitchen $1,120.27.

The total project expenditure for the past year was $1,398.09 with receipts at $1,417.48.

Many usable and brilliant safety slogans resulted from the recent Windsor Schools Safety Patrol Association contest. Twelve boys and girls were awarded prizes for the best slogans, with the winning one being: "Safety Rules are Priceless Jewels."