

# Farm News Page

## B. Stark, D. Taylor to Represent Halton Plowmen at International

Don Taylor of Burlington and Bob Stark of Milton were selected as the Halton plowmen team for the International Plowing Match to be held at Dundas.

The selection was made at the Halton Junior Plowing Match held at the farm of Mac Alexander, Norval. The match is sponsored by the Halton Junior Farmer Association in co-operation with the Halton Plowmen's Association and the Ontario Department of Agriculture.

Although the match is set up as a competition, it is destined as an instruction day for Halton's junior plowmen. Winifred Timbers, well known plowman from Stouffville, spent considerable time in instruction as well as judging the lands.

### HALTON COUNTY WEED CONTROL NEWS

V. F. McARTHUR, COUNTY WEED INSPECTOR

Recently it was my privilege to accompany the Agricultural Committee of Halton County on a visit to the neighboring County of Wellington.

As their guests we were taken on an interesting tour which provided an opportunity to see something of the work they are doing in conservation and weed control. In this article I will tell briefly of one or two highlights of the trip.

One very interesting stop was made at the Lake Belwood Forest Tree Nursery. This project was established in 1954 by the Grand River Valley Conservation Commission. Their job is growing trees from seed for transplanting in conservation areas. The manager expressed extremely interested in his work and made an excellent guide.

He explained that first of all seeds from evergreens, hardwoods, nut trees and a wide variety of ornamental shrubs are gathered in the fall of the year. They are carefully dried, cleaned, graded and then stored in cold storage. Plots are prepared and fallowed the summer before spring planting, each containing about 50,000 trees for two years. The second year plants appeared to be about five times the size of the first year plants.

They are then transplanted in rows with a wider spacing and at the end of the fourth season, most varieties are ready to leave the nursery. Our guide explained that the plots now contained about one and a half million plants and eventually they would reach two million. That is a lot of trees in just 12 acres!

**Pulled by Hand**

We learned that part of the secret of high fertility at the nursery was accomplished through weeds. However, I should explain that every weed in the plots is pulled by hand and piled in compost, where they are decomposed to soil very rapidly by a special process. Huge compost piles of other materials are kept in readiness and are applied to seed beds.

At various places throughout the tour there was evidence that the county weed inspectors had been at work. We were especially interested in chemical control of barberry and buckthorn, the two species of shrubs that cause cereal grain rusts.

Last year I reported very little known barberry in Halton but I have since discovered a few more infestations which are being eradicated. Wellington County has a problem with these pests and each year a spraying campaign is conducted.

### Area Shorthorn Herd Winners

There was a strong showing of Shorthorns at the C.N.E. with 26 breeders exhibiting 147 head. Local herds took the majority of the top awards. S. G. Bennett, Georgetown, exhibited the Senior and Grand Champion bull, Scotsdale Musketeer. Reserve Senior and Reserve Grand Champion bull, Aberfeldy Vice Consul, was jointly owned by R. W. Gardhouse, Milton, and Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph. The Junior Champion bull, Aberfeldy Archduke, and Reserve Junior Champion bull, O.A.C. Novelist, were both exhibited by R. W. Gardhouse. Junior and Grand Champion Female, Scotsdale Nanna Rosebud, was a Bennett win. The same herd supplied the Senior and Grand Champion female, Canard Clipper 23rd.

Premier Breeder and Exhibitor was S. G. Bennett, with R. W. Gardhouse, runner-up.

Others exhibiting strong competition, and placing well to the top in many classes were: George I. Lassby, Guelph; T. G. Anson, Moffat; Mrs. T. Beardmore, Monro Mills; Howard Sims, Shelburne; H. Henderson, Milton; Frank Cook, Belwood; W. H. Merry & Son, Milton.

The Merry Herd also excelled in the Steer Classes winning the Shorthorn Championship and Reserve Championship. This very typey steer, aptly named Merrybrook Champ, was made Reserve Grand Champion Steer over all breeds.

The trip had plenty of variety and included a guided tour through the Beatty Bros. factory at Fergus. This is quite a large plant, covering more than 11 acres and has around 800 employees. The entire group was intrigued by the huge expanse of complicated modern machinery as they rumbled away turning out the parts that go to make up the company's various products.

Steel stabling, litter carriers, stable cleaners, milk coolers and washing machines are some of the equipment manufactured at the Beatty factory, which was commonly seen on many farms in Halton county.

**DEFINITION**

An executive is a man who knows how to get things done, and who is to get it done.

### J. Kranendonk Tops Acton Forage Club

Fifteen members of the Acton 4-H Forage Club completed their projects on Monday, September 14, at the Lorne school.

In the forage club program, the members seeded and kept records on a one-acre plot of a hay-pasture mixture. The project is designed to promote hay and pasture management coupled with the use of improved forage varieties.

First year members exhibited 18 pounds of grain taken from the club plot and a collection of legumes and grass seeds.

**Management Instruction**

During the year, regular club meetings have been held, with instruction on various management practices. The program is under the direction of the Ontario Department of Agriculture and local leaders Nuno Braads, Calvin Atken and Fyfe Sumerville. The Acton Agricultural Society acts as local sponsor.

The club program is scored out of 1,000 points and the club standing is as follows: first, John Kranendonk 883; second, Murray Wallace 861; third, Ron McEachern 875; fourth, Russell Murray 852; fifth, James Aiken 835; sixth, John Van Dyk 829; seventh, Don Swackhamer 827; eighth, Kenneth Crapps 817; ninth, Harold McEachern 792; 10th, Clarence McEachern 796; 11th, Bill Kerr 714; 12th, Gordon Allan 713; 13th, Colin Elliott 697; 14th, Grant Campbell 689; 15th, Bill Rogstadson 630.

**88% Complete**

Percentage club completion was 88 per cent.

Kingway Kiwanis scholarship for high club member on aggregate score, was won by Ron McEachern.

E. Braads and Son trophy, for high club member, was won by John Kranendonk.

Members awarded the 4-H Club crest for completing their project in their first year in club work were Gordon Allan, Grant Campbell, Colin Elliott and Murray Wallace.

Members awarded the 4-H pin for their second year in club work were Russell Murray and Colin Elliott.

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The rector with his kindly voice,  
A man of God in His dear name,  
Came to us from another land  
To light God's holy flame.  
Cathedrals with their beauty grand  
They also serve a special part  
As parents loved to worship here,  
That's why it holds my heart.  
Bertram E. Nightingale

### Board Announces Prize Winners

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and over, Peavoy, Peavoy; shearing ram, Peavoy, Peavoy; ram lamb, Peavoy, Peavoy; ewe, two years and-over, Peavoy, Peavoy; shearing ewe, Peavoy, Peavoy; ewe lamb, Peavoy, Peavoy; pen, Peavoy.

**Short Woolled, Any Other Breed**

Ram, two years and over, J. Willmott, Peavoy, Lowden; shearing ram, Lowden, J. Willmott, Lowden; ram lamb, J. Willmott, Lowden, Peavoy; ewe, two years and over, Lowden, Lowden, J. Willmott; shearing ewe, Lowden, J. Willmott, Peavoy, ewe lamb, Lowden, J. Willmott, J. Willmott; ewe lamb, Peavoy, Peavoy; best ram, Lowden; best ewe, Lowden.

**Specials** Flock, any breed, Emerson, Lowden, pair marketable rams, Huey, Lowden; five ewe lambs, F. Lowden; best fleece, medium wool, shorn, F. Lowden; best fleece, long wool, shorn, A. Gardhouse, J. A. Kelly, J. A. Kelly.

**Central Ontario Aberdeen Angus Club - Regional Show**

Junior bull calf, Selling Farms, W. F. James, C. A. Kee, Ross and Doug Kohler, Gordon L. Berry, senior bull calf, C. A. Kee, Colbeck Bros., J. H. Willmott and Son; summer yearling bull, W. F. James, C. A. Kee, Ross and Doug Kohler, Angus Manor Farm, Selling Farms, J. H. Willmott and Son; Selling Farms, Harry A. Willis; junior yearling bull, W. L. Stephens, J. H. Willmott, Angus Manor Farm, W. F. James; senior yearling bull, Selling Farms, C. A. Kee, Colbeck Bros., Angus Manor Farm, W. L. Stephens; aged bull, C. A. Kee, Ilvry Willis, Angus Manor Farm.

**Champion bulls - Junior** champion, Selling Farms; reserve champion, W. F. James; senior champion, Selling Farms; reserve champion, C. A. Kee; grand champion, Selling Farms; reserve grand champion, C. A. Kee.

**Two bulls, any age, Selling** Farms, W. F. James, C. A. Kee, Colbeck Bros., Ross and Doug Kohler, W. L. Stephens, Angus Manor Farm, J. H. Willmott and Son; junior heifer calf, Angus Manor Farm, Selling Farms, W. F. James, C. A. Kee, Ross and Doug Kohler, J. H. Willmott and Son; senior heifer calf, C. A. Kee, W. F. James, W. L. Stephens, Selling Farms, Doug and Ross Kohler, Gordon L. Berry, G. L. Berry, J. H. Willmott and Son, Selling Farms, Colbeck Bros., John McKinnon, R. Longstreet, summer yearling, Ross and Doug Kohler, Angus Manor Farm, C. A. Kee, R. Longstreet.

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Manor Farm, Ross and Doug Kohler, W. F. James, C. A. Kee, John Coburn, J. McKinnon; senior yearling, G. Berry, G. Berry, C. A. Kee, Ross and Doug Kohler, R. Longstreet; two year old, Angus Manor Farm, J. H. Willmott; mature female, Ross and Doug Kohler, Angus Manor Farm, C. A. Kee, W. F. James, J. H. Willmott, R. Longstreet.

**Champion females - Junior** champion, Angus Manor Farm; reserve champion, C. A. Kee; senior champion, G. Berry; reserve champion, G. Berry; grand champion, Angus Manor Farm; reserve grand champion, G. Berry.

**Three animals, get of one sire** W. F. James, Ross and Doug Kohler, C. A. Kee, G. Berry, Colbeck Bros., J. H. Willmott, breeders herd, Selling Farms, W. F. James, Ross and Doug Kohler, G. Berry, Angus Manor Farm, J. H. Willmott, progeny of dam, G. Berry, W. F. James; three calves, senior and junior classes Selling Farms, C. A. Kee, W. F. James, Ross and Doug Kohler, G. Berry, J. H. Willmott.

**Jerseys**

Bull, two years and over, M. Alexander; bull, one year and under, M. Alexander, J. W. Wolfe; bull calf, one year and under, J. W. Wolfe, M. Alexander, M. Alexander; junior male champion, M. Alexander; reserve junior male champion, M. Alexander; senior female champion, M. Alexander; reserve female champion, M. Alexander; junior female C. W. Swackhamer, cow any age, in milk, C. W. Swackhamer, M. McCulloch; best undered cow, any age, C. W. Swackhamer, M. McCulloch; best undered cow, any age, C. W. Swackhamer, M. McCulloch; two year old heifer, M. McCulloch; one year old heifer, M. McCulloch; senior heifer calf, G. Stull, C. W. Swackhamer, G. Stull; junior heifer calf, M. McCulloch, T. McDonald; two animals, get of one sire, G. Stull, C. W. Swackhamer, M. McCulloch; herd, M. McCulloch.

**Holsteins**

Bull, over one year and under two, T. J. Brownridge; reserve senior male champion, T. J. Brownridge; reserve junior male champion, T. J. Brownridge; cow, any age, in milk, J. Taylor, H. Denny, T. J. Brownridge; best undered cow, any age, J. Taylor, J. Papp, J. Taylor; two year old heifer, T. J. Brownridge, J. Taylor, J. Papp, one year old heifer, H. Ford, T. J. Brownridge, J. Taylor; senior heifer calf, F. Nurse, J. Papp, J. Taylor; junior heifer calf, J. Taylor, T. J. Brownridge; R. Ford, senior female champion.

**Ayrshires**

Bull, two years and over, Alex Job and Son; bull calf, one year and under, A. Job and Son, senior male champion, A. Job and Son, junior male champion, A. Job and Son; reserve junior male champion, J. Taylor, two animals, get of one sire, J. Taylor, T. J. Brownridge.

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