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Director Requests Permanent Help

A deputation from Acton Curling Club, anxious to obtain banquet permits for social activities at the community centre, was given the assurance of a yes or no verdict when they left the regular meeting of the Recreation Committee Thursday evening. But a resolution, sponsored by Claude Cook and Mrs. Helen Otterbein, recommending the committee ask council to make application to the L.C.B.O. to have the downstairs auditorium in the community centre licensed for banquet purposes, was left hanging by a tie vote when presented.

Chester Anderson and Jack Ridley, representing the curlers, told the committee the curling club wanted to be able to reciprocate for the social evenings at other places. They felt only the necessary changes were needed to obtain banquet permits for banquets. Regulations call for several changes in the present set-up of the social room before a permit could be purchased.

Chairman Opposes
Chairman Hugh Patterson declared he was against it. "I can't see it," he said. "It would cost in the neighborhood of \$1,000 to put in facilities to license the building. One of these days, you're not going to be a tenant and we'll be competing against you."

"We could install it ourselves and take it out when we leave," answered Mr. Anderson. "Would the recreation committee have any objections if the curling club put in the necessary facilities?" The delegation left their question unanswered, but discussion continued. Chairman Patterson said the committee should signify whether they are in favor of or against licensing the premises. Last year's committee decided the cost would be prohibitive.

Committee Responsible

It was decided the committee was responsible as agents for the land owners (town) if a license was procured despite the feeling of some members that if the curlers installed the facilities it was only their concern.

Approving the motion for installation of facilities, when it was presented for a vote, were members Cook, Otterbein and Lovell. Against were members Keates, Irwin and James. There were two abstentions.

Point Open Lines

Messrs. Anderson and Ridley also straightened out several minor points in preparation for the coming season including provision for storage of curling stones and painting of curling lines.

Committee member Len Lovell, himself a curler, felt the curlers should paint in the original lines. They know where they go and any mistake is their responsibility," he maintained.

No Set Opening

No date was set for the opening of the community centre for the winter season although provision was made for the opening.

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Junior Horse Show Big Attraction 25 Horses Entered in Competition

A Junior Horse Show began Saturday morning and carried on throughout the afternoon for the first time this year under rules set out by the Canadian Horse Association. A total of 25 horses entered with over 125 riders taking part.

Overall Champion trophy and a \$25 cash award went to "Balmoral Castle" ridden by George Hamilton with the reserve champion trophy going to "Red Vagabond" ridden by Miss Leslie McGill.

Following are the list of events listing winning horses and riders:

JUNIOR EQUITATION: hunter seat — open to riders who have not reached their 14th birthday prior to January 1, 1965: "Winter Scene" ridden by Wendy Fairty; "Delightful Devil" ridden by Penny Johnston; "Tame" ridden by Doreen Climenhate.

JUNIOR EQUITATION OVER FENCES: hunter seat — open to riders who have not reached their 14th birthday prior to January 1, 1965: "Tame" by Doreen Climenhate; "Can't Tell" by James Barky; "Winter Scene" by Wendy Fairty.

JUNIOR EQUITATION: hunter seat — open to riders who have not reached their 14th birthday prior to January 1, 1965: "Jet Thrust" by Susan Pett; "Kelly O'Mine" by Mary Ann Wirtzel; "Mexus Can" by Cathy Morrison.

JUNIOR EQUITATION OVER FENCES: hunter class — same age limit as previous class: "Red Vagabond" by Leslie McGill; "Honey Bunny" by Mary Ann Wirtzel; "Mexus Can" by Cathy Morrison.

Equitation champion and trophy winner was "Kelly O'Mine" ridden by Mary Ann Wirtzel who won a trophy and reserve champion was "Red Vagabond" ridden by Leslie McGill.

JUNIOR WORKING HUNTER HACK: "Jyndabavn" by Rosemary Campbell "Mexus Can" by Cathy Morrison; "Tame" by Doreen Climenhate.

JUNIOR WORKING HUNTER: "Balmoral Castle" by George Hamilton; "Red Vagabond" by Leslie McGill; "Bellzam" by Janet Martin.

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Working hunter champion was "Balmoral Castle" ridden by George Hamilton who won a trophy with reserve champion going to "Red Vagabond" ridden by Leslie McGill.

JUNIOR JUMPER: "Balmoral Castle" by George Hamilton; "Red Vagabond" by Leslie McGill; "Honey Bunny" by Mary Ann Wirtzel.

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SHE'S THE FAIREST even though Patti McKay is a brunette she was chosen as the fairest among 14 contestants to win the title "Miss Acton Fair" Friday evening at the arena show, the new Queen was crowned by her predecessor Nettie Trysenaar who won the crown last year. Left to right behind the new Queen are runner-up Beverly Bruce, Miss Trysenaar and runner-up Sharon Smith.

Two Class Votes

Delays Decision on Regional Jail

A decision to go ahead on a joint regional detention centre with Hamilton and Wentworth County, recommended by the special regional jail committee of Hamilton, was delayed once more on Tuesday.

Members of Halton County Council, involved in a lengthy procedural hassle, held off their final decision on the project until their October meeting—despite the fact the City of Hamilton wanted their answer Sept. 1 and had already agreed to delay going ahead with the jail until the Sept. 21 Halton meeting.

During the meeting, an attempt to delay the Halton County's participation in the new \$2,000,000 jail until after Tom Plunkett has presented his Regional Government Needs Study on Halton and Peel Counties, fell through when it came just two votes short of the required mandate. Council members spent an hour on the subject before realizing they could make no clear-cut decision at the Tuesday meeting.

Two councillors, Burlington Reeve Gordon Gallagher and Nagsawewa Deputy-Reeve William Coulter—both members of the committee studying the jail proposal, and both in favor of participating with Hamilton—were absent. Their votes could have swayed the decision but one was

in Western Ontario and the other in the United States—both on convention trips.

The regional jail was proposed for a rural area between Hamilton and Milton, and the Province of Ontario has promised to put up 50 per cent of the cost plus 10 per cent of maintenance and 10 per cent of transportation costs, as it is a new venture in Ontario jails. The proposal called for two separate jails on the one property, one for those awaiting trial and another for inmates serving short sentences.

Present jail facilities in Hamilton and the Halton County jail in Milton have been termed "archaic" and outdated. Halton's cost was estimated at 27½ per cent, or \$274,600.

A property committee report calling for the participation with Hamilton and Wentworth came before council's Tuesday meeting, and Acton Deputy-Reeve Roy Goodwin backed up the report with a written brief explaining the reasoning behind their request. He called it a new concept in penal reform that would rehabilitate—rather than punish—imprisoned who could be useful citizens in the community.

Halton will never have enough population or money to build its own jail large enough for such facilities, he continued, suggesting

Enumerators Begin

Preparation of voters lists for the coming Federal election began in Acton Monday morning when 10 enumerators began a door-to-door canvass to compile lists of voters.

With the election date set for November 8, Halton Returning Officer Richard West is a busy man preparing lists.

Following are the enumerators working in Acton: Mrs. John Creasey, Ward 22; Orrie Lamb, ward 23; Mrs. J. Maroux, ward 24; Mrs. William Dumars, ward 25; Mrs. Jim Inglis, ward 26; Mrs. John Krupsek, ward 27; Mrs. John Frank, ward 28; Mrs. John McHugh, ward 29; Mrs. Herbert Helwig, ward 30 and Mrs. Rino Braida, ward 31.

Crown Patti McKay Queen To Reign for 1965-66 Year

A former Acton District High School student and resident of Escumec Township Miss Patti McKay was crowned Friday night as Miss Acton Fall Fair.

Although the attractive brunette is an accomplished riding competitor in the show ring with horses and winner of many trophies and ribbons, she was thrown for a fall when her name was announced as winner.

The youngest daughter of TV and radio entertainer Cliff McKay and Mrs. McKay, Patti was momentarily stunned and after brushing back a tear, she recovered her poise and was crowned by last year's Queen, Miss Nettie Trysenaar. The new queen will hold the honor for the next year and appear at public functions to represent the Fair Board.

Prior to announcing the name of the queen, committee member H. H. Hinton announced the names of runner-up Sharon Smith, of R.R. 3 Rockwood and Beverly Bruce, R.R. 2 Acton, on Saturday, September 11 a panel of three judges from Guelph, Dr. Margaret McCready, Dean of McDonald Institute, Mrs. Marilyn Kane, owner and operator of Guelph's only Charm School and John Meadows of CJOY radio station chose the attractive brunette from among 14 contestants, during interviews at the High School auditorium.

Nettie Trysenaar handed over the traditional royal robe and tiara to her successor and committee chairman Mac Sprowl presented the customary bouquet of red roses to the new winner.

As each contestant approached the large platform at the east end of the arena, they were led by

Start Work On Mill St.

Armstrong Bros., Brampton, began work this week as contractors for the Mill St. W. construction project.

Hydro and Bell Telephone lines are being relocated on new poles which were installed and storm sewer catch basins have been torn up prior to being relocated for the new paving job.

Wednesday, bulldozers were moved in and the road bed torn up. When completed, the roadway will be wider and new sidewalks, curbs and gutters will be laid.

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Headed by the color guard, the Guelph Royalaires Band members in their smart colorful uniforms lead Acton's 52nd fall fair parade, Saturday afternoon as hundreds of people lined the parade route.

High stepping Guelph Royalaires majorettes followed the lead band but had a difficult time keeping up the fast pace.

Other entries in the parade included convertibles carrying Fair President Jack Marshall and Mrs. Don Matthews, Mayor Les Duby and his wife, Reeve H. H. Hinton of Acton and Reeve Mel Barden of Erin Township and a third with life members of the Fair Board.

All Winters with a vintage 1865 surrey hauled by a single horse was accompanied by life member Arthur Swackhamer. Members of the Golden Age Club with an attractive float were decked out in old-time costume and numerous children with decorated doll buggies, bicycles and tricycles met the parade at Knox Presbyterian church to march the rest of the way to the park.

Acton Fire Fighters with a rocket float kept the crowd entertained with some members dressed as astronauts marching in front and followed by the fire truck. Members of Acton 4-11 Clubs followed the fire truck in their float decked out with grain and other crops.

Acton Citizens' Band headed the second section of the parade followed by a few antique cars and members of the Commodore Rod and Custom Car Club. Miss Acton Fair Patti McKay, who was crowned on Friday night, rode in state in a convertible car and waved to the large crowd as she passed. She was followed by runner-up Sharon Smith and Beverly Bruce and other contestants, all riding in convertibles. The parade was followed by members of the Miss Acton Fair committee and Miss Janet Aitken, Ontario Shorthorn Lassie who rode in

the original Miss Acton Fair Linda Ferguson. Each wore a corsage presented by the fair board. Hinton introduced each girl in turn and vice-president of Beardmore and Co. Ltd., R. R. Parker presented each with leather purses as a gift from his company.

Members of the Miss Acton Fair committee were kept busy handing out prizes to the newly crowned Queen as she sat surrounded by the runners-up and last year's Queen Miss Trysenaar. Cliff McKay, father of the new queen who was billed as top entertainer with his troupe for the Friday show,

was close at hand to give his daughter's reassuring pat on the shoulder and a hug after her name was announced. Members of the committee include chairman Mac Sprowl, Linda Ferguson, Bill Nelles, H. H. Hinton, Russell Murray, Lawrence Hensley.

The newly crowned queen began her first of a 12 month reign Saturday morning when she braved the heat in her robes to help judge the Junior Horse Show at the park. She is currently working as a hair stylist in Milton and is the youngest of the four McKay children and only one living at home.

Prior to the arena show beginning Acton Hi-Fivers entertained on the show grounds with their model planes. Buzzing of motors attracted a large crowd which saw the boys put their models through acrobatic and combat maneuvers.

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Approve Use of H.S. Gym By M. Z. Bennett Pupils

Acton High School Board agreed to allow pupils of the M. Z. Bennett school use of the high school gymnasium for physical training periods. This action was taken at the last regular board meeting.

Under consideration is use of the gymnasium by the M. Z. Bennett school for practice sessions for the Operetta. Since the public school has no gymnasium it was agreed by Principal E. A. Hansen that arrangements could be made to have the public school pupils use the building at times which would not conflict with the high school schedule.



MAYOR LES DUBY rode in state with his wife during the parade Saturday afternoon. The couple rode the route in a convertible driven by Bill Coxie.

Plan Extensive Program For Fire Prevention Week

October 3 to October 9 is Fire Prevention Week. Acton Firefighters are hopeful everyone will consider fire prevention 365 days of the year and not just for one week.

Fire Prevention Committee chairman Harry Otterbein has a busy program outlined for the special week and fire chief Mick Holmes and deputy fire chief Bern Van Fleet have approved the plans for the 30 volunteers to carry out.

No "Open House"
For the first time in years, firefighters will not hold "Open House" at the fire hall. In recent years, the turnout of interested citizens in seeing the equipment used in coping with fires and talking to the men who handle the equipment has dwindled greatly.

Instead of a compulsory home check for fire hazards, this year, firefighters will conduct a voluntary check in homes and industries. School inspections and fire drills will be conducted in the Acton Fire Area and stickers and folders will be handed out at homes as well as window streamers in places of business and school book markers for students.

The Fire Department is sponsoring a full page advertisement in the Free Press next week and request the co-operation of all businessmen to help emphasize the importance of fire prevention and safety.

This Sunday morning, representatives of the Acton Fire Department will take part in a church parade in Milton, which is sponsored by the Halton County Fire Prevention Bureau.



ENUMERATORS began calling door-to-door in Acton Monday preparing names for voters' lists for the Federal election on November 8. Mrs. Jean Maroux calls on Acton merchant Ernie Marks.