

Halton 4-H

HALTON 4-H GRAIN CLUB By Murray Brownridge

A talk by Vern McArthur, Weed Inspector for Halton County, was the feature topic of the second meeting of the Halton 4H Grain Club held at the Agricultural Office, Milton, on May 24. Mr. McArthur discussed some of the more destructive weeds in the county and then handed out a quiz to the mem-

bers. During the second part of the meeting the Juniors discussed weed classification and control and why bother removing weeds, under the leadership of Geoff Taylor, Agricultural Extension Assistant for Halton

Weed control topic for 4-H

The second monthly meeting of the Acton- 4-H Grain Club was held at the farm of Gordon Leslie on Thursday, May 26. The meeting was opened by the president, Bill Lasby, who led the club in the 4H Pledge. The minutes of the last meeting were call was taken and answered by all the members.

The meeting was turned over to Geoffrey Taylor. To start the meeting, he gave the members a short quiz on "Pesticide Safety", conducted to learn the members' knowledge of these chemicals. After correcting these tests, he went over the material to see that the members have the necessary supplies. Booklets were distributed on "Barberry". He pointed out that if this bush is present in any place, it should be reported to the local weed in-

spector. The subject of Mr. Taylor's discussion was "weed control". He said that it was necessary to control weeds because they rob the crops of moisture, decrease crop value and increase the cost of production. The weeds that sometimes exist in crops lower the feed value and many times cause heat in grain while in storage.

Weeds are classified into spring and winter annuals, biennials and perennials. The next part of his discussion was on control. Two common methods of control are cultural and chemical. Some cultural means of weed control are mechanical means, sow weed free seed and use clean equipment.

Some methods of chemical control are - use correct am ount of chemical, follow directions, use chemicals when weeds are at the right stage of maturity, and keep up with the new chemicals. There are two laws that are to be followed by farm owners and seed produc-

Land owners are required to see that the weeds are killed before they bear seeds. Seed producers are required to send samples of seeds to Toronto for testing.

The meeting was turned over of Rodney oats, to judge. Officray. They discussed with the members the tarm maps which the members were to complete for this meeting. Some of the members told the rest of the club the position and name of the building and pointed out the keys that they followed in the making of the maps.

Mr. Taylor then led the members in a short identification of some of the common weeds. The members were given a

class of Herta barley and one of Rodney oats, to judge. Official reasons on the classes were given by Wayne Aitken and Russell Murray.

After the judging, a short ouiz was conducted by Mr. Taylor. The meeting was adjourn

After the conclusion of the meeting, refreshments were served by the hosts. The hosts were thanked by Catherine Lasby on behalf of the club.

Underground wiring in at subdivision

Acton Hydro linesmen have completed temporary underground hydro services to two new homes creeted in the newly developed section of Lakeview subdivision.

The men are waiting the ararryal of special cable before the permanent service including underground wiring for street lighting can be completed.

Split festival

The tinal division of Halton county music lestival was made last night (Wednesday) at a meeting in the senior public school, Milton. The north and south sections from now on are completely separate. The music festival itself continues as usual but with different organization. Attending the meeting were principals, music supervisors and school representatives.

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County. The Seniors talked about the application and types of weed spray. All members then judged a class of Garry Oats.

EAST HALTON 4H CALF CLUB By Thelma Carney

The highlight of the East Halton 4-H Calf Club held on May 12 at Howard Tarzwell's was the judging of two classes of Holsteins.

The first-class was three-yearolds in milk and John McGee and Don Brander gave their reasons and Tom Hunter, 4-H club leader gave official reasons and placings.

The second class was mature cows in milk and Bert Stewart gave official placings. A film on breeds of cows was

shown. The meeting was adjourned and lunch was served.

WEST HALTON 4H HOLSTEIN CALF CLUB By Douglas Stokes

The second monthly meeting of the West Halton Holstein-Club was held on Tuesday, May read and approved. The roll 17, at the farm of Gordon Sinclair, Burlington.

During the first part of the meeting, club leader Bill Bennett demonstrated the desirable qualities to look for in a Holstein cow, and then the members judged a class of Holstein cows provided by Mr. Sinclair.

The meeting then split into two parts, with the juniors, led by club leader Bill Sinclair, discussing "Dairy Breeds and Their Characteristics", while the seniors, led by Extension Fieldman Geoff Taylor, talked on "Heredity", and "The effective use of a breeding program."

4-H BEEF CALF CLUB

By David Jackson The third regular meeting of the Halton 4-H Beef Calf Club was held on May 19 on the farm of James McCarthy near George-

The meeting was called to order by the club president, Larry Gardhouse. After the 4H Club Pledge and the roll call, the club nominated a committee to prepare a CNE demonstration and the Beef Calf Club's display for Milton Fair. The members of this committee are Larry Gardhouse, Pat Sweetman, Don Harris and Verna Thompson.

The club members then judged a class of summer Yearling heifers with the official placing by John Willmott. After judging the heifers the members proceeded to a class of mature Hereford cows. Reasons for their placing of this class were given by Don Harris, Pete Sweetman, Verna Thompson, Bill Jackson and Larry Gardhouse. The official placing was given by John Willmott.

The Junior members were instructed by John Willmott on the origins of the various breeds of cattle and why the Brahama from India was crossed with cattle in Western U.S.A. The Brahama developed heat resistant strains of cattle for the West. The Juniors also discussed the factors to consider when choosing a herd. The most important factors are personal perference and the type of cattle suitable for that climatic

The Seniors, with Geoff Tayfor instructing, discussed inheritance in cattle.

Peter Sweetman thanked Mr. McCarthy for supplying the two judging classes and allowing the necting to take place on his farm. The meeting then adjourned and the members were served refreshments.

Awards for service

On Thursday, June 2 the Halton 4-H Club Leaders held a meeting in the Agricultural Office, Milton to discuss the 4-H program and future events.

The 4-H bus"(rip sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of the Kingsway is scheduled for Wednesday, June 29. All Halton 4-H Club members will be guests of these Toronto Kiwanians for a tour of the new City Hall and Subway Systems.

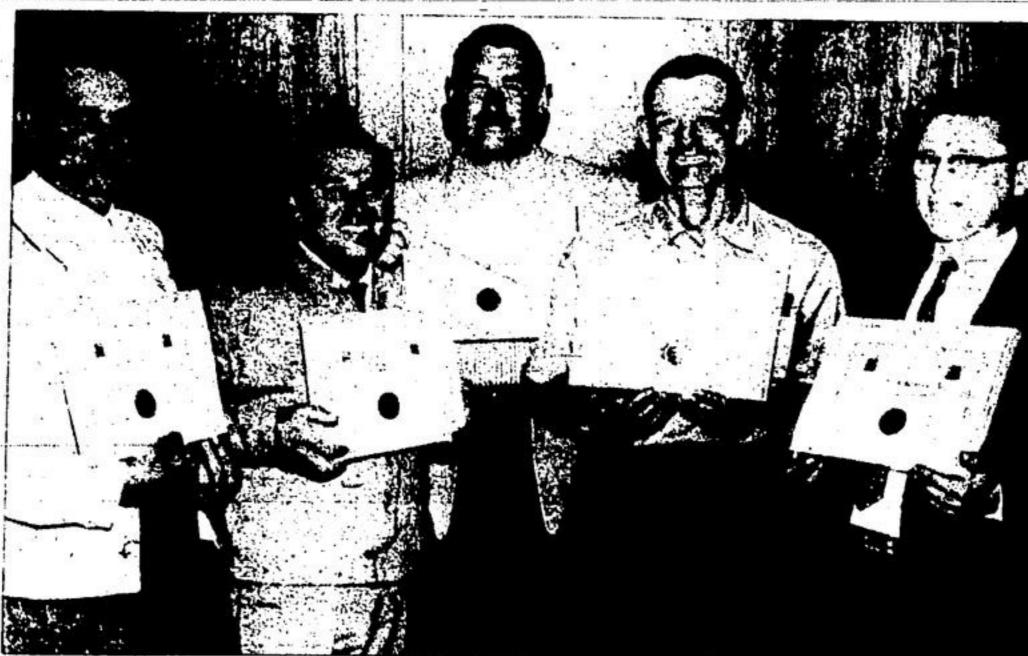
The Practice Judging, County Livestock, and the Seed Judging Competitions were outlined and members will be receiving details by mail.

The highlight of the meeting came when several 4-H club leaders received certificates for outstanding service to the rural young people. The following club leaders were awarded certificates by Henry Stanley, Agricultural Representative.

For 15 Years Service — Maurice Beaty, R.R. I -Millon; Ken Ella, R.R. 1 Hornby; Jim Me-Kay, R.R. 3 Georgetown; and George Pelletterio, R.R. 6 Mil-

For 10 Years Service - Nino Braida, Acton: Jim Carney, R.R. Georgetown; A. P. Galloway, R.R. 1 Milton; Brock Harris, R.R. 6 Milton; and John Willmott, R.R. 1 Milton. .For Five Years Service - R. C.

Alexander, R.R. 2 Georgetown.



Yellow Rocket in the fall when

the altalfa is dormant. An early

SERVICE CERTIFICATES were presented on Thursday evening to Halton County 4-H Club Leaders with long records of service. Shown in the photo from left to right are Brock Harris of R.R. 6 Milton, 10 years; George Pelletterio

-Staff Photo of R.R. 6 Milton, 15 years; John Willmott of Milton, 10 years; Jim McKay of R.R. 3 Georgetown, 15 years and Nino Braida of R.R. 2 Acton, 10 years. Halton's Agricultural Representative Henry Stanley made the presentations.

Yellow Rocket

Pull, clip or spray it away YELLOW ROCKET

Have you noticed mustard blooming during the past week in almost every hay and pasture field in Halton County? This is not common mustard but the

noxious weed, Yellow Rocket. It is a biennial or short-lived perennial which makes its appearance in new seedings. Thus, the best method to prevent this weed becoming established on your farm is to use clean grass seed. If there are only a few plants in the field they should be pulled and burned or buried. If they are piled up they will go

to seed. Fields that are heavily infested can be clipped or cut for early hay or grass silage to keep the vellow rocket from going to seed. This year with the delay-

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spring treatment of 2, 4- DB is also recommended, but this must be applied before the ed spring Yellow Rocket is conflower buds appear on the siderably ahead of the hay crop weed. There is also some risk and this clipping may be posof damage to the alfalfa crop sible. By the time the crop is with the spring application. ready for harvest some of the It farmers do not puil the Yellow Rocket will have gone to 2. 4 DB at 20 oz. acid per will be vellow instead of green acre can be used to control in the years ahead.

weed, clip their fields, or spray this fall, the rural landscape

Field day June 25

On Saturday, June 25, Halton County Junior Farmers are holding their annual field day at Nelson high school and Nelson Park starting at 9.30 George Swan has offered his courtesy car to broadcast events for the day. Winners of the various events will be participating at the Guelph Area Field Day to be held on July 9 at the Guelph University.

The Junior Farmers purchased a 75-cup coffee percolator which is to be used for county board meetings, other agricultural meetings held at the agricultural office, local club and county activities held throughout the county.

Applications for 82 centennial farm project signs were received in Halton County and 4,725 signs have been ordered for the province.

The Dairy Princess Contest is to be held at the Hays Sales Arena on June 23. A barbecue is to be held from 5-6.30; choosing of the princess from 7-8; and an old time fiddlers' contest from

Miss Elsie Gall from Scotland, one of this year's overseas delegates, will be in Halton county from June 14 to 28. A special night has been set for Elsie on June 25 at Boyne Community Hall at 8.30 p.m. Every-

Junior Farmer news notes

one is invited to come out and welcome her to Halton. Halton Juniors have been invited to attend the County Council meeting on July 19 at the

County Building at 1 p.m. Tentative dates have been set for a county exchange with Kent county on the weekend of July 16-18. On the last weekend of July, it is hoped Carelton county will be visiting with Hal-

Norval Juniors are holding a baseball game and wiener roast on July 8 at Hornby park at 8.30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend this fun night.

Acton Juniors are holding a dance on June 17 at 9 p.m. at Ballinafad Hall.

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Cattle buyer

C. E. Thompson, Acton, was one of the buyers at the first annual Dual Purpose Shorthorn sale at the sale barns, Georgetown. Seven head were purchased to go to Cuba.

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