

Recreation director reports, makes several recommendations

The recreation director's summer report, presented at the last recreation committee meeting, was filled with facts which indicate an unusually successful program, and concluded with several recommendations.

PLAYGROUNDS
Prior to the beginning of the playground, all the leaders attended a training camp at Bolton. Here they learned and accomplished much to prepare them for the summer ahead.

The following is a list of the playground staff: supervisor, Donna Landsborough; assistant supervisors, Cavell Marshall, JoMarie Marchant; leaders, Linda Ralston, Joanne Landsborough, Paul Cooper; leaders-in-training, Brenda Aherne, Edie Hopkins, Kay Chisholm.

This year, we operated two playgrounds — one at Acton Prospect Park and the other at the M. Z. Bennett public school. They were operated for six weeks, Monday through Friday. Both assistant supervisors, leaders and leaders-in-training experienced time at both.

The program included a variety of different things. A few of these are — arts and crafts, nature, quiet games, active games, sports, music and special events.

SPECIAL EVENTS
This year, we attempted to hold a special event every week. Each playground would hold a different one, so that many would be tried. A few of the weekly events were A Tramp's Ball, A Tabloid Sports Day, and A Sleepout.

At one time during the summer, we had a visit from Constable Campbell, a local policeman, who gave the children a talk on safety. Also the firemen from town spent an afternoon on the playground, talking to the children and showing them some of the equipment they use.

At the closing of our playgrounds, we held a circus. We spent the last week preparing different acts, setting up booths to hold skill games. A parade was held for the children and they marched from the station to the arena. The highlight of the evening was when a magician performed for the children and their parents.

SWIMMING
Swimming lessons were held this year at the pool situated in Acton Prospect Park.

Swimming instructors were as follows — supervisor, Trudy Morris; assistant supervisors, Paul Cooper and Susan Mitchell. The children were put into groups according to their swimming abilities. These groups were known as Salmon, Sunfish, Minnows, Guppies, Jellyfish and Bubbles.

They were tested each week and if successful, they would move to a higher group. There were two three-week classes held during the summer.

ROLLER SKATING
Roller skating was held for the first time this year in Acton. It was held every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday nights from 8-10 p.m.

Roller skates were rented from Roy Goodwin, who operated the booth in the Acton

Community Centre. Attendance for the majority of the time was well around 100.

The following is a list of patrollers — Murray Harrison, Andy Conway, Steven Dubois, John Price and Don Price.

A roller skating club was started in the latter part of the season but was not too successful. An attempt should be made at the beginning of the roller skating season next summer.

SPECIAL EVENT
Twenty professional skaters from the Mimicombro rink in Mimico featuring Ted Jenkins put on a display here during the summer.

TEEN DANCES
Teen dances were held almost every Saturday night after roller skating. Local bands were brought in to supply the music. Some of these were Topix from Georgetown, Blues Incorporated from Kitchener, Nitrons from Acton, Shaynes from Acton, Sabres from Acton, Bill Warden and the Tee Jays from Kitchener; Seventh Level from Georgetown.

MINOR LACROSSE
A house league was operated with John Goy Jr. acting as coach, manager, referee and lacrosse co-ordinator. An effort was made to find coaches and referees to assist John. However, we fell short and he worked hard and efficiently and deserves a lot of credit.

Next year, with the help of Ross Ballentine and John Goy, we hope to develop a county league with Orangeville, Erin, Fergus and Elora participating.

GIRLS' SOFTBALL
An effort was made to establish some form of recreation for girls in Acton. With the help of Frank Spielvogel and Charlie Thompson, a girls' softball team was formed and entered in a local league that included Hillsburgh, Belwood, Fergus, Elora, West Gara and Havesomestun Park. The team had a successful season in the league and entered six or seven tournaments during the summer. An average attendance of 175-200 watched the girls all summer.

Their (opening) operating finances were derived from donations, collections at games and special events. One of these was an exhibition game with the world famous Queen and Her Maids from California. All the proceeds went towards the girls which provided a banquet at the end of the year.

WRESTLING
After arrangements and agreements were finalized with Whipper Billy Watson, professional wrestling was held in the arena twice. We had crowds of 1400 and 900 attending. The only arrangement that could be made was a flat rental of the arena to Dave McKigney, Watsons promoter, of \$50 and \$60. Nevertheless, it provided good recreation for the people who attended.

The show was enjoyable to all, except that our own P.A. system was inadequate.

SPECIAL TEEN DANCES
Two special teen dances were held in the arena at the beginning and at the end of the summer holidays. Both were

reasonably successful (with the exception of complaining neighbors) both attendance wise and financially. An executive of teenagers was set up to help with the organization of these dances.

SQUARE DANCING
Co-operation with the Acton Pairs and Squares is being maintained as much as possible. We helped them with the advertising for special events, and in the fall to help them organize a beginners' club. The possibility of their receiving a program grant was researched but to no avail.

SENIOR CITIZENS
In speaking with the Golden Age Club, I found them to be very well organized and needing little or no guidance. However, I did tell them that any help needed could be received upon call.

RECOMMENDATIONS
1. That proper steps be taken to improve our program acoustics in the arena. Any program that is successful is hampered by our lack of good acoustics—winter and summer.

2. That minor baseball be organized in Acton. I have taken steps in this direction and my organization seems highly possible for the summer of 1967. I recommend that we budget \$200 towards its organization.

3. That foreseen the amalgamation in the new year, the recreation director be given control of scheduling the ball diamond to all parties requiring it.

4. That we hold wrestling four times next season.

5. That we hold six special teen dances next season.

6. That roller skating again be organized and held three nights a week and possibly Sunday afternoons as well.

7. That more money be budgeted towards the employment of summer staff. Our current wages do not enhance the possibility of obtaining a fully qualified staff. I suggest the following pay scale: (9 weeks), 1 program director, \$50 per week; (6 weeks), 1 playground director, \$30 per week; (6 weeks), 5 leaders, \$25 per week; (6 weeks), 3 leaders-in-training, \$10 per week; (6 weeks), 1 pool supervisor, \$27.50 per week; (6 weeks), 1 pool assistant, \$20 per week. Total \$1,905.

Howard Pearce,
Recreation Director.

Let's Play Bridge

by bill coats

In last week's column, we were discussing leads, particularly the ambiguity of the lead of the king from both ace-king and king-queen. This week, I would like to talk about that old standard lead of fourth best of your longest and strongest suit against a no trump contract.

This lead is a carry-over from the days of whist and has much to recommend it. By applying the rule of 11, the partner (and declarer) can obtain a picture of the outstanding high cards.

The rule of 11 states "subtract the value of the card led from 11 and this will tell you the number of cards in the other three hands that are higher than the card led." This is a very useful rule, so useful in fact, that it often helps declarer more than it helps the defense.

Along with this fourth best lead, most bridge players will not lead fourth best unless they have an honor in the suit.

One of the current ideas that is catching on in bridge circles, is as follows — the lead of a low card in a suit against no trump indicates a desire to establish tricks in that suit. If you wish to lead a suit since you must lead and you don't wish to present declarer with a trick or you're trying to hit your partner's suit, you lead a relatively high card.

I wish that I had been using such a system a few weeks ago.

I was defending with West's hand against a three no trump contract. Here is the deal.

North
S-K 6 4
H-K O 8
D-K 10 9 5 4 2
C-9

West
S-10 7
H-7 6 5 3 2
D-A 6 3
C-A 8 2

East
S-A 9 5 3 2
H-J 10
D-Q 8
C-10 6 4 3

South
S-Q J 6
H-A 9 4
D-J 7
C-K Q J 7 5

The bidding:
North East South West
Pass Pass 1 C Pass
1 D Pass 1 NT Pass
2 NT Pass 3 NT All Pass

The bidding is most ambitious, but was rewarded by fulfillment of the contract. Since a fourth best lead would indicate an honor, I could not lead the three of hearts, so I chose to lead the heart seven. Declarer won with the ace and led the diamond jack.

This was run to East's queen. East thought that I must have some clubs, so a club was returned. Now it was too late to do anything. Declarer regained the lead and cleared the diamond suit. In all, the defense took three aces and the queen of diamonds.

Using the new lead, I would

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Record deposits, loans noted in bank report

Record deposits of almost \$5 billion and loans of more than \$3 billion are reported by the Bank of Montreal in its 149th annual statement, released here by Ted Pratt, manager of the bank's Acton branch.

Commenting on the bank's annual figures for the year ended October 31, he said new highs had been established right across the board—in assets, loans, deposits and earnings.

Deposits of \$4,995 million included personal savings of \$2-

307 million. Total loans climbed to \$3,280 million, with an increase of \$172 million in the key category "commercial and other loans".

Assets reached \$5,423 million, an increase of almost \$500 million from 1965.

Record high earnings are recorded for operations of the bank's more than 1,000 offices

at home and abroad, the manager continued.

The net earnings figure of \$19,905,599 is an increase of \$1,175,246 from 1965. Total provision for income taxes is \$20,988,731.

The bank's almost 26,000 shareholders are receiving dividends of \$2.37 1/4 per share, or a total of \$14,428,125. This is 10 cents a share more than in 1965.

He said the the B of M's strong liquid position is reflected in the "quick" assets figure of \$2,091 million.


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