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ART HAWES

Top scores at Maple Rock Shooting Range this week were recorded by John Shadbolt with 24 and 21, Art Hawes 20, Keith Mainprize 18, Ed Hohenadel 17 and Bill Hohenadel 17. Two new members joined this week. They are Bob Ewlas and John Zuhlsdorf. John got 22.

Special archery seasons for deer have been announced in some districts.

Moose — North of the northern most line of CNR, September 15, 1967 to January 8, 1968; Central northern Ontario, September 30, 1967 to January 8, 1968; Southern portions of the Territorial Districts of Sudbury and Algoma lying north of Highway No. 17, November 6 to November 30.

Residents only Moose seasons are open this year in some portions of the province, including the area north of the French and Mattawa Rivers. Black Bear — Throughout Ontario, September 1, 1967 to June 30 1968.

The controversy over what to do about the wolves in Northern Ontario has been raging for some time. There are many who would like to see wolves completely exterminated.

The Ontario Federation of Anglers and hunters has been urging the present bounty system be discontinued. This group believes the Department of Lands and Forests could spend this money on a more adequate predator control program. Although the exact system they advocate is not stated in their new release, it can be assumed they refer to a system of hired hunters or trappers to control the wolf population in areas where they have become a problem.

The Department of Lands and Forests has announced its plan to extend its wolf management program to assist areas of the province where further wolf control is necessary.

The main reasons for many urging increased control of wolves is the damage caused to deer herds and livestock. It has been found that most raids on farms by wolves are by individual wolves and not by the population as a whole. It is also noted that many so-called raids on farms by wolves are caused by dogs, coyotes and coyote-dog hybrids. Many dead deer found, and reported as wolf kills have also been identified as being caused by dogs.

Certainly no one who is aware of the facts wants wolves wiped-out. While in some areas further control is necessary, in other areas the wolves play an important part in balancing the deer population to prevent over-browsing of their range and dieing from starvation and disease.

While the bounty system is proclaimed by many to be useless, in many areas in northern Ontario the chief attraction

to trappers is the bounty. Wolf pelts do not bring a large price most years, but with the bounty the price is sufficient to encourage professional trappers to trap them.

The Department of Lands and Forests has 25 specially trained predator control officers to help teach these trappers to more successfully trap wolves.

As many hunters can testify, few wolves are shot by hunters who do not, specially hunt wolves. Being a very cautious animal, the wolves are rarely seen by the average hunter. It is our belief that most of the bounties are paid to people who trap professionally or to hunters who hunt wolves on a money-making basis. It is therefore our belief that the present bounty on wolves is in effect mostly supporting professional trappers and hunters.



CHAMPIONS OF THE LEGION cribbage league were the team of Pete Turkosz, Bill Taylor, Walter Lamb, Harry (Bunk) Holmes, Ted Elliott and Grant Allen. Receiving the Adams trophy from John Goy is captain Pete Turkosz at last Friday's banquet and dance. The league had one of its most successful seasons, playing games each Thursday night. Grant Allen is missing from photo. (Staff Photo)



NEW EXECUTIVE for the Legion cribbage league is headed by Dorson Frizzell, left, with Newt Hurst, treasurer and Gary Dawkins, secretary. Gordie James conducted the elections following last Friday's dinner and dance. (Staff Photo)

Summer playground full staff named

All the staff for the playground program this year has been named, and for the first time there will be a special program director. Recreation director Howard Pearce announced this week that Miss Elizabeth Atkey, the popular physical education teacher at the high school, will be program director for the summer.

Joanne Landsborough will be supervisor; Cavell Marshall and Jo-Marie Marchmont will be assistant supervisors. Paul Cooper will be sports director and Linda Ralston crafts director.

Leaders are Edith Hopkins and Kathy Krul, the leaders-in-training are Marianne Coles, Elaine Johnston and Bob Andrews.

Trudy Morris will again be the swimming instructor with Brenda Aherne as her assistant.

All the leaders will attend a training course at Bolton June 19 to June 23. The three supervisors will take a course at Brampton May 11, and there may also be other one-day training sessions for them.

Hold workshop on budgets for libraries

The Regional Co-operative Library Board held a workshop on library budgets, on April 15 at Dundas.

Three Acton library board members with the secretary treasurer attended from Acton qualifying for the maximum bonus awarded by the Regional Board.

Library budgets and their effects are always of great interest to library trustees and this workshop was no exception. This interest is as deep whether the budget is \$1,000, 000.00 or \$2,000 because whatever the total of the budget, once the fixed costs — salaries, utilities, rent are removed what is left is all the trustees have to improve the service to the public.

The information supplied by the 17 library trustees attending is to be condensed, edited and then distributed for the guidance of trustees both in this area and in the province at large.



RUNNERS-UP in the Legion cribbage league was the team captained by Chuck Shultis, shown accepting the Molson trophy from Jimmy Guest. Ivan Harris, Cam Leishman and Jack Drysdale comprised the team along with Chuck and George Cooper, missing from the photo. (Staff Photo)

Esquing briefs

● Advised Mr. Wrigglesworth to write to the Ontario Athletic Association for information on baseball equipment.

● Heard from Councillor Tom Hill that the town can use any engineer they want to look after the bend in the Credit River project contemplated.

● Received an invitation along with Nassagaweya and Mill town councils to a dinner and tour of the Milton high school on April 26.

SIX DECADES TOGETHER

"I think love, patience and understanding are the key words," declared Mrs. John W. Tracy of Seattle, Wash., as she and her husband celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. "Without these, there can be no marriage — successful or unsuccessful."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Express thanks

May I take this opportunity, on behalf of the Ontario Society for Crippled Children, to express our most heartfelt gratitude for the splendid publicity received from your newspaper for the 1967 Easter Seal Campaign.

We have every reason to believe that this campaign will be our most productive ever with the rewards to be enjoyed by over 16,000 crippled children in Ontario. May I also say that without the magnificent efforts by our 230 Easter Seal service clubs and countless thousands of other volunteers who are continually helping crippled children, that the finest care and treatment program this Society can provide would not be possible.

Our appreciation is also extended to the many Easter Seal contributors in your area who supported the campaign so well this year.

Your sincerely,
W. D. Whitaker,
Chairman, Provincial Easter Seal Committee

PRIVILEGED PARKERS

For three weeks, the police department in Moultrie, Ga., did not hand out a single parking ticket. They just did not have any. Although the tickets were ordered, the printing company delayed filling the order for three months because it was changing machinery. The order has now been filled and ticketing is back to normal.

Free Press

Local News Items

—Mother's Day is May 14. —Roads were badly broken up this spring.

—Visitors to town have been dropping in to admire the new library.

—Cancer Society canvassers are still on their rounds. Give them a welcome!

—Condition of the town dump now is drawing a lot of favorable comment.

—Allan Gordon, Peel St., had a dozen tulips blooming last weekend!

—High school students who are going to Expo held a bake sale to raise money, this week.

—Some in the district have been busy with the maple syrup crop.

—Some families started their summer season of picnics and garden barbecues last weekend.

—With the Dominion Hotel kitchen out of commission, Rotarians met Tuesday in the Legion Hall.

—Frank Thompson and Murray Winger are painting the floors at the community centre this week.

—"No Parking" signs have been put up in preparation for the signal lights operation at the Mill-Main corner.

—Police are warning children this week about improperly riding their bicycles. They have noticed two-on-a-bike and other infractions.

25th anniversary party at scout hall

Acton Scout Hall was the site chosen on March 26 for a surprise dinner party for Mr. and Mrs. Roy Goodwin on the occasion of their 25th wedding anniversary on March 28.

The party was arranged and hosted by daughter Mrs. Carol Spence of Brampton and family friend Mrs. Ed Heffernan of Acton.

Special guests were Mrs. Goodwin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Yates of Newmarket and Mr. Goodwin's mother, Mrs. Claire Goodwin of Mitchell. Other guests attending were from Markham, Milton, Stouffville, Hornby, London, Georgetown and Acton.

The couple were presented with a money tree complete with instructions to purchase a reclining chair of their choice.

The anniversary cake was made by Mrs. Claire Goodwin.

—The Choralliers will sing Herman Freuler's Hymn to Canada for the first time in public at a church service in Balinad Sunday, May 7.

—There are familiar buildings in the old picture of Matthews' building and post office on the front page of the second section. Mr. Matthews' home, on the left, last had Baxter's drug store as a long-term tenant. The Matthews building was moved further down the block from its location on the Willow-Mill corner and now houses Hotchen's bakery.

—Again this year, the announcement of the name of the Citizen of the Year has been made in advance. It makes preparations for the Chamber of Commerce dinner a lot easier, and special guests can be invited without secrecy.

A sure sign you're getting older is when the kids come home from school, talking about their history lessons, and you suddenly realize that when you were in school, the same items were called "current events".

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MINOR HOCKEY HEAD Roy Goodwin presents Barrie Elliott with the Most Valuable Player award, at the Minor Hockey Association banquet. Barrie was captain of the Juvenile hockey club. (Staff Photo)