



MIDGET CROSS-COUNTRY C.W.O.S.S.A. champions from Acton district high school are, left to right, Jack Irwin, John Last, Brad Timbers, Dave Braida, Randy Coker, Dave Bittorf, Andy Miller and Gord Williams. (Staff Photo)

# Free Press YOUTH PAGE

## ACTON HIGH Sports Review

with Fred Barends

**Track Team**  
Due to bad weather conditions the Acton High School track team had to practice indoors. In other words they completed twenty-five laps around the school corridors. This worked quite well and I am presuming that the members of our track team thought that this was quite beneficial.

Our best prospect now is Jim Slaven who is running a number of good races. A number of other members are also showing good capabilities.

**Soccer Team**  
As I mentioned in my last article Acton needed a more devoted team. In this last game

with Erin, the Acton players showed more desire to win. However, they were unable to cope with the Erin team. Erin won by a score of 2 to 0.

The margin in goal score would have been greater but two of the goals scored were off side.

**Intra-mural Sports**  
The IICD basketball team won the championship over Grade 13 by a score of 25 to 21.

Players of winning team were as follows: Bobby Andrews, Fred Filsnik, Archie Binale, Bob Turkosz, Paul Cooper, and Lloyd Smallwood. The two best players in my opinion were Bob Turkosz and Alan McNabb.



JUNIOR CROSS-COUNTRY runners from Acton district high school captured the C.W.O.S.S.A. title recently at the University of Guelph. In front are Bob Smith and Bob Andrews. Standing, left to right, Jim Slaven, Mike Cooper, Rae Swackhamer and Brent Marshall. (Staff Photo)

## NOTES FROM ACTON HIGH

By Marianne

### CHEERLEADING CLINIC

The Cheerleaders went to Western Collegiate in Scarborough on Saturday to a cheerleader convention. It was a very exciting day for them and gave them many new ideas. Over 200 schools were represented at the clinic with about 1500 girls.

During the morning from 10 to 11.30 there was a demonstration by a doctor and his daughter Lana, from the University of Michigan. This man was the most enthusiastic and ambitious the girls had ever seen. The auditorium was packed full and girls had to stand or sit in the aisles. The program was constantly interrupted by enthusiastic cheerleaders yelling their school songs and wanting everyone to know they were there.

At 11.30 there was a break for lunch. Because of the large number of girls a simple hot lunch was prepared and was served in shifts. One half of the girls ate while the others attended the workshop in the gym, and vice versa. The girls were all required to try new cheers while Lana demonstrated them. Some of the steps were quite confusing but most of the girls were able to catch on.

After the workshop everyone returned to the auditorium where cheerleading skills for pep rallies and different chants were demonstrated. Booklets were on sale at the clinic with many cheers, songs, and skits in it.

After this session there was a competition between the 200 schools. Each team went out to the football field and divided into 20 sections of 10 teams each. The red and white girls were also those from the clinic as they only had their uniforms on.

Each section was judged and the girls returned to the auditorium. The best cheer from each section did a cheer and were judged. From these 20, five were chosen best of the clinic.

The day proved very beneficial to the Acton girls who have only one year of experience behind them.

### BASKETBALL SEASON

The basketball season will be starting on the sixth of November. Good luck to the teams is expressed by all the students who fully expect this year's teams to do as well as last year's. The teams are coached by Miss Athey, Mr. Sullivan and Mr. McAllum.

### YEARBOOKS

The sales of ads for the "Oracle" this year are going extremely well. Congratulations to IIB for the hard work they have put in to make this year's yearbook more successful and better than ever.

Yearbooks are \$2.00 if bought advance and \$2.50 if bought later. A prize of an art set will be awarded to the student whose de-

### Registration, hours higher for skating

Registration for figure skating is higher than last year. Classes are on Saturdays and Thursday evenings, extending the hours. Instructors are Mrs. Glen Snow and Mrs. E. Lotherland.

sign is chosen for the cover of the yearbook.

An editorial in the Informer titled "Stone Walls do not a Prison Make, Nor Iron Bars a Cage" by Richard Lovelace caused quite a commotion in the High School these past few days.

Junior and senior basketball teams have been practicing for many weeks now.

Commencement at the High School is this Friday and the Edelweiss Ball is Saturday.

Girls and guys have been preparing for the formal all week by bringing in food for the buffet and getting decorations ready for the gym.

Saturday will be a busy day for Miss Athey and the G.A.A. as the gym will be completely redone.

## Acton High cross-county team wins two C.W.O.S.S.A. titles

On Thursday October 19, at the University of Guelph, Acton High School cross country team topped a successful season by winning two titles in the CWOSSA cross country championships.

Led by David Braida in third place, the Midget team won their division with a score of 43 points,

12 less than second place Warrington. Other members of the team were Randy Coker in ninth place, Dave Bittorf in eleventh, and Gord Williams twentieth.

The Junior team won their division with the low score of 14 points. This was the lowest score of any school at the meet.

Jim Slaven won the race with a time of 14:45.5 for the three mile distance, the fastest time of the day. Hot on his heels were Bob Andrews in third place, Mike Cooper in fourth and Bill Field in sixth.

The Senior team was not as fortunate as the others, but made a credible showing by placing

third in the competition. Bob Roughly ran sixth, Gary Kelly fourteenth, Brent Marshall seventeenth and Jake Pasma nineteenth.

All boys who have represented Acton this year in cross country are to be commended for their fine efforts. Out of a total of 11 races Acton has won seven and dropped only four, two of those being lost by less than five points.

Their success however, has not been without hard work and sacrifice. These boys have given their time to train continuously for two hours per day, for five and in some cases six days a week for the past eight weeks. They have attended 40 practice sessions in all types of weather and have covered well over 200 miles in running.

With one week left in the season, the team is still busy preparing for the Ontario High School cross country championships to be held in Hamilton this Saturday. Acton has one of the finest cross country teams in the province, and with a little luck and a lot of hard work, they just might come home with a provincial title.

### Soap script

## Transform school gym into Swiss Alps' scene

The Girls' Athletic Association of Acton district high school has been working hard this week to transform the gymnasium into a Swiss mountain scene for the Edelweiss ball Saturday.

What seems to be taking most of the time is the wall to wall mural, showing villages nestled among the Alps. Students have been painting at the school after classes and after supper, working

to make a complete transformation of the gym.

Saturday morning at 7 a.m. the students will raise the mural and put up other large decorations which cannot be done any other time because of Commencement Exercises Friday night.

The mural shows little white churches and cottages, brightly coloured chalets and tiny lakes here and there among the mountains. The Alps are deep blue and

have caps of snow on top. Blue curtains on windows and blue spotlights will further highlight the scene.

The G.A.A. would like to make it known that the ball is open to all students of the school and any previous students. You may also bring friends with you if in couples.

Highlight of the ball will be the crowning of a Queen. Nominations have been held and students will vote on Thursday to name the top five girls. Those who attend the formal will vote again to determine who will be 'Queen of the Ball.'

Any girl who is nominated must attend and be willing to take part in it.

## Two Wednesday calls for Acton firefighters

Firefighters were called twice within a few hour span last Wednesday.

First alarm at 5.45 p.m. sent the Acton brigade to Ospringe where the barn of Len Buck, on highway 24, was threatened. Then the Acton brigade had to play second fiddle for Erin firefighters who arrived first with a pair of trucks.

Erin had the blaze under control and were dismantling the barn where it was threatened, removing milk pens and smoking bedding.

About this time another pair of trucks arrived from the Hillsburg department, making the scene a miniature convention.

Neighbors helped clean the barn of pens, burning pieces of siding and bales of milk bedding. Later in the evening, about 10.30, the Acton brigade was called to a car fire at the "Jolly Box", the label painted on the Brewers' Retail on Queen St. A parked car owned by Gary Hill, Wynford Place, was damaged by flames which were quickly extinguished.

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## Project Action assists U.N.I.C.E.F.

**Bake sale raises \$60 for UNICEF**

Project Action membership cards for dances are now on sale and may be obtained from Paul Mokrycki. They are 50¢ each. A card is needed in order to gain admittance to a Project Action dance.

Tuesday morning and afternoon Project Action and the United Nations Club took a collection for UNICEF. Project Action also sold apples at the high school for the same cause and last night helped to roll pennies brought in by public school students at the Y.M.C.A.

This evening (Wednesday) at 7.30 at the Y.M.C.A. Project Action is having a very important meeting. It is necessary for all members to attend because there is going to be a complete overhaul of the set up. Object! To make it more efficient. All new members are also invited to attend.

The coffeehouse started at the Y.M.C.A. has certainly been successful but they'd like to see more new faces there. Remember there is an R. & B room and a folk room, so you can take your pick. It is only 25¢ for one full night's entertainment for non members.

Congratulations are to be extended to the public school students who walked 27 miles from Orangeville to Acton. They displayed much stamina and endurance.

Over \$60 was raised for UNICEF when Miss Linda Braida's Robert Little class held a bake sale Monday after school. The room was jammed with students and a few parents for the very successful fund-raising project.

## ACTON FIREFIGHTERS' 66th

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