



## Halton 4-H Clubs to Organize

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On Tuesday, March 19 at 8 p.m., the Acton 4-H Agricultural clubs will be organized for 1968, in the Acton Community Centre, and on Wednesday, March 20, at 8 p.m., in the Boyne Community Centre, all Milton area clubs will be formed.

The 4-H Clubs to be offered in Halton this year include Strawberry, Tractor, Sheep, Holstein, Jersey, Guernsey-Ayrshire, and Beef Calf, Forage, Corn, and Conservation.

Several senior 4-H Clubs are available to members 16 years or over, as of January 1, including the Senior Herd Management project for beef and dairy club members, and the Conservation Club. The Tractor club will be open to members 14 years or over. All previous 4-Hers and other rural young people interested are invited to the organization meetings, where all the information can be obtained.

The chief objective of the 4-H programs is the development of young farm people through training in agriculture and good citizenship.

### WHAT MAKES UP A 4-H CLUB?

- Ten or more farm young people — who are not less than twelve years of age by January 1st and have not reached their 21st birthday by December 31st of the club year.
- Local 4-H Club Leaders — who work closely with the young people, helping to provide instruction and guidance with the 4-H program. These men and women provide their services on a voluntary basis and much of the credit for the success of 4-H is owing to their work.
- A Sponsoring Organization — which may be any group such as Agricultural Societies, Service Clubs, Junior Farmers, etc., who are interested in the development of the youth of their community. The local sponsor contributes at least one third of the financial support of the club and in many cases take an active part in the club promotion.

### WHAT KINDS OF 4-H CLUBS ARE THERE?

In Ontario 4-H Clubs are organized on a project basis with all members of a club carrying on the same project. The following are recognized as official 4-H Agricultural Club projects which are currently organized in Ontario. Dairy Calf, Beef Calf, Poultry, Swine, Sheep, Corn, Forage, Grain, Soybean, Sugar Beet, Tobacco, White Bean, Potato, Forestry, Fruit and Tractor Maintenance.

Recently new Senior 4-H Clubs have been developed for members between the ages of 16 and 20 years. Present Senior 4-H Projects include Engineering, Farm and Home Electric, Conservation and Market Hog.

### WHAT DO 4-H MEMBERS DO?

The type of activity and work which the 4-H member does, will depend upon the project selected. In all cases however the member —

- Undertakes a Specific Project.** This project is completed by the individual member on his or her home farm. Here the member gains the practical experience of actually doing the work required to complete the project. Members learn to keep accurate records on their project, submit reports and observe the results of their applied knowledge.
- Senior 4-H Calf Club members** also have the opportunity of adding to their experience by completing a Beef or Dairy Herd Management project along with their regular calf project.
- Attend Regular Educational Meetings.** These meetings are held once a month throughout the club year which in most cases is for a five or six month period beginning in the spring and ending in the fall.
- Practical demonstrations are included in the program to give members an opportunity to develop their skills. Meetings are conducted according to parliamentary procedure.
- Exhibit or Participate at Achievement Day.** Each 4-H Club concludes its year with an Achievement Day Program. Each member is required to participate in this program in order to complete his or her project.
- Participate in Other Activities.** A wide variety of activities at the county, regional and provincial level have been designed to add interest to the local club program. These activities include educational tours, rallies, competitions, leadership courses and travel programs.

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**INQUISITIVE CATTLE**, enjoying Monday's bright sunshine found the photographer's lens a magnetic attraction. They soon clustered around the fence, curiosity showing in big brown eyes and picking up odd bits of hay hidden by melting snow. (Staff Photo)

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### Preparing for parties taught to Greenock Belles

The fifth meeting of the Greenock Belles was held at the home of assistant leader, Mrs. R. Sinclair, on March 1, after school.

They were honored at this meeting with the presence of home economist, Mrs. Flewelling.

The topic of this meeting was planning and preparing a party. Miss Pearen, the leader showed the difference between a formal and an informal invitation. She noted that all invitations asking replies should be answered promptly and in the manner of the invitation.

Mrs. Sinclair told the members that when planning a party you should have in mind the theme you would like to portray. Examples are: St. Patrick's day theme, Thanksgiving day and Valentine's theme. A clue, she said, to the theme is given by the season.

For additional character carry out your theme in refreshments, pictures and center pieces. After planning the theme the hostess can prepare games to let her guests get acquainted. A good hostess has her party planned so she may participate in the activities she has prepared.

Mrs. Sinclair also showed some formal and informal place cards.

For a demonstration Miss Pearen who had at a previous meeting shown how to arrange flower centers showed two simple but very pretty party centers on the theme of St. Patrick's day.

Mrs. Sinclair explained the correct way to introduce friends, older people and people of different positions. Each girl took part in the introductions, by

introducing a member to the guest.

The meeting was closed with the 4-H grace. For lunch they were served a variety of sandwiches that they had learned how to make at the last meeting.

### Dublin Fruit Cups select executive

Dublin West Fruit Cups held their first meeting on Saturday February 17.

Officers chosen are president, Karen Pierce; vice-president, Kathy Boyd, secretary, Doris Black; treasurer, Cathy Lasby; press reporter, Marilyn Barber.

The officers and new member Linda Pierce made up the club. Leaders are Mrs. H. Blyth and Mrs. E. Wilson.

They talked about what they needed for this club and the requirements of a club member. They were given sheets for their books and told to have lots of pictures for this club.

Cathy Lasby was chosen to show how to measure dry and liquid ingredients. They decided to have their next meeting on Friday 23 at 6:30 at the home of Mrs. H. Blyth.

They were given home assignments and roll call.

On Friday 23 they held their second meeting, opening with the 4-H pledge. The roll call was answered by all. The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting and they were adopted.

Cathy took up the collection. Mrs. Wilson demonstrated fruit shortcake. They wrote out notes while waiting for the cake to bake. They decided to have the

### Kerr supports farmers' stand

George Kerr, MPP for Halton West, says he feels Jersey and Guernsey dairy farmers should get special concessions when the Ontario Milk Marketing Board's pooling arrangement comes into effect on March 1.

Jersey and Guernsey dairy breed cattle farmers are complaining that the milk pooling arrangement will ruin their business which has taken 16 years to build up.

The pooling, they say, will give farmers no incentive to produce more because he will only be paid top prices for a certain quota and thereafter will be paid a secondary price.

Kerr, speaking after the opening of legislature, said he predicted the problem would arise. He said the pooling arrangement which was started to help the loss well off farmers in eastern Ontario, tends to lower the farmers in the west to the level of the east.

There are about 40 Jersey and Guernsey (Channel Island) breed cattle farmers in Halton and Peel Counties.

Jim Snow, MPP for Halton East said he felt concessions for the Channel Island breed farmers would present too many administrative problems for the Milk Marketing Board.

He conceded that the arrangements "seemed like an injustice" for the Channel Island farmers because they had poured about \$1,500,000 in the past ten years in promoting their particular type of milk.

next meeting on Thurs. March 14. Mrs. Blyth then served the shortcake with strawberries and whipped cream and a jelly mould. It was enjoyed by all.

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### Medical Co-op names executive Finnie prexy

The 1968 executive committee of Halton Co-Operative Medical Services was named Wednesday evening of last week, as the 12-member Board of Directors held their first meeting since the annual meeting the preceding Saturday.

Samuel R. Finnie of Hornby was returned as president, as all six executive officers were re-instated in office for another year. Others on the executive include past president George Robertson of Acton, vice-president William R. Hume of Milton, directors Mrs. Roy Wilson of Milton and R. L. Davidson of Acton, and secretary-treasurer Mrs. Frank Mullin of Georgetown.

The directors held further discussions on the possibility of merging the Halton service with Central Co-Op at Snellgrove, but no decisions were made. Plans

were made to attend an area co-operative meeting at Guelph in April.

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