

Painting complete

Painting is completed at the community centre, arena manager Harold Townsley reports, with the dressing rooms receiving the last coats of paint. Each room has been painted a distinctive color to make identification easier.

Next step is for new seats to be installed in the rooms. Roller skating starts tonight (Wednesday).

Acton second CWOSSA trials

Ontario School for the Deaf, Milton, played the "perfect hosts" when the school's sports field hosted the Area Four CWOSSA trials on Wednesday of last week.

Fergus competitors walked off with top points with Acton second, while O.S.D. trailed the field of seven schools.

Field events included the triple jump, long jump, high jump and pole vault while races included everything up to two miles.

Acton, Fergus, Erin, Elora, Arthur, Milverton and O.S.D. competed and the top three competitors in each event will go to the CWOSSA final at Guelph May 11.



TROPHY WINNERS for the Big Four bowling league are front, left, Jake Vanderkooy, high average; Joe Hofstede, high single; back, Jules Frytlers, high triple; Renee Voskamp, high average; Nellie Harbers, high single; Ann Hofstede, high triple. The league wound up the season Saturday with a banquet at Hilltop lodge, Erin. C.O.B.A. crests were presented to the season's champions and individual bowlers at the well-attended event. (Staff Photo)

"C" company hot bowlers win Firefighter championship

At this time of the bowling season, fires permitting, the Firefighters along with their good wives gather to indulge in a bit of pin-putting to prove which company is best in their annual tournament.

This season it was a breeze for "C" Company. With games of 1803-1849-2083 for a total of 5875 they were hotter than some of the fires they put out and they clinched the championship in a very convincing manner.

"A" Company were well back in second place with games of 1698-1879-1885 and a total 5462 while far down the stretch came the "B" Company with games of 1748-1708-1640 for their total of 5226. To prove that they can bowl just as well as they put out fires, here are some of the top scorers.

"A" Company, John Turkoos, 643, Lucy Hynnot 611, John

Dunn 611, Georgina Van Vleet 610, Marg Dunn 608, Charlotte Holmes 608.

"B" Company, John Krapak 631, Bern Van Vleet 606, Norm Price 603.

"C" Company, Ed McGilloy 737, Herb Dodds 663, Scotty McCristall 608, Doris Townsley 669, Joan McCristall 664, Dottie McCristall 608, Joanne Duval 606.

Scotty McCristall and wife Joan were top couple with a combined score of 1878. Top triplet Ed McGilloy 737, Joan McCristall 664, Bern Van Vleet 607, Lucy Hynnot 611.

Following bowling, the doughy firemen and their better halves adjourned to the Fire Hall for the convivial presentation of the trophies and the usual after bowling comments. "If I hadn't punched that headpin," "If that blasted corner pin hadn't gone down" and "Well (fill in the rest)!"

Expand standardbred

Armstrong Bros. announce dispersal of thoroughbreds

Armstrong Bros., of Brampton, announced their decision to completely disperse their thoroughbred operations, including the racing and breeding phases.

The racing stable, consisting of seven horses under trainer Art Warner, two of which, Speedy Lament and Speedy Bonnet were recent winners in Maryland, will be auctioned on May 21 at the Woodbine Sales Pavilion.

The remainder, breeding stock consisting of about 16 head, will be auctioned this fall.

President Elgin Armstrong said: "It was a very tough

decision to make especially when it involves the sale of those two great race mares, Speedy Bonnet and Speedy Lament.

"It is not easy to tell a man like Art Warner of our decision, for I have the greatest respect for Art, and consider him to be a great horse trainer and one of the most knowledgeable horsemen I have ever met."

The Armstrongs, long prominent in the standardbred world, differing from the thoroughbred, last year saw their efforts in that

area place them as sixth leading breeder in North America.

In addition, their standardbred racing stable showed winnings of over \$450,000 in 1967.

In making the announcement, Elgin Armstrong gave this reason for dispersing his thoroughbred operations: "This decision had to come if we are to expand our standardbred breeding operations and direct all of our energies and facilities toward gaining a further penetration into that market."

Baseball season here but where are players?

With four sponsors committed and equipment worth \$500 ready to be used, Acton minor baseball officials are wondering where all the players are. So far two registrations have only produced 50 players, about enough for four teams.

Last year there were over 100 signed to staff six teams and it looked like the 1968 season would produce seven teams. Minor baseball men revived baseball last year and the interest warranted expansion.

Officials originally planned to hold another registration Saturday but postponed it because of the Robert Little walk in aid of the Red Cross. If the next registration does not indicate there is enough interest they'll call the entire program off, a move they

would not like but the only alternative.

OHA adopts amendment from Milton

Two Acton representatives to the annual meeting of the Ontario Hockey Association were loud in their praise of the activities at the meeting held recently in Toronto.

Tanner president Jack Marshall and manager Bob Marshall said proceedings gave them a better insight into the complexities of running the huge organization.

Among several things the meeting decided was to adopt a Milton amendment for Junior C hockey stating a team may register as a reserve player, two players who reside in the Borough, as set out as part of Metro Toronto, providing said players are waived on in writing by the O.H.A. team representing the Borough in which they reside.

The meeting decided to do away with league All Star games because of injuries.

Cheltenham, delegates learned, was defeated in the O.H.A. Int. C championship series by Little Britain four games to one. Durham Huskies met Elmville in the Int. B finals.



HE'S UP . . . AND OVER. Acton High School's John McGeechie easily clears the 5'2" high bar during Wednesday's Area Four CWOSSA track and field trials held at Ontario School for the Deaf in Milton. The Acton school stood second in total points for the day, and will send several contenders to the finals in Guelph this Saturday. (Staff Photo)

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NOVICE MANAGER DON VAN FLEET, left, and assistant manager Grant Chambers on behalf of the team. The team won the Southern Zone "B" championship. (Staff Photo)

Present Awards, trophies, jackets at Tri-County hockey banquet

Final wrap up of the Tri-County hockey season was a glittering trophy event at the community centre Saturday evening.

With a championship Novice club and four group "B" champions to honor, there was a large amount of silverware presented and a delicious turkey dinner for players, coaches, managers and sponsors of Acton Tri-County teams.

Novices tour Orenda Sunday

The champion Novice hockey club was treated to a trip to the Orenda Engines open house at Milton Sunday afternoon.

The boys were driven and shepherded by coach Barry Incoe, Jim Barden and Murray Scoyne. While there they had their picture taken in a group against a background of jet engines.

The most difficult part of getting to the top of the ladder is getting through the crowd at the bottom.

Master of ceremonies was Acton Tri-County president Roy Goodwin who introduced guests and kept the program rolling. Charlie Perry, a one man entertainment group playing the mouth organ, guitar and drums, wound the evening up with music.

Head table guests were John Weldon, Ed Norton, C. Green, Don Jarvis, Murray Harrison, Mansell Nellis, Mr. Goodwin, Charlie Thomson, Cyril Swim, Ed McGilloy and Herb Dodds. Charlie Thomson, introduced as Acton's all-round sportsman, led in a rousing round of applause for mothers of the boys who not only led the cheering for teams this season but prepared the dinner as well.

Don Jarvis of Georgetown, president-elect of the Tri-County Hockey Association was introduced by Tri-County rep. John Weldon. He spoke briefly recalling seasons a few years back when Acton teams were struggling along being beaten badly by the other clubs in the league.

"They don't come in here and do that any more," he said. He congratulated the Acton teams on their showing this year especially the zone champion Novices. "Acton also had a real

good representative in the juvenile league." Mr. Jarvis said the Tri-County was formed to foster juvenile hockey and expanded to include all teams.

The Tri-County head also warned the Acton teams about rumors he had heard about them leaving the league. "It would be a step backward," he claimed. Presentation of trophies to all teams and jackets to the Novice Club followed the president's remarks.

About 100 attended the event.

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This week, the Maple Rock Shooters went to the Appleby Trap Club for the annual Gordon Brecken Shoot. The G. G. Brecken shoot is held annually for a large trophy which bears the name of its donor.

The shoot is between the four trap clubs in Halton County Halton Sportsmen's Association, Halton Trap Club, Appleby Trap Club and Maple Rock. Winner this year was the Appleby Club, which was also last year's winner.

Halton Trap Club was second followed by Halton Sportsmen's Association.

Maple Rock did not have the required ten men present to be eligible for the trophy shoot.

A new applicant for a hunting licence who is under 20 years of age cannot be issued with his first hunting licence until he produces a certificate proving he has completed a course in safe gun handling. Hon. Renee Brunelle, the Minister of lands and forests announced recently.

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