

# Protest dust nuisance in township

Delegations overflowed quaking council chambers last week at the regular meeting but the most numerous and most vocal group was composed of 18 ratepayers from No. 20 Road between the Eighth Line and Glen Williams.

Spokesman Fred "Tat" Harrison told council they were there in force to protest the dust nuisance from township roads.

"We've put up with the dust continuously," he complained. "The only relief provided is by God, when he gives us rain."

"Six years ago when traffic increased considerably on the road, we asked something be done but we were told we were a little late to be considered in that year's budget, but we'd be considered next year. Nothing else has been done," the spokesman continued.

"Calcium," claimed Mr. Harrison, "is applied once a season." Potholes form, the grader grades and then we're faced with dust again.

"We come home and our wives are after us. We've called everyone and all we get is promises."

Mr. Harrison drew council's attention to the traffic survey in the township and then bluntly asked for a tar and chip road for ratepayers.

The spokesman said he paid a considerable amount of tax dollars but all he got for it was two and three-quarters bags of calcium. He admitted, however, that since two doctors moved into the area they have had better snowplowing. One councillor, he said, enjoyed the advantages of a tar and chip road and the delegation would like the same consideration.

Council generally agreed the dust nuisance was bad on township roads but pointed out it would be poor spending to spread calcium if roads had not stopped heaving.

The official count showed 696 vehicles used No. 20 sidewalk each day, a heavy traffic road which the Needs Study proposal would make it a county link.

"If you come to the Glen on a county road, I assume they are putting your road on as a further

county link," explained Councillor Bob Lawson.

"I'll agree with this," said Mr. Harrison, "but we are looking for immediate relief."

"Council can't just put tar and chips in," protested Mr. Lawson. "The Department of Highways has a say in it too." He outlined steps which must be taken before a road can be tarred and chipped.

"It is not economical to put calcium on the road until it is dressed," continued the councillor.

"I don't know what's wrong with that stretch of road," admitted Deputy Reeve Tom Hill, who sympathized with the ratepayers' plight along with other councillors. "We can't seem to fix it up."

Council assured the delegation they intended to follow the Road Needs Study and the reeve said they could be assured the road would be brought up to a different standard.

"There are lots of people in the township for a similar condition," counselled Mr. Lawson, arguing he advocated no special treatment for any section.

## Four safety patrol members to attend Ottawa Jamboree

Four members of the school safety patrols in Acton will leave on Thursday, May 16 on a bus tour to Ottawa for a three-day National Jamboree. About 6,000 patrol members from across Canada will attend.

Local delegates are Brian Connor, Peter Morrison, Larry Quinn and Bonnie Brislow. They will be accompanied by G.P.P. Constable Al Connor.

There will be a march past

Capital Hill by the young delegates and they will be taken on tours and other attractions during their stay.

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ROADSIDE RESPIRE is enjoyed by these marchers not too far from the little hamlet of Oustic on the Rockwood-Fergus route.

# 91 of 120 walkers finish route raise over \$500 for Red Cross

Between \$500 and \$600 was raised for the Red Cross when 120 eager students staged a 30 mile walk on Saturday. Of the 120 young people who started the trek at 6 a.m., 91 walked all the way. They started at a point between Arthur and Fergus and returned to the Robert Little school. Most of the walkers were R.L. students.

Their intention was to walk just a little further than last year, so they set the 30 mile distance.

Although an 8:30 p.m. deadline had been set down to put all the walkers off the roads at dark, everyone was done well before that time. The deadline seemed to give them an extra impetus to cut resting periods short and keep moving those feet.

First to arrive at the school was John Van Dam, who was wel-

comed in at 1:45 p.m. by principal McKenzie. The last of the whole-distance walkers came in at 7:17 p.m.

Stops were set up all along the route, and solicitous parents made routine drives up and down the roads. Oranges by the dozen

were handed out. Sandwiches and pop were distributed. There were stores along the road for snack shopping, too.

St. John Ambulance Brigade again assisted as they did for Project Action.

On the whole, the younger walk-

ers seemed to fare better than their teenaged elders in Project Action's marathon. Blisters and stiff muscles didn't seem to afflict this lively group as early in the day.

Changes in the route were made during the week and then again on the morning of the walk. Some of the hikers were sent down the first line instead of the second line, which after re-considering, it was deemed safer.

Miss Donna Rieborough - sponsored by another of the teachers - completed the route with one of the last groups to come in. She had worked closely with the students who arranged the school's second marathon walk.

Although most of the participants were Robert Little senior students, they were joined by a couple of high school students who couldn't join the Project Action marathon, and some M.Z. Bennett students.

John Van Dam, who finished first, was striding along at such a clip he completely missed one of the corners and went seven miles out of his way. He was located by St. John Ambulance members and taken an equal distance along the right road.

Those who completed the 30-mile trek, with the time of arrival are:

John Van Dam, 1:45; George McPhail, 1:54; Bill McGilloway, 1:54; Randy Weldon, 1:54; David Cunningham, 1:54; Brandon Irwin, 1:54; Ron McGill, 1:58; Chris Schultz, 2:31; Ted Muilbacher, 2:31; Diane Timbers, 2:50; Peter Dolhan, 2:50; Peter Morrison, 2:52; Rowland McCulloch, 2:52; Riny Schuit, 2:50; Maryse Masales, 3:00; Margie Frixwell, 3:01; Colleen Vuk, 3:03; Mary Vuk, 3:03; Gary Edge, 3:04; Jim Frixwell, 3:07.

Steve McIntyre, 3:09; Patti Dunn, 3:10; Dorothy Pargeter, 3:10; Bev. Norton, 3:13; Judy Rody, 3:30; Steven Van Fleet, 3:30; Glen McKenzie, 3:32; Jim McNabb, 3:32; Bob Speaker, 3:34; Cathy Ashley, 3:35.

Cathy Hinton, 3:35; Sheryl Moncur, 3:35; Carol Pickles, 3:35; Danny McGilloway, 3:36; Susan Shoemaker, 3:37; Mary Frances Marcoux, 3:39; Cathy Papillon, 3:39; Larry Hill, 3:39; Harry Lawson, 3:40; John Pauw, 3:41.

Alex Gray, 3:42; Ricky Bonnette, 4:00; Donald Cunningham, 4:00; Cathy Prystas, 4:01; David Lau, 4:03; Tim McIntyre, 4:05; Jim Krapek, 4:05; Terry Holmes, 4:05; Barbara McNabb, 4:08; Brunda McNabb, 4:08; Jane Withers, 4:14.

Susan Drysdale, 4:14; Carolyn Duval, 4:14; Ann Marie Luty, 4:14; Karen Norton, 4:17; Harry Toebes, 4:33; Sam Schonnop, 4:39; Denise Drinkwater, 4:39; Janet Gidman, 4:41.

Andrea Broostad, 4:41; Janet Van Dam, 4:42; Tony Lambert, 4:53; Danny Mans, 4:56; Paul Patrick, 5:05; Stanley Collett, 5:05; Nancy Wolter, 5:15; Betty Cinger, 5:15; Larry DeForest, 6:00; Sandra Van Fleet, 6:01; Bill Provis, 6:05.

Christine Anderson, 6:13; Nancy Hepburn, 6:13; Linda Harris, 6:13; Dennis Harnden, 6:15; Sandra Crispin, 6:15; John New, 6:35; Joanne Ancier, 6:45; Debbie Papillon, 6:45; Trevoyn Patrick, 6:45.

Linda DeForest, 6:47; Miss Rieborough, 6:58; Barbara Pratt, 6:58; Nellie Van der Kooy, 6:58; Patti Marchment, 6:58; Aime Toth, 6:58; Bob Toth, 6:58.

Kim Kresander, 7:05; Roger Swan, 7:08; Alex Carnegie, 7:08; Garth Taylor, 7:08; Mary Laughlin, 7:13; Shane Croghan, 7:14; Susan Nicolak, 7:17; Sonia Dalgle, 7:17; Sandra Ross, 7:17.

## Six baptized at United church

Six children were baptized on Sunday morning at the United Church on Christian Family Sunday. Susan Kathleen Shuce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Shuce; David Gordon Thomson, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Thomson; Carmen Denise Clow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Clow; Steven John Marchison, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Marchison; Mark Russell Marchison, son of Mr. and Mrs. K. Marchison and Brian Leo Roach, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alred Roach.



MAN, I'M TIRED! On the last lap of his 30 mile hike for the Red Cross, John Van Dam came in ahead of over 100 others for the second time in succession as Robert Little walkers, reinforced by others from the M.Z. Bennett school, the high school and Speyside school staged a marathon Saturday. (Staff Photo)



STRUNG OUT along the Rockwood-Fergus road walkers stride briskly in the morning before feet and aching muscles forced periodic stops. (Staff Photo)



RIGHT BEHIND pace setter John Van Dam came this quintet composed of Brendan Irwin, Randy Weldon, George McPhail, David Cunningham and Billy McGilloway. (Staff Photo)

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