

OUR READERS WRITE:

DID NOT SUPPORT ASSESSOR SYSTEM

Dear Sir:
Your paper was partly in error last week when it stated that Nassagaweya had supported the resolution in County Council for a County Assessor system. The Reeve of Nassagaweya supported the resolution, I did not.
Basically, I am in agreement with a County Assessment System and in the past have supported such a move. However, with the Provincial Government starting to move towards Regional Government in a much more determined manner, I believe that it would be prudent to wait and see what is planned for two important areas of this County, Nassagaweya and Esquesing.
There are still many farms in this area that are doing their share to feed this and other countries. They are making full use of what arable acres they have, while at the same time conserving in their bush lands and swamps the natural resources that will be vital to the development of whatever area they become a part.
To assess this type of land needs the wisdom and experience of a man who knows the area intimately.
Yours sincerely,
William Hoey,
Deputy Reeve.

citizens are confused on how to give money.

On behalf of the committee I am seeking the support of your newspaper so that your readers may be informed on this very important point.

Canadians may give their financial support in several ways. They may donate through their Church, at any branch of Canada's chartered banks, through the participating voluntary agencies, the Canadian Red Cross Society, the Canadian Save the Children Fund, the Canadian UNICEF Committee, OXFAM of Canada or to the Nigeria/Biafra Relief Fund of Canada, 95 Wellesley Street East, Toronto 5, Ontario. Your co-operation will be sincerely appreciated.

Yours very truly,
Fred J. Douglas,
Acting Chairman.

Const. T. R. Penrice is safety officer

Const. Thomas R. Penrice of Milton O.P.P. has been named the detachment's safety officer, and will be responsible for police safety campaigns through the North Halton area covered by the O.P.P. detachment.

He will also conduct lectures for school children at the schools in Nassagaweya and Esquesing Townships.

Const. Penrice plans to issue regular safety tips through this newspaper and here is his first:

What should you do when driving along a rural road at night if you suddenly come upon roving cattle, horses or a stray deer? BRAKE, of course but what else?

According to the Ontario Safety League you should dim your headlights and sound your horn. Bright lights often blind animals and cause them to "freeze" in one spot.

A husband of high school students went Monday to Stratford to see Romeo and Juliet.

Flags throughout town were flying at half mast owing to the death of Premier Daniel Johnson of Quebec.

42 roll off Friday — 7 stagger in Sunday in 29-hour mighty muscle marathon



GIB JORDAN comforts daughter Dolores, 15, who finished second after a gruelling 28 hours and 34 minutes roller skating in the weekend marathon. Dolores picked up \$25 for the exercise. Mother and father kept a vigil as the second annual marathon shattered last year's records. (Staff Photo)

Twenty-nine hours on wheels—it shouldn't happen to a car!
Yet, for the 'stronglegs' who kept pace, it was a profit wheeling week-end in Acton's annual roller derby at the community centre.

A mob of 42 hopefuls glided onto the floor at 8:10 Friday night. Far fewer staggered off on Sunday morning.

Betty Kocker, 17, of Kitchener, took to the bench at 12:45 after a 28-hour and 45 minute spin to earn first prize and \$40 in the girls' division. She outlasted 15-year-old Dolores Jordan by one minute, leaving her the \$25 second prize. Last year's skater-up, Fiona Gidman, bagged the \$15 third prize when she left for bed at 10:45 Saturday night.

An endurance duo from Guelph, Angelo and Tony Verdoni, 21 and 19, tied to split the \$65 top prize in the boys' division, after wheeling for 29 hours. Acton's Wayne Deforest proved to be a minute too tired and settled for the \$15 third prize money. Andre Conway was a minute out of the money and David Bittorf finished fifth shortly before midnight Saturday.

For those who watched on the

fringes, it was as much of a marathon as for those who skated. Arena manager Harold Townsley was still staggering stare-eyed on Monday morning. Assistant Don Price, score-keeper Ron McKnight, and canteen operators Roy Goodwin and Mrs. Margaret Hart equally fought off fatigue not to mention parents and friends who virtually set up camp under the bleachers.

Rolling it up, it was a week-end to remember, with callouses for cash and tired legs for bench-sitters. Starting off on Friday night were: Angelo Verdoni, Tony Verdoni, Betty Kocker, Wayne Deforest; Dolores Jordan, Fiona Gidman, Andre Conway, Karen Townsley, Linda Perry, David Bittorf, Bob Toth, Kevin Perkins.

Steve McIntyre, Linda Soper, Ray Still, Marge Matheson, Ken Anderson, Jeannette Yateman, John Lammert, Gerry Tuckman, Fred Luckert, Dennis Westfall, Ken Marshall, Ron Louffet, Pearl Carlson, Rod Green, Brian Lane, Bob Ireal, Rosalind Hall, Jane Fabian, John Turner, Pete Vandham, Gary Edge, Roger Burt, Susan Marchmont, John Wardlow and Tom Howatt.



WAYNE DEFOREST, 17-year-old Acton skater, finished behind the winning Guelph pair of brothers to pick up third prize in the roller marathon. Wayne was on the rollers for 28 hours and 59 minutes. (Staff Photo)

Autumn car tips

Wet leaves dangerous

With the approach of autumn, the Hamilton Automobile Club has some helpful suggestions to keep you driving safely.
Wet leaves make pavements slippery. When brakes are applied, the wheels often lock easily. Leaves gather in front of, and under locked wheels, causing them to skid.

If you release the brakes for an instant, the wheels will roll over the packed leaves and will be back on clear pavement again. Releasing the brakes at short intervals may be necessary to keep free of wet leaves.

Rain and fog do two things: they reduce visibility and they reduce traction. A very light rain or a heavy fog can wet the surface of a good dry road and make it dangerous. A big factor here is good tires. Taking chances with smooth tires is likely to result in a skidding accident, the price of which would buy several new tires.

For safer driving through the autumn, replace the windshield wiper blades to guarantee better vision. Remember also to clear the morning dew off the back window.

Next time you pull into a service station, have the attendant put an anti-freeze solution in your window washer

system. Those below freezing days are not too far away.

To get you to work on time in the morning, waterproof the electrical system. Spray the distributor cap with a special waterproofing mixture available at all service stations and automotive supply stores.

Keep the battery well charged in order to get going on the cooler days. Remember also to give your car time to warm up to avoid stalling once out on the road.

With a little effort now, you will be fully prepared for a season of pleasant autumn motoring.



Questions and answers about proposed new Acton Curling Club

by Rev. A. H. McKenzie

As indicated in our article last week, announcing our hopes of getting construction of new curling facilities underway this month, we shall continue to give out information each week with a view to giving prospective curlers and the citizens of Acton a clear understanding of our aspirations.

Many questions have been asked the persons engaged in selling Lifetime Initiation Certificates, and I shall deal with some of these in this instalment of news:

Question: What will the new curling club, completely equipped and furnished, cost?

Answer: The Curling Club Executive believes that the cost can be kept between \$70,000 and \$80,000, and is therefore using the figure of \$75,000 as a basis for planning at the present time. Five curling clubs (Durham, Mount Forest, Paris, Shelburne and Stayner), which have provided us with figures concerning their costs, built, equipped and furnished their rinks for \$58,000 or less, in the years 1960 to 1963. Making a realistic allowance for increases in building costs over the past few years, we think our projected figures are not out of line. Of course, there are curling rinks in other centres which cost much more to build, and in some places it has been mistakenly believed that the membership could carry the burden of an excessive financial load. The intention of the Building Committee and Executive is to keep the overall cost as modest as is compatible with having pleasant and functional facilities.

Question: What will the annual fees be?

Answer: The social membership fee has been set at \$25. This will permit a person to come to the club at any time during the curling season to watch curling and to enjoy the fellowship of other members, and to participate in the opening and closing social evenings and other organized social events. The fee for curling has not yet been set, but will likely be decided in three weeks' time when we have a more definite knowledge of how many persons will be curling this year. The Executive is most anxious to keep this fee to \$75, or less for a man and his wife. For an individual adult it will probably be \$40 or \$45. This means that, with six days of curling per week—as opposed to two days in the past—a couple will pay about half as much more for three times as much curling. In other words, the cost-per-game for curling will be decreased markedly for anyone who curls two or three times a week in the future.

Question: Will special groups be given a place in the new curling club?

Answer: Yes. We hope that the number of high school curlers will be greatly increased, and it is very likely that a high school league will be organized, with curling in the late afternoons. Persons under 21 years of age do not have to procure Lifetime Initiation

Certificates to qualify for membership. This exemption has been granted with the hope of attracting many more young people to this healthful and enjoyable sport. Not many people in this area are completely engaged in farming, but should there be enough interest and support for a Farmer's Club within the Club, I feel sure the Executive would be delighted to have it operating. And if there are enough business women wishing to have a grouping of their own, this can certainly be arranged. We anticipate, however, that the popularity of mixed curling (with two men and two women on each rink) will continue, and that the membership of the Club will contain a great many married couples of all ages.

Question: How much time will be granted a person, who has never curled before, to make up his mind about the game, before he has to buy an Initiation Certificate?

Answer: The first part of the season—from approximately November 1 until Christmas. This will involve the payment of half-yearly fees, and the curling will be done in the Acton Community Centre. If, at the end of this "probation period," a person wishes to continue his affiliation with the Club, he will be required to buy his Initiation Certificate (\$100 for a man and \$50 for a woman), and 2 to 3 months will be given for him to complete payment thereon.

O.P.P. report

During the week of September 22 to 28, officers of the Milton Detachment, Ontario Provincial Police, investigated 39 general occurrences including five thefts, one of which was the theft of a motorcycle. A report of the theft of a motor vehicle proved to be unfounded. There was one disturbance and three liquor investigations in which three persons were charged, one prowler complaint and one escapee from the Ontario Hospital who was apprehended. One premise was found insecure. Other occurrences were of a minor nature.

A total of 10 accidents were investigated, three of which were personal injury resulting in seven persons being injured. The remaining were property damage accidents, and the total property damage was estimated at \$20,275. One property damage accident was a hit and run. There were five charges laid as a result of investigation into these accidents. Careless driving, failing to yield right-of-way and speed too fast were the main causes of the accidents.

During this period officers patrolled 10,211 miles on roads under the jurisdiction of Milton Detachment, and worked a total of 1,033 hours. There were 65 charges laid under the Highway Traffic Act, 77 warnings were issued and 89 vehicles were safety checked. A total of 135 convictions were registered in Magistrate's Court.



17-YEAR-OLD BETTY KOCHER of Kitchener took top prize of \$40 in the roller marathon, outlasting Acton's Dolores Jordan by one minute after 28 hours and 35 minutes of skating. Competitors from Guelph, Kitchener and Georgetown entered the marathon along with Acton entries. (Staff Photo)

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