

## Conservation Week schedule

HALTON REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
CONSERVATION WEEK JULY 5 TO 13

Monday July 7—Opening of Morrison Wedgewood Diversion Channel at the Sixth Line Spillway in Oakville, 2 p.m., Hon. George Kerr officiating.

Tuesday July 8—Displays in local libraries and Burlington Mall, poster and craft contests sponsored by Recreation Departments, photography contest sponsored by Milton Photographic.

Wednesday July 9—For organized groups at Kelso—Museum tours at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m., film "Valleys and Peoples" at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m., swim meet at Kelso Pool at 1 p.m.

## George Kerr officially opens Conservation Week

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Twenty baby pheasants will be released by the Hon. George A. Kerr, Minister, Department of Energy and Resources Management, at Terra Cotta Conservation Area Sunday July 6 at 1.30 p.m. as he opens Conservation Week in the Credit Valley.

The Credit Valley Conservation Authority controls the renewal resources from Port Credit to Orangeville.

Sunday, July 6 marks the official opening of Conservation Week. The Minister will officiate at the ceremony. Scout patrols from the Credit watershed will also display the excitement and skills of scouting at Terra Cotta on July 6.

Monday, July 7, young and old can try their fishing luck at Terra Cotta's Fish Derby. Casting experts will demonstrate throughout the day. Rods and reels are up for grabs as prizes for the biggest catches.

Sixty-four playgrounds and day camps from seven municipalities will participate in a poster craft contest to be judged by the Authority on Friday, July 11. The winner will receive a weekend trip to the Albion Hills Conservation School! Also on Friday, July 11, Terra Cotta Conservation Area will host a Lifeguard Competition for teams from the watershed. This is to promote water safety at public pools and beaches and to inform everyone of the fun of safe swimming.

Saturday, July 12, Terra Cotta will be the scene of fun for the whole family—hike with the South Peel Naturalists, swim, watch the safety and skills display by Terra Cotta Lifeguards.

Thursday July 10—Project Preservation to be judged, Organized groups only, entry forms must be filled out. Suggestions—grading stream bank, constructing a dam, planting a tree.

Friday July 11—For organized groups at Kelso—Orienteering Clinic at 10 a.m. and 11.30 a.m., Museum tours at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m., film "Valleys and Peoples" 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.

Saturday July 12—Bass Derby at Crawford's Lake at 9 a.m. with registrations till 4 p.m., naturalist hike at Rattlesnake 10 a.m., orienteering clinic at Kelso at 10.30 a.m., horseback rodeo at Kelso at 1 p.m., Dog Derby (water races) at Kelso at 1 p.m.

Sunday July 13—Service at Dr. F. Stewart at Rattlesnake at 9 a.m., trout derby at Kelso at 9 a.m. (Registrations till 3 p.m.); trap shooting at Kelso at 9 a.m. (participation by invitation), fly-tying demonstration at Kelso at 10 a.m., orienteering Contest at Crawford's Lake at 10 a.m., Rover Scout demonstration at Kelso at 1 p.m.

COME ON OUT AND BE PART OF CONSERVATION WEEK!

## Three areas

July 5, to 13 has been proclaimed Conservation Week in Ontario the first time such a week has been celebrated. Acton finds itself in the centre of three conservation areas, while actually contributing financially to the Credit. The Halton Region and Grand River authorities both come close, and many readers of the Free Press live in these other areas.

## First Conservation Week in Ontario

### Grand Authority outlines aims

James Bauer, chairman of the Grand River Conservation Authority, said he hopes Conservation Week means more people are becoming concerned about preserving and enhancing man's natural resources.

Mr. Bauer here outlines some of the work this authority is doing or attempting to do.

1. Building dams and reservoirs to control flooding so that we can convert our river into an asset rather than a source of floods.
2. Using the water in the reservoirs to increase the flow of

the river during the dry summer months to dilute the pollution poured into the river all along its length.

3. Turning these reservoirs (or lakes) into pleasant recreation areas where citizens can enjoy boating and bathing, picnics and jukes, camping and cottages.

4. Acquiring parcels of scenic land and source areas which can be maintained as conservation areas. Rockwood, with its unique rock formations, and Elora, with its spectacular and breath-taking gorge, are examples.

5. Buying up low-lying flood land along the banks of the river to preserve them for future parkland. Ultimately, we would like to see a ribbon of green running right through the watershed.

6. Stocking fish in our lakes and streams, and preserving and encouraging wildlife in the area.

7. Planting trees and creating and maintaining woodlots so we can have all the benefits of adequate tree cover.

8. Trying to inform and educate children and adults on the need and value of conservation.

9. Seeking the help, support and understanding for conservation measures from all citizens in the watershed.

10. Trying to be the conscience for conservation in this large and diversified watershed, which stretches from Dundalk in the north to Dunnville in the south.

### Halton's idea being copied

The week of July 5 to 13 has been proclaimed "Conservation Week in Ontario" and 14 conservation authorities from the Lakehead to Niagara are using this week to demonstrate the necessity of conserving our natural resources.

Conservation Week originated with the Halton Region Conservation Authority last summer, and the young woman who headed it up is this year co-ordinating conservation week programs throughout Ontario with the Ontario Department of Energy and Resources. Miss Gail Ferguson of Oakville, who spent the summer doing public relations work with H.R.C.A., was the driving force behind the local celebration last year. The idea caught on with other authorities and this year 14 have arranged programs, large and small, to mark the special week. They are energetically preparing activities from voyageur races to Scout campfires, from rodeos to nature hikes, from children's work projects to fish derbies.

### Open Crawford's lake bass derby on July 12

Over 4,000 acres of land are owned by the Halton Region Conservation Authority. A newly acquired plot is the 425-acre Crawford's Lake located on the Base Line east of the Guelph Line in north Burlington. This land was purchased from Lloyd Crawford, Ed Mahon and Murray Mahon, all of Campbellville.

There were many reasons for the interest of the Authority in the land. The area includes woodland, escarpment land and lake frontage around a seven-acre lake. The setting itself provides an ideal site for a

conservation school. In the hardwood forest one finds maple, oak, birch and basswood. Cedar and pine also predominate in some areas. The forested land exemplifies the principles of good woodland management, and thus, is helpful as a teaching model for a conservation school.

The spring-fed lake is unique also. It was formed through a geological phenomenon known as a karst hole. Water has dissolved the underlying limestone to form a deep pocket and the sides have fallen in as they were undercut. The result is a steeply inclined deep lake whose maximum depth is over 80 feet deep. This lake is a

natural reservoir of clean water supply as it is the clearest, cleanest body of water in the Authority.

Those interested in the fate of the escarpment will find one mile of escarpment in the natural state on this property. The Authority, which is undertaking programs to reclaim the escarpment in other areas, will use this area as an example of escarpment preservation.

Although Crawford's Lake has many educational uses, its claim to fame is more within the recreational sphere. It is really an angler's paradise! The lake has been stocked—at various times and supports a sizable population of trout, both rainbow and speckled, and small mouth bass. This area, unfortunately, is still under development and thus is not open for public use.

However, on Saturday July 12, Crawford's Lake will be opened for one day only to the fishing enthusiasts of the area. The Halton Sportmen's Association is sponsoring a Bass Derby as part of its contribution to Conservation Week, which the Authority is sponsoring. Registration is from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and the derby closes at 5 p.m.

### Full program on tap in Conservation Week

The Halton Region Conservation Authority has lined up a special extensive program for Conservation Week, July 7 to 13.

On Monday July 7, the Morrison-Wedgewood Diversion Channel will be formally opened. This channel is extremely important for flood control in the Oakville area. The Hon. George Kerr, the new Minister of Energy and Resources Management will be officiating.

Tuesday will be Display Day. The local libraries will be stressing conservation in their book displays. The Burlington Recreation Department is hoping to set up an exhibit in the new mall. For the camera bugs, Milton Photographic will be sponsoring a photography contest. Entries will be judged as to their relevance to conservation.

The Recreation Departments will be coming to Kelso on Wednesday and Friday. Tours of the Halton Museum will be offered as well as the film "Valleys and Peoples" which tells the story of conservation. An added feature on Wednesday will be a swim meet organized by the pool staff. Friday's highlight will be Orienteering instruction by John Pasmore and Lars Carlson of the Ontario Orienteering Association.

Project Preservation will be judged on Thursday July 10. Recreation Departments, Boy Scouts and other community groups are expected to participate in conservation projects like damming a creek, constructing an ant farm or planting a tree.

The weekend is reserved for family fun. On Saturday Crawford's Lake will be opened for one day for a special Bass Derby. It's slated to begin at 9 a.m.

Something new this year will be a horseback rodeo, sponsored by Keith Painter of Palomino Ranch at Rattlesnake Point at 1 p.m. The Oakville Huntare Society will again be sponsoring a dog derby on Glen Eden Lake. Bud Corbett's Sporting Goods Store will again be supplying boats.

Sunday will be the last day of activities. Dr. Finlay Stewart will be conducting an informal non-denominational service at Rattlesnake Point at 9 a.m. The Halton Sportmen's Association will be sponsoring a Trout Derby and Trap Shooting Competition at Kelso at 9 a.m. A fly-tying demonstration will be held at 10 a.m. at Glen Eden Lake. Crawford's Lake will be the site for the Orienteering Contest scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. The Rover Scouts will again be giving crew demonstrations at Glen Eden Lake at 1 p.m.

These are the activities to be offered and it is hoped that many watershed residents will participate in Conservation Week, by visiting the Authority areas.



### Third summer

While no special events in Acton are planned to coincide with Conservation Week, the project which epitomizes conservation here—the dredging operation in the park—is still with us. The dredger is making its slow, serpentine way around the lake for the third summer. Behind: deep, clear water; filled in swamps and reclaimed land.

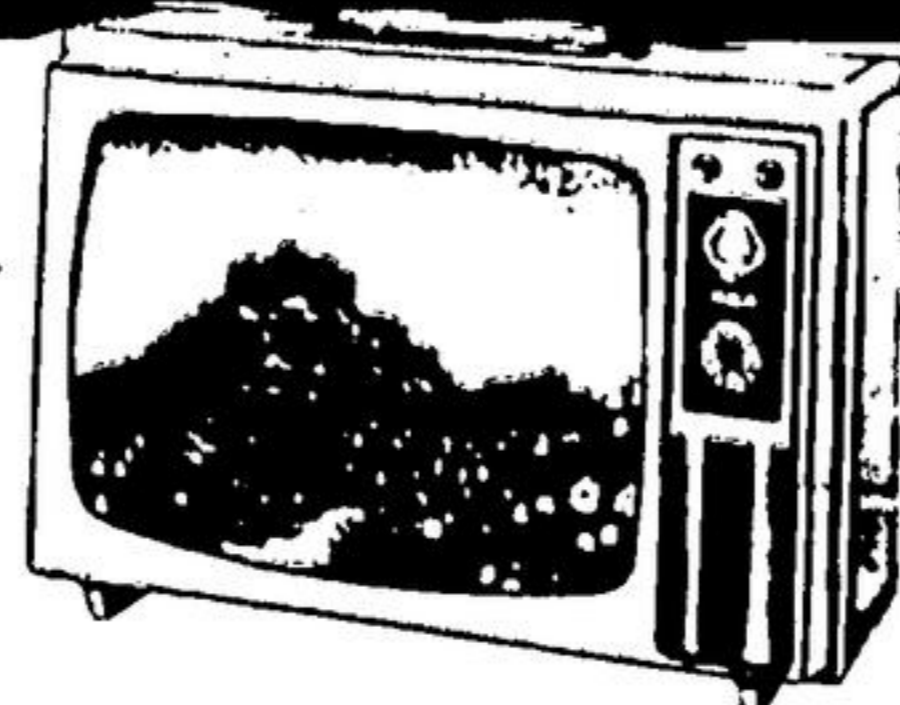


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SECOND INSTALLMENT NOW DUE

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**Town of Acton Municipal Office**

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INSTALLMENTS ARE DUE AS FOLLOWS  
FIRST INSTALLMENT . . . . . MAY 15  
SECOND INSTALLMENT . . . . . JULY 15  
THIRD INSTALLMENT . . . . . SEPTEMBER 15  
FOURTH INSTALLMENT . . . . . NOVEMBER 15

According to the Tax Collection By-law a penalty of 1 per cent, per month or fraction of a month, will be added on the amount remaining unpaid after the 15th day of May. This penalty applies to each instalment in a similar manner.

The attention of Ratepayers is directed to the Penalties and other clauses as printed and explained in detail on every Tax Bill.  
**MAKE PAYMENT NOW AND TAKE YOUR TAX NOTICE WITH YOU WHEN MAKING PAYMENT**

J. Y. HURST, Collector.