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FARM NEWS

4-H CLUB MEMBERS INSPECT TEST PLOTS

On Tuesday evening July 27th, the Halton 4-H Grain and 4-H Forage Club members met at the farm of their club leader, Fred Nurse, Rod row test plots of 8 varieties of oats and 8 varieties of barley were inspected. All varieties have done very well and at present yield tests are being obtained to prove which variety is most suited to Halton. Similar tests are located in most counties in Ontario. It was interesting that when asked to name the best variety in the plots almost without exception Beaver was first choice, with Sunco and Rodney receiving favour for second choice. Montclair appeared to be one of the best in the barley plots. Mr. Nurse likes 'Husky', but the yield results will tell the tale.

The group visited an excellent farm pond which was constructed by damming up a gully with a new road. It is reported that this pond is the favourite swimming hole now for the Ashgrove community.

After viewing a good field of Reg. Laramie Oats and one of the best corn fields seen this year the group listened with interest to Mr. Nurse's comments on the under-drainage which was laid on his farm this spring. Next a visit to the trench silo, which is filled for the second time with grass silage. One of the things noticed was the excellent aftermath on the fields from which this grass silage was harvested. Milk flow is about normal, whereas on many farms production has taken a sharp drop.

Committees were formed to plan educational displays to be exhibited at Milton Fair.

FARM NEWS

Judging, Foot Trimming For Dairy Calf Club

Gordon Sinclair, president of the Halton Holstein Breeders, was host Wednesday evening July 28th, to 80 members and leaders and friends of the Halton 4-H Holstein and 4-H Guernsey-Jersey Calf Clubs.

Two excellent classes of Holsteins were judged, and members gave reasons for their placings to local leaders who were out in almost full force at this meeting. The service provided by these local men is much appreciated, and contributes much to the success of the regular monthly meetings. Art Bennett, Associate Agricultural Representative gave the official placings for the two classes.

The next part of the programme was a foot trimming demonstration, supervised by Gordon Sinclair, with daughter Doreen allowing her club calf to be demonstrated on. This was followed with a showmanship demonstration by Doreen Sinclair. Members were impressed with the Sinclair herd, and the grand barn equipped with a mechanical gutter cleaner.

Presidents Ralph Cunningham and Mary Lou Alexander assisted by club leaders Add Woodley and Mac

To save what they consider valuable municipal property for public use, four local men have purchased the large house on the John St.-Highway corner and two acres of land which lie behind the arena from the James Buck Estate.

Involved in the deal are Mayor Jack Armstrong, Dick Licata, Art Scott and Harold McClure. The men have bought the property with no thought of personal gain. They are primarily interested in the land adjoining the arena which, if it was in private hands might be used for industrial or horse building and which they feel could better serve the public good with some other use.

It is their intention to sell the house, part of which has been empty since Mrs. Buck's death last year. The land will be sold for recreation use, and while at present there is no definite plan, some of the things in mind could be a swimming pool site, a parking area for the arena, or a park for residents in that area of town.

Explaining the transaction to the Herald this week, Mayor Armstrong said that the four men considered that if a club, such as the Lions to which all for belong, the Board of Parks Management, council or any such group, had started to buy the land there would have been delays which might have enabled private individuals to enter the picture. With this acreage one of the last central locations which could be used for recreation, the men believed it wise to act for the town and tie up the property for some eventual public use.

Merchants Entertained At Golf Club Tourney

At Men's Day Wednesday at the golf club, a special feature was arranged when merchants were invited to a tournament arranged by Don Barrager and Ray Whitnee.

Prizes were given for three flights in which competition was keen. Buffet supper was served in the evening, with Norm Hladysk providing music for a sing-song with his accordion.

Among prizewinners were first low grosser, Al Henry, Bob Heyburn, Alex Itauer, 2nd low grosser, Don Merritt, Wm. B. Hamilton, Don Douglas, 3rd low grosser, Sam Mackenzie, S. W. Orr, Gordon Hill. Low net prizes were won by 1st Wesley Wolfe, Trygve Wold, Reg Brownhead, 2nd, Charles McDowell, Clare Moffat, Jim Cleave, 3rd, K. M. Langdon, Graham Farnell, Bob Burns.

Other prizewinners were John Bell, birdie on No. 2; Bill McNally, birdie on No. 8; Scotty Patterson, Ivan Slesor, best poker hands. The prizes were donated by merchant members of the club.

Alexander conducted separate business meetings, and committees were appointed to look after educational displays.

Ken Scotland very capably expressed thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Sinclair and family for their hospitality to the group.



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