

Grass Fire in Pasture Doused Before Damage

A grass fire in a large pasture field behind Julian Reed's caused considerable excitement on Saturday, March 30th. The hill behind Reed's was completely blackened by the blaze which threatened a large stand of young evergreens.

A group of Upper Canada College boys out for the week end discovered the fire and tried to beat it out with their shirts and jackets but it spread quickly and was "out" of control. The Esquimaux Township fire truck had difficulty getting back to the blaze with-

out getting mired in the mud. Firemen and neighbours soon extinguished the fire before any real damage was done to surrounding property. The field is owned by the Maxwells and is just across the little creek from their cottage.

Norval Women's Institute held a pot luck supper at Cedarvale Centennial, Georgetown, on Friday evening, March 29th. Fourteen enjoyed the delicious supper after which a game of euchre was enjoyed. Winners were Mrs. Joe Murray, Mrs. Graydon Chester, Mrs. Don Murray and Keith Webb. Mrs. K. Webb, Mrs. G. Chester and Mrs. Lorne Cleave were the committee in charge of the evening.

Many Skills Demonstrated in Conference for Cub Packs

A "Pack Conference" was held at St. John's United Church on Saturday, for Cubs in the nine to ten year age group from each Pack in the Georgetown District. The conference was attended by 15 leaders from the various Packs and 88 Cubs.

The annual Fendley Family Euchre was held in Norval parish hall on Saturday evening, March 30th with about 10 tables participating. Winners were Mrs. Gerald Fendley, Georgetown and Wilmer Thompson, Milton. A social hour ended the evening.

Rev. Robert Scrivens opened the conference with a prayer. In a series of workshops throughout the day the Cubs had demonstrated to them interesting methods to help them earn their stars.

Amateur gardeners were given a start with a little soil and some seeds. Would-be carpenters were taught the proper care and use of tools, and in another workshop they were shown how to make windmills and weather vanes with these tools. Telephones will now be used with more efficiency after the instruction on its use.

For the star gazers and those with space-age interest, there was instruction on the constellations and the solar system. Among the more useful knots being taught were reef knot used extensively in first aid bandaging and the bowline which could be used to make a temporary dog collar.

In another workshop the boys learned all about the Halton Coat of Arms. They were given pencilled copies which they were allowed to colour. For those wishing to keep in shape there were exercises with the 5BX plan. The highway safety code was of paramount importance and interest to the Cubs.

A most popular workshop was the soap carving with instruction in the use of the pen-knife. Judging by a few bandaged fingers, some still needed practice. To save the day, however, Mr. Scarborough of the Georgetown Volunteer Ambulance, discussed first aid with the Cubs. With the help of "Resusc-Annie", a life size dummy used for instructional purposes, a number of boys were able to try their hand — or mouth — at "reviving" her.

Lunch was prepared by the ladies of the 1st Norval Ladies Auxiliary.

Leaders participating in the workshops were:

Highway Code, Miss Ann Van Hoekelen; knots, Mr. Jim Young; assisted by Miss Debbie Young; Halton Coat of Arms, Mrs. Dorothy Jordan; use of telephone, Mrs. Norcen Fiebig; growing plants, Mr. Gord Van Horne, assisted by Miss Mary Hay; use of tools, Mr. Sandy Keir; constellations, Mr. Bill Schreiber; soap carving and use of pen-knife, Mr. Ross Walsh, assisted by Miss Janice Walsh; windmill and weather vane, Mr. Percy White; 5 BX, Mrs. Hlene Grant.

Akela for the day was Mrs. Terry Collier.

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