



IN FACE MASK Cathy Scruton scours the bottom of the river, while Donny Harding and Eddie Roadnight are ready to scoop up exhibits.—(Photo by Lorraine)



COMBING THE river on nature excursion are Shirley Mendisma and Lynn Duncan.—(Photo by Mary Gooyers, Scott Ann Strong, Dale Hamilton, Lorraine)



MAKING FRIENDS with a turtle are Scott Ann Mendisma and Dale Hamilton.—(Photo by Mary Gooyers, Mary Ann Waddell, Shirley Lorraine)

Rockwood News



THESE THREE merry widows are not about to waltz but instead are preparing to visit a Harris Street neighbor for an afternoon of teeing. Posing to have their picture taken are right to left Mrs. Dorothy Dean of Harris Street, her sister-in-law Mrs. Sissy Brooks of St. Leonard's on Sea, Sussex, England, and her niece Mrs. E. Mayham, 19 St. Helen's Park Road, Hastings.—(Photo by Lorraine)

COMIN'S AND GOIN'S

On a three week stay from England with Mrs. Dorothy Dean of Harris Street, were her sister-in-law Mrs. Sissy Brooks from St. Leonard's on the Sea, Sussex, England, and her niece Mrs. E. Mayham, of 19 St. Helen's Park Rd., Hastings, England. Their first visit to Canada, the two ladies were delighted with the friendly attitudes of the Canadians by whom they were welcomed heartily wherever they visited. Impressed with the Niagara Falls they made rounds to many southern Ontario places of interest, visiting and renewing acquaintances with relatives and new friends. They left for home on Monday last but look forward to a return visit to Canada sometime soon again.

and exploring about the Sinclair Farm lands in the Caledon area were all part of a terrific weekend.

An unusual guest inhabited the kitchen of Ray and Babs Ellis last Sunday when, during a dinner visit with Dolly and Ken Gray and their two small children from Toronto, a knock at the door was welcomed with a typical Ray Ellis "Come on in". Harvey Pettit accepted the invitation and walked in accompanied by his son Randy's pet it was a Shetland pony.

Bikes stolen found in park

Two bicycles stolen in the vicinity of the caves on Valley Road were retrieved late Saturday by some teenagers who found them abandoned in the park.

Tommy Monkhouse of R.R. Rockwood, and Murray Hall, also a local area boy, were exploring in the Conservation Park on Saturday but returning to their bicycles found them gone.

Upon their discovery, later, the air in the tires of Tommy's bike had been let out and the gears badly damaged. On the Sunday following the mishap, Murray Hall's bike was once again stolen and, so far, it has not been found.

Parents of children who seem to have an extra vehicle in their home vicinity are asked to report same to Jim Muir, Conservation Park superintendent.

Stream survey conducted by young grade 8 scientists

Sixty happy, eager Grade 8 school kids were given time out from their ordinary school routine last Thursday afternoon to tromp through the Rockwood Conservation Park and explore as they experimental grounds, the Eamosa River. The purpose was a stream survey conducted as part of an outdoor science activity program.

This was the third graduating class to have enjoyed such a field trip which, under the able direction of Bob Love, has always proved constructive and highly informative for the Centennial School students with the informal atmosphere under which they are conducted conducive to good class relationships. A wonderful way to complete eight years of elementary instruction before

graduation into high school. Divided into groups of four and six, the enthusiastic youngsters worked in 50 foot areas which had been marked out along the river on the east side of Rockwood's Fourth Line. Armed with questionnaire brochures and pencils they obtained data as they worked the river bed, weighing an temperature against water temperature, equating the rate of water flow, checking on damage, and determining its depth and width.

Nets, pails, spades, goggles, and bathing suits were only part of the paraphernalia required to complete their project. Notations were made on types of flies, beetles and other insects, what type of animal life inhabited the river, and what

small fish species were most common. Food supply, aquatic plants, herbaceous plants and trees were all noted carefully as well as soil examination with stress on its importance as it pertains to all living creatures including man.

One energetic group discovered a huge old snapper whose crunched-in back did not detract from its discovery value, and it was passed around and examined respectfully by each member of the group to be carefully replaced to where it had been found.

Twelve o'clock noon was cook out time and the kids knocked off for hot dogs and pop, the sizzling doggies prepared on sticks over small group fires. After the fiesta the two classes proceeded on their trip to inspect caves and put their speleology knowledge into practice with climbing, crawling and running all part of the program of learning and informative exploration.

School time curfew found the 60 students dead beat but happy as they wended their way homeward bound. Such a school day might be considered harder work than usual but what's a few hours of physical labour when it's combined with healthy outdoor activity and learning about the wonders of nature first hand.

Trail Riders take laurels at 25-mile trek Sunday

Twenty-five miles of competitive trail riding with the Caledon Hunt Club as hosts showed the Rockwood Trail Riders coming up for many of the laurels for last Sunday's event.

Placing first in the Junior division was Lynn Duncan of Rocklea on her horse Maverick; Judy Hospes on her horse Smokey was fifth in the same division.

Third in the lightweight class was Babs Ellis on Trooper; Di Duncan placed eighth in the medium weight division on her new horse, Misty.

Wendy Klem, another Rockwood Trail Rider whose home town is Guelph, placed fifth in the middleweight class while riding her horse Shawnee.

In the heavyweight division Dave Murray, a Rockwood Trail Rider from Toronto, placed first and at the outcome of the entire day's events also won the Sweepstake event.

Rockwood Trail Riders Bob Smith took third position on Dee, Ken Tuck of Eden Mills, fourth place on Charo, Cliff Mercer from Toronto was sixth and Pat Beck also from the local club but hailing from Guelph, placed eighth on Roman Brother.

Nineteen of the local club riding enthusiasts completed the 25 mile trek in which 75 per cent points were placed on horse fitness, general training, and

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Broken glass hazard park superintendent

Concern has been expressed by Jim Muir, the Rockwood Conservation Park Superintendent, that, although garbage and debris left around the area by thoughtless visitors is a decided problem, the greatest detriment is the recklessness of individuals who deliberately smash empty bottles against rocks and trees.

"In some areas," said Jim, "there are millions of small glass splinters that could not conceivably be picked up,

consequently they are quite a hazard to swimmers in bare feet."

Reports of local Rockwood youths shooting in the vicinity of the park with air rifles was followed up by the superintendent over the weekend, however, upon his arrival at the scene, the miscreants had disappeared. An empty pellet box was handed in at the park gate later by children who had found it lying in the grass.

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