

Mark 10th anniversary of Trail

Members of the Bruce Trail Association, who built a 460-mile hiking trail from Queenston on the Niagara river to Tobermory on the tip of Ontario's Bruce Peninsula, will celebrate the trail's 10th anniversary this year. The trail, which runs along the escarpment south and east of Acton is a popular hiking spot.

As part of the celebrations, the Association is offering special awards to all registered hikers who walk the entire trail prior to August 31. Later in the year, likely in September, BTA members will congregate for a cairn-unveiling ceremony at the Trail's Queenston end.

It may be only a coincidence that the Association — made up of 10 area hiking organizations — this spring received a birthday present. The Ontario government has agreed to embark on an eight-year program to buy up key parcels of land on the Niagara Escarpment and turn them into a vast recreational, greenbelt area.

To Bruce Trail hikers, this action is an almost certain guarantee of the trail's continued existence. In the past, extinction has been threatened in some areas because of uncontrolled urban development.

The government's recently announced greenbelt decision followed an extensive, provincially-commissioned study of the Niagara Escarpment, and how it could be utilized best, by Professor Leonard Gertler of the University of Waterloo. Still to be

implemented is another major recommendation of the year-old Gertler study. It involves provincial acquisition of property easements from property-owners along the route of the Bruce Trail. At the moment, most of the Trail's route crosses private land but only by consent of the owners.

Exactly who it was who proposed a walking trail along the Escarpment is unknown, but in the early 1930's a proposal for the Trail was advanced by an unidentified member of the St.

Catharines YMCA. It wasn't until September 23, 1960, however, that the Bruce Trail Committee was formed at a meeting in Hamilton called by the Federation of Ontario Naturalists. Five amazingly short years later, enthusiastic volunteer workers had made the Trail a physical reality.

Geologically, the 300-foot high Escarpment had its beginnings some 450 million years ago when a succession of sedimentary rocks was laid down on the floors of ancient seas in a process of erosion which lasted about 150

million years. The Great Ice Age which followed was another influence on the Escarpment's face.

Deposits of sand and gravel were dumped in some places by the ice; in others, running water from melting glaciers cut deep spillways into Escarpment rock. Deglaciation of the Escarpment began about 12,000 years ago. To bring this time element into focus, it should be recalled that traces of human life on the Escarpment date back only 3,000 years.

Bruce Trail's sections

The Bruce Trail contains 10 "sections." Starting at the northern end there's the Peninsula section from Tobermory to Lion's Head, much of it extending along the shore of Georgian Bay. The Lower Bruce section runs from Lion's Head to Warton, with access at Warton Blue Water Park, Colpo's Bay Village and Lion's Head Park. The Sydenham section stretches around Owen Sound from Warton to Blantyre. Next is the Beaver Valley section from Blantyre to Craigeith. The beautiful Hockley Valley section follows. Adjoining it is the Caledon Hills section, running from Terra Cotta to Orangeville. The Trail's Toronto section most familiar to Acton and district people, extends from Terra Cotta to Milton, the Hamilton section from Milton to Grimsby and the Niagara section from Grimsby to Queenston. Hikers often walk one section one weekend and another the next.

How to find, and enjoy, the Bruce Trail has been simplified by the BTA which has produced an easy-to-follow guidebook. It is available from Association Secretary Ray Lowes, 33 Hardale Crescent, Hamilton. The cost is two dollars to Association members and five dollars to non-members.

The guidebook—a loose-leaf collection of scale maps in strip form—is updated periodically as route changes occur.



THIS CORNY PICTURE shows little Ricky Ripley of Main St., Rockwood, caught in the act as he swipes corn from an elevator shaft behind his home. The young son of Ron and Leona, Ricky found the hard granules difficult to bite into and decided not to consume them.—(Photo by Lorraine)



EARTHMOVERS AND bulldozers have been busy working on the reconstruction of Highway 7 east of town, necessitating a small detour.—(Staff Photo)

Dogs bothering farmer's sheep

Ken Jensen, a Campbellville sheep farmer is having trouble protecting his herd from dogs in the area. Mr. Jensen has seen dogs on at least two occasions and one last week left a big ram lamb in pretty bad shape.

Mr. Jensen has sheep on two locations, one herd on the Guelph Line and one herd at the Second Line Nassugaweya. Mr. Jensen said dogs had been seen at both locations.

He wasn't sure whether or not the latest victim would survive but noted the lambs could take a lot of abuse without dying. In both instances the lambs were attacked early in the morning.

He said there was no indication of the dogs being rabid. In both instances dogs took after the big lambs and left the smaller ones alone. Mr. Jensen is keeping the lambs in the barn during the night as a precaution against night attacks.

All-round cord, badge presented at guide camp

Guides from Acton's first company have been away at Camp Wyoke, near Clifford, with Guide captain Mrs. Strongtharm as leader. The 24 girls from Acton, Milton and Georgetown in her group included nine Acton guides Leslie Davidson, Debbie Funk, Carol Grant, Beverly Gray, Erika Heptner, Gay and Sue Strange, Elizabeth Thompson, and Kim Bishop.

Elizabeth Thompson earned her Pioneer's badge at camp after working hard for it all during the week. The senior girls working for this badge stayed together in a different tent, and it's considered quite an accomplishment.

Acton Ranger Irene DeVries was at camp as a junior counsellor and was awarded her all-round cord by Mrs. T. Ginger. Carol Grant earned her outdoor cook's badge.

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Burlington seeking more votes

Burlington wants a greater voice in county government. Their intention to seek a greater voice on county council was made public last week when they arranged a meeting with Oakville representatives.

Burlington Mayor George Harrington said there were two factors taken into consideration in their plan. He said Burlington wanted more representatives as well as an adjustment of the voting power. As it now stands

each community has two representatives but on a recorded vote the votes are weighted so that Burlington has nine, Oakville eight and the five northern towns and townships have 17 in total.

80 per cent Mr. Harrington said Oakville and Burlington account for 80 per cent of the tax dollars for county financing. The mayor felt the voting should be more equitable but did not suggest 80 per cent of the votes.

According to Warden Allan Day, Reeve of Oakville and Bill Gillies, Deputy Reeve of Oakville, Burlington will not get support from Oakville on the proposed amendment.

Satisfied Warden Day said he was satisfied with the representation Oakville was getting and felt that regional government would come within the next two years, and at that time there would be an adjustment in the representation.

The Warden said, "Now is not the time to try to shove something down their (the northern communities') throat." He said he could think of no instance where the southern towns suffered from lack of representation and said the people in Burlington could not give him one.

If Burlington is to get the voting power changed before regional government comes, they will have to amend a private bill that was jointly sponsored by Oakville and Burlington. It would appear Burlington would have to have it changed without Oakville.

Not necessary The Warden said the towns in north Halton never argued when the voting power was altered years ago. He agreed the request was reasonable but not necessary, and felt it should be left to regional government.

"If there were a case where we suffered from lack of representation I'd be the first to object, but that is not the case," he said.

Sept. 25 deadline pit, quarry rules

About 60 existing pits and quarries on the Niagara Escarpment between Niagara and Tobermory must conform to new government control regulations by Sept. 25—or close down—Ontario's Mines Minister Allan Lawrence told a service club in a talk at Owen Sound

He said no new sand pits, gravel pits or stone quarries will be allowed to open in the 39 townships upon which the government has invoked new controls—for the rest of this year, at least. Those already operating must seek provincial licences and obtain them by Sept. 25. Fines of \$5,000 per day can be levied for violating the permits terms or operating without one.

The minister hinted aerial photos will be used to gain evidence on quarries and pits circumventing the laws.

Ontario's new escarpment protection act will prohibit quarries on the face of the escarpment and within 300 feet of the escarpment face. Later, a strip two miles on either side of the face of the escarpment will be protected.

"We are determined there will be no unsightly pits or quarries established so close to the face of the escarpment, either above or below it, to ruin the aesthetic appearance of this valuable scenic area, or which will interfere with future park development or prevent use of the Bruce Trail," Mr. Lawrence told the club members.

CARL GIDDEN waits for Tom Leslie as he pulls on his socks after a swim in the cool Rockwood River at the bridge last Sunday during the heat of the afternoon.—(Photo by Lorraine)

ROXY THEATRE MILTON

SHOW TIME: SUN. THROUGH THURS. 8 P.M.
 FRI. & SAT. 7 P.M. & 9 P.M.
 SAT. MATINEE 2 P.M.

Wed. 29 Thu. 30 Fri. 31 Aug. 1

ON HER MAJESTY'S SECRET SERVICE

SWEET CHARITY

Aug. 2 Sun. 3 Mon. 4 Tue. 5

THE LOSERS

I WANT YOU TO SEE ME IN

Thu. 6 Fri. 7 Sat. 8 **Saturday Matinee 8**

TIME CHANGE FOR THIS FRI. & SAT. 6:30 AND 9 P.M.

Free Press Church News

THE CHURCH OF ST. ALBAN THE MARTYR ANGLICAN
 Corner Willow St. and St. Alban's Drive
 Rev. H. J. Dawson, B.A., B.Th.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1970
 Trinity X
 10.00 a.m.—Mattins,
 Leslie Duby, Lay Reader.

BETH-EL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
 Minister — Rev. P. Brouwer, B.A., B.D.
 Acton, Ontario

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1970
 10.00 a.m.—Morning Worship Service.
 Nursery and pre-school Sunday School.
 11.10 a.m.—Sunday School.
 4.00 p.m.—Afternoon Worship Service.
 7.30 p.m.—Teen Meet at the church.
 Tuesday evening, 7.30-10.30 — Catechism Classes.
 Come, worship and study with us to be better equipped to serve God and men.
 Everyone Welcome

CHURCHILL COMMUNITY CHURCH
 Churchill Road North
 Minister:
 The Rev. A. Walter Fosbury, B.A., B.D.
 124 Tildy Ave. Phone 853-2386

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1970
 SERVICE WITHDRAWN
 Visitors are welcome at all church gatherings at the Church on the Hill.

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH
 Minister:
 The Rev. Gordon B. Turner, B.A., B.D.
 Director of Music:
 Dr. George Elliott, M.A., Ph.D.

EIGHTH SEASON — COMBINED SUMMER SERVICES IN KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 Preacher, Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie
 SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1970
 10.00 a.m. — Divine Worship
 Theme: "Contrasted Environments"

ACTON BAPTIST CHURCH
 Founded 1842

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1970
 9.45 a.m.—Sunday School.
 11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
 Mr. Len Hagey, layman from King St. Baptist Church, Preston, Ont.
 A Cordial Invitation To All

EVANGEL PENTECOSTAL TABERNACLE
 P.A.O.C. 33 Churchhill Road
 Rev. S. M. Thoman, Pastor, 853-2715.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1970
 10.00 a.m.—Sunday School.
 11.00 a.m.—Morning Worship.
 7.00 p.m.—Evangelistic Service.
 Tuesday, 8 p.m.—Prayer Service and Bible Study.
 Thursday, 8 p.m.—Christ Ambassadors.
 Rev. 22: 17 — And the Spirit and the bride say Come. And let him that heareth say Come. And let him that is athirst Come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

MAPLE AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH
 81 Maple Ave., Georgetown
 Pastor: Rev. Robert C. Lohnes

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1970
 Here is our sincere invitation to the whole family to attend church.
 9.45 a.m.—Sunday School. All ages.
 11.00 a.m.—Morning Service.
 7.00 p.m.—Evening Evangel.
 Georgetown 877-6665

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA KNOX CHURCH, ACTON
 Rev. Andrew H. McKenzie, B.A., B.D. Minister
 Mr. E. A. Hansen, B.A. Organist and Choir Master

IN TRAFFIC. HEEDLESS HURRY MAKES NEEDLESS WORRY.

TREVOR the OPP TRAFFIC BUG

WATCH FOR HINTON'S Natural Gas Barbecue Demonstration FREE TREATS

HOLIDAY CLOSING !!

Acton Library

Acton Centennial Library will be closed from SATURDAY AUG. 1st until TUESDAY AUG. 18th for Staff Holidays

OPEN AT 8:00 P.M.

MUSTANG DRIVE-IN THEATRE

SUNDAY! PRE-HOLIDAY ALL-COLOR DUSK TO DAWN HORROR-RAMA!

MONDAY!

SHOWS START AT DUSK CHILDREN UNDER 12 ADMITTED FREE!

July 29

Can Herbie, a clean living, hard working small car find happiness in today's hectic world?

MUSTANG DRIVE-IN THEATRE

July 30

WALT DISNEY PRODUCTIONS

LOVE BUG

WALT DISNEY IT'S TOUGH TO BE A BIRD!

Aug. 1

NIGHTMARE ON WAX

DRACULA'S CASTLE

Sun. Aug. 2

THE GORGON

THE CURSE OF THE WITCH'S TONS

MELLS ANGELS '69

KILLERS THREE