

A letter from Eden Mills

By Val Barrow

Eden Mills, Ont.
12 December, 1966.

Dear May:
Finally got all my Christmas parcels in the mail today. Some, obviously, will be late! I love wrapping them in the gay papers but must admit I get bored and slow when it comes to the brown

paper, string and long addresses. I've already had several cards - so some people believe what they read on the post office posters. I must confess to a hope that by the time mine get posted the backlog is so great that the last posted are the first to be routed.

I solved the Christmas tree light problem this year, thank goodness. I ran one of the 100-foot lawn mower cords round to the outlet beside the porch light

where it can be controlled by the switch near the door. Definitely preferable to last year's arrangement of dashing down to the cellar to unscrew the fuse. I moved the lights, too, with Mike Marshall's help. This time they are in the bare branches of the French lily.

Curious birds
We spread the cords around, screwed in the bulbs and then switched them on to make sure they were working - and the curious little sparrows flew into the bus to investigate! Even those little bulbs give quite a lot of light and there is a welcoming glow - especially when augmented by the reflection from a light carpet of snow.

The boy scouts have been around selling tickets for Christmas trees. Last year I made the mistake of buying one, saying "I do not want the tree".

The message didn't get through and a few days before I went away a distressed mother called to ask when I would collect my tree. So this year I have just given a contribution. Rather nice to think that only the actual number of trees required are cut.

Backsliding
One thing I didn't learn from last year's experience was that I should begin to park down on the road in December - I had another exciting ride backwards down the hill on ice last Tuesday. However, I managed without mishap and shall surely remember next year.

I told you how I'd miss the porch and that is true, in a way. But really the house is pretty cosy in the winter and last night at night I often sit at the kitchen table looking towards the window. With the inside lights off and the Christmas lights on, the frosty ferns on the window sparkle with rainbow colors. Or with all the lights off there is a luminescence from a couple of street lights, and as the cars come up the road the shadow of the line bush moves in fascinating patterns across the window.

The slight reflection just picks up the pink of the proliferating "buzzy lizzy" begonias on the windowsill.

Well, I still have a few cards to address so I suppose I had better get at it. In case I don't get another letter off to you in time, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Love,
Val.

Planners, committee report to township

Total \$773,000

Issue 61 permits in year

Detailed reports on the activities of the Nassagaweya Planning Board and the Committee of Adjustment were presented to members of the township council during their inaugural meeting Monday.

The Planning Board Chairman Gordon Agnew, in his report reviewed efforts to suggest alternatives for the Ontario Hydro power transmission line; noted the completion of the drafting of a subdivision agreement format; outlined Board support for industrial applications and opposition to quarry extension.

The chairman reported the board considered five subdivision proposals and the one in Campbellville on Van Sickle property "is well near being approved and the developers have agreed to the conditions to be imposed under a subdivision agreement."

No approval
The report noted the Higgins subdivision of five acre lots was now in the process of being

rezoned, and the Moffat subdivision has been temporarily shelved since the Department of Health has not approved the proposed sanitary systems.

The Board did not approve the re-zoning application for a future subdivision at Brookville "because they felt the application to be premature in view of the development plans". A proposed subdivision at Eden Mills "is in the very early stages and although it may become a

desirable project in the near future it is generally felt by the Board that in view of the other development in the township that this proposal should not be encouraged immediately".

Atmead plan
Work on a land use study of the township and compilation of a major amendment to the Official Plan was reviewed by the chairman.

The report recommended consideration of an official plan amendment with a broader scope, a zoning by-law amendment with complimentary legislation spelling out development policies and balance, and continuing opposition to the Cloverleaf application for extension of quarrying. It was also recommended the Board continue to seek the best route for the hydro transmission line and "at all times protect our environment from pollution in its many forms".

Committee work
The Committee of Adjustment report submitted by chairman J. L. Chisholm reported 23 applications had been received and heard as well as two from the previous year. Of the 25 applications, one variance was denied and six consents to convey were also denied. Two applications for consent were withdrawn and 15 consents to convey were granted. One application to convey, denied by the Committee was granted by the Ontario Municipal Board.

The report noted revenue from applications was \$575 while remuneration to the committee amounts to \$919.38.

Sixty-one building permits including 26 residential, 11 additions, three commercial, seven agricultural, 10 garages and four miscellaneous were issued in Nassagaweya Township during 1970. Building superintendent Syd Savage reports the total value of construction for the year as \$773,000, a decrease of \$267,000 from last year's total value of \$1,040,000.

June was the booming month of 1970 with a total of 13 permits issued including eight residential, two agricultural and three others; bringing the total value of the month to \$125,095.

Three charges

New Year's eve was fairly quiet in the North Halton district patrolled by Milton OPP. Over the holiday three charges of impaired driving were laid and only one accident was reported during the night of revelry.

Authority will permit snowmobiles on property

The Grand River Conservation Authority's decision to admit snowmobiles to some of its conservation areas will affect the Rockwood Conservation area and land owned by the Authority at Everton.

The authority executive committee decided that 45 season permits will be issued for snowmobiles and only vehicles with the permits will be permitted on authority lands. Marked, supervised trails for snowmobiles will be established at the new Brant Conservation Area near Brantford, Byng Island at Dunnville, Elora Gorge at Elora, Pinehurst near Paris and on property near Bloomingdale.

Permit clubs
Activities in these areas will be limited to marked trails but the new policy will also permit

snowmobile clubs to establish and maintain trails for their own use and for the use of the general public in four conservation areas, including Rockwood and Everton. Other areas involved are Laurel Creek in Waterloo and Shade's Mills in Galt.

Luther Marsh near Grand Valley, Belwood Lake near Fergus and Conestogo Lake near Drayton will be open for general snowmobiling activities but areas such as game reserves, lands at and below dams, cottage lots, headquarters and residence areas will be posted as restricted zones.

Season permits will be sold at authority administration offices in Galt at area offices and by patrol offers on duty. Winter patrols of all conservation areas will be carried out by authority staff.

Churchill

Holiday visits in area report

By Mrs. Fred MacArthur
Churchill correspondent and district friends extend best wishes for a Happy New Year to the editor and staff of the Acton Free Press.

New Year's day visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Brown and family were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Brown, also Miss Grace Venema, all of Acton.

Mr. Wesley Johnston of Guelph spent the weekend with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Binnie.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Anderson and Misses Erica and Elizabeth Strokow were at Fenelon Falls over the weekend visiting with Mrs. Anderson's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vanatter.

Mr. Leslie Swackhamer, June, Kathy and Debbie visited on Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kroeker in St. Catharines.

Miss Debbie Bogel of Carlisle visited for a couple of days in the New Year's holidays with Mr. and Mrs. William Dobbie and Garry.

Guests with Mr. and Mrs. Ward Hamilton, and family for New Year's dinner were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Allan of Willowdale and Paul and Sheila Hamilton. The Hamiltons spent Saturday with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith and Stephanie at Ballinafad.

New Year's visitors at the McEachern home were Mary's brother Mr. and Mrs. William Burgess, also Mrs. Bertha Pook, all of Toronto.

Visitors on Tuesday and Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerr and Jeffrey were her sister, Miss Nancy Knox of Hampton and two of Pat's former pupils Miss Margie Skinner and Miss Dawn Van, both of Tyre.

New Year's guests
Guests for New Year's day with Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Swackhamer, Ray and Janice were their family Mr. and Mrs. Don Swackhamer, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson, Peggy Lynn of Guelph and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hyde of Toronto.

Miss Janice Swackhamer entertained 12 of her girl friends at a tobogganing party on Tuesday afternoon and evening at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Corfield of Belleville spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kerr and Jeffrey. Also Sunday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Shepherd of Toronto and Mr. Allen Money of Windsor.

Mr. Leslie Swackhamer and girls spent New Year's day with Mr. and Mrs. Ross Swackhamer and Brenda in Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Turner held a New Year's Eve party at their home, for relatives and friends. Norman's parents Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Turner of North Bay were guests, along with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gadd, Georgetown, Mr. and Mrs. Reg Greene, Lorne Park; Mr. and Mrs. Don Parkinson, Hamilton,

Mr. Stan Turner, Guelph, also a number of friends.

Mrs. Mary Montgomery of Mount Dennis and Mrs. Fox were guests with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brooks New Year's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Davidson, Mrs. J. H. Wardlaw and Mrs. Lyons of Malton, also Miss Lynore Walters of Georgetown were guests with Mrs. W. J. McDonald and Gordon on New Year's day.

Esquesing council confirms committee appointments

Appointments to committees and boards were confirmed at Monday's 1971 inaugural meeting of Esquesing Council.

Among the appointments were:

—Georgetown Fire Area, Deputy-reeve Russell Miller and Councillor Wilfrid Leslie.

—Acton Fire Area, reeve Tom Hill and Councillor Len Coxe.

—Milton Fire Area, Councillor Dick Howitt.

—Credit Valley Conservation Authority, Reeve Hill.

—Halton Region Conservation Authority, Councillor Coxe.

—Halton County Industrial Development Committee, Councillor Leslie.

—Georgetown District Hospital Board, Councillor Leslie.

—Ballinafad Community Hall Board, Reeve Hill.

—Hornby Community Hall Board, Councillor Coxe, Cliff Wrigglesworth and James Carmie.

—Esquesing Community Hall Board, Councillor Howitt, Denny Charles, Mrs. I. Bird, Mrs. P. McLaughlin, Deputy-reeve Miller, Councillor Leslie and secretary George Currie.

—Halton County Museum Board, George Currie.

—Committee of Adjustment.

Special pick-up Christmas trees
Christmas trees decked the snowbanks Tuesday for the special garbage pick-up. Pollution regulations again cancelled the once-popular Christmas tree burning ceremony on Twelfth Night.

DREAMY EYES
He: "I never saw such dreamy eyes."
She: "You never stayed so late before."

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SKIING, snowmobiling, snowshoeing are all part of the winter sport scene around Rockwood but pretty Caroline Masson, from Toronto is the sister of David Masson and visits his family farm outside Eden Mills nearly every other weekend to take advantage of the countryside and go riding on her favourite steed. She was on the 4th line last Sunday enjoying the crispy riding weather. —(Photo by Lorraine)

ESQUESING COUNCIL BRIEFS

At the 1971 inaugural meeting Monday, Esquesing Council:

—Received a request for a donation from the Halton Federation of Agriculture.

—Was informed by letter a seminar on the subject of air pollution will be held at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto, on the first day of the Ontario Good Roads Association Convention, Monday, February 22. Municipal Affairs Minister Darcy McKeough and Energy and Resources Management Minister George Kerr are to be among the panelists.

—Received a request for a donation from the Ontario Council of St. John Ambulance.

—A letter from the Department of Mines and Northern Affairs informed council the following pits and quarries have received permits to operate until the dates listed: Milton Brick, Eason's Pit, Corner Sandstone and Norton's all until March 31, 1971 and Dufferin Materials until January 29, 1971.

—Passed a by-law authorizing the borrowing of \$805,000 from the Imperial Bank of Commerce, Georgetown, to meet expenditures until 1971 taxes are collected.

—Authorized clerk-treasurer Delmar French to write the Georgetown fire chief asking for recommendations on a new preventative maintenance program for fire truck pumps.

being introduced by C. F. Hickey Company.

—Instructed Mr. French to prepare the necessary by-law remaining Upper Base Line Road to Steeles Avenue.

—Passed a motion re-engaging George Herrington as dogcatcher for the township, to serve during the pleasure of council. Mr. Herrington is to be paid a flat rate of \$200 per month to make two patrols per week in the villages of Glen Williams, Norval, Stewartstown, and Limehouse and \$7 per dog for each call outside village boundaries.

—Instructed Mr. French to write a Glen Williams resident informing him council has received several complaints about his dog and the dog is to be kept tied up in the future or further action will be taken.

—Among accounts approved for payment were \$1,620 to the firm of M. M. Dillon, township planners, for work on Esquesing's official plan and a total of \$35 in bounties for five foxes shot in the township, during the month of December.

Reeve Tom Hill presided for the inaugural with deputy-reeve Russell Miller, and councillors Wilfrid Leslie, Dick Howitt and Len Coxe present. Deputy-reeve Miller and Mrs. Miller were hosts for a noon hour meal at North Halton Golf and Country Club.

Firefighters receive certificate of merit

Appreciation for the support Acton firefighters gave to the Muscular Dystrophy Association of Canada was expressed in a letter received from the executive director of the Association, Frank J. Murphy. Also received was a Certificate of Merit.

Following is the text of the letter:

Mr. Bern Van Fleet, MD Chairman, Acton Fire Department

Dear Bern,
We were delighted to receive your cheque in the amount of \$1,250. today.

This handsome contribution of the Acton Fire Department is, once again, evidence of the tremendous and sincere support given by you and your colleagues to Muscular Dystrophy.

In expressing our appreciation to you for this outstanding support it is difficult to find words that are adequate to thank you all. However, when we tell you that every cent of the total amount will be put to excellent use in our medical research and patient's service programmes you will, I hope, realize that the contribution in time and energy by your members was indeed really worthwhile - and, in this way, our thanks are best expressed.

On behalf of our board of directors, and our entire membership, I send you our grateful appreciation of your generous support.

Yours sincerely,
Frank J. Murphy
Executive Director.

P.S. We have pleasure in sending you our Certificate of Merit.

A-B SUPERMARKET

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CANADA NO. 1 - FRESH
LOIN PORK CHOPS 69¢ lb.
BROWN 'N SERVE CHOPS 79¢ lb.

Schneider's 1 lb. Pkg.
BOLOGNA 59¢
Town Club No. 1
SLICED SIDE **BACON** 59¢ Pkg.

Tree Brand 28 oz. Tins
Dessert PEARS 3 for \$1

Aylmer 10 oz. Tins
CREAM CORN 7 for \$1

Aylmer 24 oz. Jars
JELLIES & MARMALADES 2 for 89¢

Aylmer 15 oz. Jars
SWEET MIXED PICKLES 3 for 89¢

Campbell's 19 oz. Tins
CREAM OF MUSHROOM or **VEGETABLE BEEF SOUP** 2 for 59¢

EVERY DAY DISCOUNT PRICES	EVERY DAY DISCOUNT PRICES	EVERY DAY DISCOUNT PRICES
Maple Leaf - 1 lb. Pkg. TENDERFLAKE LARD 23¢	Crown Brand - 2 lb. Bottle CORN SYRUP 39¢	Johnson's - 24 oz. Glory RUG CLEANER \$1.65
Monarch - 7 lb. Bag PASTRY FLOUR 69¢	Tomato or Vegetable SOUP 12¢	Johnson's - 33 oz. Tin GLO-COAT WAX 99¢
Oak Leaf - 10 oz. Tins MANDARIN ORANGES 2/49¢	St. Lawrence - 25 oz. Tins COOKING OIL 59¢	Sylvania - 3 Bulb Pkg LIGHT BULBS 39¢
Scoria/Gold - 15 oz. Glass Jar APPLE SAUCE 19¢	Del Monte - 14 oz. Tins BEANS 2/43¢	Hostess - 11 oz. Bags POTATO CHIPS 49¢
Nestle - 10 oz. Jars INSTANT COFFEE \$1.49	Green Giant - 14 oz. Tins BROWN SUGAR BEANS 2/45¢	Fab - Giant Size DETERGENT 79¢
Grand Pkg. of 100 SANDWICH BAGS 49¢	Vanguard - 7 1/2 oz. Fancy Red SOCKEYE SALMON 59¢	Royal - Pkg. of 333 FACIAL TISSUES 3/89¢
Marola - 32 oz. Bottle CORN OIL 85¢	Blue Bonnet - 2 lb. Pkg. MARGARINE 65¢	Del Monte - 28 oz. Tins BARTLETT PEARS 49¢

NOTICE

The following excerpts from the Town of Acton Dog Control By-Law No. 70-1502 dated December 29th 1970, are hereby brought to the attention of all dog owners in the municipality. Due to numerous complaints being received by Council warning is given that this By-law will be strictly enforced.

- Every owner of a dog shall, on or before the 30th day of April in each year, pay to the collector the fees prescribed by paragraph two of this By-law, in respect of each dog of which he was the owner on the 30th day of April in such year.
- No owner of a dog shall permit any dog owned by him to run at large at any time within the boundaries of the Town of Acton.
- No person within the Corporation of the Town of Acton shall own, possess or harbour any dog or dogs which by health action, growling, barking or howling, endanger, disturb or in any way interfere with the safety, property, health, comfort or welfare of the public or any private individual in the exercise or enjoyment of any public or private right.
- Any person who contravenes the provisions of paragraph 4(a), 4(b), 4(c), 4(e) or 5(a) and 5(b) of this By-law or any of them is liable to a fine of not more than \$50.00, exclusive of costs, in respect of each contravention and every such fine is recoverable under the Summary Convictions Act.
- Any dog found running at large within the boundaries of the Town of Acton may be seized and impounded, provided that if any such dog while or after being seized should be or become vicious or dangerous, such dog may be killed after being seized but before being impounded.
- Every dog which is seized and impounded shall be kept impounded for at least seventy-two hours.
- Subject to paragraph 7(d) of this By-law, any dog which has been seized and impounded as provided by paragraph 7(b) of this By-law, may be redeemed by the owner thereof upon payment of all prescribed licence fees and costs, including the costs of the pound.
- Every dog which has been impounded for seventy-two hours as provided by paragraph 7(b) of this By-law, and which has not been redeemed as provided by paragraph 7(c) of this By-law, may be sold in such a manner and for such sum (but not less than \$1.00) as the pound keeper may determine, or may be killed.