



KEEP YOUR EYE on the rock, advises Mrs. Wes Beatty as Pat Frizzell, in grease paint and spots and a handy kitchen broom, put their heads together at the Ma and Pa bonspiel Saturday.—(Staff Photo)



HARRIETTA OTTERBEIN was the hit of the first draw, right, as she charms the underwear team outfitted by Mason Knit at Saturday's Ma and Pa bonspiel at the Acton Curling Club.

Harrietta's admirers, from left to right, are Mae Dummarsh, Phyl McKim, Lois Mackenzie and Ina Mellon.—(Staff Photo)



IT'S NOT PHYLLIS DILLER and a cameo from a past decade but Mrs. June Gerth and Mrs. Wes Beatty dressed for the Ma and Pa bonspiel which the ladies (God bless them) won once again.—(Staff Photo)

Ladies trounce laddies in Ma and Pa bonspiel

By Bob MacArthur
A more happy and jolly crowd would be hard to find than at the Ma and Pa Bonspiel at the curling rink, Saturday. Many of the contestants came in costume, which helped to enliven the scene. A number of costumes were outstanding and many of the participants really played the part. It all helped to make the day an outstanding event.

The bonspiel is annually sponsored by Gwen Tyler and has been held for the past eight years. The men have won the event four times and the women have kept pace. The women's teams play the men's teams and the total points of all games decide who has won the spiel.

This year the women had 55 points and the men 45. So it was

up to the men to wash the dishes for the pot luck supper. And there were no dish casualties, so the men must have been practising for the dishes, while the women practised curling.

Harrietta wins

Prizes were given out by lucky draws with the men's president, Bob Drinkwater, and Mrs. W. Dummarsh, ladies' president, pulling lucky tickets. The first ticket drawn was for Harrietta Otterbein. Incidentally, Harrietta was downtown before the curling and parked near the drug store. When she came out, there was the man in blue not a bit pleased where the car had been parked. The policeman's greeting to Harrietta was: "Madame, you won't park there again."

Hope Harrietta did not pick up a citation, but we all come to it sooner or later, don't we?

Mae Dummarsh accepted the Gwen Tyler trophy from the donor. Then she assisted in giving out the other prizes for the curling.

Mr. and Mrs. Hank Hamilton of Guelph and Anne Coleman of Acton provided music for dancing, following the pot luck supper.

Junior Farmers' banquet, dance

A pleasant evening was spent Friday in Stewarttown hall when Acton Junior Farmers held their annual banquet and dance.

A highlight of the evening was a presentation to Brian Bessey of the trophy for best Junior Farmer of the year. The presentation was made by last year's winner Harvey Burt.

Value of group
The guest speaker for the evening was Mrs. Wilson of Brampton, a Junior Farmer member, who spoke of the value

of the organization.

Junior Farmer president George Henderson was master of ceremonies and Rev. Bob Hyde said grace.

W. I. ladies catered to the turkey dinner.

The group's elections were held in January. With George Henderson on the executive are Ross Burt as past president; Sharon Britton vice-president; Dave McIntyre, the secretary; David Ward, treasurer and reporter Ray Swackhamer.



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ACTON, ONTARIO, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 1971

Second Section

Write M.P. to complain of sidewalk

The "poor" condition of the sidewalk at Acton post office during the winter months has precipitated a letter from Acton councillor to M.P. Rud Whiting to advise him of the "lack of proper caretaking."

Councillor Marks felt perhaps the public works committee of council had been hasty consulting the MP before taking steps at the local level to correct caretaking. However, Councillor Greer said the committee felt the post office knew what kind of a deal they were getting so it would be best to have someone else point out complaints to them.

Mayor Duby said he had several calls one day on the post office sidewalk and had advised the local post office. He felt council was taking the right course.

"It's the right step," agreed Reeve Frank Oakes.

Ratepayers for, against 15 Sideroad improvement

Two opposite views were expressed when 75 people from Nassagaweya and Esqueving met Thursday to discuss proposed improvements for 15 Sideroad. The road passes through both townships and crosses highway 25 at Speyside.

One segment favored little or no improvement. They argued improvements to the road would increase speeds and increase danger for children and people living in the area.

The second camp claimed safety was their main concern and felt the dangerous jogs in the road should be eliminated in safety's name.

The proposal urging improvement to the road has been a controversial subject for more than a year now. Halton County Council's Roads

Committee agreed to the public meeting at the County Buildings in Milton Thursday after requests from both Nassagaweya and Esqueving Councils and a number of individuals.

Annual review
County engineer D. J. Corbett told the meeting the section of 15 Sideroad east of Speyside is programmed for reconstruction in 1973 and 1974 but no work is programmed yet for the section west of Speyside. He indicated that section of road will be reviewed annually and work done according to need and availability of funds.

"The road serves as a rural collector and the majority of the motorists using it have their origins and destinations in the immediate area between Guelph Line, Highway 25, Stewarttown and Georgetown," Mr. Corbett explained.

Outlining the problem, he noted the road base is deficient and there are 11 deficient curves, eight deficient grades and six locations with inadequate stopping sight distance. These deficiencies, either singly or in combination, provide the potential for accidents and as traffic increases the chances for accidents will also increase. A motorist can presently drive at an average of 38 mph but the safe speed on many of the jogs is considerably less than 38 mph.

Much work needed
His brief outlined improvements to the road which are being considered. He noted the base would be strengthened,

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General occurrences investigated during the week were, a case of 'Indecent Exposure'. A Guelph man was arrested as a result of this investigation and will appear in Provincial Court to answer to the charge. A theft from a motor vehicle is under investigation, and two minor disturbances were reported. The rest of the occurrences were of a minor nature and needed little investigation.

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drainage improved and jogs, steep hills and sharp knolls will be straightened. The engineer noted plans called for a 22 foot hardtop road with eight foot shoulders. The wider shoulders will provide needed room for snow storage, emergency manoeuvres and stopping or parking, he noted.

Mr. Corbett said the road would be programmed for a speed of 55 mph and a speed limit of 50 will be allowed. He assured people every effort would be taken to minimize damage to trees.

Fears more traffic

William Johnson, one of several residents of 15 Sideroad who spoke at the meeting, said he was concerned about the road being used for a quarry operation. He said the province was cracking down on quarry operations operating on the escarpment face. He suspected the road would be the main route for quarry trucks if they decided to quarry at the front or back of the quarry instead of on the face.

Glen Pearce accused the county of being too dollar-conscious. He opposed the 100 foot road and asked why the speed limit on the road could not be made 25 miles per hour. He said the county was tempted to make the road at DHO standards so they could receive provincial grants. He asked the committee to use county funds and make a road suited for the people of the area. He opposed any change in the rural character of the road.

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eight accidents on one jog last year. He recalled an accident where a car landed two feet from a house he owns. "If the children in that house had been playing in the yard they would have no doubt been killed," he said.

At least two people were concerned about the distance a house has to be from the road. Mr. Corbett said there was no hard and fast ruling but where possible the houses are left and where they have to be taken, all attempts to negotiate a fair deal are made.

Take a beating

J. Kitley told the committee if they widened the road and made the proposed improvements they would do it for those who travelled it, not for those who lived near it. "It is my personal view that if this goes through we'll take a beating again. This road is not for us," he declared.

An elderly man, Norman Bird, added a light touch to what might have been a hot meeting. He warned against spending too much money to save trees. Not only the contractors but the motorists are tough on the trees, he noted.

Since the road had been hard-topped he had six cars hit his fence. Three went through it and his cattle got loose. "The other three didn't go through but they hit the fence and didn't really help it," he quipped.

Jogs still there
He spoke of a discussion he had with the reeve of Esqueving in 1950. "Don't put up a permanent fence; we're going to take the jogs out of the road," the reeve had said. "That was over 20 years ago and the jogs are still there," Mr. Bird noted.

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ACTON TRI-COUNTY (MINOR) HOCKEY ASSOCIATION 400 CLUB CAR DRAW

1971 TORINO

2 DOOR
HARDTOP

POWER STEERING
POWER BRAKES



V-8 AUTOMATIC

WHEEL DISCS

RADIO

WHITEWALLS

"400 CLUB" DRAW RULES

Elimination Type Draw will take place Saturday, March 20 in Legion Auditorium commencing at 8 P.M. sharp.

All "400 Club" ticket holders are invited to attend and participate in the draw.

(The first number drawn will receive One Hundred dollars (\$100). Draws will be made in groups of twenty-five (25). Every 25th number will receive Ten dollars up to the 375 number drawn. The 396 number will receive Twenty-Five dollars, the 397 number will receive Fifty dollars, the 398th number will receive Seventy-five dollars, the 399th will receive One Hundred dollars, and the 400th will receive the New Car. The new car will be the grand prize. There will be no substitute prizes offered; there will be no deals made with the "400 Club".

Only members who have paid the full twenty-six weeks will be eligible for the draw. Any numbers that are not paid up will be sold the night of the draw to people on the waiting list.

Proceeds from the draw will be used to finance Minor Hockey in Acton.

Entertainment will be supplied by The Acton Legion during the draw.

A special vote of thanks to Thompson Motors for their co-operation in supplying the car for the draw.