

Comin's and Goin's

The weather was raw and dismal but the beans were cooked and delicious for the twenty-one riders who went out last Sunday on their first 1971 trail ride of the season. It was Ken Tuck's farm at Eden Mills as the 1.00 o'clock meeting place and 12 miles and 2 1/2 hours later the athletic horsemen and women congregated again at the Tuck ranch to enjoy the outdoor feast of baked beans, sliced bread, coffee and chit chat. It had been a day of exuberance and fun and passersby were delighted to see the Rockwood Riders on the trails again.

Hey ho! The Rockwood Trail Riders ask everyone to remember the last 24th of May Fireworks Day. There's a promise of greater activities and excitement this year so stamp your calendar and write your out-of-town friends. Everyone will be welcomed at the Rockwood Ball Park at dusk on the 24th of May for 1971. Bring your kids, your friends, and yourselves; the Rockwood Trail Riders say "You'll get a real bang out of it!"

There's a big noisies this year that the Village Carnival will be even bigger and better than usual. More give-aways and fun with the entire community working to an end. Plans for an afternoon and evening of eucure and other cards for retired folks and maybe a winter-time creative arts program at the school are all up for

considerations. Welcome the phone caller who asks you for help. The whole community of Eramosa is in this together. Talk it up, play it up and let's do it up as the greatest effort of the year. Remember the date, Saturday, June 19 this year and phone around and get involved. Remember, it's your recreation committee who's behind it and you, yourself are the people they're working for. Have a voice!

Winnie Hills is home again and recuperating at a terrific rate. Flaps are up and friends will soon see her out again. All it takes is the doctor's seal of approval and her operation will be confirmed a success. Great going, Winnie, we're happy for your family.

One of Rockwood's younger set deserves special ovation this week. Donna Hills, the younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Hills of Main Street received her coveted diploma and pin last Saturday afternoon when she graduated as a registered technician in radiography from the MacGregor Clinic in Hamilton. Having passed her November exams with honours Donna received her awards at the Scottish Rite in Hamilton after which a tea was held for the graduates and their guests. Mr. Don Hills was present at the ceremony; also Donna's brother Eric from London, Peter Grikes from Hamilton, and her friend Valerie Wright from Guelph.

Donna will be visiting in the Village for a short period after which she will return to the clinic in Hamilton. Nice going, Donna. How do we tell you that we villagers are very, very proud!

Don Singular's trio were the music makers at last Saturday evening's Firemen's dance when the regular dances were put into wraps for the season. Great music, prizes, lunch, and fun culminated a winter social scene and the next big event for the Rockwood Fire brigade will be the May 29th Fire Hall Open House.

It was a rousing combination of Birthday and Bon Voyage party which was held at the home of Mr. Frank Schneider of Main Street a week ago last Friday. The annual event which usually celebrates the combined birthday dates of Frank and his two sons, Don and David was scheduled for Sunday as David was planning to leave Rockwood via plane on Monday, however, because the plane departure date had been moved ahead to the Saturday, the Schneider family celebrated the affair ahead of time. A wonderful party with Frank's two sons and their wives, two other couples, daughter Pat and her husband Bob and son Kenny. David and Chris left for Thoron, Blackpool, England to spend two weeks with Chris's parents Mr. and Mrs. Richards and then on to travel through Europe to thread the countries they had not seen during their last hostel travel trips. We'll be with you all the way, Davie boy, am have a marvellous time, hear?

The May meeting of the Rockalong Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. Ken Spence, R. R. 3 in Milton and all members of the Institute are asked to take special note. An error in the Acton Free Press stated the meeting for the No. 8 School but everyone is asked to remember the correct meeting place.

WANTED ALIVE!!! The parents of all present and potential cubs, scouts and ponturers, to attend a meeting of the Rockwood Town Hall on Wednesday, May 19, at 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of re-organizing scouting for this district and setting up a new group committee. A new slate of leaders has been appointed and next season could be a real take-off with only minimal co-operation required from parents. Get behind the kids and find out what the meeting is all about. Think scouting is a great thing? So do we. See you on that date.

Want to feel great all over? Get involved with the newly formed Eden Home Auxiliary committee. Visitors, craft workers, organizers, drivers, everyone, is invited to pitch in and help in their volunteer program which will be getting off the ground soon. Call Mrs. Joy Haliburton 822-9714 and she'll put your name on the needed list. Man visitors are really needed and teenagers will be a great booster for the senior citizens. Remember, folks, in the words of Bishop Cumberland "Better to wear out than to rust out."

Last Sunday marked the final sermon of the Rev. N. Gostonyi, the supply minister of the Rockwood United Church. Members of the congregation have expressed their sadness at seeing him leave as his delightful Scottish twang and words of wisdom have endeared him to many members who feel fortunate in having had him working with the duties of their church even temporarily.

It was fishus occasion last Monday when Dennis McLaren, born on April 26, 1958, arrived home cold and damp, too late to join in his own birthday celebrations. His birthday cake may have been partially consumed by his brothers and sisters but Dennis had captured six choice speckled trout. Happy birthday, Dennis and happy eating on your returns for the day.

Miss Robin's room is having a bake sale to raise funds for a class from Sterling, Ontario to visit in Rockwood on May 26 to 27. Sterling is approximately 107 miles from this village and, afterwards the pupils who are pen pals with the Rockwood students will be visiting the Lion Safari in Galt along with Miss Robin's Class.

The Art Club put on a fine display of art in the main corridor about Lady shallot of Camelot.



PINT-SIZED Mike Strong of Rockwood was another avid angler who was on the early morning scene at the Eramosa River with little luck, Saturday. (Photo by Lorraine)



A 15 LB. TEST nylon line and a worm captured this 30" rainbow beauty for Francis Lovell of Harris Street, Rockwood. Francis took his fishing paraphernalia and headed for Thornbury country in the Georgian Bay district Saturday. Before cleaning the trout weighed in at 10 lbs but was immediately cleaned and gleaned for fish eggs to be used as bait. (Photo by Lorraine)

Camp out all night for fishing opening

Rockwood's bridge flexed slightly during last Friday morning's fishing session when approximately 17 and 18 people at different intervals lined the rail to cast their line upon the midnight waters.

Not to be deterred by the increasing cold and wind many of the avid enthusiasts stayed on till

the early morning hours patiently casting and lowering their bait in an attempt to capture the coveted creatures for consumption. Midnight fires along the beaches were all part of the warming processes with hot chocolate and coffee in tin pots.

Out all night Steve McDougall of Mary

Dump trout in Rockwood

The Grand River Conservation Authority is using rainbow trout to lure fishermen into Rockwood Conservation Area this year as well as other parks.

By April 24, the opening date of the trout fishing season, 3,300 eight to 10 inch trout will have been dumped into five authority reservoirs or ponds. Last year authority waters were stocked with about 2,000 trout, half of them rainbow and half speckled.

The most ambitious stocking program is aimed at the Conestogo reservoir near Elmira where a "put and take" program below the dam should warm any fisherman's heart.

Another 800 will be added below the Belwood dam north of Fergus and 100 will be added to the waters below the dam in the Rockwood Conservation Area. The farm pond at the Elora Gorge Conservation Area will get 500 trout—in time for the Elora Rod and Gun Club's annual fish derby.

Fish stocking is only part of the

Authority's long-range program to introduce sport fishing into ponds, lakes and stretches of river under authority jurisdiction.

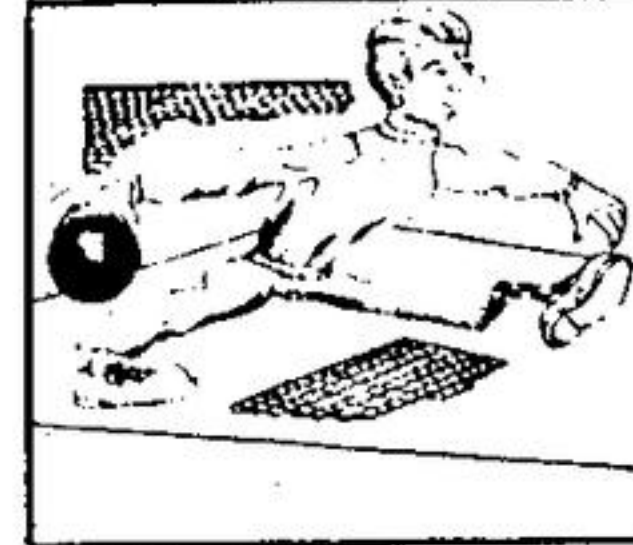
Other population studies are also planned for the reservoir above the main dam at Rockwood. Once again, depending on study results, the Rockwood reservoir could be drained, coarse fish removed and sport fish added for the 1972 fishing season.

Information gained from population studies enables Mr. Oldfield to decide what stocking should be done in an area.

A population study is made using a boat equipped with a fish shocking unit. The unit sends out electrical impulses which attract then stun the fish. They are picked up, studied, tagged and returned to the water. The fish revive after a few minutes and are none the worse for the experience.

Mr. Oldfield's dream is to eventually get sport fish back into the main river.

Rockwood Bowling



"What happened to the men this week?" is the question Rockwood Bowlers can ask themselves as they see the weekly scores falling short of their usual average.

It's only two weeks to play-off time and the club fettle had better settle to get the right drivers in the seat for the final count. The Stratton team stands in 1st place with 128 points after last Tuesday's bowling session. 2nd - Neighbours with 127 tying with the Pacers with same number of points; 3rd - Clippers with 125; 4th - Guelphites with 118; 5th - Nortons Bluebirds with 117; 6th - Four Corners with 101; 7th - Whitewashers with 90; 8th - Carney's Plumbing and Heating with 86; 9th - Elmer's Alley Cats with 86; 10 - Gooyer Bros. with 82; Cellar - Osprings Slow Pokes with 53.

Bowling skill

Irene LaVoie showed bowling skill as her 159, 222, and 177 scores tripled to 623. Viv Nightingale made a 633 with three single games of 151, 279 and 203; Doug Duthenham bowled a 240 single and Mary Stahlbaum had 214, 191 and 200 scores to triple 605. All Norton Bluebirds bowlers raised the ante to a 5 to 2 score finale against the Stratton team. Dick Dupuis made a 613 triple. Jim Thatcher a 608, Sam Nyholt a 609, and Ruth Kingsbury a 249 single. The Carney's Plumbing and Heating team succumbed to the Clippers as the victorious team hit a 3 to 2 point score. Ted Jestin rang up a 218, 202, 191 - 600 triple score. T. D. McCutcheon a 223 single and Doug Chandler a 207, 191, 211 to a 609 triple score down. The losing top scorers were Betty Burnett with a 501 triple, John Carney a 198 single, and Bob Lilley a 218 single score for the Plumbing and Heating establishment.

The Goringe Slow Pokes made a 5 to 2 point win against the Four Corners team and Garry Ferguson of the Pokes bowled a 245 single. Ross Ferguson a 217 single, and Flora Bruce a 174 single game. Tony Stok-

man showed his 223 single ability. Nellie Stokman rang up a 229 single and Ann Parkinson bowled 155, 245, and 185 to triple 569 for the Four Corners.

Hang-up scores

Guelphites were three points down from the Elmer's Alley Cats with their 5 to 2 Cat's win. Elmer Allan rang up a 201, 212, 170 set of singles to a 583 triple score. Marion Allan showed a 218 single. Gwen McDougall a 213 single and Helen Elliott a 241 single. The losing Guelphites saw head man Don Archibald bowl 237, 183, 190 to triple 610. Freeman Wilson made a 200 single. Ross Gordon a 220 and Gary Parks also singled in at 194 points.

The Pacers were 5 points against the Neighbours with only 2 points. Harvey Bayne made a 213 single for the losing athletes. Sandy McPhedran a 239 single and Dunc McPhedran a 224 single. Doug Cross bowled for his Pacer's team with a 222, 205, 209 to 636 triple score. Mike Kelley made a 228 single and Ann McCormach a 215 triple.

Show lead

The Gooyer Bros. showed a 3 point lead against the Whitewashers and their 5 to 2 score showed Lois Jestin with a 184, 190, 258 to a 632 triple score. Jo-Anne Gooyers bowled a 208 and John Gooyers a 190 single score. Clarence Hilton had 222 and a 211 set of singles, as Art Nightingale bowled 213, and 206. Larry Mulder a 201 single.

Over 500

Women over 500, Vivian Nightingale 633, Irene LaVoie 628, Lois Jestin 620, Mary Stahlbaum 605, Helen Elliott 602, Nellie Stokman 590, Ann Parkinson 585, Ann McCormach 547, Ruth Kingsbury 554 Ivy Ritchie 519, Gwen McDougall 518, Marina Mulder 515.

Men over 600, Doug Cross 636, Dick Dupuis 613, Don Archibald 610, Doug Chandler 600, Ted Jestin 609, Sam Nyholt 609, Jim Thatcher 608.

Group committee to be re-formed

A meeting was held last Wednesday night at the Rockwood Town Hall which developed into a casual but constructive round table and open discussion during which cards were laid on tables and many new appointments evolved.

Only seven parents and interested young people were in attendance when the problems of the Cub and Scout organization as it is in Rockwood and district, were bared and, as a result, those present felt that the best way to change the discouraging scouting picture was to erase the past group committee and affiliates and start fresh.

Vital role

An organizational meeting has been slated for date of May 19 at which time the new group committee will be formed. Lack of communication was considered one of the chief obstacles with the past executive and Cub Mother President, Mrs. Audrey Bilton feels assured that, with more enthusiasm there is a very important part for the Boy Scouts Association to play in this village.

Three fathers have volunteered to take over the leadership. One

of them, Vic Johnson, a father with two cubs and two scouts in his family, has had a great deal of scouting background. However, three leaders are presently attending the leadership courses in Guelph and, when the summer-time agenda has been set for the Blue Springs Scouting Camp they will also attend for training.

New leaders

Vic Johnson, a new area resident, will be the September Cub leader, for the 8 to 12 year olds; Dave Hartman will give his service for the Scouts of 13 to 15 years; and, for the Venturers, John Beerman will work with the 16 and 17 year old lads. The three leaders will be assisted by two young Rovers, Neal Bestward and Jim Gellatly who have also volunteered their whole hearted support toward the undertaking.

Another innovation has developed. The meetings of the Cubs, Scouts, and Venturers, previously held for years in the Town Hall, will be conducted in the Rockwood Centennial School thus eliminating rental expenditures and also providing better play facilities for sport programs.