# Launch tennis club for Rockwood, Eramosa

A new idea was launched last Monday evening at the St. John's Anglican parish hall, Rockwood. It was spearheaded by the enthusiasm of three young village girls whose greatest ambition is to play tennis on their own local courts.

Sherry Guild, incorporated the interest of many other young people, also that of a number of adults, resulting in the formation of a tentative steering committee free skating. which will consider the feasibility and possibility of an Eramosa Tennis Club, with the Rockwood ball park skating area to be used as its home base.

Heavy costs weighed against numbers of potential players in the district were the 22 people present at the meeting but the attitude of "a tennis club even if an outside court has to be utilized" showed the general enthusiasm of those attending. Considerations of immediate games for those wishing to get right on with it had to be shelved as many players dld not have rackets. However, at a meeting which will be held on Monday, August 9 It is hopeful that the steering committee will have Everton, will be canvassed

some answers. \$5 for Junior members 18 years of age, and under, Seniors at \$10 and a family playing for \$20 per

Ross Doswell of Jelnick Sports Equipment Co. was present at the meeting and gave, as a suggested cost for three tennis courts for the township park in Rockwood as that of \$5,000, which would include nets, removeable Marian Coulson, Marion and standards, outside fencing, lines painted in, and the asphalting of the playing area with the standards removeable during the winter months for hockey and

> Mr. Doswell said that the courts would not be damaged with freezing for the ice surface.

Appoint committee The "to be's or cannot be's" will be ironed out by the committee composed of Marlan Coulson, Sherry Guild, Sandy Hudson, and Lorraine Root of Rockwood Village, Jim Gordon of R.R. Rockwood, and Anna Marie Bell of Eden Mills. Anna Marle was appointed chairman of the steering group and, during the next three weeks, contact will be made with as many Eramosa residents as possible, to ascertain the number of potential players in the district willing to commit themselves to a membership fee.

Rockwood, Eden Mills, and individually and those people in Six people were appointed to the more rural areas contacted, the group who will endeavor to hopefully, by newspaper adnotify, advertise and rally all the vertising and radio. The necessary financial assistance committee welcomes the support with possible fee structures set as of all those interested in home area playing courts.

With costs such a great feature in the future of the club, it must

be established whether tennis courts are worth while from the standpoint of membership numbers in a club capable of carrying its own weight financially. At the August meeting it Is expected that a brief will be drawn based on the group findings, for presentation to the Eramosa Recreation Committee, outlining the plans of the committee and requesting whatever assistance is required for financing.

On the upswing

Curious is the fact that tennis is, once again, on the upswing. Approximately eight years ago it was a sport going under, but according to the statistics stated by Ross Doswell it has been building up in popularity during the past three with many schools now including the ancient net game on its curriculum of sports activities. Numerous new clubs have started up and, although it is a game motivated towards youth, it is also one which is great for conditioning, social activity, general leisure time fulfilment for those of any age.

Present at the potential Eramosa Tennis Club's first meeting were: Dale and Lois Hamilton, Carolyn and Barbara Law, Sandy and Robin Root, Barb, Brenda and Darlene McLaren, Kathie Holman, Marion Guild, Jim Gordon, Marian and Nancy Coulson, Sydney Strong, Anna Marie Bell, Sandy and Audrey Hudson, Lorraine Root and also Ross Doswell from Toronto.

### Oily road like hwy. says reeve

Complaints about the oily condition of the Third Line between Highways 24 and 7 were viewed with equanimity by members of Eramosa township council at Monday's meeting.

Reeve Warren Parkinson said one complainer charged the township dumped a boatload of oil on the road and made it as "slippery as sin." The road was so greasy when you put brakes on you started "headin' for the rhubarb."

Any truth to the complaint that the road received any more than normal treatment? the reeve asked of road superintendent Bob Hamilton. One complainer said he used a whole pail of liquid detergent to clean his car after travelling on the Third Line.

No dust The road superintendent pointed out condition s now were far preferable to when the road was untreated and dust was really flying. He said the road had a normal application of oil and the road crew had only gone over points where the road

needed sealing. "There is no dust now," he said, and the reeve acknowledged the road now was almost like a nighway.

Later in the meeting the road superintendent and his assistant were authorized to attend a county grader school in Drayton.

#### Silverwood

#### 4.88 inches rain fell in June

By Mrs. George Burt We had 4.88 inches of rainfall for the month of June, which kept things growing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Scott attended a family dinner party at Terra Cotta with friends from Streetsville and London to help celebrate their 45th wedding anniversary. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. George Burt entertained the Burt family at their home on Sunday for a picnic lunch. About 50 members of the family attended.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bailey have returned home from a

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TENNIS ANYONE? Three young hopefuls who attended last Monday night's Tennis Club meeting at the St. John's Parish Hall are Marian Coulson, Marion Guild, and Nancy

Coulson. They practice overhand drives in anticipation of days on Rockwood courts. -(Photo by Lorraine).

# Suspect marijauna but just weed grows in park

recently when the Guelph O.P.P. unit announced its findings on a weed, suspected of being marijuana, which grows heartily in the Rockwood Conservation

Several strangers manned with large plastic bags were seen copping great quantities of uncultivated plant crops strongly resembling the mustard weed with yellow petals and orange centres. Officials at the park were alarmed as to the motivation of the posy pilferers, fearing that it might be the narcotic hemp plant which had, possibly, been seeded sometime

Common weed Investigation by the R.C.M.P. and the O.P.P., through the University of Guelph laboratory technicians, revealed however, that the Potentilla Erecta folliage was a common weed grown in

Serious concern was allayed North America and Asia which was not harmful if eaten or smoked.

Although it bears a strong resemblance to the marijuana plant, its users could not expect a lift from it or any other reaction except that of the usual one of overconsumption of leaves of any garden variety plant.

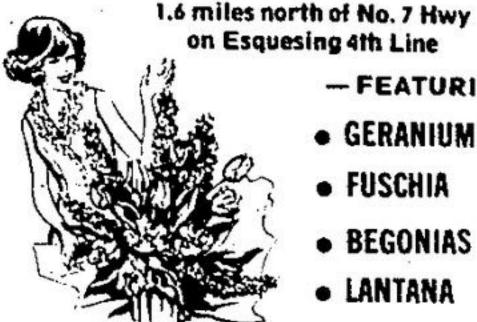
Recent applications of poison ivy weed killer in the area were not expected to enhance its appetizing flavor or value as nourishment.

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TEMPERATURES IN THE HIGH 80's attracted swarms of swimmers and sunbathers to the Rockwood Conservation

Area beach on the weekend. This photo was taken about 3 p.m. Saturday afternoon. -(Staff Photo)

# Ask Hydro move its substation install major lines underground

Eramosa Council has decided to ask Ontario Hydro to consider moving the present substation adjacent to the mill pond on Main St., Rockwood, to a point north of the railway tracks. They also suggested that any major feed lines proposed for Rockwood should be installed underground.

The resolution emerged from discussion about the proposed power line Ontario Hydro has proposed from Guelph to Acton along the CN tracks. Rockwood

tapping into the line at a point near the railway crossing. As Eramosa councillors saw it

the picture would be more practical and aesthetic if Ontario Hydro moved the substation up to the railway tracks rather than trying to transport power on poles down the main business section to its present site.

Screw up scale Although Hydro has plans for using wooden poles without

be so ugly it would "screw up the been claiming this for years. scale of the village."

suggested council put a bug in where they almost resemble a unsightly.

should go underground. He

power would also be boosted by crossarms, Councillor Dick scoffed at Hydro's claims about Strong said the effect would still the cost factor, noting they had

Deputy-Reeve Dunc Councillor Bill Adsett also McPhedran advocated council take a strong stand on the Hydro's ear about constructing question since wires down the substations like some cities Main St. Rockwood would be very

"I suspect," said Reeve If Hydro should balk at these Warren Parkinson after the considerations Mr. Strong resolution passed, "That we'll suggested all major feed lines have to have another meeting with Hydro."

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