

44 machines

# 100-mile snowmobile trek to boost charity

Fifteen local snowmobilers from Rockwood and district participated in the Cystic Sno 100 last Saturday, February 26, organized by the Kinsmen Club of Guelph in co-operation with the snowmobile clubs of Guelph, Rockwood, and Acton.

Meeting at the Snowdrifters' headquarters on Watson Road, Guelph, 44 machines wound up and zoomed off for the 100 mile snow trek across trails and side roads through Eden Mills, Rockwood, and on through Orton to the Grand Valley with the only stop offs at the 30 mile gas refueling depots where coffee and refreshments could be purchased.

It was a wonderful day. Sunshine hung high in the sky as machine after machine moved into action. \$1,400 in pledges hung on the reliability of the drivers to accomplish their feat and return to home headquarters on their own steam. Over 30 Kinsmen were involved placed intermittently at check points along the trails which had been set up by the club members themselves. Two-way radios were plugged in with the master machine at the Snowdrifters' club house in Guelph. All this to alleviate accidents and the St. John Ambulance was on hand for immediate emergencies.

Gather pledges  
With the exception of 100 gallons of gas donated by the Sherwood Texaco Company, the cost of the project was the responsibility of the individual drivers. Pledges from \$10 to \$100 were hanging on the various drivers most of whom were husbands and wives and only young adults were allowed to drive. Twelve year old Timmy Kingsbury took the complete 100 miles and, according to club president, Nigel Anderson, Timmy had more pledges than his dad and other members of the local club.

Saturday's event was the first

for the local clubs. The fight for Cystic Fibrosis curtailment is a recognized need and projects such as these go far to earn money to help care for and aid in research of this dread disease. It also helps the image of the snowmobiler in every community. Returns completed? Not until all the receipts are in and accounted for will the local riders know what their accomplishment has been but who can question the sincerity of a club in which half of its members works diligently on such a worthwhile cause.



DANNY BOLTON of Alma Street steps up his machine getting ready for Saturday's Cystic Sno 100 in which clubs from Acton, Guelph, and Rockwood participated, last Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 with a goal of \$1,400 in pledges for the Canadian Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.—(Photo by Lorraine)

club in which half of its members works diligently on such a worthwhile cause. District snowmobiling has been up for many rounds of criticism but, put any machine in the hands of qualified drivers and perhaps a whole new ball game will get started.

## No tax increase decision

Rockwood has struck its mill rate and there'll be no increase of taxes, was the decision issued at last Wednesday's February meeting of the village trustee board, held at the Rockwood Town Hall.

Based on the same 21 mill rate as last year, the budget showed no necessity for increases and the major discussion at the meeting was roadway repairs.

The trustees propose to repair the hard top on Inkerman Street from Highway 7 to the Park and Balacava from the Rockwood Centennial School to the park, thus simplifying road conditions for bus, park, and fire hall traffic. The Board further intends to reconstruct Jackson Street as well as Brady and Queen from Gzowski to Christie Streets.

BILL Middleton brought to the Free Press Tuesday a clipping from the Daily Sentinel-Review of Woodstock from April 21, 1939, announcing in banner headline Acton Lands Hockey Title in Two Straight. Listed in the line-up of the Acton Tanners Int. B. Champions is John Brush, who died suddenly a week ago.



ON SUNDAY LAST, via BOAC 747, Mrs. Elsie Smith returned to England leaving behind many new village acquaintances reluctant to have her leave. Mrs. Smith, the mother of Betty Jones of R.R. 3, Rockwood, spent only six weeks in Canada visiting her daughter and family but in that short period made a lifetime of friends. Delightful and witty, the lady from Chesterfield, Derbyshire, could see wonderful opportunities for young people in Canada, was impressed at this country's spacious living conditions with open country and luxury, and was delighted at the hospitality and friendliness her new Canadian friends had lavished upon her. She hopes to return again very shortly only her next trip will be in the summertime. Her recent introduction to Ontario winters amazed Mrs. Smith as only once in England had she had an encounter with quantities of snow and had mixed feelings of pleasure and astonishment.—(Photo by Lorraine)

### Rockwood Bowling

Last Tuesday's bowling news shows Strattons edging ahead with 105 points for top position in the Rockwood Bowling league standings. Ospringe Ramblers, with 88 points stand 2nd; Guelphites with 83 stand 3rd; 4th shows Newcomers with 81; 5th has the Gooyer Bros. with 80; 6th spot is taken by the Neighbours with 77; 7th Misfits with 76; 8th Pacers with 75; 9th Norton's Bluebirds with 71; 10th Lucky Clovers with 69; 11th the Carney's and Four Corners teams with 65 pts.; 12th has the Alley Cats with 51; and No. 13's in the cellar are the Optimists with 43 pts.

The Gooyer Bros. had the edge over the Norton's Bluebirds as they won out with a 4 to 3 score as Joan Gooyers bowled in a 233 single, Brian Robertson a 208 and 229 set of singles, Clarence Hilton a 250 and Gerry Hilton a 196 single game. Fred Nightingale for the Bluebirds brought home a 162 triple score from 218, 208 and 238; Ivy Ritchie showed a 245, Alice Johnson a 212 and Mary Stahbaum a 218 single score.

It was 4 to 3 for the Guelphites as vic'd off against the Carney's Plumbing and Heaters. Bill Scott for the winners made a 223 single and Don Archibald a 228 single game. May Swackhamer plumbed in a 246 and Bob Lilly a 246.

Nellie Stokman bowled 207, 254, 255 to triple in a 716 for the Four Corners team when they 5 to 2'd the Ospringe Ramblers. Ann Parkinson made a 238 single score and Jack Parkinson a 216. Scoring for the Ramblers Peggy Ellis bowled 221, George Lane a 244 and Bob Auld a 203 single game.

The Strattons team lambasted the Alley Cats with a 7 to 0 total score as Dick Dupuis a 279, 258, 248 and triple 785 was only slightly ahead of Dunc Kingsbury with his 275, 222, 249 and 748 triple. Pat Talley for the victors showed a 230 single.

It was 5 to 2 for the Newcomers against the Neighbours as Martin Dupuis bowled in a 200 single, Peter Busch a 206 and 5 to 2'd the Ospringe showed a 209 single score. The Neighbours had Ruth Bayne showing a 245 single, Dunc McPhedran a 211 and Harvey Bayne, a 194 single score.

Pacers clobbered  
The Misfits clobbered the Pacers with a 5 to 2 score as Glen Gray bowled a 203, Betty Brydges a 261 and Tom McCutcheon a 212 single. Doug Cross paced in 201 and 249; Bob Van Wych a 237 and Doug Hilton a 187. 4 to 3 and Lucky Clovers beat out the Optimists as Harry Jestin brought a 205 single and Ted Jestin a 201 and 224. Flora Bruce for the Optimists made a 187 single and Orma Ferguson a 180.

Over 500  
Women over 500—Nellie Stokman 716, Pat Talley 602, Betty Brydges 594, Mary Stahbaum 580, Ruth Bayne 580, Ivy Ritchie 574, May Swackhamer 570, Nett Wright 565, Alice Johnson 559, Peggy Ellis 559, Irene LaVole 550, Shirley Salmon 547, Ann Parkinson 533, Helen Elliott 526, Flora Bruce 523, Eva Busch 519, Doris Jestin 510, Lois Jestin 510, Ann McCormack 503, Rika Loof 503.

Men over 600 Dick Dupuis 785, Dunc Kingsbury 746, Fred Nightingale 682, George Lang 664, Doug Cross 547, Brian Robertson 530, Clarence Hilton 609, Peter Busch 608, Ted Jestin 606, Sam Nyholt 603.

## Comin's and Goin's

It's a springtime facelift for the Eramosa Township chambers these days and the artists in charge de la decor will be the local building inspector and dog controller. Although the council room will retain its brown and pink scheme, two offices will be painted terrier green and the office of the Township Clerk Sir Lloyd Hindley, a doggy yellow and, in his own words "to match my complexion." Well, while we wait news about final changes to our municipal post office at least we know our Council Chambers aren't going to the dogs—or is that what Mr. George Martin has in mind.

Check in at the Guelph General Hospital and say hi to Mrs. Peacock of Harris Street. The Secretary of the Rockwood and area Sunshine Club, Mrs. P. is being missed by the group of senior citizens and her many friends look forward to an early recovery.

It'll be good to see Mrs. Georgina (Georgie) Wright of Eden Mills back on the job. She has been ill at home during the past week but is presently convalescing nicely. Nice going, Mrs. Wright, glad to hear you're well again.

Friends of Mrs. Margaret Hanna Main Street, send their prayers and best wishes as she is a patient at the Guelph General Hospital. Responding to treatment is the word on the lady who recently celebrated her 90th birthday last November and Rockwood Villagers trust for her recovery.

Hey, it was a real going-away party for Rev. Ken and Sally Cardwell when members of St. John's Anglican Church feted them at the home of Tim and Carol Holmes of R.R. 1 Campbellville last Friday night. Movies, fun games, and a short presentation of gifts were all part of the merriment which finalized the disassociation of the Erin and Rockwood churches. Regrets and sadnesses plus the pleasure of acquaintance with two nice people culminated two years of congregational association. Friends of Ken and Sally look forward to hearing of a bright future for the young couple who have left their mark and will be missed by many in their Rockwood parish. Good luck, folks, and keep in touch!

Okay now! Tie up your finger you ladies or paint them with marking pencil. But remember

the date of Thursday, March 16 when all district ladies are invited to a special Inter-Faith Fellowship meeting at St. John's Anglican Parish Hall. Meeting time is set for 10 a.m. and only appetites for coffee, discussion, are required plus an interest in making new friendships and developing knowledge in Christian movements. It will only be fun if you can make it and it won't cost a thing but your involvement.

Have you forgotten the World Day of Prayer? The date—Friday, March 3 at the Rockwood United Church at 7:30 p.m. with the Eramosa Choir in attendance. See you.

## Acton visitors at meeting

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Davidson of Acton were special guests at the last meeting of the Rockwood and Area Sunshine Club held at the village Town Hall and they brought with them greetings from the Golden Age Club in Acton.

Games of euchre and crokinole were the entertainment for the afternoon and Mrs. Nellie Saunders won the prize for the most lone hands which was donated by Mrs. Dorothy Dean of Harris Street.

Lanchtime  
Afterwards it was lunchtime and everyone enjoyed the preparations of Mrs. W. Leitch and Mrs. H. Leachman both of Jackson Street.

The next meeting of the club is scheduled for March 9 at 2 p.m. at which time a program will be presented and a Golden Wedding Anniversary couple will be feted. In the absence of secretary Mrs. Peacock, for whom the club submits its best wishes for a speedy recovery, member Mrs. Max Milne extends an invitation to all new members to visit and enjoy the regular bi-weekly hospitality of the Sunshiners.

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## Lioness Club to organize

Something new was considered for the village last Wednesday evening when approximately 18 ladies met at the Rockwood Centennial School to consider the possibility of a Lioness Club to run in conjunction with the recently organized Lions' Club for the men in the district of the Rockwood village.

Enthusiasm was supreme as Marjorie Payne, President of the Guelph Lioness group and Marlene Mason, their treasurer, were introduced to the ladies present, and gave them a run down on some of the responsibilities and offices which the local group could anticipate and said that at least 12 members would constitute a club.

Rummage sales, raffles, bake sales and other community-type affairs were explained as being worthwhile projects to be handled by the prospective club as a way of building funds towards the Lions' goals or for special ones for the Lionesses themselves.

One of the important matters discussed at the meeting was the planning of the initial Lions' dinner to be held on their first meeting date on Wednesday, March 1 at the Centennial School.

In anticipation of regular dinner meetings it was decided on Wednesday to purchase a set of dinner dishes which would be paid for as the Lioness members accrue funds but available to all organizations using the school facilities.

Fines, functions, and various other activities were discussed as Donna Greens led the group and it was moved that a nominating committee composed of Barbara Bonner, Irma Hospes, and Catherine Meredith, should look into the matter of an executive body with elections to be finalized at the next meeting. Helen Hills moved that Donna Greens, Irma Hospes, and Marjorie Saunders should investigate the purchase of school dishes and meetings were set for the 4th Wednesday of each month.

The ladies were divided into groups for dinner management and this week's meal will be provided by group one at the stipulated cost of \$2.25. All sponsored wives of non-Lion husbands will also be welcomed into the community club and the Lions' Club itself is readily accepting new memberships with the name of Harry Bonner, the president, the one to contact.

## This week's winners in the Acton Merchants' Trip to Nassau Contest

Mrs. R. H. Elliott, E. Van Der Heden, Mrs. Margery Staley, Mrs. K. Hall, Mrs. Catherine Lambert, Doreen McIntyre, Dorothy Parsons, A. Doley, Lucille Cole, Marion Williams, Mrs. Alice Wilkinson.

Mrs. Cyril Bishop, Irene Fiedler, M. Frost, Mrs. D. Dawson, Cranston Griese, Pauline Gordon, E. H. Huxley, Mr. and Mrs. J. Higgins, A. Doley, Helen Marolt, Mrs. C. Heller, M. M. Benton, Scott Watson, M. McDonough, M. Heard, Mrs. Elaine McGibbon.

Shirley Thomson, Judy Gordon, Oral Norton, R. Clark, Mrs. Gordon Johnston, Mrs. A. Brooks, Robert Smith, Mrs. R. H. Elliott, Irene MacKay, Jane Munro, Cheryl Phillips, Mrs. B. F. Ens, Mrs. B. Van Fleet, R. Gentles, Marjorie Hall.

Mrs. Alice Wilkinson, Mrs. T. Staves, Mr. and Mrs. McGuire, Mrs. G. Munday, S. K. Lamb, Fred Wright, O. Dyriv, Gene Braida, Longfield Rd.; Clint Fryer, Mrs. Elmer Bird, Betty Dunn, Ruthann Roszel, Alice Gray, Mrs. W. Finlay, Darlene Beerman.

H. Schmidt, Annie Saunders, K. Schmiuki, L. Almond, M. McIsaac, C. C. McLaren, Des Clendinning, Peter Brouwer, Rita O'Connor, Chris Swackhamer, Mary Osbourne, May Swackhamer, M. Kenny.

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## COUNTY OF HALTON NOTICE PUBLIC MEETING

Take notice that the County of Halton Road Committee will hold a public meeting at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 9th, 1972, in the Esqueving Community Hall, Seventh Line, Stewarttown, for the purpose of discussing a pre-design study on the re-alignment of the No. 22 Sideroad, through Limehouse.

Interested parties who wish to participate in the discussion are cordially invited to examine the County's Pre-Design Study Report and attend the public meeting.

Copies of the Pre-Design Study Report are available for study at the following locations:

—County Administration Building, Steeles Avenue, Milton, Ontario.

—Township of Esqueving Municipal Offices, Seventh Line, Esqueving.

—Limehouse Public School, Limehouse.

—Stevens General Store, Limehouse.

Deputy-Reeve D. McMillan,  
Chairman,  
County of Halton Road Committee,  
Administration Building,  
Milton, Ontario.

## Let's talk about HORSES

with Jennifer Barr



How many of you saw "Justin Morgan had a Horse" by Disney Studios on television recently? And how many of you thought that the story so prettily portrayed was the accurate history of the Morgan horse? Tain't so.

The Disney Studios are noted for fine photography, excellent casting, production with dramatic flair but they are NOT noted for sticking closely to the truth.

A factual Morgan horse history is unknown, but most versions of the story are quite similar, allowing for poetic licence and 200 years of changes. The Morgan Horse Club of the U.S.A. publishes what is probably the most accurate version and it is nothing like the Disney story.

To start with, Justin Morgan was an elderly singing teacher who was given a two-year-old colt in payment of a debt. He had no romantic ideas about "founding a perfect breed," he was mainly interested in feeding his large family. The Morgan colt proved to be a strong worker, despite his small stature, and was leased out to local farmers. He probably had an Anglo-Arab background and became a fast trotter, winning many back road races.

He was sold several times, used as a general work horse and, as a stud, was put to all types of mares. His many owners remarked that he did seem to be an unusual horse but it was never dreamed that he would father an entire breed.

It was not until the Morgan stallion's sons, daughters, and grand-foals matured that people began to wonder what they had. A type of horse known as a Morgan

came into being.

The Disney story of a young handsome devil-may-care lad with a romantic interest in a headstrong girl and a burning desire to found a perfect breed from a non-descript weanling colt was no more accurate history than most of their other stories.

My comments aren't all disapproving however. I thought the horse that played the part of Figure was a superb example of all that personifies a Morgan.

Question: I am training my two-year-old to the hackamore. Some people tell me that I should use a bit; they say he will handle better. He seems to do fine with the hackamore, he minds it very well. I would like your advice. Would you please tell me if I should go on using the hackamore?

Answer: There is no reason at all why you shouldn't continue to use the hackamore if your horse responds to it. You didn't specify which kind of hackamore you were using, the mechanical kind or a rawhide bosal. Contrary to popular opinion, a hackamore is not easier on the horse than a bit. It can be quite wicked in the wrong hands.

If you can get the last half-dozen back issues of "Horse & Rider" magazine, I suggest you read them. They have carried an excellent series on hackamore training, which is very different from conventional bit training.

It would be to your advantage to train your colt to the bit in a year or two, if you ever plan on showing him. The hackamore is not allowed in Western pleasure classes. Until then, continue using whatever he prefers.

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