



CONFIRMATION class from parishes in Rockwood, Oustic and Erin included a total of 18 boys. Pictured following the ceremony are front row l. to r., Wayne Swantek, Joe Watson, Brett Wheeler, Mike Denreyer, Kent Kennedy, Jack Gooyers, Albert Kelly. Second row l. to r. are, Dennis O'Reilly, Joe Kent, Rick Halliburton, Paul Gresel, Mark Dupuis, Matthew Maloney, Wayne Coulson, Ed Gooyers, Robert Weterling, John Gresel, Ron Kelly. Father Elliott S.J. is pastor of all three parishes. (Photo by D. Gibbons).



GIRLS FROM three parishes, Sacred Heart, Rockwood, St. Peter's, Oustic and St. John de Brebeur, Erin received the sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop J. F. Ryan in Rockwood last Wednesday night. Pictured front row l. to r. are, Barb Cummings, Bev Cummings, Mary Ann Denreyer, Kelly Halliburton, Mary Kent, Standing l. to r. are, Mary Zabder, Janice Zabder, Nancy Coulson, Kathy Scott and Lillian Spyker. (Photo by D. Gibbons).

Bishop Ryan confirms 28 at Sacred Heart

Two hundred guests comprised the congregation which gathered at Sacred Heart Church in Rockwood last Wednesday evening representing confirmees from Erin, Oustic, and Rockwood, combined.

Bishop Ryan of the Hamilton Diocese was the officiating prelate assisted by Very Reverend J. LeSarge, S.J., rector of Ignatius College, Guelph; Rev. C.O. Day, pastor of Sacred Heart in Guelph; Rev. M. Isabelle, and Rev. G. Storz.

The ten young girls looked demure and dedicated in their white surplice gowns. Confirmed at the same time were 18 boys wearing similar gowns in red.

At the conclusion of the service relatives and friends met in the Rectory on Gzowski Street where sociability and fellowship combined to show the young celebrants that ecclesiastical relationships can be fun as well as Christian.

During the Service Bishop Ryan's instructional address was based on the theme that just as the young people were becoming young adults in the physical sense, confirmation is the sacrament for the young adult becoming an adult Christian.

It was an inspirational service and the C.W.L. ladies of Oustic and Rockwood provided the lunch.

Chastises dairyman

Reeve Warren Parkinson chastised an Eramosa dairyman Monday night for failure to obtain a minor variance from the Committee of Adjustment before proceeding with plans to set up a milk distributing system on land recently purchased in the township.

Mac Robertson said he had sought and obtained a minor variance from the committee to set up a milk distributing system on land bought from Ben Hosking but the site had been moved to another location on the same property due to the former owner's request. However, he reasoned since a building had been ruled out, and it would merely be a transfer centre for milk, another variance would not be necessary.

No building
Mr. Robertson told council he had received approval from one

neighbor but had failed to approach two others nearby. Now all he proposed was a pad for keeping trucks with no building.

The reeve was unimpressed with the arguments, suggesting two neighbors did not want two trucks in a field. He suggested Mr. Robertson approach the committee of adjustment again before going any further.

"I realize I'm getting short," he apologized, "but there are so many people doing things they shouldn't. Why get approval to do one thing and then do another."

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Small increase Eramosa taxes

Eramosa township public school supporters can expect a 2.8 mill tax increase this year but separate school supporters will have to bear a hefty 7.2 mill hike on residential and farm assessment.

The township council had a special meeting with the auditor to work out the tax rate and struck it Monday night during the regular session, with few comments.

The new rate is based on \$3,749,085 in residential and farm and \$221,485 in commercial and business assessment. The biggest expenditures for the township are on schools with elementary public getting \$120,787 and separate schools \$4,030. Expenditure for secondary (high) schools is \$103,264.

The township will spend \$75,767 for general purposes, \$28,823 for fire protection and the Grand River Conservation Authority will eat up \$10,754 with its levy.

Police villages will spend \$19,862. Taxpayer will benefit by an unconditional grant of \$18,225, which is the equivalent of 4.861 mills.

Following is a table showing the consolidation of the mill rate:

	Residential	Commercial
	Farm	Business
Township Public School	117.962	129.200
Separate School	121.365	132.988
P. V. Rockwood Public School	117.502	128.740
Separate School	120.905	132.528
P. V. Eden Mills Public School	111.502	122.748
Separate School	114.905	120.528

Following is a breakdown of assessment, mill rate and the amount to be collected:

	Assessment	Mill Rate	Amount
Township—General—			
Township R & F	2,902,805	24.130	70,071.
Township C & B	81,970	29.000	2,377.
P. Villages R & F	846,280	2.670	2,267
P. Villages C & B	139,515	7.540	1,052.
Fire Area RFCB	3,970,570	6.000	23,823.
Grand River C.A. RFCB	3,970,570	2.683	10,574.
County RFCB	3,970,570	27.716	110,483.
P. V. Rockwood RFCB	845,790	11.000	9,304.
Garbage RFCB	845,790	5.000	4,229.
Street Lights RFCB	845,790	5.000	4,229.
P. V. Eden Mills RFCB	140,005	10.000	1,400.

Dunc says

Guelph leading down garden path

Scrutiny of a small map of the proposed Guelph dam on the Speed river by Eramosa councillors Monday brought related comment from the township's deputy reeve Duncan McPhedran over a purchase by the Grand River Authority.

He suggested the city of Guelph was leading other municipalities in Wellington down the garden path, permitting the Grand River Conservation Authority to buy a \$225,000 farm to protect the city's water rights.

"Why can't the city protect its own rights?" he asked. Mr. McPhedran insisted townships such as Eramosa and Erin were paying for the protection of the Guelph water supply since they all contributed to the Grand River Conservation Authority.

"Let's register an objection," suggested Councillor Ken Fair. Asks meeting Council did decide to ask the Conservation Authority to send a representative to meet with them and acquaint them with their activities and bring along a detailed map of the proposed Guelph dam. Councillor Dick Strong was critical of the map the Authority sent, labelling it that "stupid thing". He recalled previous requests for detailed information had been virtually ignored, noting the lack of information could have a serious effect on the township.

Garbage RFCB	140,005	5.000	700.
Elementary R & F	3,542,000	31.597	113,106.
Elementary C & B	210,120	35.108	7,368.
Separate R & F	100,485	35.000	5,827.
Separate C & B	5,305	39,900	209.
Secondary R & F	3,749,085	25.847	96,003.
Secondary C & B	221,485	28.719	6,301.

Taxes are payable in three instalments.

Council, inspector patch up quarrel

Eramosa council gave the township building inspector a qualified vote of confidence Monday night at the regular meeting of council, after differences between Mr. Benham and a special committee of council were patched up to the satisfaction of both.

To prove ruffled feelings were soothed, council dissolved at their request, the special committee consisting of Councillors Dick Strong and Ken Fair, set up to review building permits.

Deputy Reeve Duncan McPhedran opened the discussion saying it was his feeling the committee had eroded the building inspector's authority to the point where the job was merely to act as a rubber stamp. He said they had gone further than needed in interpreting the building by-laws. The committee had originally been set up to assist Mr. Benham and leave him most of the authority, but now proceeded to the point where Mr. Benham would tender his resignation.

Proceed on own Reeve Warren Parkinson echoed the deputy reeve's argument and suggested the building inspector should be allowed to proceed on his own, enforcing building by-laws to the letter.

"I think all the trouble started with the Rockwood trustees," injected village trustee chairman Don Hiltz from among spectators. "It goes back to trustees who objected to buildings in Rockwood which were built without plans and left us no control. If the by-laws are to be forced let's enforce them," he demanded.

Both Councillor Fair and Strong denied any unwarranted interference with the building inspector. They suggested they were merely assisting him in interpreting by-laws and had been adamant they be adhered to closely. They felt the by-laws had

been interpreted loosely in the past but also opined that Mr. Benham knew now what was required and were willing to back him on any tough decisions he must make.

The deputy reeve suggested that council once again put the onus on the building inspector to issue permits and if there were any doubts about legality Mr. Benham could consult council.

"We have both been embarrassed in the past," he said, "but it would be up to him in the future."

Councillor Strong suggested the committee was superfluous now, but felt the efforts to coordinate council's wishes with the inspector had borne fruit. He mentioned one incident where a privy had been built in Rockwood without a permit, suggesting these were things the building inspector would have to be careful with, never relinquishing control as a township officer.

A neck is something if you don't stick it out, you won't get in trouble up to.

Rockwood bowling news

Rockwood team bowling is at high ebb and excitement is flaring as each team vies to get in to top place. In order of last Tuesday a play off the standing shows: 1. Horton's Bluebirds with 754 pts; 2. Alley Cats with 701; 3. Newcomers with 552; 4. Carney's with 426; 5. Springside Ramblers with 301; 6th Parera's with 285; 7th Optimists with 282; 8th Neighbours with 155; 9th Guelphites with 127; 10th Maffia with 84; 11th Gooyer Bros with 63; 12th Four Corners with 53; 13th Straltons with 52; and 14th Lucky Chasers with 35.

Horton's Bluebirds showed Fred Hightings making a 336 single, Vician Hightings a 236 and Mary Wehbaum a set of 236 and 287 single games.

The 2nd place Alley Cats had Helen Elliott with a 221 single, Hill Elliott a 204 and Kliner Allen a 194 single game.

Newcomers here
The Newcomers saw Martin Dupuis bowl in 219 and 218 out of singles. Andrew Hens a 234 and Trevis Kille a 224 single.

Dianna Carney bowled in a 283 single, Mary Kawarshimmer a 207 and 211 and John Carney a 210 single game.

George Lang for the Springside Ramblers bowled a 236 and 215, Ted Justin a 258 and 265 and Clyde Lang a 183 single game.

Bowling for the Parera's Doug Cross bowled in a 283 score, Bob Van Weyk a 215 and 217 and Doug Hillton a 224 single.

Optimists happy
The Optimists tally showed Orma Fagan with a 237 single, Ward Hrus a 190 and Harold Theaker a 187 single.

Eight place Neighbours showed Hill Garner with 238, Harvey Payne 201 and 226 and Kiler Garner with a 246 single score.

High spot Guelphites had Hill Scott in their side showing a 221 and 223. Freeman Wilson a 244 single score and Don Archibald a 201.

Tenth place Maffia showed Glen Gray with 248 points, Doug Chandler with 207 and Ken Ritchie with 210.

Eleventh in the round is Gooyer's team with Clarence showing a 228, 213 and 214 singles set, Dick Dupula a 212 and Winnie Hiltz a 197 single.

12th place
The Four Corner's in 12th place showed Tony Hukman with 219 and 225, Jack Parkinson with 215 and Ralph Wright with 212 single pts.

Straltons are in 13th position with Dunc Kingbury showing a 207, 211 and 214 singles set, Dick Dupula a 214 and 224, and Pat Talley a 283 single score.

In the Cellar with little hope for recovery are the Lucky Chasers as Doug Carney bowled a 263 and 207 set of singles, Harry Jetha a 231 and Brian Garner a 210 singles game.

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