



PYRAMID BUILT in just seven seconds was a winner at the Cadet-A-Rama at Fruitland. Acton's representatives won many events. (Photo by John Oosterhof)

## Acton cadets top corps at Cadet-a-rama

Acton's Calvin Cadet Corps almost made a sweep of events at a Cadet-a-rama held at Fruitland recently, in competitions between 250 and 300 boys from 13 different cadet corps.

The Acton club—31 strong—took three of the five relay races in compass reading, knot tying, lashing, pyramid building and ice rescue to take the day's trophy, while the four counsellors took the only trophy open to them—pyramid building.

To cap the day off the Acton corps also took the overall Challenge trophy for the year-round competition between the clubs. They chalked up a 17 point lead over their nearest competitors at the winter snow games in February and managed to hold on with a slim lead at the end of the Cadet-a-rama.

### Accepts trophy

Jack Trass accepted the Challenge trophy on behalf of the Acton club, from the president of the Calvinist Cadet Corps Council from Stoney Creek.

Head counsellor John Oosterhof said the boys really worked hard at the competitions to bring home the trophy for the best performance of the day. He is helped by Hank Kleine Deters, Richard Van Der Wal and Henry Kroes, counselling the cadets. Headquarters are at Beth-El Christian Reformed Church in Acton.

The boys excelled at pyramid building, taking the honors with a seven second performance.

Henry Kuipery, Harry Ensing and J. Kroezen accompanied the Acton club on their successful excursion to Fruitland on the Tyler bus.

## NOTES FROM ACTON HIGH

By Corie Maxwell

In last week's three soccer games, our school team played White Oaks Secondary School, General Wolfe and T. A. Blakelock high schools. The results were 4-1 for White Oaks, 1-0 for General Wolfe and 3-0 for T. A. Blakelock.

Better luck next time, boys!

Report cards were mailed out this week for the second time this semester. These marks were a little more specific as they were in number grades rather than letter grades.

Carolyn McKenzie, a grade 13 student at A.H., competed in the finals of a German contest at McMaster University last Friday and Saturday.

wrote an examination and were also tested orally. The testing

procedure lasted from 9.30 a.m. until 12 noon Saturday. The afternoon featured an airplane ride over Niagara Falls, followed by a banquet in the evening at which there was a presentation of awards. The top nine students won trips to Germany.

Carolyn, although not one of the trip winners, received a total of seven books. She was very enthusiastic about her excursion and happy with her prizes. Congratulations, Carolyn!

The acting head of the Department of Languages of the University of Guelph, Dr. Neil Johnson spoke to the grade 13 French class last Tuesday. Dr. N. Johnson and lecturer, Miss Dana Paramskas answered questions about the language programme at the University and any additional questions the students had.

## New vice-principal coming to high school

New vice-principal of Acton high school is Ian Downie, who comes here in September. He is presently vice-principal of Burlington Central high school. Present vice-principal Joe

Bray is going to the central administration office as administrative assistant for one year.

No teachers have resigned from the staff this year.

## Enthusiastic response to SPIN collections

Residents of Nassagaweya are responding enthusiastically to the Stop Pollution in Nassagaweya (SPIN) program, according to Mrs. Basil McDonald.

Mrs. McDonald's husband collects SPIN's collection of reusable garbage at depots in Eden Mills, Campbellville and Brookville on the first Saturday of each month.

Two trips McDonald had to make two

trips to gather the May collection, reports his wife. Most of the people depositing waste material are taking time to tie their paper bundles, although some have forgotten to do so, says Mrs. McDonald.

McDonald stores the waste material in his barn, until he has enough material collected to take to recycling or waste firms in Guelph and Hamilton.

## Another Root in limelight

John Root, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Root, 50 Knightswood Blvd., Guelph, won top honors and took the \$500 prize for the first place in the all-day finals of the Lions Club effective speaking contest. The final was held in Peterborough, on May 6 and drew contestants from all over Ontario and Quebec. John is a Grade 9 student in the John F. Ross CVI at Guelph.

Prior to entering the Lions Club competition John won a series of competitions in the C.W.O.S.S.A. He won in Guelph, Kitchener and Brantford. He entered the Lions competition which was open to Grades 9 to 13, winning in Guelph, Atwood, Angus, and completed the series of wins in Peterborough as the representative of the Guelph Club.

John is the grandson of John Root, the M.P.P. for Wellington-Dufferin, and Chairman of Ontario's Environmental Hearing Board. This Board was established when the staff of the Ontario Water Resources Commission was absorbed into the Ministry of the Environment.

## Student volunteers to attend bazaar

The high school student volunteers who assist the staff at the Sunshine School will all be there on Friday, June 2, when the school holds its annual bazaar and tea. Other students help teachers in Acton public schools.

## Y.M.C.A. news

By Gloria Browne

Many thanks to the Y's Men for coming down to the Y and working around. Thanks to their re-organization we have two extra rooms available for added programs. Ron McIntyre and Barrie Payne have fixed one nice bright room into a pleasant art studio for our courses. We hope to be able to present arts and crafts for ladies if they are interested.

The Y's Men will be busy May 23, 24 and 25, picking up donations for their Auction and Rummage sale at the arena on Sat. May 27. If you wonder when they will pick-up in your area check one of the many signs around town. They will soon be launching their mammoth \$500 draw to raise money for the fall programming at the Y.

### Dances at Y

The Road Runners are holding a dance at the Y this Friday, the 19th. Starting the following Saturday, they will run a dance at the Y every other Saturday.

The Thrift Shop ladies, pleased with past turnout, are going to stay open for a few more Thursdays, from 7 to 8.30.

Next Wed. May 24, we will be starting a regular night for teenage girls. All facilities and games at the Y will be available for them.

### Time for nap

Yours truly has been asked to speak at the coffee break at the United Church tomorrow morning, so if you've been having trouble sleeping lately and would like to sleep in for an extra hour, bring a small pillow, rest your head and the drone of my voice will make you sleep like a baby.

In the lobby of the Y there is a large display of summer camp literature.

We have been offered facilities at Blue Springs to set up our own camping program. Although it would be really roughing it under canvas we could present a much more economical program for both weekly camping and day camp if there is enough real interest and desire amongst you for such a project.

It isn't something I can accomplish single-handedly. A committee of at least six people who have a zest for living, who care enough to be involved and enjoy using their ingenuity to overcome challenges could launch a real swinging program.

### Let Nature Rest

Let nature rest,  
No canvas captures  
Her long portals—  
Rising in repetitious  
Soft depths,  
Designing fragile angles—  
As her opaque veil  
Floats air suspended:  
In rippled consciousness,  
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