



## Let's Play Bridge

by Bill Coats

Summer has come to an end and the bridge season has started again at the Acton Bridge Club. Some people say that we just had a long spring here in Ontario but western Canada had a beautiful summer. We had a most enjoyable and interesting trip to the west coast and all I can say is that we are indeed fortunate to live in such a vast but splendid country.

### Little rusty

We did, however, miss our bridge games. I had an advance start when I went to Toronto to direct the opening game at the Bell Telephone Bridge Club. They were one player short so I ended up playing as well as directing.

Both my partner and myself had been away from the card table since June so we were both a bit rusty. The following hand, however, was a highlight of the evening as no one else made this slam hand.

East dealt with neither side vulnerable

NORTH  
S-A 8 4 4 2  
H-4 3  
D-A Q 5  
C-A Q 10 3

WEST  
S-Q 10 5  
H-K Q  
D-K 10 7 4  
C-J 8 7 5

EAST  
S-K 9 3  
H-4 3  
D-3 2  
C-K 9 6 4 2

SOUTH  
S-7  
H-A J 10 8 7 5 4 2  
D-8 6 3  
C-VOID

The bidding  
EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH  
Pass 4H Pass 4 N.T.  
Pass 3D Pass 6H  
All Pass

Opening lead—5 of clubs

One rule I always follow is "never under pre-empt a hand." If a hand is worth a four bid, don't start off at three. Since most players will open three hearts on seven to the ace, it follows that you open four hearts on eight to the ace. Unfortunately this bid was more of a nuisance to my partner than to the opposition.

North showed either pass a bid six hearts. There is no way that I know of to bid scientifically after a pre-emptive bid. It's just a gamble as to who has the right cards.

### Simple life

The club lead made life fairly simple. I could not imagine a defender under leading a king against a slam so I took the free finesse and played the ten of clubs from dummy. East covered with the king while declarer ruffed. Hoping to catch a singleton honour declarer laid down the heart ace and followed with the jack. This was the only trick for the defense.

With all the high cards that West holds, I think the best lead is the trump king. West is sure of one trump trick and showed hope that the side suits will produce one trick. On the lie of the cards declarer can always make six since the diamond finesse is on and spades split three-three. See if you can make twelve tricks with a trump lead.

### Winners

Last week's winners at the Acton Bridge Club were: first, Tom Warnes and Art Norris; second, Mrs. M. Tyers and Pat Jeffares; third, Jan Coats and Bill Coats.



FANCY turnout winners at the Fall Fair horse show were Keith and Kim Currie of Nottawa, Ontario. (Photo by D. Gibbons)



ACTON FAIR herdsman award is presented by Orval Chapman on behalf of A.P. Green company to Mrs. Ron Wilson and her daughter Rosemary, R.R. 2, Rockwood, of Wilson and Sons, for the second year in a row. They have their fingers crossed for next year.



### Fair president

Bert Hinton and ladies' president Mrs. Archibald

### Report theft

Theft of a diamond ring valued at \$500 was reported to police from the high school this week.

## Save historical sites Nass. woman requests

A large Hydro right of way is in fact an asset to urban housing because it provides a greenbelt for recreation, but it can have a very undesirable impact on a rural area which includes many properties of historical interest.

This was the message delivered to the Solandt Commission Monday by Mrs. June Barnes, a resident of Lot 27, Con. 2, Nassagaweya. Mrs. Barnes' message was part of the brief presented by the Coalition of Concerned Citizens.

Nassagaweya, Eramosa and Erin townships were chosen by Mrs. Barnes as three municipalities which contain irreplaceable buildings, built before the turn of the century, which could be adversely affected by Hydro's proposed middle route. The route crosses Erin and Eramosa townships, then swings south cutting diagonally across the northwest corner of Nassagaweya.

Nassagaweya Council has offered its own proposal for the portion of the route which passes through the township. "The people of Ontario have grown and matured and now we recognize that the past is our heritage and tradition. The appeal of 'demolish the old and replace with the new' is fast fading," she told the commission.

### Plan dinner

Centennial costumes will be worn again for St. Alban's centennial dinner next Monday. Bishop Bothwell and Mrs. Bothwell will be guests and the Choralists will be supplying entertainment.

### Set up shop

Campaign headquarters are being set up in town by Liberals and Conservatives. The Liberals are in part of the former Sports Centre, with the PCs at the former music store.

turn the barn into an art studio.

"The house will not be destroyed by the route," Mrs. Barnes said "but Ontario Hydro has decided that a more fitting backdrop for history and art will be five columns of steel robots marching across the property from corner to corner."

Second example Mrs. Barnes cited was her own property at Lot 27, Con. 2. She told the commission her husband Charles had plans to restore as a point of interest one of the few remaining lime kilns in the area. The kilns are situated in the back triangle of the property. The Hydro right of way crosses the land from corner to corner triangulating the land and the kiln may be lost forever if the route is approved, Mrs. Barnes said. She said the edge of the right of way would pass two feet from the corner of the house and that Ontario Hydro would take all of a bush from which deer have a crossing.

Nassagaweya example number 3 is located at Lot 31, Con. 4. Mrs. Barnes said the proposed Hydro corridor would pass a few feet from the house and barns which are both made out of stone, in fact so close that Hydro will purchase the whole farm.

Eramosa land Switching her presentation to Eramosa township, Mrs. Barnes described a house on the Fannies property as "one of the prettiest neo-classic Gothic vernacular I have seen". She said the Fannies connection with the property dates back to 1846 and claimed no amount of money will save the hurt that Ontario Hydro is doing by crossing their property.

In Erin township, Mrs. Barnes said present owners of property and buildings at Lot 2, Con. 4 have spent 10 years repairing and restoring an old house there. She said 12,000 trees have been planted in front of the house under the Woodlands Improvement Act. The Ontario Hydro right of way passes within 20 feet of the house, she said.

Mrs. Barnes also criticized the way Ontario Hydro used the

Matrix system to compare various factors amongst alternative routes. She claimed all owners were given equal weight whether they had an old tin shed or a 100 year old stone house.

"The Matrix system offers neither distinction between nor weight to the various buildings," she said.

In conclusion she charged that the Ontario Hydro brief appears to have been produced for the sole purpose of proving that the middle route is still the best and only route to follow.

"Let us not plan a route on the basis of which route does the least harm. Let us be positive and plan a route from Nanticoke to Pickering which offers the maximum benefit to the community and countryside through which it passes," she asked the commission.



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YOUNGEST person in the Fall Fair parade two year old Jennifer Lang got some help on her tricycle from Tom Bousfield.

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## Cut W-W schedule

Waterloo-Wellington Minor Hockey League officials have agreed upon a reduced schedule for this season, probably in the 16-18 game area.

Last year, when teams played from 21 to 24 games, schedules were not finished by OMHA playoff time and one Acton team was unjustly forced to play the odd game of their playoff series on the road.

League 1st vice-president Barry Incoe has also been delegated to devise a new system for league playoffs.

Bill Knight has taken over duties as Acton OMHA representative from Denis Gibbons.

The league schedule is expected to get underway the final week of October or the first week of November.

This year's OMHA referees' clinic will be held in New Hamburg.

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