

Bill Adsett tops polls

Two new councillors capture Eramosa seats

Former deputy Jim Milne and Eramosa's first lady challenger for a council seat, Betty Lou Clark ran solidly behind the township's top vote catcher, incumbent Bill Adsett, to capture seats on Eramosa township council Monday. Incumbent Ken Fair and challengers John Hewitt and George Majors were defeated.

In the two way race for deputy-reeve, the present deputy Duncan McPhedran, scored a 610-375 victory over challenger Don Gordon, while Rockwood's George Day took a 149 vote margin over Jack Gilchrist to take the one Board of Education seat shared by Guelph and Eramosa townships.

Sitting councillor Bill Adsett ran strongly in all polls to rack up 667 votes while his nearest competitor Jim Milne came in second with 562 votes with strong votes in Rockwood and Eden Mills.

Clear mandate

Betty Lou Clark, who smashed the male dominated township council for the first time in history, trailed incumbent Ken Fair and John Hewitt until the results from Eden Mills gave her a clear mandate and the third seat on council with 424 votes. It was her first attempt to gain office.

John Hewitt trailed Mrs. Clark by 34 votes and he was followed by Councillor Ken Fair who was eight votes behind Hewitt. George Major, a first time challenger, trailed the field with 233.

The future looked bleak for George Day when results from Guelph township were tabulated giving Jack Gilchrist a commanding 358 to 44 lead in the race for Board of Education, but George recovered and went on to put a 782 to 633 victory. The winner showed strong support in Rockwood and area.

Eden Mills

At Eden Mills, Harold Tomlinson, David Masson and Rodney Bell shared a close race knocking Harry Scheike out of the race for the three trustee seats. Tomlinson led the polls with 113, Masson received 103 votes and Bell got 87. Scheike trailed with 43.

Veteran Duncan McPhedran won all polls from challenger Don Gordon except one at Eden Mills where Gordon chalked up 112 votes against 82 for McPhedran. He also took a 17-4 margin at Eden House.

Results showed that 21 out of 22 who voted at Eden House cast ballots for Betty Lou Clark in the six way race for three council seats. Mrs. Clark also ran strongly in Eden Mills where she outdistanced competitors with 135 votes, closely followed by Jim Milne with 102. The rest were well back.

Contentious issue

The results seemed to indicate that the contentious water and sewer proposals in Rockwood had a bearing on the vote in Eden Mills, which is down-river from the proposed water pollution control plant.

Despite the inclement weather most of the candidates and a few supporters waited patiently at the municipal offices on 24 Highway for results to arrive. First returns from polls four, five and six were in early after polls closed but counting at Rockwood and Eden Mills was slower and it was almost 12:45 a.m. before the close council race was decided.

Candidates who earlier were very much in the running were allocated to the also-rans when the Rockwood and Eden Mills ballots arrived.

Parties or bed

The crowd at the township offices broke up quickly when the totals were counted, some going to victory parties and others just home to bed.

Although final figures were not tabulated when the Free Press went to bed, Returning officer Lloyd Hindley estimated about 32 per cent of the eligible voters in the township exercised their franchise. The bad weather settled over the township during the day obviously cut the number of voters down and also reduced numbers of interested people at the election headquarters.



BETTY LOU CLARK was elected to Eramosa Township Council Monday, the first woman to ever crack the male dominated bastion. Mrs. Clark lives at R.R. 5, Rockwood.

Say "Yes" to beer, liquor but only liquor legal

Elector in Eramosa township gave a majority of votes to the "Yes" column for both the sale of beer and wine and liquor under dining room licences. However, only the sale of liquor has the required 60 per cent majority to make it legal.

Voters endorsed the sale of liquor in the township by 631 votes to 350, which is 64.9 per cent of the total figure.

The sale of beer and wine received less enthusiastic boost, however, with 567 approving and 409 opposed, or 58.7 percent - 1.3 percent less than the 60 required.

Figures show the majority of those opposed to the liquor and beer questions came from the northern end of the township. Those in the Rockwood and Eden Mills areas endorsed both questions by larger majorities.

The liquor vote came as a result of a petition from electors in the township requesting a plebiscite. It was mandatory for council to put the question on the ballot.

Bateman heads Rockwood poll

Monday's election scene in Rockwood was a battle between the tried and true and newcomers who had special attitudes on what they would like to see for the village future.

All four candidates had the opportunity to present their platforms on the previous Wednesday's Candidates' Night and had conveyed their thinking that Rockwood's growth should be slow and kept within present boundaries.

Water and sewer installations and regional government were the main issues. All four men were in agreement that regional government would not benefit the village. Regarding the water and sewer issue they also felt that further investigation as to lower costs was a must.

From the first ballot, tabulations the Bateman count seemed inevitable. In the final tally it showed him with 91 votes over the lone defeated candidate.

The last count showed newcomer Gary Bateman with the total 276 votes, former trustee Bob Leslie with 232, Bert Smith, incumbent, with 203 and Ralph Kelly went out with a 185 - a close election.

Trial Monday

The trial of Gordon Adamson, charged with arson, is in court in Milton next Monday. He is charged in connection with fires in town in September.

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BILL ADSETT (RIGHT) and Jim Milne ran one-two in elections to Eramosa Council Monday. It was a third term for Bill. Early returns showed he would lead the six person race while Jim came on strong as the last ballots were counted. They'll be joined in the council seats by Betty Lou Clark, first woman councillor in the township's history. —H. Coles Photo

Score Board

Eramosa Township

Poll	1	2	3	4	5	6	Eden House	Advance	Total
DEPUTY-REEVE									
McPhedran, Duncan	82	135	97	82	110	91	4	9	610
Gordon, Donald	112	85	69	15	41	31	17	5	375
COUNCIL									
3 to be elected									
Adsett, Bill	89	150	115	81	117	102	6	7	667
Milne, Jim	102	169	122	68	53	30	8	10	562
Clark, Betty Lou	135	95	63	28	49	25	21	8	424
Hewitt, John	73	71	59	24	67	84	9	3	390
Fair, Ken	67	79	71	35	65	51	8	6	382
Major, George	42	40	28	31	69	45	4	4	263

Limehouse

Communion, new family

By Mrs. A. Benton
Communion services will be held at Limehouse Presbyterian Church on Dec. 10 commencing at 9:30 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. VanAlpen and family of Park Motors have moved into their newly built home on the 6th line.

All should know laws attorney tells meeting

Esprit de corps reigns high in Eden Mills and last Saturday's evening round up of the Village and District Community Club showed a financial report which could make many a larger finance committee wonder how it's done.

With plans for restoring and updating their present community hall the enthusiastic members met at 8 p.m. for a round year round village activities when leaders of the various groups reported. Brownies, Guides, ball game organizers, recreation, senior citizens, refreshment and entertainment organizers, every committee was represented and outsiders present had the opportunity to see the inner core operation of small village affairs.

Should know laws

Before the business period, president Travis Clifford introduced to the members and guests present, the speaker of the evening and Arthur Edward Martin Maloney, a well-known Toronto attorney who moved into the Campbellville area approximately five years ago, gave an interesting connotation on the importance of the twelve-man jury board and why every person should be better acquainted with Canadian laws. Mr. Maloney also pointed out the necessity of retaining lawyers for one's own protection and said that knowledge of the law should be an important part of young people's education today.

After Mr. Maloney's talk President Clifford suggested a coffee break and, mingling period completed, the members moved back to their seats to participate in the business portion of the evening's agenda.

As each leader reported their successes one dismal note was sounded when Anna Maria Bell briefly outlined the fate of the now defunct nursery school which, although operating efficiently in previous years had had to be scrapped due to lack of required numbers and special rulings on nursery school operations.

Mrs. Bell said that, "For those parents who cannot take advantage of such a facility we are sorry that it is not possible to continue its operation as it has been such a wonderful training period for the children in other years". Accordingly nursery schools must be operated with specially trained teachers with a required number of children participating and adequate toys and facilities available according to departmental requirements.

Executive
During the meeting secretary Jean Reinhart gave her report

and treasurer Joan Lowrie presented the 1972 financial report. Remaining on the village executive to complete the two year terms of office are: president Travis Clifford; secretary Jean Reinhart; treasurer Joan Lowrie; first vice Bob Love; second vice newly-elected, David Masson; and, acting in an honorary capacity, past president Rodney Bell.

Finalizing the meeting was another social coffee period during which members had an opportunity to consider the plans for the community hall restoration and improvements. The group also discussed the possibility of LIP grants and other methods of accruing monies required for the proposed changes.

It finally happened - the stamps cost more than some of the Christmas cards.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Guelph Twp.

	44	134	200	137	84	84	79	8	12	782
Day, George										
Gilchrist, Jack	358	63	30	34	14	67	51	14	2	633

LIQUOR VOTE

	Yes	No
Beer and wine	567	409
Liquor	631	350

Polling Places—No. 1, Eden Mills; No. 2, Rockwood; No. 4, No. 8 school house; No. 5 township offices; No. 6 Oustic.

Rockwood

ROCKWOOD TRUSTEES
3 to be elected

	No. 2	No. 3	Advance	Total
Bateman, Gary	162	114	2	278
Bob Leslie	128	104	2	234
Bert Smith	117	86	2	205
Ralph Kelly	101	84	0	185

Eden Mills

EDEN MILLS TRUSTEES
3 to be elected

	Eramosa	Nass.	Total
Tomlinson, Harold	61	52	113
Masson, David	61	41	103
Bell, Rodney	51	36	87
Scheike, Harry	25	18	43

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