

## Comin's and Goin's

What ho! Sunday's the day and, if you haven't purchased your lucky ticket get one now. Anyone on the Eramosa Ball Association will tell you that this Sunday is the big draw date for five tickets at \$200 each. But don't come for the draw, come for the fun and everyone in the district will enjoy the 12:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. program of ball with little kids, ball with big kids, T. ball, junior ball, mixed games, fun and more of same with refreshment booth running full blast with homemade pies hot from the oven and hamburgers right off the griddle. Admission is free and the kids will get their treats free. At 7:30 p.m. the Rockwood Seniors will combine their efforts and vie their abilities against the Eden Mills seniors with the Eramosa Cup at stake for the winners.

No word yet on when the village cubs, scouts, brownies, and guides are starting up for their fall seasons but word is that "The school's the thing" and students are asked to keep a wary ear for the school mike for announcements of when things will begin to happen.

Visitors to the Rockwood Centennial School will be disappointed if they hope to see the rooms in the new addition in using operation. As yet only the science and art rooms are at the using stage with the kindergarten, music, and library yet to be completed. Hopefully by the end of the week the small fry will be able to move into their new mini quarters but the community library will not be operating as such until the new year.

Don't forget now, all you village friends of the cub scouts, brownies, and guides. Only a few tickets are available for the Saturday night hoopla dance to be held at the Town Hall with the Shaynes musical group and door, draw, and spot dances plus lunch all part of the evening fun. Nine to one will be the hour and it's the Rockwood and district group committee the sponsors.

Fifty high schoolers from the Guelph Centennial School including Rockwood students enjoyed a weekend of physical education leadership which ran from Saturday morning last at 7:30 a.m. to Monday evening at 5:30 p.m. Two buses one loaded with canoes and knapsacks and the other with high spirited teenagers headed for the depths of Algonquin Park where sleeping bags, innovative sleeping accommodations, and high spirits are the order for a marvellous weekend despite the depths of suffering from frostbite.

Summer's end and the Harry Bonners of Rockwood were the local family hosting two city youngsters hailing from Stratford, Ontario, in the 1973 Urban-rural exchange program where rural and city youths enjoy the experience of exchanging living environments for a week. Word is that over 600 Ontario young people benefited from the exchange this summer and, at a time where values seem to be distorted it's a great way for youngsters to tune in and get to appreciate their own life style.

# Red Sox first ORSA grand champions

Four home runs and a bushful of base hits carried Rockwood Red Sox to the grand championship of the Ontario Rural Softball Association in a tournament in Freelon Sunday. Red Sox rattled the fences in the Freelon ball park, as they trounced Wardville, the ORSA Intermediate "A" champions 9-3 in the semi-final game and outslugged the Intermediate "B" champs, Marmora 10-8 in the championship game. Rockwood won the Intermediate "C" crown.

Catcher Mike Kelly drove in four runs with a pair of two run homers and shortstop Dan Arbie walloped a solo shot for Rockwood in the game against Wardville. Veteran first sacker Walt Jeffries also played an important role in the Rockwood win, lining out two clutch singles to drive in three runs.

Bob Shaw went the distance to pick up the win for the Red Sox. He scattered nine hits and fanned nine Wardville batters.

Gain revenge Red Sox brought the wrath of Eramosa township down upon the Marmora team, which had eliminated Eden Mills in the Intermediate "B" championship series. Rockwood bombed three Marmora pitchers for 13 hits, including a two run homer by Harry Phillips to wrap up the grand championship.

Rockwood built up a 7-4 lead after three innings, scoring a pair of runs in the first inning when Walt Jeffries delivered a two run

single, twice in the second on Harry Phillips' home run and three times in the third, as Dan Arbie, Chick Milne, Harry Phillips and Bill Robinson stroked consecutive singles.

Arbie singled home two more Rockwood runs in the sixth following base hits by Robinson and Phil Shrive and Jeffries capped a remarkable two game performance by driving in the 10th run, his seventh hit of the tournament.

Marmora pecked away at the Red Sox lead and finally got to starter Bill Robinson in the seventh. Bob Shaw came on to put out the fire and save the game. The losers collected 14 hits.

Rockwood sent Marmora starter Rich Nobes to the showers in the first inning. Joe Barrons took over and lasted until the sixth when Gord Donaldson came on to finish the game. A hitting hero of the Red Sox ORSA playoff series, left fielder Jim Thatcher pulled

off the defensive play of the game when he leaped to grab a Marmora drive that was falling over the fence for a home run. Marmora reached the Grand Championship game by blanking the Intermediate "B" champions Nrabane 2-0 in their semi-final. Rockwood are the first winners of the ORSA Grand Championship trophy which was presented following the final game. Red Sox players also received individual trophies.

## Benefit dance for Short family

Although the numbers attending the Ron Short and family benefit dance last Friday night was not capacity the sincerity and concern of their fellow villagers was.

George Day, acting as Master of Ceremonies for the occasion, summed it well when he said: "It could happen to any one of us!" and it was a receptive 150 Rockwoodites who applauded when Ron and Marlene were presented with recliner chair and a purse totalling approximately \$1,300.

Coffee and donuts were the refreshments for the dance which began at 9 p.m. and ran into smaller hours the next morning. All who attended enjoyed the music of the three piece band in which Dave Billings of Rockwood was a lead player. The group had agreed to donate their services as soon as they learned the dance was to be held. Also on hand to enjoy the festivities along with the special guests, Marlene and Ron, were his mother, Mrs. Short of Fergus and other personal friends.



FRIDAY NIGHT'S benefit dance was a tremendous success where everyone had a great time especially Marlene and Ron Short seen here as they receive a recliner and a purse from the Rockwood Community as presented by Master of Ceremonies George Day. (Photo by D. Hilts)

## Rubbish fire Monday

Flames were pulled under control on Monday last when a rubbish fire fanned by soft winds required the emergency services of the Rockwood-Eramosa fire brigade.

Alerted at 10 a.m. the firefighters arrived on the scene to discover flames reaching high intensity. They worked steadily for an hour in their effort to save the house and buildings on a farm owned by H. Hawkes, First Line, Eramosa, immediately adjacent to the Forbes garage on No. 7 Highway.

Mr. Hawkes was away at the time of the fire which completely burned one entire field of grass and rubble.

## \$1,250 damage to cars

Poor weather conditions last Monday night were blamed for a two car collision which resulted in \$1,250 damage to two vehicles and minor injuries to four passengers.

The accident occurred at 5:45 p.m. approximately 1/2 mile west of the Rockwood conservation area when a car driven by Frank Woodbury of R.R. 5, Rockwood was in collision with an eastbound vehicle driven by Anne Benham of R.R. 3, Rockwood.

The Benham vehicle swerved and, from the impact landed in a ditch on the

opposite side of the road. Presently under investigation, damage to the Woodbury vehicle was estimated at \$250, and, to the car driven by Anne Benham, \$1,000. Treated at the Guelph General Hospital and later released were

passengers in the Benham vehicle with Anne receiving a sore neck, Kim, 13, cuts and abrasions to right knee, Daniel, 10, a sore neck and back and Ella Owens, 65, a sore back.

## Sox to host tournament

Rockwood Red Sox, the ORSA Intermediate grand champions will play host to seven teams in a special softball tournament in Rockwood park, Saturday, September 23.

Wardville, Intermediate "A" champions, Melbourne, Intermediate "D" finalists and Eden Mills, Intermediate "B" finalists are entered along with Ayr, Hadenoch and Freelon and Fergus, who are now playing in the Inter-county football league finals.

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## Rockwood Bowling

It was back to the alley last Tuesday night for the Rockwood and District bowling teams where 16 teams reported in as usual with the old stand-by Stratton team bowling out for this year's season to be replaced by an up and coming Junior Baseball group calling themselves the Unruthfuls.

On tap for the Racers who took a 5 to 2 win against Carney hopefuls, Bob Van Wyck brought in a score of 160, 218 and 198 for a 576 triple and Gord Burnett made a 570 triple with his 177, 166 and 227 single scores. High man for the Carney team were ladies May Swackhammer and Nancy Gordon with May swinging in with a 186, 219, 198 and 603 triple as Nancy pounded home a 181, 181 and 196 to triple in with a 542 score.

Outbowling countrymen Gooyers outbowed the Countrymen with a 5 to 2 score as Clarence Hilton bowled a 223, 248 and 202 to triple 673, Adrian Gooyers 184, 203, 193 to triple 580 and, for the Country gentlemen, Peter Bosch made a 192, 188, 244 and 624 triple; Ted Klaven a 199, 228, 146 and 573 triple.

Nortons outversued the Trotters with their 4 to 3 win with Fred Nightingale bringing home a 214, 282, 195 and triple 695; Fred Lovel a 227, 176, 196 and 598 triple as Ted Justin for the Trotters sizzled in a 569 triple with 180, 188 and 221 scores and Jim Thatcher a 732 triple with his 240, 268 and 224 scores.

Barley Sandwiches went down to the Guelphites with the latter team taking a 5 to 2 lead. Garry Parks for the Guelphites made a 678 triple with 230, 262 and 186 singles; Lloyd Marsden made a 152, 153, 223 to triple in at 528. For the Sandwiches Mike Martin showed a 606 triple, Walt Jeffries a 589 with his 194, 215, and 180 single scores.

Newest bowlers Rockwood's newest bowling enthusiasts are straight from the Junior Ballplaying leaguers as the Unruthfuls

led into a straight loss to the Alley Cats with their 5 to 2 score. Mary Lush was the lady with the 547 triple for the Alley Cats, with 150, 192 and 205 scores as Garfield Tarzwell made a 517 with 163, 144 and 210 scores. John Thatcher was the Unruthful who placed a 585 triple with his 254, 158 and 178 single scores and Alex Duffield made his 557, triple with 205, 182 and 200.

Rockets were the team to beat against the Junior Farmers as they scored 5 to 2 with Bert Archer making a 631 triple from 182, 227, and 222 and Diane Kingsbury made a 747 triple with scores of 222, 280 and 240. The farmers made hay with Bruce Miller bowling a 512 triple with 161, 163 and 188; Glen Gray tripled 473.

The Ramblers beat out the Neighbours with a 7 to 0 lead with Millie Smith tripling in a 614 with 173, 222, and 219 her scores for the evening. Jack Burnett made a 577 triple with 188, 198 and 191 the evening score. Doug Buttenham was the neighbour who brought in a 577 triple with his 180, 198 and 191 scores.

Four Corners made a 5 to 2 over the Optimists as Nellie Stokman whipped in a 657 triple with 193, 203 and 261 scores. Tony Stokman bowled in a 541 triple with 205, 138 and 198, and Don McKersie bowling a 547 triple with his 176, 140 and 231 single scores.

Team standings Team standings as of the first bowling session of the '73 fall show the Ramblers in first place with 7 points; Four Corners, Racers, Gooyers, Guelphites, Alley Cats and Rockets vying for 2nd place with 5 points; the Nortons in 3rd place with 4 points; Trotters in 4th with 3 points; Optimists, Carneys, Country Men, Barley Sandwiches, the Unruthfuls and the Junior Farmers all tied for fifth spot with 2 points as the Neighbours begin their season in the cellar with nil points.

## Season starts

The September start-off for the Rockwood and District Sunshine Club was a gala food festing affair when 70 members and friends congregated to enjoy a variety of exciting foods from a table laden with salads, pies and desserts, all contributed by club members.

After the supper guests had an opportunity to digest their delicious fare with a sing song with the popular Mrs. William Early at the piano. Program time and Mrs. Douglas McNabb gave amusing reading entitled What is a Grandmother. Judy Brain, the granddaughter of Mrs. Alice Hiltz, gave a delightful exhibition of Highland dancing to be followed by a five-piece club orchestra composed of Mrs. Early at the piano, H. Leachman with his mouth organ, Victor Smith with his violin, J. Fowler his fiddle and B. Davison, bass.

The group treated off selections for which everyone applauded heartily and, to round up the musical moment, A. Couley played a few numbers on his mouth organ. A.K. Thomas was also in the limelight with his rendition of Sunrise Tomorrow, followed by Haate to the Wedding and The Irish Washerwoman in the intimate style of H. Leachman.

Women over 500, Millie Smith 614, Nellie Stokman 657, Ann Parkinson 540, Mabel Wingrove 517, May Swackhammer 603, Nancy Gordon 542, Irene Lovell 512, Ivy Ritchie 585, Mary Lush 547, Lois Jeston 517.

Men over 600, Peter Bosch 624, Clarence Hilton 673, Jim Thatcher 732, Fred Nightingale 695, Mike Kelly 605, Garry Parks 678, Bert Archer 631, Dunc Kingsbury 747.

Highlight of the program were slides of Rockwood with Don Hilts, via film, taking his audience down the valley road and, as many of the Sunshine members can't make the distance on foot anymore, they were pleased to view the popular village walking place.

Climax to the marvellous evening was the waltz time when the orchestra followed up the entertainment with favorite selections and a number of the Sunshiners enjoyed the dance. J. Fowler gave a final solo on his violin culminating an enjoyable party.

Members old and new were reminded of the next regular meeting at the Rockwood Town Hall slated for Thursday, September 27.

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