



FIRST intermediate winner is Kevin Murdoch of the Rockwood school. He is seen coming in at the finish line. Rockwood Centennial chalked up a second place at the annual meet where Erin topped the public schools of Brisbane, Ospringle, Hillsburg and Eramosa.



MURRAY BOWLES is pictured coming off the track after winning the 800 meter race. Part of the time he was running through heavy rain and the teachers said afterwards they were pleased with enthusiasm shown by students who wouldn't let even the rain dampen their spirits



EARL HOPKINS is a bantam runner seen in Tuesday's meet. Phys. Ed. teachers of participating schools officiated, keeping records, acting as line-men, and starters. Despite the rain they stayed on with enthusiastic students who wouldn't leave until the meet was finished.

## Rockwood seconds Erin at Erin-Eramosa meet

Last Tuesday's Erin-Eramosa track and field meet held at the University of Guelph was one of enthusiasm and endurance and, despite showers and drizzle, students insisted on completing the meet, preferring to ignore the afternoon down-pour of rain.

Over 200 students participated in the sports program which included students from Rockwood, Eramosa, Brisbane, Ospringle, Hillsburg and Erin public schools. Phys. ed. teachers from each school manned the starting posts and finish lines, keeping

records as students went through rounds of individual racing, relays, high, broad and hop, skip jumps. The meet started off at 9:30 a.m. and continued on throughout the day until 3:30 p.m.

### Rain

As scheduled events moved down the program, the day became less bright and clouds gave warnings of possible showers. By mid-afternoon the rain was in full bloom with the meet not yet completed. Students enthusiastically insisted they wanted to finish and, along with teachers, stayed on until every event had been run off. "It was absolutely beautiful," said organizer Bob

Lava of the Rockwood Centennial school who was pleased at the interest of the participating students. "They just wanted to keep going until it was over," he said and added that running in the rain, on the cinder track at the university, presented no problem for the local athletes.

Overall winner for the annual meet were athletes of the Erin public school. Rockwood came in second place and, following in order of placement were, Brisbane, Ospringle, Hillsburg and Eramosa. The large keeper trophy was presented and will be kept at the Erin school. "It was absolutely beautiful," said organizer Bob

## Anniversary for church planned

The June meeting of the Eden Mills United Church Women was held at the home of Mrs. Wilk Wilson.

Mrs. James Cann had prepared the worship which was led by Mrs. Howard James, assisted by Mrs. Elmer Millson and Mrs. Ben Saulnier. A paper on prayer, by G. Ernest Thomas and issued by Evangelistic Mission of United Church, was read.

The church parking lot had been improved with two loads of gravel donated and delivered by Mr. Melvin Lowrie. A letter of thanks will be going out to Mr. Lowrie from the Church Board.

The members of the U.C.W. had recently served lunch after the funerals of Mr. W.S. Thomas and Mr. Archie Stanley. Church anniversary Sunday will be September 22, and an anniversary supper will be held in the Eden Mills Community Hall on Wednesday, Sept. 25. Committee in charge of the supper will be Mrs. Trevor Clifford, Mrs. Ralph Thompson, Mrs. Ed. Jennings, Mrs. Elder Hill and Mrs. Ellwood Snow.

### Toyota Community Calendar

What's doing in North Halton area!

**SUMMER FESTIVAL**

If you're a Jazz fan, enjoy the Steel City Six, at the Acton Public Library, on Tuesday, July 9, at 7:30 p.m. If Folk music is your pleasure, be at the Library on Friday, June 12 at 2:30 p.m. to hear the Muirs. This Summer Festival is free to all.

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## Comin's and Goin's

A former Acton resident visited Rockwood last weekend and enjoyed a stay with her son and daughter-in-law. Mrs. Mary Green came to Canada from England with her husband and children in 1912 and settled in Acton until they left for Toronto in 1923. Today she is 83 years old and, from Friday to Monday visited with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Green on Pine St. According to her daughter-in-law she had a great visit as she is an active lady who enjoys people. Welcome to the village, Mrs. Green, it's really something to know people of your age like to gallivant.

Cottage weather calls and, holidaying at Doe Lake at the family cottage is Betty Marshall of Eden Mills and friends.

Local and imported talent will be the participants at next Saturday's outdoor concert at St. John's church. Strawberry shortcake, coffee and lemonade will be served and everyone is invited to come along and enjoy an old-fashioned summer garden party with friends and the fun of socializing on the bowling greens part of the evening menu.

Twenty-two ambitious adults and children from Eden Mills took time out to enjoy a ten day canoe instruction course where portaging, dunking, and paddle strokes were taught in conjunction with the Guelph Y. Finishing last week, with the Eramosa river their learning grounds, the athletes participating say it was a wonderful endeavor. Wes Darou, instructor of the course, even allowed for special training so that one small brownie type could include her learning experience as a badge winning project.

Okay moms, pops, and everyone who likes to see kids participate in sport activities. Eden Mills is sponsoring a squirt and midget ball tournament on Sunday with eight teams already entered for a day of outdoor fun. "Refreshments will be available on the grounds," say organizers who remind people that everyone's heard about senior ball player tournaments but for the little kids, this could be a first.

## Eden Mills couple enjoy royal luncheon

Two residents of Eden Mills were among the 1200 guests who attended the City of Toronto luncheon last Friday, held in honor of Her Majesty Queen Mother Elizabeth.

George Weale, a former City of Toronto clerk and his wife Jean, received the invitation to attend the social event approximately one month ago. The queen had come to Canada on invitation of the Regiments of Toronto Scottish and Blackwatch in Montreal. She had been invited by the regiments to present their new colors and, knowing of her expected visit, the city of Toronto officials arranged the special luncheon.

Jean Weale describes the queen mother as a diminutive lady who is astonishingly beautiful, not looking her 73 years. The Eden Mills couple said the luncheon began at 1:30 p.m. and continued until approximately 2:30. They sat very near the head table and were able to watch proceedings easily.

The luncheon was held in the lower ballroom of the Four Seasons-Sheraton hotel and Mrs. Weale said it was very exciting when the Queen Mother arrived and was piped to her place at the head table by top officers of the Toronto Scottish regiment and escorted by Mayor David Crombie and his wife, accompanied by other city officials.

"She was beautifully dressed in an afternoon dress of soft blue-green spring-colored chiffon with a matching hat," was Jean's description of the Queen Mother who sat between Mayor David Crombie and Metro chairman Paul Godfrey.

Reportedly, the luncheon was like a delightful garden party with waitresses and waiters hurrying around energetically. Jean Weale said she was impressed by the organization of the luncheon.

As wife of the man who was clerk and organizer of such city functions for many years she is well aware of the necessary arrangements which have to be made and details to be followed, to make such an important affair run smoothly.

Protocol Jean said it was really wonderful to see how her husband's younger successor was doing such an excellent job, organizing and carrying out perfectly all the requirements. "No one knows the amount of protocol involved in such an undertaking," she said.

The wife of Toronto's former clerk remembers what it was like to be involved with royal visits when her husband was a member of the city staff. According to Jean Weale, royalty had not been received in Canada for many years prior to 1939, when the same Queen Mother, then the Queen, and her husband King George Sixth of England, had come to Canada and was received then, by the City of Toronto.

"Reams of information was sent in to be read thoroughly and carried out," she said, and explained how wives of city officials had to learn to curtsy for the formal reception. She recalled and described bouts of practicing to perfect curtsies under special instruction at the City Hall. "There's been a real let-down in protocol since that time," said Mrs. Weale who remembers and can tell many amusing incidents about the Royal entourage of 1939.

Queen Elizabeth During Friday's visit, the Queen Mother was continuously faced with people crowding to see her as she was escorted to various city-planned functions. Eden Mills resident, George Weale, served the city of Toronto for many years.

He had worked up through the ranks from office boy until his retirement approximately five and one-half years ago when he moved with his wife, to Eden Mills. Since that time his name is always included on the list of invited guests whenever an important dignitary or personage is hosted by the Toronto council. Last year he and his wife, Jean, were privileged to attend a similar luncheon when Queen Elizabeth was the honored guest.

All rain and little sun is spilling gardens and everyone's fun!



WHERE DO I go from here and Rockwood 50 meter dash winner, Sharon Smith is seen resting between bouts. Individual winners took home special trophies from the meet with the large keeper school trophy taken back to Erin until next year's competitions.

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