



**NEW MEMBERS** of the Second Rockwood Brownie pack are front row left to right Laura Johnston, Christine Jestin, Julie Davidson; back row Shelly Desjardins, Karen Johnston and Diane Petty.

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**Leader, girls in enrolment**

Tuesday, October 19, was the date of the first Brownie enrolment for the 2nd Rockwood Brownie pack.

Mrs. Wm. Petrie, Commissioner of Spirit Valley District was present to enroll Julie Davidson, Shelly Desjardins, Christine Jestin, Karen Johnston, Laura Johnston and Diane Petty into the membership of the 2nd Rockwood Brownie Pack.

**Tawny Owl**  
Miss Elizabeth Johnston was also enrolled into the Girl Guide Association of Canada as Tawny Owl for this new pack.

Brownies, working for their Golden hand, prepared a cooked finger dessert to serve to parents and Brownies on this special occasion.

Brownies also provided entertainment, some of which will earn them a badge.

Susan Nemet played her accordion, Cheryl Cunningham played a piano solo. Mrs. Bedford provided extra help for the leaders. Welcome to these new Brownies.



**ENROLLED AS** members of the First Rockwood Brownie pack were Lauralyn Facy, Kelly Hamilton, Lisa Logan, Michelle Massey, Carol Meadows, Liz Noble, Janice Patterson, Kim Petty and Leslie Rockola.

**Eden Mills**

**Local youth flies home**

by Mrs. Georgina Wright  
Wednesday afternoon was the Friendly Seniors of Eden Mills meeting. The president Mrs. Anna Wilson, in the chair, opened with a Poem entitled Glory be I'm 60.

O Canada was sung in unison, after the minutes of last meeting were read and treasurers report given. Mrs. E. Jennings was called on to give a reading entitled Kindness. Movies that were to be shown were cancelled to a later date. We adjourned to the card tables for euchre followed with refreshments.

Mrs. Phil Drysdale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Abram, visited her parents from Vancouver Island recently.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wilk Wilson were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hamer of Blind River who stayed a few days. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. C. Spinks and Mrs. Spinks.

Bob Wright, son of Mrs. Eric Lockett flew home from Lake Head University, Thunder Bay to attend the graduation at Centennial high school Friday evening. He was the proud winner of the I.O.D.E. award and two other certificates.

**Rockwood bowling**

**Team Standings:** Carneys 33, Guelphites 31, Four Corners 25, Mustangs 22, Countrymen 22, Kay's Feeds 21, Five Plus One 21, Optimists 17, The Happy Gang 17, Popeyets, Nortons 14, Dynamites 12.

**Men over 600:** Dunc McPhedran (spare) 698, Jim Cernluk 675, Lloyd Marsden 642, Barry Cleland 623, Ted Jestin 607, Ken Martin 605.

**Women over 500:** Nellie Stokman 639, Eva Bosch 570, Violeta Lilley 569, Ann Parkinson 562, Lorraine Renaud 546, Gerd Birkholz 543, Marg McKersie 537, Diana Carney 534, Betty Reid 530, Kathy Holman 529, Denise Bolton 510, Ivy Ritchie 505.

**Results of games played Tues. Oct. 19, 1976:**  
Five Plus One 7 pts. - Betty Reid 530, Kathy Holman 529, Nortons-8 pts. - Roy Nightingale 585, Ivy Ritchie 505.

**Four Corners 5 pts. - Nellie Stokman 639, Ann Parkinson 562.**

Ten girls met at the home of Mrs. McDuffe on Oct. 23 at 9:30 a.m. Evelyn demonstrated Irish Soda Bread which was very tasty and Phyllis demonstrated Finnan Haddie with Egg Sauce which was delicious.

They read the subject matter and Miss Bayne gave a list of 13 different kinds of cheese and a folder about labels. A sample of Brie cheese was passed around.

562, Popeye 2 pts. Gordon Ostrander 454, John Murison 412.  
Carneys 5 pts. - Violeta Lilley 569, Lorraine Renaud 546, Dynamites 2 pts. - Paul Holman 490, Allan Reid 470.  
Happy Gang - 5 pts. - Joe Teres 525, Jeff Parkinson 477, Optimists 2 pts. - Ted Jestin 607, Gerd Birkholz 543.  
Guelphites 7 pts. - Dunc McPhedran (spare) 698, Jim Cernluk 675, Ken Martin 605.  
Countrymen 2 pts. - Peter Bosch 574, Eva Bosch 570.

**Eramosa library news**

The following new arrivals are available at Eramosa Community Library.

**Adult fiction:** Mary Stewart - Touch not the Cat; Matthew Braun - The Kincaids; Oakley Hall - The Adelta; Arthur Clarke - Imperial Earth s.f.; Marilyn Harris - Bleeding sorrow.

**Juvenile fiction:** Joanne Galdone - Gertrude the goose who forgot; Roger Duvoisin - Our Veronica goes to Pet-

unia's farm; P. Travers - Mary Poppins opens the door; Beatrix Potter - The tale of Ginger and Pickles; Dorothy Marino - Buzzy Bear's busy day.

**Non-fiction:** Frank Orr - The Stanley Cup; Barbara Ford - How birds learn to sing; Alvin Toffler - Future shock; Nell Nicholas - The farm cook and rule book; Virginia Carr - The lonely hunter.

**New Brownies repeat promise**

A very special ceremony took place at the 1st Rockwood Brownie meeting recently. Lauralyn Facy, Kelly Hamilton, Lisa Logan, Michelle Massey, Carol Meadows, Janice Patterson, Kim Petty, and Leslie Rockola were enrolled as members of the pack. Mrs. Kay Stevenson, Deputy

Commissioner, heard each repeat her Brownie promise.

Also, this month members completed place-mats, a Good Turn for Meals-on-Wheels. Complementary colours were chosen to weave into brown backgrounds. Each Brownie completed one place-mat.



**LINDA KEMP**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Kemp, Guelph, and Peter Drexler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Drexler, Rockwood, were married in St. Peter's church in Oustic on September 3. They are now living in Guelph. Wm. Stuckey Photo

**Reforms suspect**

The Nassagaweya Area Ratepayers Association executive met at the home of Phil Walker, Thursday, Oct. 21.

Joe Vassallo was appointed to the executive to take the place of Mrs. Carolyn Andrews, who has now left the area.

Mr. Vassallo and the N.A.R.A. executive discussed Budget Paper 'E', entitled "The Reform of Property Taxation in Ontario".

The executive said they found the proposals very suspect, due to several unclear items. President Bill Johnson saw the tax reforms as an extension of Provincial Treasurer Darcy McKeough's much publicized end of the so-called free ride for rural people.

This subject will be the topic of a Milton council meeting to be announced soon.

N.A.R.A. executive is making an appeal to both rural and urbanites to attend this meeting. They said the new proposals as written could be disastrous for both rural and urban dwellers.

N.A.R.A. will be holding a public meeting soon after the council meeting to debate the matter further.

**Maplehurst escapee escapes from Hull jail**

Maplehurst escapee Robert Harvey of Montreal has done it again.

Harvey was due to be arraigned in provincial court in Milton last week for an "escaping lawful custody" charge arising from his spectacular escape from the provincial correctional centre in Milton last June - but he didn't come to court.

The 17-year-old has fled a Hull, Quebec prison, Assistant Halton Crown Attorney Fred Forsyth told Judge Douglas Latimer. He was there awaiting other charges when he escaped for the second time in four months.



This is an answer to my learned colleague's question in the column Sports Pulse a couple of weeks ago - "Who owns the Fairy Lake Ducks?"

Never has a controversy stirred up Acton like the Fairy Lake ducks. At least, not as long as I've been around. It's delightful to see people with some real values, at last.

Everyone's fed up with the ducks, except the children, of course - and the other ducks. To feed or not to feed. To house or not to house. To own or not to own.

**What do we do with the Fairy Lake ducks?**  
**Ducks need committee**

To me there's a very simple solution to this enormous problem. We citizens of Acton made our decision a long time ago when we started to feed the ducks and changed their way of life. Most residents still feel the ducks should be fed and cared for. Good. Let those interested citizens form a committee and build a bird sanctuary.

Some enthusiastic fund raising should produce enough money to protect, feed and house the birds then Acton will have its very own wildlife sanctuary paid for by those people who are so concerned.

**Up with ducks**  
The ducks are not the responsibility of the Town and certainly not of the Credit Valley Conservation Authority. They are our ducks. They have chosen to live in a friendly area where sympathetic people care for them. I think that's great.

In this day and age of dehumanization, regional government and computerization, to know that the people of Acton care enough about a couple of hundred ducks to get all steamed up about them is fantastic.

They're our ducks - let's look after them. Come on, citizens unite! Up with ducks! Who will organize a private citizens duck committee and let the poor old Town, CVCA, and Harold Townsley alone?

**Two will not run**

Two Erin township councillors have decided not to seek re-election come December 6.

Jack Marshall and Tom Ormesher are both moving out of the area. Mr. Marshall to continue farming in West Garafraxa and Mr. Ormesher to operate his new automobile agency in Aurora.

Both men urge township residents to seek nomination for what they consider a most broadening and informative experience in public service.

Mr. Ormesher pointed out that a healthy balance of representation on the council is necessary. "We have a blend of agricultural, local business people, estate owners and small-holding commuters. The needs of all must be served without favoritism to any one group."

"Reeve Matheson and his farming colleagues are fair-minded people, but non-farming residents should have representation of their own on council."

Mr. Marshall is a full-time farmer on the Third Line. Before he started to work the 130 acres full time, he was with Imperial Tobacco in Guelph for 16 years. He has, at present, 80 herd of beef cattle in a cow-calf operation and 130 sows which provide a weaner-pig business.

**Three cattle**

The killing of three beef cattle in Eramosa township recently is believed to be the result of a dispute between two neighbors, says Guelph Ontario Provincial Police.

The animals had been chased and injured by a jeep on the farm of Ladislav Kristof at R. R. 3, Rockwood. The three animals had to be destroyed, police say.

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