

## Scout and Guide news

by Mark Rowe

As part of their Winter Scouting badge, six Scouts went on a short hike on Saturday. Mark Rowe took Scouts Jim McVeigh, Darren Gillis, Rickey Leclair, Norman Harris, Calvin Robinson and Blake Norton to the Sixth Line Nassagaweya by way of the radial line.

When they reached a former campsite near Blue Springs Scout Reserve, they built fires and cooked a lunch. After lunch they played games and practiced snowshoeing before returning to the Scout Hall.

This was Norman Harris' first Scouting activity since his investiture into the troop Thursday evening. Norman is in the Voyageur patrol.

**Winter camp**  
The first Acton Scouts will be holding a winter training camp this weekend with the first Georgetown troop. They will be camping under canvas at the C. W. Barber Memorial Scout Camp on Stone Road in Guelph. The camp is situated on the Speed River and is owned by the Wellington district Scout Association. Permission forms and fees must be returned on Thursday (tomorrow).

January's Scout and Guide mothers will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 25 at the Scout Hall. The mother of any registered member of Scouts Canada or the Girl Guides of Canada is a member, so please come out

and find out what's being done for your child.

Tickets are now on sale for a draw to be held on February 22, the birthday of both the Lord and Lady Baden-Powell. First prize is a beautiful Onion soup pot with six bowls. Second prize is a ceramic coffee pot with cream and sugar bowl and third prize is a Raggedy Ann doll sewn by Pat Garton. The first and second prizes were donated by Mr. and Mrs. Henry of White Oaks Ceramics in Milton. All proceeds from the draw will be used to send Scouts to the 1977 Canadian Jamboree in Prince Edward Island this summer.

Another way to support the Jamboree fund and enjoy it, is to attend a Jamboree dance on February 4. The dance will be held at Norval's posh Riviera Club. The Mystics will be playing. Tickets can be obtained from Don McDonald in Acton. Be sure to reserve your tickets now, as they sell quickly.

Every two years, Mississauga Boy Scouts put on a stage show based on Ralph Heders great gang shows from England. This year the Acton Scout Association will be well represented at the fantastic show. Tickets for 56 Cubs, Scouts and Ventures as well as 41 adults have been ordered. We will be bussed to the March 10 show. Please send the money for your tickets, to your Scouter as soon as possible.



COLLEEN NOWLAN, 6, is new to Robert Little, but she joins right in on the fun, sliding down the ice covered hill with the rest of the kids at lunchtime on Tuesday.

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## Robert Little News

By Sharon Bendicks

For the second week of the new year things have not been very busy except for normal routine and extra curricular activities.

Most intermediate students have been preparing speeches for Robert Little Public Speaking Contest. The finals will be held on February 7, and parents are welcome to attend.

**Caution**  
The teachers are concerned about the number of students not crossing at corners or using the help of the crossing guards. They hope that parents will remind their children of the need for caution.

As the anti-smoking campaign progresses posters are being made for the anti-smoking campaign. Prizes

will be awarded to each grade 6, 7 and 8 student making the best poster.

**Basketball**  
The Robert Little girls' basketball team opened their season last Wednesday with a game against a strong Central team. The girls showed good form and played well although they lost 33-19.

Top scorer for Robert Little was Nancy Wong with nine points. Michele Jones also played an outstanding game.

This week the girls' team will journey to Fairview for a game on Tuesday and to Georgetown on Wednesday for an exhibition game against Holy Cross. Saturday they will participate in the Red and White Tournament at the Acton High School.

## Hinton, Long sit on finance and salary

Halton Hills residents will have a voice on both Halton Board of Education committees which deal with large amounts of money.

Georgetown trustee Don Long is slated to sit on the salary negotiations committee while Acton and Esqueping trustee Bert Hinton will sit on the finance committee, which brings in the budget.

Milton's Ivan Armstrong will sit on the committee which handles wage settlements with all employees who aren't teachers.

Besides the salary committee Long will sit on the Early School Leaving, the teacher absenteeism and on the joint Staff-Board Relations committee. He will also serve as the board's spokesman on the Halton Region Planning Committee.

In addition to being a member of the finance committee, Hinton will sit on the French Language Advisory committee, the committee looking into increasing Teacher Absenteeism, and the Community Schools Administration committee.

Halton Hills and Milton separate school supporter's representative John Bradley will sit on the teacher absenteeism committee, the joint Human Resources committee and the joint Educational Development and Leave committee.

Besides sitting on the Personnel Relations, Non-Teaching committee, Armstrong will also sit on the Trainable Retarded Children advisory committee and the joint staff-board relations committee.

Milton trustee Bill Lawson is the co-chairman of the joint staff-board relations committee and will also sit on the teacher absenteeism committee and the new Remedial Assistance committee which will look into why more and more students need special help. Lawson was instrumental in having this new committee formed.

Board chairman Rev. Garry Morton will sit on only one committee, the Director's Performance review committee. Jim Clelland, Bill Herd and Judy Alexander, Oakville, and Noel Cooper, Burlington, join Morton on the committee.

Oakville trustee Len Auger and Elaine Riehm, Burlington, will join Hinton on the French language advisory committee.

Clelland and Burlington trustee Florence Meares will sit with Armstrong on the trainable retarded children advisory committee.

Len Crosier, Oakville and Cam Jackson, Burlington, along with Long form the early school leaving committee.

Board vice-chairman Cooper will chair the finance committee and Auger, Crosier, Mrs. Riehm, Edna Robinson, Burlington, and Elsie Hinton, Oakville, join Hinton as members of the committee.

Herd will chair the salary negotiation committee with Fred Armitage, and Bill Priestner, Burlington, Clelland, and Mrs. Alexander sitting on the committee along with Long.

Auger will chair the personnel relations, non-teaching committee, on which Dr. Helen Howard-Lock and Jackson, Burlington, sit, in addition to Armstrong.

Besides Hinton, Lawson and Bradley, Miss Meares, Armitage and Priestner will sit on the teacher absenteeism committee. Priestner is chairman.

Mrs. Riehm and Jackson join Lawson on the remedial assistance investigation committee.

Mrs. Alexander will be on the joint teacher evaluation task force and armitage is the trustees' representative on the joint expectations for positions of responsibility committee.

Herd will join Bradley on the educational development and leave committee and Miss Meares and Miss Robinson will sit with Bradley on the joint human resources committee.

Besides Lawson, Armstrong and Long, Mrs. Hinton, Mrs. Riehm and Dr. Howard-Lock will sit on the joint staff-board committee.

Cooper, Priestner and Dr. Howard-Lock will sit on the joint related experience committee.

Crosier and Jackson have been appointed to the Halton Home and School council and Clelland to the Halton Conservation Authority.

Mrs. Hinton is the board's representative on the Halton Safety Council while Miss Meares will sit on the Youth Services for Halton Region council.

Hinton will be joined by Crosier and Priestner on the community school administration committee and Miss Robinson and Dr. Howard-Lock will sit on the health services committee.

The board is slated to give final approval to the appointments and membership on committees this Thursday.

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## Acton high notes

by Jennifer Rowe

Only one busy week left until the end of this semester at which time there will be a three day turn-around holiday. The new semester will begin on Tuesday, February 1.

Last week turned out to be a short one for students because of the snow storm. On Monday the school was closed, and on Tuesday the buses didn't run so students from out of town could not attend.

Throughout this semester the English department has had a few Canadian poets in the school to speak to some of the English classes about their careers. The latest speakers were dramatist, poet and writer Marty Gervais and on Friday, Tim Inkster visited the school to talk about his career as a printer and poet.

### Rates up for dog control

The Finance Administration committee of Halton Hills Council accepted the recommendation of the 1976 council to amend the agreement with George Herrington to raise rates to 89 cents per capita in 1977 and 93 cents per capita in 1978 for dog control in the entire town. The previous rate was 84 cents per capita.

Mr. Herrington was at Monday's meeting to hear the recommendation approved, and recommended for the new council.

Last Wednesday students and staff were entertained by a theatre group known as "The Theatre Hour Company". They performed a series of five mini-plays based on the philosophy of the 1960's. After the performance, the actors came out for a question and answer period. The plays were enjoyed by all.

Last week was "No Smoking Week" at Acton High. A series of films on smoking and its effects, were shown during lunch hours for interested students. Literature was also available on smoking and ways to quit. On Friday, Dr. Rolles from the Cancer Research Department at McMaster University was at the high school to speak to students about cancer and cigarette smoking. This week-long activity was planned by the Student Association. The idea was not to force or scare people to give up smoking but to help those that wish to quit. If only one person decides to "kick the habit" then the project was worthwhile. "Don't Smoke - Join the Majority!"

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