

Campbellville dog wins championship

A Siberian Husky belonging to Carol Broadhurst of R.R. 1, Campbellville is the only international champion of her breed in Canada.

Kortar Kahala of Kortar Kennels earned that honor last November at an international dog show in Mexico. At the same time she received her Mexican championship. She had won her Canadian title previously.

To win the international championship, the dog must win four shows in a row. This was the first time Kahala had attempted her international, and achieved it, being the first female to ever do it first try. Mrs. Broadhurst said very few huskies in the world have attained this champion-

ship—maybe two in the United States and two in Mexico. Coincidentally Kahala means Canada in Russian.

Judges from Mexico, England, Canada and U.S.A. counted up points for movement, confirmation of body faults and temperament. Kahala outshone everyone.

Her half brother Kortar Kesu took the best of breed at the same show. He was close to getting his international championship, but came down with an illness and had to be withdrawn.

Norman House of Mississauga was the dogs' handler while in Mexico.



KORTAR KAHALA, a Siberian Husky from R.R. 1, Campbellville won her international championship in Mexico. She is the only dog of her breed in Canada to receive these honors. Kahala is owned by Mrs. Carol Broadhurst of Kortar Kennels. Judge Hans Brunnotte, of Castor Centre, Ontario, a Mexican handler, and Norman House of Mississauga, Kahala's handler shared the limelight with the champion.

Erin's \$5,000 hockey game

A \$5,000 hockey game will be featured as one of the events in the opening of the Erin arena Friday, February 24. The game pits a team composed of the community centre board, council and others against the general

contractors team. Festivities for the opening of the \$725,000 building start at 6:30 p.m. with a parents and tots skate.

Other activities include an opening ceremony at 7:30 and public skating.

French Immersion discussed

Following are comments by George Day, Eramosa township trustee for the Wellington County Board of Education, at an Education meeting in February:

I wish to commend the Principals' and Vice-Principals' Association for their report on Alternate French Programs. It is extremely important to this board that we continue to receive input and advice from our administrators in the field.

During all discussions on Alternate French programs, there is almost no reference to the present French immersion program. Personally, I have never seen so much enthusiasm from parents with children in French immersion as in this case and I agree that the program appears to be successful.

Nevertheless, is it the wish

of this board that a small percentage of our students in the elementary schools should receive a "Cadillac" program in French instruction to the detriment of the remaining approximately ninety per cent?

In this period of restraints when grants are not being increased sufficiently in relation to our increased costs of education, we cannot afford to maintain an immersion program as well as give to the remainder of our students a taste of the French language and culture.

Ever since the inception of French immersion in 1974, this board has been 'spoiled' in receiving information on the economic factors of the immersion program in future years. Our former director indicated time and time again that the immersion program would cost a great deal to the taxpayer. However, under

the present administration reports have given us a better picture of the situation.

We are committed to the French Immersion program to grade 6. This program will be the cause of concern to this board after the grade 6 deadline—in organization, accommodation, and economically. Indeed we will be faced with this problem right through to grade 13.

It is my feeling that we should now face the situation squarely by phasing out French Immersion and substituting a program—indeed not so sophisticated—but available to all students. Proponents of French Immersion state that this program has been available. That is not the case since the number of students entering immersion has been restricted to approximately 190.

Many parents are reluctant to send their five-year-old

child several miles away from their home school environment to a French immersion class. I have always been concerned about this segregation. This type of program will tend to separate us rather than unite.

I would favor a core program at the grade six level and if successful it could be made available to grade 5 and downward. Indeed, I really feel that a student can become fluent in the second language by having French instruction available in grade 6 and up. This would give the student 8 years of French instruction. I feel that better results will be realized if the motivation comes from the student.

If we are to instill in our students an appreciation of our second language, then all students should be exposed to some instruction in that language.

Will plan for playing fields

The Eramosa Township Recreation Committee held its monthly meeting February 14. At this time Doug Gamsky, engineering consultant from Gamsky-Mannerlow Ltd., was given the go ahead to draw up plans, for the Rockmosa Park playing fields.

After lengthy discussion it was decided that a regulation size soccer field, a regulation size baseball diamond and a smaller practice ball diamond will be developed on the land available at the site. The plans will be ready by April 1, so that it will be known where the fill from spring highway construction should be dumped.

Committee member Lorraine Root reported that recreation facilities running currently in the village are badminton Tuesdays and volleyball Thursday evenings at the Rockwood school. The night school craft program is slated to begin March 13. Registration is Wednesday, March 1, 7:30-9:45 p.m. at Rockwood Centennial School.

Village resident Maria Reid has agreed to be the chairperson of Pioneer Day. Future plans of the committee will be the development of ideas for this event.

The committee is in the process of compiling a Municipal Recreation Directory, to be available to township residents.

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Recommend approval of eight lots

At a special meeting of the Rockwood Village Trustees on January 27, according to the minutes of that meeting, a resolution was passed that a letter should be sent to Eramosa Township Council, copy to the Planning Board that the Board of Trustees recommended approval on eight lots on Queen St. for Mr. Scharf. This would be subject

to water and sewer services being operational and to Queen St. being opened and serviced. These lots should be regarded as "in filling" category.

Mr. Scarf had earlier addressed the meeting explaining that he had purchased this property, 38 acres in March 1973. The land was zoned residential at the time of purchase and he was informed by the Township Clerk that water and sewers was a possibility, and that a plan of subdivision would have to be approved. At that time a double lot 132 by 132 feet was mandatory.

Mr. Scarf said that he felt as a Rockwood taxpayer that the village should keep control of development and avoid

large subdivision plans. He stated that in his own case he planned to proceed very slowly as the market for housing was not good and his current plan called for only eight lots. Mr. Scarf stated that he felt entitled to ask for 15 lots, eight at once and referred to the Ontario Municipal Board hearing report concerning the re-zoning of his property to agricultural. He

said that this O.M.B. report stated his entitlement to build.

In reply to questions from the trustees, Mr. Scarf stated that he would request official approval for eight lots in the east side of Queen St., north from Jackson, and that the next block might be in five to six years. The total on a long term basis was 119 lots.

CVCA OKs \$3-million for its 1978 budget

The Credit Valley Conservation Authority (CVCA) approved a \$3-million budget during its inaugural meeting in the Peel Region offices Thursday.

"We're gonna be short of money, but we've a lot to do," CVCA chairman Grant Clarkson told the gathering.

The total budget figure hits \$3,381,130 for this year. Last year's figure was \$2,153,394. The CVCA agreed to look into a suggestion by member Les Duby, of Acton, concerning a special meeting of the authority and Halton Hills council to discuss the draft report about Metcalfe Ravine and the paper Mill Dam.

The CVCA will also check into an Ontario Municipal Board ruling which ap-

parently covers adequate compensation for the freezing of hazard lands.

Chairman Clarkson's comments indicate the CVCA will switch its stress from acquiring lakeshore properties to buying the headwaters. "I think we've done all the buying we can on the lakeshore", Clarkson said.

Alex Raeburn, of Caledon, said the authority is fast approaching the time when it can't buy the headwaters. The authority also accepted without approving the CVCA annual report for last year. The 47-page document will be considered for approval later.

A. G. Clarkson was re-appointed as Chairman by the Province of Ontario for 1978.

The Executive Committee will be composed of the following: Authority Chairman, A. G. Clarkson, Mississauga; Vice-Chairman, Howard Stewart, Brampton; Water Management Advisory Board Chairman, Ken Whillans, Brampton; Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Chairman, Frank Leavers, Mississauga; Information and Education Advisory Board Chairman, Robert Harrison, Provincial Appointee; Reforestation, Land Use and Wildlife Advisory Board Chairman, Harold Darrough, Orangeville; Historical Records Advisory Board Chairman, Henry Wheeler, Erin Township.

These seven members comprise the Executive Committee. The Vice-Chairman in order are: Harold Kennedy, Mississauga; Gail Malby, Provincial Appointee, Halton Hills; James Dods, Orangeville; Charles Bryan, Amaranth Township and Evelyn O'Sullivan, Erin Village.



HALTON AND ERIN VILLAGE representatives at the Credit Valley Conservation Authority inaugural meeting at Brampton Thursday included Gail Malby of Acton, seated on the left, and Elizabeth O'Sullivan of Erin. Standing at the left is Larry Mannell and Les Duby. Also at the meeting was Erin Township's Henry Wheeler.

Hinton has school buyer

Acton-Esqueing school board trustee Bert Hinton disclosed he has a buyer in mind if the school board sells the Speyside school.

"I've almost got a buyer for

Speyside, anytime they want to close it", he told a meeting of Limehouse parents Monday. The parents are concerned about the future of Limehouse school.

Limehouse school

Twinning plan upsets parents

Parents of children attending Limehouse school expressed fears the Halton Board of Education plans to close their school. The board is taking steps to keep the school open, a board official told a meeting in Limehouse Memorial Hall Monday night.

A six-member committee formed to ask the board to postpone its consideration to combine the administration of the Limehouse school with Joseph Gibbons Public School in Georgetown. The proposal, called twinning, was to be decided upon at a board meeting on March 9.

Esqueing and Acton board trustee Bert Hinton will also ask the board to defer its decision. Twinning has previously been considered for Speyside School and Robert Little Public School at Acton.

The overall effect is greater, he said.

Under the twinning proposal, which was suggested by the board's administration, a full time principal would be stationed in Joseph Gibbons school. The principal would be responsible for the Georgetown and Limehouse schools. A vice-principal, with part-time teaching responsibilities, would be in Limehouse, according to a Limehouse school newsletter.

No busing of school children is involved area superintendent Heaver said. Heaver said he nearly fell from his chair when Limehouse parents wanted to know if twinning involved busing kindergarten or Grade 6 children to Joseph Gibbons. Limehouse school has grades kindergarten to six. It also has a full time principal, Ron Beckett, who was also at the meeting.

Talk of moving kindergarten and grade six from Limehouse is news to me, Beckett told the meeting. Heaver maintained the

busing of children from Limehouse is not in the twinning proposal.

Twinning of the school is an attempt to preserve it, Heaver said.

Limehouse school has 196 children this year. Next fall's enrolment is anticipated to be 178, the principal said. Two years from now the number will dip to 162, according to Beckett.

After the turn of the decade the population is expected to increase slightly with more children coming in Beckett said.

Feelings in the audience to the twinning proposal varied from the cautious optimism of the parents' committee chairman, David Mullins, to pessimism of parent Marie Brown.

Mullins said the committee will gather information and generally explore the possibilities. The board of education's attitude is "Damn the parents and damn the kids," Mrs. Brown said. She said she thinks the Limehouse school will close just as the Norval

school did a few years ago. The proposal came, to close the Norval school, and it started with twinning, Mrs. Brown said.

Another Mrs. Brown, Debbie Brown from Ballinacree, got applause a chorus of "Yeas" when she asked Heaver to bring the kids from Stewarttown School to Limehouse. "You're talking about closing down our principal. That's the same as closing down our school," Mrs. Brown said.

Grades 7 and 8 are bused from Limehouse to Stewarttown middle school.

"The money doesn't matter a damn. Our taxes aren't gonna change. What's gonna happen to my kid. Will she be bused," a woman asked Heaver.

"As far as youngsters are concerned I don't think it'll mean much difference," Heaver replied. "We can only go by Norval and I think that's what we're afraid of," another woman said.

Zoning topic for council

by B. Wynneck

The Rockwood Village Trustees held a special meeting on January 31 and at that time three recommendations regarding future planning were passed along at the Eramosa Township Council.

It was decided that a meeting be arranged with Rockwood Board of Trustees, the Township Council and the Guelph and Suburban Planning Board for the purpose of determining groundwork and direction of secondary planning for the Village of Rockwood.

There was a recommendation that a zone change from five to three should be made in the new zoning by-law.

Zone five is Industrial land area and Zone three is Commercial land area. This would affect roughly the area of Northern Stag Industry, the land on either side of the C.N.R. tracks in and around the Station St. pumphouse, embracing the Meadows Family Campground. This land area would change from its present industrial to commercial zoning.

The trustee also recommended that no other re-zoning of any property within the village limits be allowed for the immediate future. The concern here is the re-zoning of land presently in an agricultural category to a residential category.

Rockwood bowling

Rockwood Bowling League TEAM STANDINGS: Nortons 55, Pelters 55, Optimists 53, Kay's Feeds 52, Four Corners 51, Happy Gang 51, Countrymen 51, Rovers 50, Guelphites 46, Dynamites 43, Pimpals 40, Carneys 39.

Results of games bowled Tues., Feb. 14. Nortons 4 points, Ivy Ritchie 550, Alice Johnson 520; Happy Gang 3 points, Dick Stokman 583, Angle Stokman 534.

Kay's Feeds 5 points, John Polo 542, Elmer Allan 530; Dynamites 2 points, Greg Dales 543, Jim Dales 526. Optimists 5 points, Mabel Wingrove 516, Gerry Birkholz 494; Pelters 2 point, Joy Halliburton 613, Erke Van Driel 546.

Guelphites 5 points, Ted Jestin (spare) 625, Dunc McPhedran 601; Carneys 2

points, Doug Carney 569, Howard Dunk 569.

Pimpals 5 points, Danny Bolton 529, Wayne Nightingale 467; Rovers 2 points, Dunc Kingsbury (spare) 592, Vivienne O'Brien 450.

Four Corners 5 points, Ann Parkinson 685, Nellie Stokman 621; Countrymen 2 points, Peter Bosch 586, Eva Bosch 527.

Men over 600: Ted Jestin (spare) 625, Dunc McPhedran 601.

Women over 500: Ann Parkinson 685, Nellie Stokman 621, Joy Halliburton 613, Ivy Ritchie 550, Erke Van Driel 546, Angle Stokman (spare) 534, Linda Wilson 530, Eva Bosch 527, Allee Johnson 520, Mary Ann Stokman (spare) 519, Mabel Wingrove 516, Marg McKersie 515.

Former mayor is robbed

A revolver totting masked man who also wore a balaclava robbed and tied up former Burlington mayor

George Harrington last week. Harrington was robbed at gun-point as he tallied up morning cash receipts in his office.

Milton fire dept. report

Milton Firefighters responded to 248 calls last year, nearly twice as many as in 1976. Fire damage in Milton and area amounted to \$788,793, an increase of more than \$350,000 from the previous year.

Rocking Horse will provide the music for the March 11, March of Dimes Dance at the Rockmosa Community Centre. All proceeds to the March of Dimes Ability Fund. Price is \$8 per couple. All tickets must be purchased in advance by calling Julie Brace at 856-4769 after 6 p.m.

The Rockwood Cubs and Scouts are raising money for camping gear by holding a bean supper, Friday, March 10, 5 to 8 p.m. at the Town Hall. Price is \$1 per plate and everyone is welcome.

World Day of Prayer will be held March 3, 7:30 p.m. at the Rockwood Presbyterian



MARJORIE GRIFFENHAM was recently enrolled as Grey Owl of the Second Rockwood Brownie Pack. Shown left to right are: Janet Cunningham, Brown Owl, Mrs. Petrie, Acting-District Commissioner and Mrs. Griffenham.