## Acton, Esquesing residents are left off list of Jubilee medals

wondering if Premier the recipients in the munici-William Davis is considering pality. The only problem is scrapping regional government here after receiving an odd letter from him about the Queen's Silver Jubilee Medal winners in the town. Some thought Davis believes

people received the medal the list.

the list isn't complete. The people on the list either live in Georgetown or else have an RR Georgetown address.

Councillors came up with Georgetown alone is Halton names of several medal recipients who live in Acton

Mayor Tom Hill said it is in Esquesing or Acton but George Leslie, Nick Lorito, obviously a mistake by the aren't listed. There may be (Davis' chauffeur), Donald Premier's office and if there more from wards one and two isn't another letter soon. regarding the rest of the weren't included on the list of Millon, Ric Morrow, (Halton winners in Halton Hills he will contact Davis' office for a

Georgetown and area Nieuwhof, recipients of the medal ac-Councillors came up with cording to the Premier's (Minister of Transportation the names of Edith Hilfman, office are as follows: David Davis' letter noted 30,000 or Esquesing and weren't on Mick Holmes and Dr. Frank Capperauld, Colin Cousens, Oakes, Blake Inglis who live Brian Farrell, Mike Furlong,

Halton Hill recipients.

who received the medal but regional chairman), Mar-Thomas

MacKillop, Neil MacKinnon, Garfield McGilvray, Marilyn garet Mottershead, Connie Ramautarsingh, James Snow Dorothy Stone and Marshall

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# Record-breaking fair until Sunday's rain

We were heading for the best fair Acton ever had, president Brent Marshall says.

But what changed that picture was Sunday's day long downpour which caused the cancellation of two horse shows, saddle horse classes, Western horses, tractor pull, beer garden, waterball contest, and the dairy cattle show.

However Friday and Saturday were recordbreaking days for the 65th annual production and the fair executive was delighted with them. Entries were up throughout all the departments and attendance was better or as good as the very best previous years.

was a great success and debate, classes were can-Saturday every corner of the celled at 11 a.m. grounds was filled with For the safety of animals happy people.

at 6 a.m. Then the rains came.

The Friday night program After much concern and

organized activity and with and riders, as well as to Sunday dawned bright and to the grounds, horse and entries of horses and cattle cattle shows could not go on. began arriving at the grounds And the entries had been high.

prevent the excessive damage "It would have been a

members.

yet. Rides for small children time. were disappointing, for in-

terrific show," said president Marshall mournfully.

The pet show was cancelled, but so many entries showed in classes, since the fair lasts the rain that it was speedily three days. They are no longer staged anyway. The fashion able to sell their goods, and so Friday. Some of the most outshow was held in the arena. the hall exhibits were easily

The admission charge at the part of the day's activities.

the Friday entertainment, the weekend. Newcomers, which appealed to all ages. The Miss Acton competition had "just the right number of entries" and he echoed the opinion of many veteran fair goers "they were of the ladies' board. the prettiest ever."

Jack Pemberton, president of the Royal Winter Fair who lives part-time in Esquesing, officially opened the fair.

Julian Reed M.P.P. and his daughter Melanie led the Friday crowd in the singing of O Canada "which just about raised the roof," according to one of the accompanying band

played a concert before the Fashions. entertainment portion of the program Friday.

joyed by hundreds who lined the streets. There were fewer floats and entries than some years, but there was plenty of music and color amidst the narching feet.

up this year, and hall entries

also showed a good increase.

Some of the area cooks are unwilling to enter the baking make less money that way. However, the space allotted

viewed and the midway rides to exhibits in the hall was jammed.

gate Sunday was eliminated town came to Acton since imaginative baby quilt citing because of the cancellation of Brampton arena was condemned, and the fair classes Mr. Marshall said most could not be held there. people seemed pleased with Brampton fair was the same The hall was changed and

> presented a roomier appearance. Bill Thompson was in charge of the hall with Carmela Cobham, president

changed to Saturday at 6 p.m. in the arena and there were so many enttries-03 of them-it ran till 10.15 p.m. Despite that, the crowd was large and comments most favorable.

Attendance at Sunday afternoon's fashion show was obviously down because of the bad weather. It was a wellorganized show of most at-Acton citizens' Band also tractive clothing from Gayna evening thoroughly.

The midway operators are official said this in fact was in group, like many others, happy with Acton fairs and its line with the limits agreed to, appreciates how well the arrangements, but the fair and more in line with needs. Acton fair is organized. They wasn't completely happy with The booths did very well on had intended to give a the midway and haven't the first two days. The Ven- demonstration on the grounds settled financially with them turers had a booth for the first on Sunday afternoon. They

> very pleased with the cooperation of the regional police. Off-duty policemen were hired to patrol the tent and the dance.

Entries in livestock were all cancelled Sunday, and the pet show took over the area.

that was the Ali-Spinks fight Friday night. Organizers were

The homecrafts department was so packed the judge worked from noon until 6 p.m. standing exhibits will be going to the district show of the Aricultural Societies, including the prize-winning Y's Some entries from out-of- Menettes display and an the babe's name, birth date and weight on articles of baby wear on a clothes line

The baby show also recorded the highest number of entries ever.

The horse pull attracted a surprising 20 teams which fair organizers called "super."

Fair officials were very satisfied with the use of the The fiddlers contest was Sabres hockey team as security personnel Sabres manned the gates, looked after parking and stayed overnight on the grounds. This was a first, arranged by Bill Yundt's committee.

The fair dance, moved from the arena to the curling club was very successful. D.J. Wright played and the large, friendly group enjoyed the

The impressive Carlsberg Although there were fewer team would like to come back, food booths this year, fair Mr. Marshall reports. This were also a parade highlight.

The beer tent in park was The distribution of the fair stance. The midway was able run by a fair committee book with the Free Press, to run Sunday despite the headed by Hans Keuschler, putting it in almost every The fight in the beer tent drew home in the area, is credited The noon parade was en- a lot of spectators .t. and with putting up entries and interest this year.

Other types of advertising also paid off. A man who saw the banner across Mill St. a week ago returned Saturday This part of the fair was to see the show. He turned out to be the winner the Rotary beef draw.

## Town delays buying two used Zambonis

SEE THEM, but they're

there-tears of happiness streaming down the

face of Miss Acton Fall Fair 1978 Victoria

Lenizky. She is flanked by: first runnerup Kim

Ottaway; Cathy Upton, finalist; last year's

The town is going to hold off resurfacing from Double Rinks Arena for Acton and Memorial Georgetown Arenas for at least a week. Recreation director Glen

YOU CAN'T

Gray came to Halton Hills council Monday with a request he was allowed to buy the two machines from Double Rinks, at Highway 7 and Jane, for \$18,000.

He said the two used machines are needed at the Acton rink and Georgetown Memorial Arena because the one used in Acton needs \$6,500 in repairs and after that both machines will need about \$3,000 in maintenance and repairs to get them through the winter because of their

Gray noted his department has been planning to buy two new Zambonis between 1979 and 1981 at an estimated cost of \$46,000.

Councillor Pat Patterson said he was opposed to buying used equipment adding since new machine purchases are planned for the next three years they should be made. He also complained the town looks only at Zambonis

for ice resurfacing and while that brand was the standard at one time there are several cheaper makes which are just as good on the market today. Councillor Mike Armstrong also objected since the town

has a budget and must live within it or else start looking at all departments spending over their budget. He noted Double Rinks uses its machines year round and the used machines might not be a bargain considering the heavy use they've received.

The subject shouldn't even be at council without going to finance-administration committee first Councillor Russ Miller declared. After a lot more debate council did refer the subject to next Monday's committee meeting.

Gray told council all three rink managers had examined the machines and driven them. He admitted buying them is a gamble but his department expects they can get up to eight years out of each of the used Zumbonis. Gray said each machine is being sold for \$9,500 or \$18,000 for the pair.

Councillor Pat McKenzie observed the machine in Acton was bought used and while it is in bad shape now the town did get 15 years out

McKenzle warned if the lot more money than the price reason the item went to buying two used Zambonis town holds off buying another of one used machine. machine for Acton it could

Clerk-administrator Ken end up costing Halton Hills a Richardson said the only

the next day.

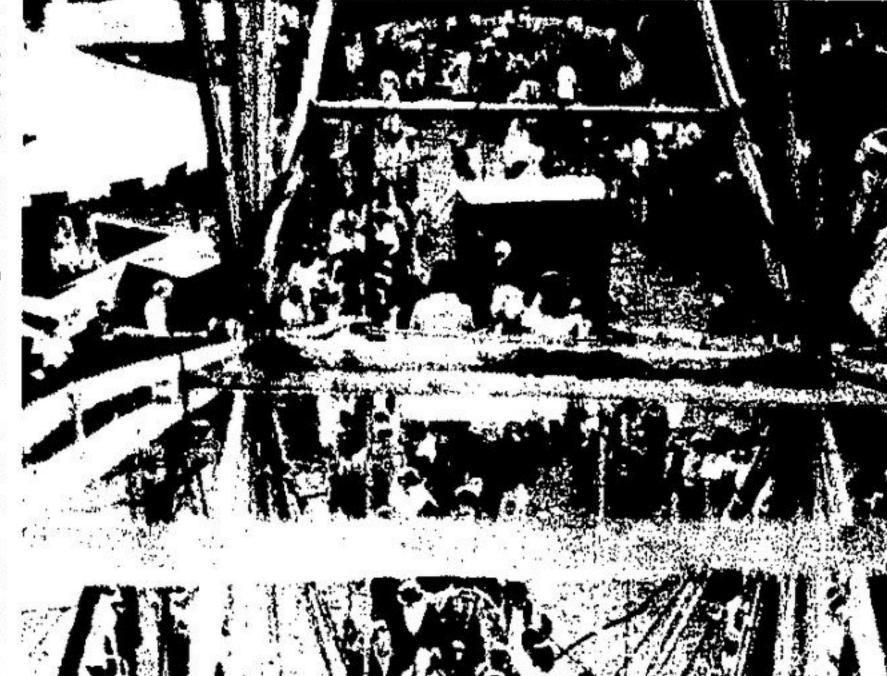
winner, Susan Thibodeau; contestant Cindy

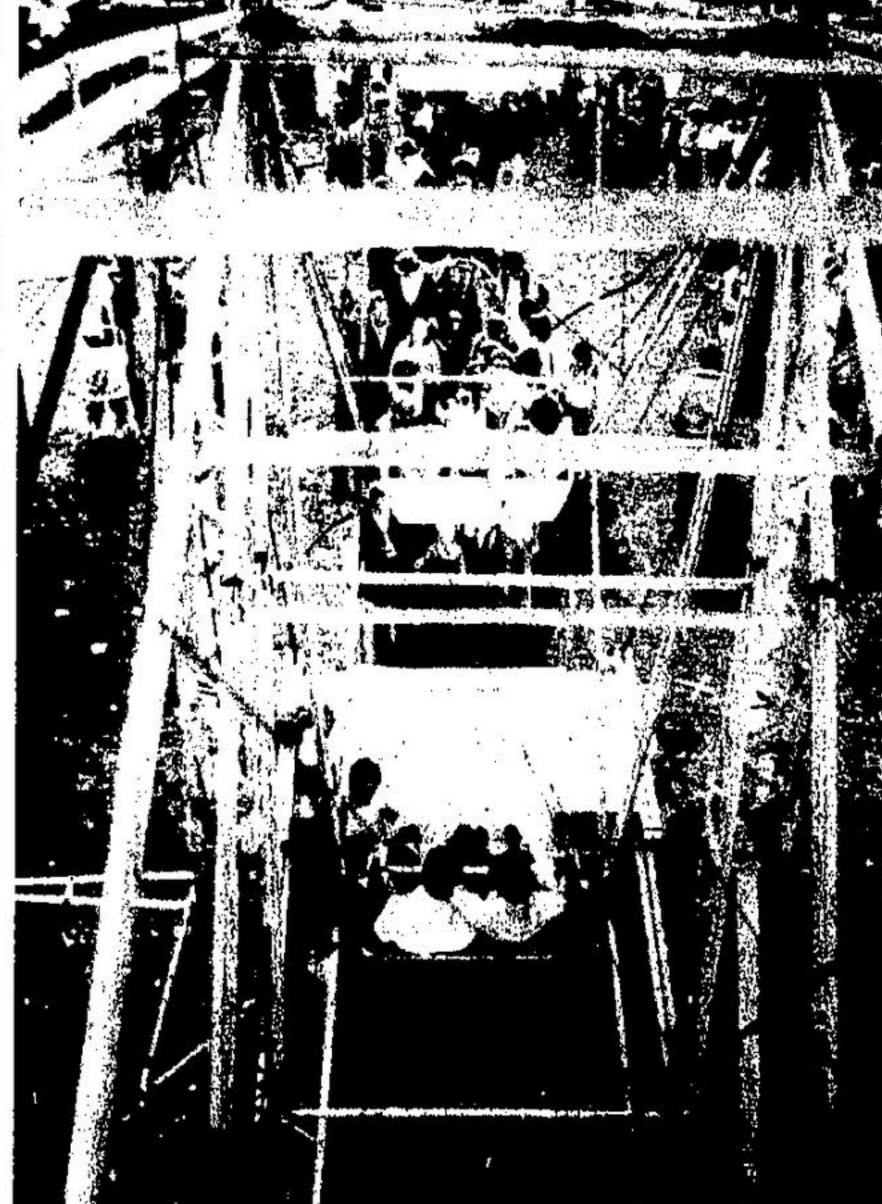
Johnston; and second runner-up Dorri Russiani.

The victory was a pleasant surprise for Vic-

toria's grandmother who flew in from Vancouver

council instead of committee was because the town must (Continued on Page 3)





UP AND DOWN AND round and round ferris wheel riders went during Saturday afternoon's fine weather at the fair. Customers stood in line for several minutes for the ride, plus a clear overall view of the fairgrounds.

### Town signs changed still some complaints The great Highway 401 read Halton Hills, George- However Snow took the signing of the town dispute town, Oakville, and the sign problem a step further an-

Halton Hills has been trying to get signs placed on 401 fact this is an amalgamated town with two urban areas and while the province has changed the signs several times the Ministry of Transportation and Communications still hasn't got it

In July the town wrote again to Queen's Park asking for sign changes because councillors say people keep getting lost coming to Georgetown and Acton. Halton Hills resident and

Minister of Transportation and Communications Jim Snow wrote the town .this week stating the signs at Trafalgar Road will soon

at Highway 25 will read nouncing approach signs Milton, Halton Hills, Acton, before the two exi ts which That's just fine Halton Hills say Halton Hills formerly since 1974 which reflect the councillors decided Monday.

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Waterball Sunday

The waterball contest is on again! Rained out Sunday, it has been rescheduled for this Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m. at the park. There will be no charge to watch this fun event. "Call it a preview of next year's fair." say the organizers."

Fire departments from Hillsburgh, Rockwood, Milton, Georgetown and Acton had all signed up to play water ball at the fair, and they'd like to have a go at it anyway. They will be attacking a big ball, hung overhead on a line,

with fire hoses. It's guaranteed to be novel, exciting and maybe damp entertainment, for spectators who venture too

The participants wear firefighting gear.

## Pat McKenzie may run yet

HIS NEW FRIEND . . . Bobby Morley, five, of

Milton, proudly shows the goldfish he won in the

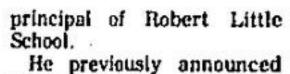
G.W. "Pat" McKenzie Is reconsidering his decision to retire as a councillor representing Acton.

midway at Acton fair.

He said Tuesday "Since council. Peter Marks has announced that he is unable, for business reasons, to seek re-election this fall I am scriously reconsidering my decision to retire. If I feel that the people of Acton want my experience and full-time involvement I will offer myself as a candidate for either the Regional or Area level."

"There are so many issues before council vital to Acton's luture that the citizens need and deserve strong representation on Halton Hills and Regional Council with present-day experience."

A past councillor and deputy-reeve of Acton, Pat McKenzle was elected to regional council in 1973 and again in 1976. He is the retired



He previously announced his Intention to retire from



Pat McKenzle

#### Marks won't seek seat Seven year council veteran nights a week. This involves a

Peter Marks has made up his mind. He will not be in the running again, either for area or regional council seats. more time with his family. He Mr. Marks was on Acton

council for five years, one as deputy reeve, and on Halton Hills council for the past two

He is a community consultant with the Addiction Research Foundation and explains his work is "very demanding." As well as full days, he works at least two

good deal of public speaking, on the Addiction Research Foundation and its work. He also intends to spend

and his wife Joanne have three children. Mr. Marks adds "I may be back." "I see my commitment to

public life at this level." If anyone interested in area or regional council has questions, Mr. Marks would be happy to discuss the work. "Call me," he says.



Peter Marks