



ACTON CURLING CLUB has been in existence, in its present state, for 16 years, nine of them in this arena on Churchill Rd. North.

## Acton Curling Club

by Jennifer Barr  
Most Actonites would declare the Acton Curling Club first came into existence in 1962, but, according to Charles Leatherland the first Acton Curling Club was started in the 1920's. At that time a group of locals, including Tom Nichol, now living in Brampton, and Dr. Buchanan formed a club when the arena was built. It was never incorporated as the present one is. Eventually, the original club disbanded for lack of interest until a group of interested people met on January 18, 1962 to form the present curling club. Curling originated in Scotland during the early 17th century and was called

channel stane - the stanes being large stones from streams. It was introduced into Canada in the early 1800's and until 1900 was the most popular North American winter sport. Hockey eventually took precedence over curling. During the '62-63 season the Acton Curling Club had 150 members, the same number as the club has now. Wes Beatty was first president. Chester Anderson was next. Own Club After five or six years of curling in the arena, ice time demands by a growing curling club and a large skating contingent made curling club members think about building their own arena. Mr. Leatherland, also a member, acted as club legal advisor and helped obtain the parcel of land on Churchill Rd. North. Between members in different related businesses, building materials were obtained. Volunteer labour built most of the large arena, contracted labour being responsible for walls and roof. Members hammered, sawed and painted completing the club for occupation in December '69, a year and a half after the land was purchased. The club is still totally member orientated and totally member operated. It's considered a working club with members responsible for assisting in any way possible.

A volunteer committee prepares the ice surface, paints scoring lines and circles, looks after cleaning and maintenance. The social room is rented out for parties, small dances, and events as well as being used for club activities. Presently, the club still has a full membership of 150 and room for more. During the next two weeks a membership drive is taking place with open curling for members and non-members until October 27. Coupled with social events and a workshop, it is hoped open curling time will provide an opportunity for interested people to explore curling and wish to join the club. Membership fees are very inexpensive, partly due to the volunteer labour force. New members are expected to offer their services in some working capacity. Curling dues are \$100 for male members and \$80 for female per curling season of November to April, payable in installments. Life memberships are also available. New members are invited to play on teams one or more nights a week. Day curling is also available along with Saturday bonspiels and competitions. Team members go to other clubs for further competition. Dances, social activities, and get-togethers are also a part of the lively curling scene. "We pride ourselves on our socializing," comments president Richard Bruce. Curling has the advantage of being an economical sport in more areas than fees. All a new curler needs to play is a broom, \$12-15; shoes, \$30-35;

and gloves around \$12. Junior curlers are often invited to play on a Sunday and given instruction. Students often come from the high school. The current executive committee chairman, Steve Ormsby at 853-2372. Bruce, vice president Bill Porter, secretary-treasurer, Karen Shortill and ladies' president Phyllis Patrick. Interested new members may contact membership committee chairman, Steve Ormsby at 853-2372.

## Arthur Meunier now on evangelism circuit

What is Arthur Meunier doing now? The Sarnia Observer had a story on the former Acton resident on September 30, filed through Canadian Press with the dateline Kingston. The headline reads "Evangelist was once dreaded prisoner." Here's what the story says: Kingston, Ont. (CP)—Arthur Meunier, 53, swung off the night bus to Kingston. A man with an incredible past, who could easily be mistaken as an aging travelling salesman, Meunier walked to the depot restaurant past three young "hoods" playing pinball. They ignored the little man, whose prison history would curl their shoulder-length hair. They didn't see Meunier's real vital statistics: 42 years in prison, 17 months in death row and 17 months riding the evangelist's circuit in Canada and the United States. Meunier was involved in the 1971 Kingston penitentiary riot and ran the now-infamous gauntlet into Millhaven penitentiary. He spent 24 years in solitary

confinement and 31 months chained by his neck in a five-by-seven foot cell at Devil's Island prison in Alabama. He was no passive victim during his hate-filled prison days. He said he was convicted of murder, later reduced to manslaughter, after he threw a chair at a U.S. sheriff who died of a heart attack. He stabbed an associate warden, broke a prison officer's arm with a chair, broke another officer's collarbone with a piece of porcelain and even stole 40 pounds of cyanide to poison the entire 285 prison staff members at prison in Terre Haute, Ind. Another prisoner squealed on him. He dates his transformation from bitter prisoner to intense preacher from the day a 14-year-old boy stood on the other side of the bars of Meunier's solitary-confinement cell in Leavenworth, Kan. "The kid smiled and winked at me," he walked on,

Meunier called him back and abused him. The boy cried, but "he wouldn't leave—he said 'I love you.'" "It was the first time anybody ever said that to me." Timmy Weibe was in prison on a visit with his parents, both Pentecostal preachers. He and Meunier wrote each other for seven years. "His letters were marked by his tears," said Meunier. "I couldn't take it any more. I got on my knees and came to the Lord." Weibe was 21 when he was killed on the road while driving to visit Meunier in prison. Meunier said it took him four years to drop his drug addiction and "make a complete changeabout." He was paroled from a Minnesota jail in 1977 and began to work toward his new vision, helping youths and prisoners. Organization and fund-raising have started for a Boys Town in British Columbia modelled after Father Flannigan's Boys Town in Omaha, Neb. He said he wants to be sure no 11-year-old boy is rejected at home, abused and imprisoned as he was. Meunier said he is the product of foster parents' rejection. His parents died in a boating accident and he was forced on a couple who didn't want him. "They hated me so much they hid me in the cellar... I ate in the woodshed with the dog... I had never in my life eaten at a family table until last year." Friends worry that he is moving too fast with the Boys Town project and might be exploited by promoters. Meunier grinned and said: "I'm doing all right." He said he is doing God's time now, and there might not be much left. He is undergoing cobalt treatment for recently diagnosed stomach cancer. "I've done more in 17 months than any other convict alive," he said. "I have to be careful to avoid sympathy from people. I don't need that. Rejoice... the Lord came into my life. There's no room for sorrow."



ALL HANDS ON DECK as curling club members paint the ice in preparation for a busy season. Here Fred Archibald assists past president Brian Robertson and current president Richard Bruce.

## Memorial door dedicated

Friends and relations of the late Dave and Vera Wendover of Palermo gathered at Halton Regional Museum in Kelso Conservation Area Friday evening, to witness the dedication of a new memorial Christian door on the Museum's craft house. The pine door was designed and built by Bob Gracey, a Hornby woodworker. It was funded by memorial donations given by many friends following the deaths of the well known area couple last winter. Erla Brittain, curator of the Museum and daughter of the Wendovers, arranged the dedication ceremony, assisted by her two brothers Carl of Port Carling and Brock of Palermo and their families. After the dedication, a reception was held

in the Museum at which the Wendover families, special guests and close friends were introduced. Rev. W. Gray Rivers of Palermo United Church and a friend of Mrs. Wendover, Christian Science Practitioner Mrs. Eileen Fraser spoke at the dedication. Both praised the Wendovers for their many contributions to the community and Mr. Rivers spoke of the significance of doors through the history of religion. The plaque on the door reads, "This door dedicated in memory of David A. and Vera A. Wendover, 1897-1978." Mrs. Brittain explained the door was being planned last winter when her father died but her mother saw the plans and supported the project before her death this spring.

## Nothing missing

Nothing appeared to be missing at Casselman Fuels, Hwy. Seven last week when police investigated a break and enter at that shop. The manager of the business notified police the premises had been entered by forcing a window on the north side of the building sometime during the night of October 10 and October 11.

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You probably think you do. They're mostly the things that turn you off, right? Well, see how right you are. Check the habits below you think will turn people off.

- 1. Filling up a hot tub instead of taking a shower.
- 2. Turning on the floodlights to light up the house all night.
- 3. Turning up the thermostat, then opening a window.
- 4. Leaving the TV on in one room while you eat dinner in another.
- 5. Cooking on an element too big for the pot.
- 6. Brightening up the house at dusk by turning on all the lights.
- 7. Turning the washing machine on to launder just a couple of things.
- 8. Filling the kettle up to make a single cup.

If you checked them all, 1 to 8, you're right. Because waste of electricity, like anything everybody really needs, is a bad habit. That makes all the habits above turn-offs. Which is a good reason for all of us to avoid them.

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The Assessment Office for the Province of Ontario has submitted the Annual School Support List and it has been posted on October 20th, 1978, in the Office of the Clerk Administrator, Municipal Administration Building, Seventh Line (Halton Road No. 3) for inspection. Property owners and tenants are requested to examine this List to ensure that their names and relevant information are correctly shown therein. Attention is drawn to the necessity to complete the required FORM ONE, available at the Office of the Clerk Administrator respecting an Application for Alteration of School Support Entry. All requests for additions, corrections or deletions from the List will be received by the Clerk Administrator at the Municipal Administration Building, commencing on Friday, October 20th, 1978, through to Friday, October 27th, 1978, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., excluding Saturdays and Sundays. The last day for filing forms requesting additions, or corrections to, or deletions from the List, will be Friday, October 27, 1978, at 4:30 p.m.  
K. R. Richardson, Clerk Administrator, Town of Halton Hills.  
DATED THIS 17th DAY OF OCTOBER, 1978.

The Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills  
**NOTICE TO ELECTORS POSTING OF PRELIMINARY LIST OF ELECTORS**  
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**WARD 1** (former Town of Acton) —Municipal Office 40 Mill Street East Acton, Ontario —Post Office 53 Bower Avenue Acton, Ontario —Public Library 17 River Street Acton, Ontario  
**WARD 2** (former Township of Esquesing) —Hornby Post Office —Limehouse Post Office —Norval Post Office  
**WARDS 3 and 4** (former Town of Georgetown) —Municipal Office (Treasury) 36 Main Street South Georgetown, Ontario —Post Office 112 Guelph Street Georgetown, Ontario —Public Library 9 Church Street Georgetown, Ontario  
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