



Eramosa Pioneer Fun Day: 1. Woodlyn Mermaids finished first in the Eramosa River boat race. 2. Rolling fire race, one of the many old time kid's events. 3. Dave Hoskar takes his turn under the popular firefighters' dunking frame. 4. Junior Pioneer Susan Stumpf pulls her winning entry, a log school house, in

the parade. 5. Everyone of all ages got into the act. 6. First place winners round the Bed Race course. 7. Circle 8 Ranch Tug of War Team overpowers the Rockmosa Tennis club competitors. 8. Junior costume contest entrants. Photos by Barb Wynneck.

Spirit of Pioneer Days outshines wet weather

Some of our forefathers' determined pioneer spirit prevailed in Rockwood on Saturday! It carried through at the Third Annual Eramosa Pioneer Day Celebrations. The show went on despite the wet weather with plenty of old-fashioned crowd-pleasing fun for everyone.

Craftsmen and the Horticulture Society set up their booths indoors at Rockmosa Community Centre. Don Hills' local area photograph collection was particularly delightful.

All other activities, including the CYO bingo, the kids' games well organized by the Eramosa B'n'ais, the popular dunking frame and sponge throw contests were held outside. Avoiding mud puddles added to the day's challenges!

Two valiant crews paddled the Eramosa River Saturday morning while the thunder rolled and the rains came down. Crowds gathered at the Rockwood bridge at noon, to greet the finishers of the homemade craft race.

First place winners, paddling a rubber dinghy were the Woodlyn Mermaids Sue Weir, Judy Scott, Carol Florence and Pat Weir. They completed the Everton to Rockwood course in two hours, 45 minutes.

The crew of Marg English, Leroy Watson, Brian and Jackie Given placed second. Their craft—four inner tubes lashed together was more difficult to manoeuvre!

Parade Winners

Best horsedrawn vehicle, Bert Robertson; Best Floats The Leo Club's log cabin and the Rockwood Home and School Association's life in Pioneer Times, shared first prize, each winning \$40. The Year of the Child, took home the \$20 second prize.

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Old Time Costume Contest winners: adult division, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Death, Audrey Bilton, and Doris Bern; children's division, best boy: Hunter, Nick Frarchetto; best girls

Dawn Rockola, Reni Sue Smith, Kathy Hawkins.

Pet show winners, judged by Don Taylor. Best dressed dogs: Jennifer Gordon's Ralf, Kristina Lewis' Beau. Best dogs, overall: Liz Hudson's Jasper, Allison Morgan's Sandy. Best cats: Elizabeth Noble's Wilfred, Kristina Ingleson's Mitzi.

Best Other Animal entries: Sarah Matthew's goat; Jennifer Lewis' white rabbit.

Most unique entry: Jennifer Gordon's mosquito larvae; most knowledgeable pet owners: Liz Hudson with Jasper and Sarah Matthews with her goat.

Horseshoe Pitch; 14 entrants: Top three winners, Ted Jestin.

Walker Maclaren; Gary Ritchie.

Tug of War: Circle 8 Ranch outpulled the Rockwood Tennis Club to take home first prize. Both Rockwood Hotel teams were overpowered in the first round.

Bed Race: Rockwood Hardware first prize trophy winners, Dennis Laur Carpets and Robin Walker. Construction Pushers, Kelly Shaw, Bob Flockhart, Francis Ronalds, Robin Walker, rider, Dennis Laur.

Junior Division Winners, Rockwood Hill-billies. Pushers Kristi Duncan, Barb Hawkins, Kelly Hughes, Katey Wynneck, rider, Kristin English.

Tennis Club Raffle winners, racquet, Dr.

Jane Hosdil, track suit, Mrs. Bolton.

Baseball game champions, the ladies defeated the men 9-11.

Friday night over 120 dancers enjoyed the Sunshine Band's Old Time music, according to Pioneer Day committee chairperson Maria Reid. The Green Fiddle Morris English Country Dancers of Toronto added color and excitement to Saturday's festivities.

The committee was most pleased with the community's participation in Saturday's events, Mrs. Reid said, especially the children's efforts in the parade. Next year they hope that local groups will come forward to add even more activities to the roster, she added.

Top students recognized at graduation ceremonies

Eighty-five Rockwood Centennial students received graduation certificates and medallions at the annual Grade Eight Banquet, held June 26 at Rockmosa Community Centre.

Guest speakers Rev. John McBride of Brampton and Jenny MacDonald, an Australian Rotary exchange student, addressed the 300 parents, students and teachers attending the occasion.

Valedictorian Lisa Petty bid fond farewell to Rockwood Centennial on behalf of her fellow classmates.

The awards ceremony saw top student Heather Cox take home five of the 15 trophies presented.



Award winners at Rockwood Centennial grade eight graduation banquet were front row, l. to r. Dave Levy, Jamie MacLellan, Tim Ferguson. Back row,

Wendy Funk, Lis Moore, Heather Cox, Janet McLean, Wendy Dailey, and Cheryl McDougall.

The Best Female Athlete Trophy are hers. Wendy Funk is the Tony Proulx Humanity award winner. The Earl Osbourne family citizenship award went to Cheryl McDougall.

The Seim award for the all-round student registered with College Heights Secondary School went to David Levy.

Home and School awards were presented to Wendy Baily and Tim Ferguson for greatest academic improvement during grade 8.

Janet McLean took home two trophies, the Storey Grammar Proficiency award and the McTae Family History and English Proficiency award.

The Duncan McPhedran Family award for the greatest overall improvement went to Lis Moore.

The George Smith Family, most valuable male athlete trophy was awarded to Jamie MacLellan, as well as Kevin Murdock award for the most valuable basketball player.

The Larry Polo award for the most valuable softball player was initiated this year, with Tim Ferguson the winner.

The banquet was sponsored by the Eramosa-Rockwood Home and School Assoc.

Clerk sorts out mill increases

Eramosa Township mill rate has jumped 18.98 per cent over the 1978 figures. The increase amounts to 35.088 mills or \$35.09 per \$1000 assessment for township residents.

For Rockwood and Eden Mills ratepayers, the hike is less at \$29.74 per \$1000 assessment.

Township Clerk Lloyd Hindley breaks down the mill increase as follows: Elementary school 5.33; separate school slight increase; secondary school 9.48; county 1.90; G.R.C.A. 1.77; Fire 1.23. Recreation and Library

Eden Mills and Rockwood's share to the township remains stable at 10.03 mills each.

The township ratepayers share to the township is 15.38—of that 11.80 mills represents the 5th Line road development costs.

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Awards Day brings school year to an end

Overall Improvement award was taken home by grade sixer Karen O'Kraika.

Bicycle Rodeo award winners were Robin Johnson and Leslie Rockola.

The House League Sports award went to Red House Captain Shawna Craig.

Robert Manten was the winner of the Student Council's music award.

William Allerelle was recognized for his first place win in Wellington County Science Fair.

Fifteen students earned a large school letter, the highest all round athletic award.

They were Carol Harpham, Linda Veldhuis, Lis Moore, Lisa Petty, Heather Cox, Janet Wietzke, Melanie Sherwood, Wendy Galley, Dave Lobe, Tod Wiseman, Dave Levi, Glenn March, Rob Klein Deters, Jamie MacLellan and Mike McNabb.

Treasurer Jodi Wilson announced the 1979 Student Council's \$100 donation to the Rockmosa Tennis Club and the \$500 gift to the Hospital for Sick Children.

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