



Studs and Suds

Once again the Carlsberg team and wagon will impress horse lovers, history buffs, and wide eyed kids while the Carlsberg Spot in the Park will impress dads.

Early in 1974 Carling O'Keefe, brewers of Carlsberg beer, sought to find an advertising vehicle for their new product. Because the brew is a historic traditional Danish beer, a reproduction of the original Danish Carlsberg beer dray was made and eight quality Belgian horses were purchased to draw it.

The wagons are made from solid oak expertly carved with Danish mermaids, Neptune, horseheads, sea-horses, and the Danish Royal crown. Seventeen carved oak beer barrels add authenticity.

Horses are bred and kept at the Palmer Farms in Schomberg home of the famous Carlsberg twins, twin Belgian fillies born this spring, the first ever in Canada. The twins made their appearance coincidentally close to the launching of Carlsberg's new light beer.



"Mind my ears" says this Carlsberg Belgian

What is a fair without horses?

What would be a fair without horses and the Acton Fall Fair has plenty. Almost every equestrian activity is represented during the three day show.

Friday will see an innovation—a full day's activities and the Arabian horse show. Held under the rules and regulations of the Canadian Equestrian Federation the show has been attracted from Brampton. Commencing at 10 in the morning, the show will feature halter classes as well as performance classes such as costume classes, western and English pleasure and driving.

Saturday is pony day at the fair. In the morning youngsters can enter their hunter ponies in a variety of classes from hunter-under-saddle to jumping classes and a fun "let's go hunting" class.

In the afternoon, gymkhana games will allow the under 15's to compete in sack races, musical chairs, and apple bobbing. Also included are special equestrian classes for the very young and inexperienced.

Traditional classes commence on the track at 11 a.m. These harness pony, roadster, Hackney, and draft classes have been offered since the start of the fair.

Small Hackneys, Shetlands, light harness and Welsh can be observed flashing up and down the track with their feet, heads, and tails high—always a stirring sight.

Roadsters and light harness horses will be pulling all manner and type of vehicle.

Draft horses will be judged at halter and in harness. The sight of two or more six-horse-hitches manouevring their way around the narrow track at a trot always brings spectators to their feet. Sometimes it seems as if they'll go plop in the lake, but those big surefooted beasts have stayed dry so far.

Sunday afternoon offers the enthusiast a choice of senior English classes in one ring or western classes and games in another—or both if you can find a rail spot through the crowds at each ring.

It has only been in recent years that the fair has had modern hunting and western classes although horse jumping was once a feature part of the Friday night show.

Before 1970, English classes featured "Road hack" and "Palomino pleasure" classes as well as jumping classes over a wide variety of large obstacles.

Recently, professional jumps have been built, proper hunt classes inaugurated and an excellent amount and quality of entries are attracted.

The same goes for the western horses. It was only five years ago there were western classes at all. Now the show is one of the best in the area for good Appaloosas, Quarterhorses, Paints, and Buckskins. A popular spectator event, races such as barrel, pole bending, and pick up race keep the crowd cheering.



Horse pull enjoyment

Heavy horse teams coming from all over the States and eastern Canada are attracted to the Acton Fall Fair Horse Pull contest held under the lights Friday night.

Started in 1975, the pull is one of the fastest growing attractions of the fair.

Light and heavy horse pulls as well as a single horse pull for ladies will commence at 6.30 p.m. September 19 with an estimated 20 teams com-

peting for \$1,500 in prize money.

Contestants are obviously proud of their teams judging by the shine on the jingling harness and the muscles on the well-matched horses.

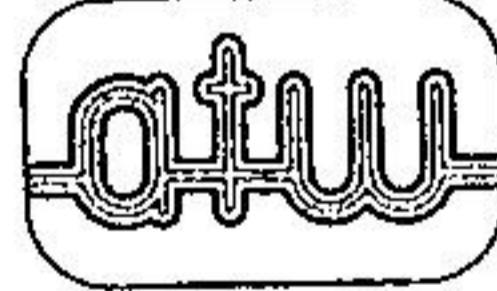
The event keeps spectators on their toes as they gasp and cheer each team straining to move the stone boat full of cement blocks farther than the next team.

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