

BIA News

by Janet Fleming

Summer has long gone and fall is here. In fact, fall is disappearing quickly now as daylight gets shorter, leaves dry and crumble, and Halloween preparations are already being replaced by thoughts and signs of Christmas.

This fall marked the first of the Actario draws. But as the seasons change, Actario will stay. Members of the Acton BIA and the Acton community have shown their enthusiasm and support for Actario—it works! A quick count shows 34 BIA members have purchased a chance of winning. Fifteen more tickets have been sold by BIA members. This makes a total of close to ten per cent of all Actario chances sold.

Actario provides two opportunities for the ticket holder. The main weekly draw for the \$350 cash prize and the monthly chance for a travel prize attract many ticket holders to the loudspeakers. The crowd downtown is also drawn by the many generous bonus prizes. A complete list of participating merchants shows all but two are members of the BIA. Thanks should go to all of the following who have helped make Actario a success for our community. A-B Foodland, Acton Bowling Lanes, Acton Chicken and Pizza Spot, Acton Bakery and Delicatessen, Acton Family Cleaners, Acton Family Restaurant, Acton Family Shoe Store, Acton Home Furnishings, Acton IGA, Acton Jug City, Acton Photo and Camera, Blue Springs Flower Shop, Corrie's Hair Place, Ed's In-N-Out Variety, Emily's Natural Foods, Family Barber Shop, First Line Television Sales and Service, Gayna Fashions, Halton Hills Furniture and Appliances, Hulstman Holland Shop, J-T Sports, Jolliffe Shoe Store, The Looking Glass, Market Jeanyer, Nelsen's Clothing, Pete's Barber Shop, 747 Restaurant, Robertson's Flower Shop, Royal Cafe, Stedman's Department Store, Superior Shoe Repair, Toddlers to Teens, Wooden Heart Inn.

Less than a month ago, Halton Hills council listened to a proposal for Acton. By now everyone has probably heard of The Old Hide House. Although it is located just outside the jurisdiction of the BIA, a letter was sent to council stating that "we (The Acton BIA) feel this concept is an exciting one and extend our complete approval. The proposed 'Hide House' will be beneficial to the community as a whole and we wish much success to the venture." The implications and potential side effects of The Old Hide House should be obvious to all.

Finally, the BIA Board of Management has ordered 12 new units of Christmas street decorations for the coming season. It is hoped that our downtown core area will be appropriately "dressed" for the holiday. New lights may help welcome the New Year when it is hoped several major developments and accomplishments will bring even more commitment to the BIA area and the community at large.

4-H Club's show results

by Douglas B. Miller

The 1980 Achievement Day for the Acton 4-H Club was held Sept. 20 and 21 at the Acton Fall Fair. On Saturday, Nancy Brown of Beaverton judged Beef conformation and showmanship.

Showmanship results were: 1st, David Lasby; 2nd, Gerry Clarke; 3rd, Stephen Lasby; 4th, Andrew Marsh; 5th, Sandi Hunter.

In the heifer conformation class: 1st, Gerry Clarke; and 2nd, Andrew Marsh.

In the steer class: 1st, Stephen Lasby; 2nd, David Lasby; 3rd, Sandi Hunter.

Lowell Lindsay of Guelph acted as judge for the dairy members of the club on Sunday.

In the showmanship class: 1st, Shirley Murray; 2nd, Freddie Shea; 3rd, Brad Ottaway; 4th, Marie Murray; 5th, Phil Shea; 6th, Delores Ruddle; 7th, Karen Brown.

Junior Holstein class: Phil Shea; 2nd, Freddie Shea.

Senior Holstein Class: 1st, Shirley Murray; 2nd, Marie Murray; 3rd, Brad Ottaway; 4th, Karen Brown.

Senior Jersey Calf: 1st, Delores Ruddle.

Leaders for the club are Bob Lasby, Cathy Lasby, Ken Murray and Elmer Pemberton. The club won the Herdsman Award both days for the most attractive presentation and showmanship at the fair. This is the second year in a row that the club has won the award both days.

Health Council officers

Estlin Manore of Oakville, has been elected the 1980-81 president of the Halton District Health Council.

Also elected for a new term were: Bud Gordon of Burlington, vice-president; Bob Martin of Milton, secretary; and Edgar Foster of Milton, treasurer.



Vic Bristow, left, Acton campaign chairman for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) presents Donald Ferguson, right, Halton-Peel district administrator for the CNIB with a cheque for \$3,600—the amount raised during the recent fund drive. Mr. Bristow also serves as an advisory board member for the Halton-Peel District of the CNIB.

CNIB drive raises \$3,600

The Canadian National Institute for the Blind campaign was a success. Business people and industry and most of all the generosity of Acton citizens.

The goal of \$3,600 was reached and this is \$200.00 above last year's total.

Chairman Vic Bristow wishes to thank all those who helped and contributed to this year's campaign. The blind in our area will greatly benefit by the financial support given by the people of Acton who are always ready to help in a worthy cause.

Following a breakdown of where the funds were received and a list of the canvassers.

Industrial—\$274. Commercial—\$489. Door to door (homes)—\$2,837.

Canvassers

Mrs. K. Albert, Mrs. G. Allan, Mrs. F. Allen, Mrs. R. Altonby, Mrs. W. Alton, Mrs. T. Ancker, Mrs. C. Anderson, Mrs. D. Anderson, Mrs. D.K. Andrews, Mrs. F. Andrews, Mrs. J.H. Andrews, Mrs. B. Arbie, Mrs. R. Arbie, Mrs. J. Arnold, Mrs. M. Baginski, Mrs. R. Bailey, Mrs. M. Dall, Mrs. B. Ballentine, Mrs. S. Barker, Mrs. B. Bartlett, Mrs. M. Beaton, Mrs. E. Beerman, Mrs. M. Behling, Mrs. D. Bennett, Mrs. T. Berry, Mrs. D. Billington, Mrs. F. Blain, Mrs. A. Bowen, Mrs. B. Bowyer, Mrs. D. Brackenridge, Mrs. A. Brain, Mrs. J. Brewster, Mrs. L. Brostead, Mrs. W. Browner, Mrs. R. Bruce, Mrs. B. Buchanan, Mrs. J. Buckman, Mrs. J. Bullock, Mrs. D. Butler, Mrs. A. Campbell, Mrs. B. Canary, Mrs.

River St.

Bus loading zone

Town engineers think they may have solved the traffic mess on River Street which occurs before and after school at Robert Little and St. Joseph's.

Monday Halton Hills general committee approved a staff recommendation calling for a by-law to be passed which will designate a school bus loading zone on the north side of River.

The report notes there are four buses loading and unloading Monday to Friday on River just west of Willow Street. Children get to the buses by a walkway and a footbridge over library creek and the area on River is the only spot where the

buses can load and unload since School Lane is too congested with teacher and parent traffic.

The buses must stop in the westbound River lane and by law activate their flashing red lights which stops drivers in both directions, the report points out.

Deputy engineer Ted Ballinger observed in his report that some motorists are disregarding the buses' flashing red lights, passing the buses and that is dangerous for children boarding buses and crossing River. The gravel parking lot on River can't be used for bus parking now because of cars parked there by people visiting the library and the Halton Hills

Veterinarian Services Clinic.

Ballinger proposed a bus loading zone be established so two buses can park in the gravel lot. The bus loading zone will be in effect from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday to Friday and will eliminate only 12 of the 21 parking spaces for the library and clinic. The bus loading zone will be 33 metres long and the arrival of the buses will be staggered so only two will be there at a time. The deputy engineer noted this plan will take the waiting buses off the street and motorists won't have to stop any more. "Obviously this will make for much safer conditions for the school children and a better situation for motorists and bus drivers alike."

Wood urges

Reconstruct Cobblehill, Cook

Councillor Ed Wood wants the town to look at reconstructing Cobblehill Road and Cook Street to full urban standards with curbs, gutters and sidewalks.

Monday, after questioning engineer Robert Austin, Wood discovered Cobblehill and Cook aren't in the town's roads needs study which identifies future reconstruction requirements. Austin said the two Acton streets weren't in the study because they are

"structurally adequate."

Noting there are flooding problems in the area Wood asked the engineer to prepare a report on the condition of the two streets and examine costs for bringing them up to urban standards. He also urged council then make reconstruction of Cobblehill and Cook priority projects and review them when budgeting takes place next year.

Perras quits

Bill Perras, who carried the Liberal banner and lost the federal riding of Halton to Tory Otto Jelinek by about 5,000 votes has dropped out of local politics. He is not running for re-election to Oakville council after serving one term. Perras has quit saying his interest is in federal politics and he plans to work hard strengthening the Halton Liberal Association in preparation for the next election.



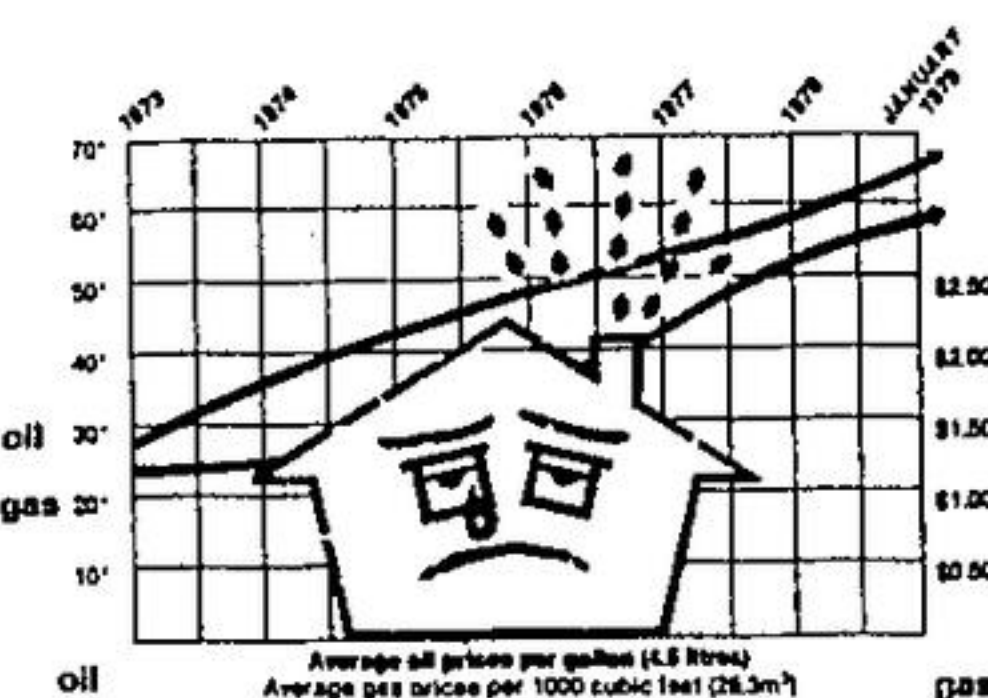
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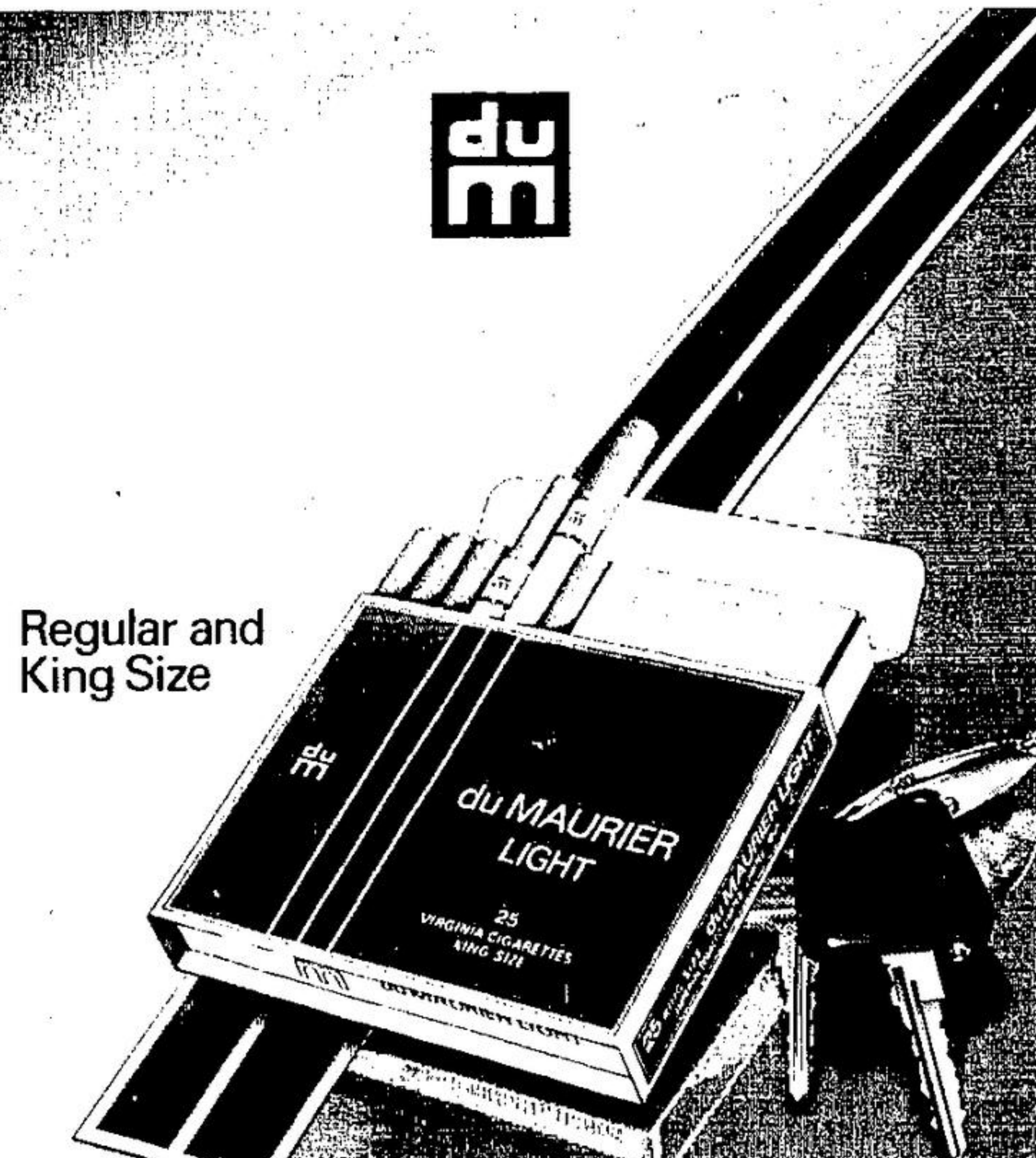


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