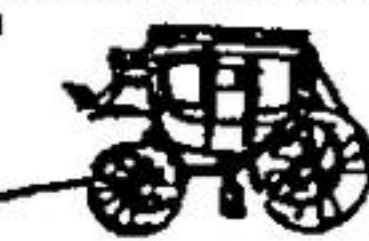


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### Acton man convicted, another acquitted deer poaching case

One Acton man was convicted while another local resident was acquitted of charges in connection with a deer poaching incident last fall.

Fred Newell, 28, of 92 Churchill Rd. South, pleaded guilty and was convicted of unlawful possession of game and fined \$503 in Milton Provincial Court Thursday.

David DeForest, RRA Acton, was found not guilty of possession of game.

A third man involved in the case, Larry Newell, of Milton, pleaded guilty to unlawful possession of game and unlawfully transporting deer during a closed season. He was found guilty on both charges and fined \$656.

Charges of hunting out of season were dropped against both Fred and Larry Newell.

Ministry of Natural Resources officers laid the charges last September 6 after discovering remains of a fawn in a car trunk belonging to Larry Newell and deer meat in the home of Fred Newell.

A similar quantity of fresh deer meat was also discovered in the basement of DeForest's residence.

According to the testimony of the two brothers, they were driving on the backroads of north Nassagaweya near 17 Sideroad at approximately 3:30 a.m. September 6 when they heard a gunshot.

They stated an alleged black truck took off when they approached the area of the gunshot. Fred Newell said he got out of the truck, hopped over a fence and walked into a field, where he almost "tripped" over the carcass of a deer.

He said the pair drove to another location where they proceeded to skin the animal and then returned to Fred Newell's home where they packaged the meat.

The two brothers then paid a visit to the home of DeForest and invited him to go for a ride.

The trio returned to 17 Sideroad where the first deer had been found, because the two brothers were "curious", the court was told.

They denied knowledge of a second fawn shot dead in the same location, but admitted they would have taken the animal if they had found it.

DeForest said he had no knowledge of the deer nor did he realize the two brothers had left the meat in his basement until ministry officers located it during a search of his house.

The brothers stated they decided to leave the meat in DeForest's home while they went out for a ride with DeForest and did not feel it was important to inform him of the meat.

Both men admitted they are hunters, but said they did not shoot the two fawn.

Several rifles belonging to the brothers were seized during a search of their residences, but have since been returned.

Ministry officials also returned a car they confiscated from Larry Newell.

The maximum penalty for the poaching offenses is a fine of \$5,000.

Deer hunting season opened last year in October.

### Obituary

#### Myrtle Allan

Myrtle Elizabeth Mann, wife of the late John L. Allan, passed away suddenly at Eden House Nursing Home on Sunday, April 4. She was in her 83rd year.

Born in Erin Township on March 8, 1890, she was the daughter of the late John Mann and Catherine Hart. In 1915 she married John L. Allan of Erin Township. They farmed at Lot 8, on the Second Line for 37 years, retiring to Acton in 1952.

Due to ill health following her husband's death in 1958, Mrs. Allan resided for several years at the home of her only brother Edward Mann, who predeceased her, and while living there was cared for by her niece Jean (Mrs. Elliott Patterson) who survives her. She was predeceased by one sister.

For the past nine years she had been a resident of Eden House. Mrs. Allan was a member of Knox Presbyterian Church, Acton.

The funeral service was held at the Shoemaker Funeral Home on April 7 with Rev. Graeme Duncan officiating. Interment was at Fairview Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Elmer McEachern, Calvin Aitken, Robert McEachern, Elwood Johnston and Elliott Tiffin.



Gordon Wagner was chosen by the Lakeview Villa Organization as their "Senior Citizen for 82" of the Lakeview Villa.

### Sprackman plaza project dead

Jerry Sprackman and his Landawn Shopping Centres have scrapped plans to build a plaza on the east side of Acton, resolving an issue which has been hanging since 1979.

Last Tuesday night Halton Hills councillors received notice from Sprackman's lawyers, Fogler, Rubinoff, of Toronto, that they have informed the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Claude Bennett, and the Ontario Municipal Board, that they are withdrawing the appeal of council's rejection of the plaza proposal.

While deputy planning director Bruce McLean wouldn't go so far as to say Sprackman no longer wants to build a plaza here, he noted if he brought back his proposal he'd have to start at square one of the planning process again. He said Sprackman's intent now is not to continue applying for zoning and Official Plan amendments on his old proposals.

Since Halton Hills has received no word yet from the province regarding Sprackman's notice that he's withdrawing his plan, the town won't close its files on the project. Once word is received from the province the Sprackman file will be closed.

Last spring Sprackman brought council a revised, watered-down plaza plan, but because he didn't withdraw his appeal of council's decision on his earlier plaza proposal his new plan was simply referred to the planning department. The withdrawal of his appeal on his first plan means the second version is also dead now.

Sprackman only had an option to buy land south of Highway 7 and east of Churchill Rd., and the owners of the property also applied for development, though for houses not a plaza. Their request to be allowed to develop the property was turned down pending the study to see if Acton had sewage capacity to grow. The owner's referred their request to the OMB.

The urban boundary study for Acton, unveiled in December and approved earlier this year, showed there was capacity for growth here and identified the land south of Highway 7 and east of Churchill as suitable for homes, though a plaza was ruled out. The region and town are in the process of incorporating the enlarged urban service boundary which will permit housing development east of town in the Official Plans. The two referrals to the OMB from the owner's of the property won't likely be withdrawn until the amendments are completed.

During his long battle with the municipality, Sprackman filed objections to several other projects in Acton, including a rezoning on Main St. North for industrial land and a rezoning for the IGA plaza on the Dominion Hotel site, holding up approvals for these projects until he finally withdrew his objections.

Many residents wanted a plaza built here and signed petitions supporting Sprackman's plan which included a Zehrs supermarket, but repeatedly the municipality said development should take place downtown first and didn't want so much land on the east side of town zoned for commercial. Sprackman wanted much more land rezoned than his plaza would have covered.

His decision to withdraw his appeal ends a long controversial issue in town and a battle for the municipality.

### Obituary

#### David Lindsay

A well known Acton resident, David Henry Lindsay, died in Guelph General Hospital April 11 following a lengthy illness.

Mr. Lindsay, of 13 Park Ave. Acton, was born September 12, 1892, at Lot 30, Sixth Line. He was the son of Hattie Marian Cook and Samuel Henry Lindsay. He attended Blue Mountain School and Guelph Business College.

On November 15, 1920, Mr. Lindsay married Gertrude May Brown in Norval. She predeceased him five years ago. Some 62 years ago, he moved his family to the Park Ave. home.

Mr. Lindsay worked as a flour miller, having learned his trade at the Norval Flour Mill. At one time, he was a member of the Methodist church, Ballinacree, and sang in a quartet. He later joined the United Church in Acton. He played in the Acton Citizens' Band in younger years, and owned two horses. He was interested in watching them race.

Besides his parents and wife, Mr. Lindsay was predeceased by a brother, William. He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Hattie Price, Milton, and Mrs. Jessie Madill, RRI Limehouse.

Funeral service was held at Shoemaker Funeral Home, April 14, with Rev. C. Beaton officiating. Pallbearers were Gerry Rotzal, Lawrence Lorenz, Earl Jordan, Tom Elliott, Bill Wellwood, George Robertson.

Interment was at Fairview Cemetery, Acton.

### Trinity UCW

#### Welcome two new members

by Elsie Reed

The regular meeting of Trinity U.C. Women was held in the church parlor on Tuesday, April 3, with a good turnout of members and two new members, Mrs. Alma Zarchis and Mrs. Ironsides who will both be included in Mrs. Force's group.

Betty Knapton was in charge of devotions and opened the meeting with a short reading followed by the "Purpose" repeated in unison. Hymn 571 "Standing at the Portal of the Opening Year" was sung. Appropriate for Easter and Mother's Day, readings were given from the Book of Proverbs by Truis Veldhuis and Helen Little.

A splendid reading by Betty Knapton was followed by an inspiring story from the "Guidepost", read by Helen Little. Hymn 151 "As Comes the Breath of Spring" was sung. Then a closing prayer completed a fine devotional period. We also sang a hymn to the tune of "Edelweiss."

The secretary's detailed report was read and adopted as well as treasurer's report. Dorothy Simmons turned in money raised by the Quilters. Elsie Reed reported on six crib quilts made by herself and quilted by the group, for the Cancer Society. These, and quilts for other charities, have the Quilters busy, so cash turned in was less than usual but orders coming in will keep the group very busy for some time. A letter of thanks was received from Nellie Shoemaker, all hope she will soon be back with us again. Nellie Shoemaker and Elsie Reed expressed their appreciation for "Easter Lilies" received from UCW Mrs. Hulsman is also to be remembered for her kindness in caring for a church key to help the Quilters etc.

Jessie Ramsden was welcomed back after her winter's stay in Florida. She willingly returned to her duties on the petty cash, the mailing of used greeting cards and used stamps committees. She reported an impressive raise in the cost of postage. Good used clothing for the TAG sale is still being gratefully accepted. A letter from our Foster Child, a boy of 11 years, was read by Josephine Force. A good representative from Trinity United enjoyed all three Lenten lunches in the Baptist Church. Roll call from 20 members expressed four hospital visits and 47 house calls had been made.

The roll call for May 11 meeting is to be answered by turning in used stamps and used greeting cards trimmed and pill bottles—such as needles, pins, buttons, short lead pencils, thread and suitable seeds in packages with directions for planting etc. The Lord's Prayer and Mizpah Benediction closed a very worthwhile meeting. Sally Smith showed an interesting and instructive film on detecting the early signs of cancer in women.

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