

ONTARIO OUTDOORS

BY BOB OLLIVIER

The Credit Valley Conservation Authority approved its new budget for 1974 in the amount of \$3,196,850. Major projects are conservation area development, including land acquisition, Niagara escarpment land, water control, and a waterfront plan.

Conservation area development means swimming area to be improved at Terra Cotta and a new washroom building, (camping area) and a picnic shelter. There will also be work done at Meadowvale, Belfountain, a maple sugar operation at Orangeville and work at Monora and Silver Creek. The Authority will spend \$788,536 in 1974 to obtain land on the Niagara Escarpment. A total of 800 acres were secured in 1972 and 1973 at Silver Creek. I feel they should be praised for conserving this unique area. The new executive has a big job ahead of them, with more people with more time for recreation.

On Feb. 9, there were 24 sportsmen and naturalists at the Maple district office of the ministry of natural resources. The purpose was the building of blue bird and wood duck houses. We hope this summer shows fruit for their labor in the production of birds, the birds doing the producing of course. While on birds, have you noticed the increase in the number of crows the last few days? There is also a number of migrating song birds coming back and today I took note of the first Killdeer of the season.

As I previously mentioned in earlier columns, the D. N. Resources tagged 12,000 whitefish this fall in Lake Simcoe. This made a total of 23,000 for the two years of '72 and '73. Approximately 11,000 have an Adipose fin clip and 12,000 with colored markers. Yellow was tagged off Blackbird Point. Red, black or blue were tagged at various points off the north shore of Georgian Island. If you catch one of these fish, please inform the nearest office of the Ministry, indicating where caught, color and type of tag, as well as the total number of fish caught at that location on that day.

If you think wild fur is not valuable, take note of this: North Bay fur sale, Feb. 8, 1974; red fox average of \$41 with a high of \$98; cross fox high of \$180; raccoon high of \$44, beaver high of \$70. These prices are for single furs. To get this price the fur must be extremely well handled (skinned and dried) and not mistreated. Some people still make a living off the fur they catch, regardless what some organization says to the contrary.

Here is a hint for you outdoors folk that could save you a lot of bother and trouble. This one comes from Mrs. Lee at the store downtown. Instead of buttons on your coat or shirt for outdoor use such as camping fishing etc. use the product that is called Velcro. This is a hook and eye style of material that must be seen to be believed. A closure of the garment is made by simply pressing the two pieces, sewn on opposite side (as a button and hole) together. No fumbling with cold fingers and it will hold under tremendous pressures. This Velcro is sold by the inch and comes in one inch widths, and I can tell you from experience that is well worth the expense and the time to sew it on your garments. I am using it and am going to put it on more of my coats etc.

More on knots as mentioned last week. If you can obtain the book "Your Own Book Of Campercraft" by Katherine T. Emmett, it could help you in many ways. Almost all the knots that you need are in this book, although it is written primarily for young people. It has a good description of the knots most used and many other helpful things for the outdoors.



OPENING DAY of trout season 1972, snow.....1973, steady rain.....what will it be in 1974?

I received a phone call from Bill Yake up at Brechin on Lake Simcoe on Thursday, and the report is still good travel on the ice. Two weeks ago they got eight whitefish in an hour from one hut and the combined weight of them was 23 pounds. This week fishing is bad all over the lake although the weekend may have improved. The perch fishing is fantastic though 260 out of one hut alone.

That's a lot of fish to turn your nose up at if you are a purist out for white fish only. The winds have been from the southeast and southwest and this may be blamed for the slack in the feeding of the whitefish and lake trout although a lot of lake trout are still being seen swimming just under the ice surface. Bill says if the winds change to the north or north east the fishing will improve. I am starting on my list of "want-to-sees" at the Sportsman Show. I find that with this list I can make sure that I don't miss anything, and if you think that you see everything at the show, then re-read the program when you get home. A lot of time can be wasted by looking at something that is really of no interest to you, but even at that it is all part of the show. The information on the event has not reached my desk yet so I can not fill you in on all the details to watch out for, and not miss. Still it won't be long now for this big event in our ONTARIO OUTDOORS.

HIGH SCHOOL INSIGHTS

Folk Two Scheduled For April

Last year it was a happening and this year it's going to be happening again! What are we talking about? Folk II, of course! This year, Georgetown High will be hosting another folk festival for high school musicians like last year. Folk II is being organized by Mr. Broughton and the GDHS Folk Club. The schedule is pretty well the same as last year, but it certainly won't be a repeat of last year's success. It will be even better!

The festival will start on Friday, April 5, with the arrival of the best folk musicians in Ontario's secondary schools. At 7 p.m. Fri. evening, the music gets underway with a get-together Hootenanny just for fun. The performers will be going on stage to try out their music in front of an audience and, of course, to show off their talent.

This was one of the most popular parts of the weekend, last year.

The competition begins Saturday morning at 9 with the preliminaries in all classes. Judging and elimination will continue through the morning and afternoon. Performances will be held that evening to pick the finalists in each class. Along with these scheduled events there are plans for workshops to instruct the folk singers in other types of instruments or music, such as bluegrass or classical guitar. In these workshops, with experienced instructors, students will be able to help each other in their music.

The visiting musicians will be doing their best, not only for the prize money (\$125-\$200 for first places in different classes) but also for the talent scouts and media who plan to be in the audience. The judges will consist of a panel of pro folk musicians, who know good music when they hear it. And they'll be hearing plenty of it! So will you, if you drop in for just a few minutes or stay for the entire weekend. Tickets are \$3.50 for the weekend or \$2.50 for Saturday evening. Since Folk II is the only folk festival for high school kids in Ontario this year, you can be sure to hear the best of native Ontario talent. So come on out!

THE FOYER
The foyer is coming! After more than a year of planning and gathering money, our school foyer project is finally underway. The rejuvenation project, designed by Ian Hogg two years ago, was originally planned to be circular, with a planter in the centre, but, because of the high cost inherent in the circular design, the plan has been modified to a more practical and cheaper angular design.

When tenders were in, all of the local contractors were still above the budget set by the board of education and GDHS Student Council. Just when it looked grim, the board carpenters, headed by Norman Elliot, came up with a plan that could be afforded.

The specially-designed benches are being prefabricated in the board's workshop in Oakville and could be installed in as few as three weeks. When we come back from Winter Week we might just find that our foyer has had a face lift!

THE BEATLES
Last Saturday, the stage at GDHS came alive with the characters from Sergeant Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band.

No, it wasn't a masquerade party, it was Liverpool, the band playing for the high school dance. Students took a break from their normal, loud, modern music, to listen and dance to

early Beatles music played well by Liverpool. Old favorites, such as pieces from Yellow Submarine, were performed and enjoyed tremendously. The group realistically captured the spirit of the Beatles in the early 1960s, even down to the accents. It was like a magical voyage into the past.

SPORTS

At a gymnastics meet held at GDHS on Feb. 21, Georgetown placed first. Schools competing were White Oaks, Oakville-Trafalgar, and GDHS. The girls of the gymnastics team, under the coaching of Mrs. White and Mrs. Finnlay showed enthusiasm, grace, flexibility and complete control during the meet. On February 26 the team travels to Etobicoke for an invitational meet at Burnhamthorpe Collegiate.

Track and field workouts for basic conditioning have been underway for the past four weeks at GDHS. Coaches are Mrs. Wescott, Mrs. Cosgrove, and Mrs. Wilson. Girls, there is still time to come out for the

stone jewellery made and donated to the Sunday School in aid of the Primates World Relief Fund.

Winners were: pendants - Mrs. Bob Gracey and Mrs. Fred Mavea; bracelet - Mrs. B. J. Middleton and Mrs. Ivan Hay - brooch.

Progress of moving the Sanford house has been slow, possibly due to soft ground. —E. Grant

team, so show some interest and support this year's track team.

YEARBOOK

The 1973-74 yearbook has just gone through labor pains and will be born this September, right on schedule. For the past month, there has been a scare that the yearbook would not be printed, because so few books had been sold, but sales picked up and this year's edition will be printed.

The yearbook staff, larger than the staffs of recent years, is busy gathering facts, photos and other paraphernalia that make this year different from any other year at GDHS. With the sudden increase in interest, this year's book could be the best yet!

DID YOU KNOW?

It is bad manners in Laos, when seated on the floor, to let your feet point toward anyone's head. Of the 32 souls Laotians believe inhabit the body, the least worthy dwell in the feet and the worthiest in the head.

Stewarttown Enjoys Church Pancake Supper

A most successful pancake supper was enjoyed by all who attended St. John's church last Tuesday evening.

All you could eat, pancakes and sausages topped with all the tea, coffee or freshie that you could drink.

Sponsored by St. John's Guild, as an annual affair. Messrs. T. H. Briggs, Tom Clapham and John Ottaway assisted the ladies at the grills. Tickets were sold on polished

Conservation Approves \$3 Million Budget

The Credit Valley conservation authority approved a budget of \$3,196,850 at its annual meeting on Feb. 21.

Major projects budgeted are: conservation areas development including land acquisition, \$470,800; Niagara Escarpment land, \$788,536; water control, \$984,586; and waterfront plant \$660,000.

Conservation areas development includes swimming area improvements, a new washroom building in the camping area and construction of a picnic shelter in the group picnic area at Terra Cotta.

Also construction of a portable bridge to link the natural area to the main picnic area at Meadowvale; construction of a concession booth and other improvements at Belfountain, are planned.

Construction of a washroom building, picnic area, nature trail, interpretation facility and preparation for a maple sugar operation at Orangeville Reservoir were included. Construction of a picnic shelter at Monora; clearing and preparing picnic areas and construction of an equipment storage building at Silver Creek are part of the budget.

Forest management and nature trail improvement are incorporated into the plans for all the above conservation areas.

diversion in Brampton; Cooksville Creek channel improvements in eastern Mississauga.

Floodline mapping of 40 miles of Credit River tributaries in the watershed; erosion study and control on the Credit River and purchase of Credit Valley lands will use the budgeted money also.

WATERFRONT
The authority has budgeted \$660,000, to proceed with phase one, implementation of preliminary engineering and construction, based on the overall plan prepared by Cryster and Latham, Consultant Engineers. Private tree planting of the 120,000 trees already ordered from the Ministry of Natural Resources will cost the authority approximately \$5,000 in 1974. This service is partially underwritten by a nominal charge to landowners for planting.

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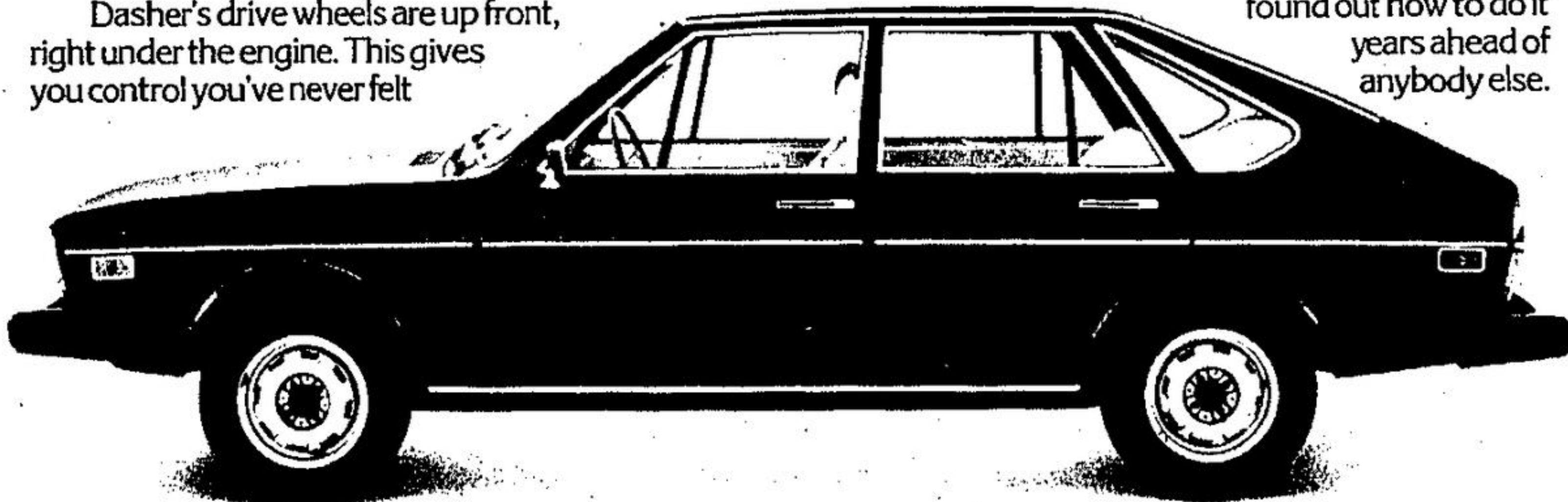
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