

Georgetown Fair packs 'em in as weather co-operates this year



Among the entries in the 20 classes for heavy horses was Russell Teeple's teams of Clydsdats.



Dan Wagstaffe (left) shows John McDermid a model of the 1931 Alfaromeo which set a land speed record of 89.3 miles per hour.

The replica belongs to Georgetown Chrysler and was on display Saturday at the Fairgrounds.



Mayorality candidate Pete Pomeroy was among the brave souls willing to take a dip into the tank if a marksman could be found to trigger the seat release. A marksman was found and Mr. Pomeroy splashed down several times during his turn on the seat.

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Saturday's Georgetown Fall Fair was a good, average fair with no big problems, or disappointments according to Georgetown Fall Fair Board secretary Charles Fogal.

"Another good fair like this and we'll be on even terms," he said. While Saturdays fair should pay off the debts from last year's rained out fair it won't be sufficient to replace the reserve fund the board tries to maintain, he explained. That will take a second successful fair to get it back in shape after the board used some of it this year.

Women's entries were particularly good this year, he said, but the move from the Armouries to the new building at the west end of the fair grounds seems to have caused some confusion for people attending the show.

"Once the word gets around and the people know where we moved to things should be much better for next year," Mr. Fogal said.

In spite of the confusion the general feeling is that the move was an improvement.

Fair board president Don Gosling reports gate attendance to be a little above average and commends the Lion's Club for their work supervising the gate under adverse conditions.

NO ESTIMATES

Since the fair board has not yet met to go over prize lists and various accounts board members can't estimate either gate receipts or actual attendance with any accuracy at this time, Mr. Fogal says.

Among the winners receiving special prizes were Mrs. V. Stein, a Simpson's voucher for earning the most points in the fall, Bruce J. Nixon, a silver plaque donated by the Royal Bank for the exhibitor of the best Dairy Herd, Reg Coulson, a silver plaque donated by the Royal Bank for the exhibitor of the best beef herd, Bev Wingfield, a watch donated by Boughton Jewellers for showmanship of commercial beef and dairy calves, a watch donated by the Imperial Bank of Commerce to Heidi Stadler for cattle showmanship.

Winners of most points were Mrs. Jane Terry, Domestic Science, Mrs. V. Stein, Flowers, Mrs. Gloria Warren, Class 27 (Crafts), A.B. Burton, Vegetables, and Marilyn Bird, Town and Country Girls.

Among the odd attractions on the grounds Saturday was a stilt-walker from Orangeville who shed his stilts and performed on the unicycle later in the day. Mike Onciul stands 11 feet tall on his stilts but doesn't have any intention of making a career of his clown tricks. He is a professional but also a high school student with other plans for the future.

The dunking booth attracted large crowds who got a real chuckle out of seeing various local people disappear under the water. It was shocking dip the first time down since the water was icy cold the participants informed us. Betty Fisher, Pete Pomeroy, Julian Reed and John MacDonald were among those who created quite a splash during the afternoon.

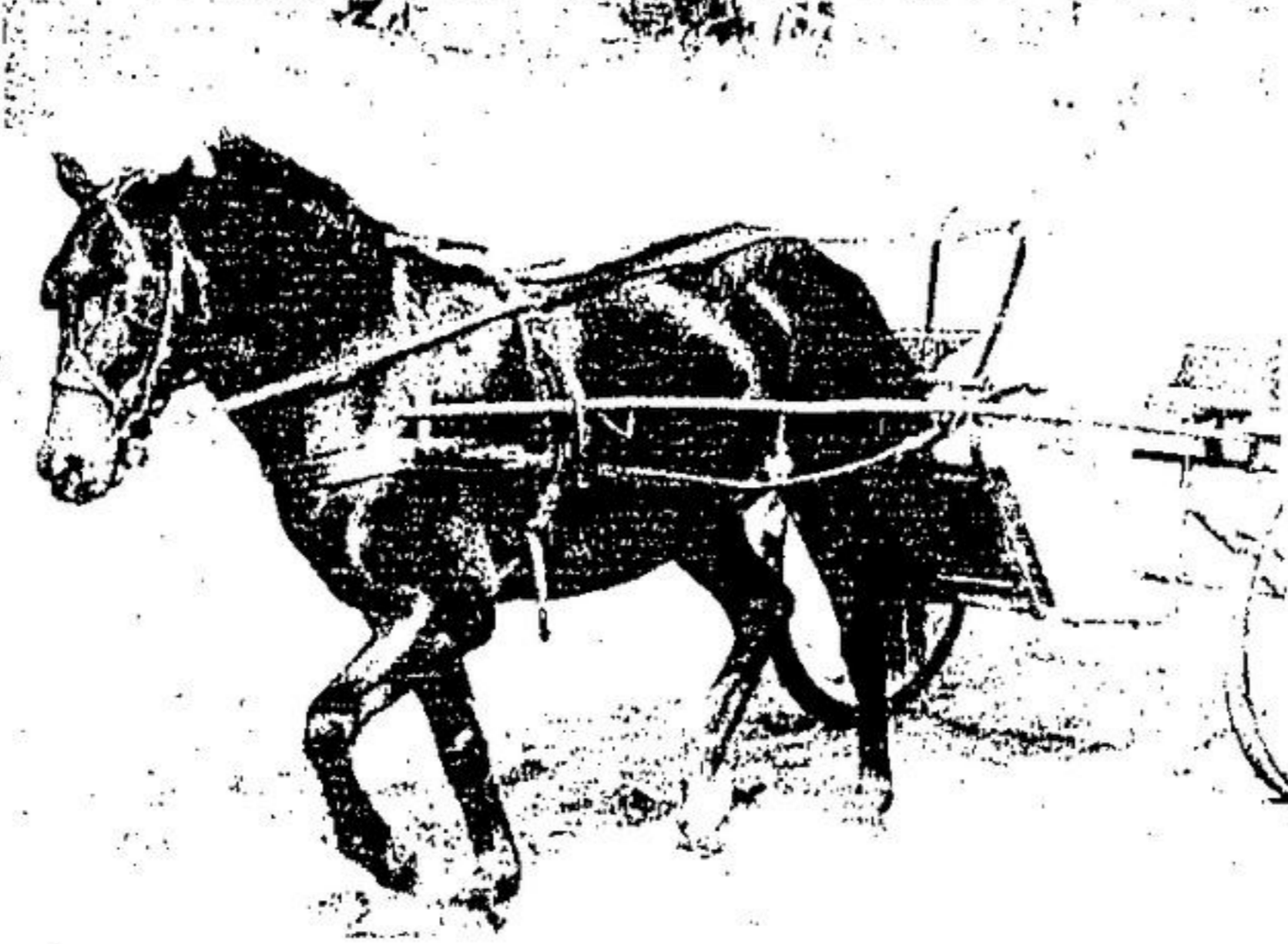
The Bell Telephone truck set up to give youngsters a high view of the fair as well as a chance to hit a target and win a prize drew long lines of children eager to test their balance and their accuracy.



Mike Onciul, Mikie the Clown and Daddy Long Legs are all the same 16-year-old. Mike has been walking on stilts for eight years and riding the unicycle for two. The Caledon boy also juggles. He entertained throughout the grounds Saturday.



Frankie Fuller, 2, and his brother Terry, 4, of Limehouse were a good example of what the fall fair rides mean to the younger members of the community.



(Left) You're never too old to enjoy the merry-go-round and all the smiling teenagers aboard it Saturday afternoon were ample proof of that fact. (Above) Youngsters got into the act Saturday afternoon when it came to displaying their showmanship. This young driver concentrates on putting her pony through its paces for the judges. (Right) If you judge by the noise when you approach some of the rides on the midway you expect to find youngsters scared to death. Not so if you look at their smiling faces.

