



Meet The President

Brent Marshall was returned for his second year as president of the Acton Agricultural Society last week. He has been with the society for 12 years and worked his way up as a director and, through two terms, as second and then first vice-president of the group.

Mr. Marshall has also had a long association with the Acton fall fair through his family, since his father, Bob, has served on the Board of Directors for many years, although he never became president, and his grandfather, Bert Davidson, has served as president of the association and is a life member. Mr. Marshall couldn't remember if this is Mr. Davidson's 49th or 50th year on the board.

Society members pay an annual membership fee of \$3 and are encouraged to attend the monthly directors' meetings as well as the annual meeting each January. Members of the executive committee, however, would probably average one meeting a week through the year, Mr. Marshall says.

Mr. Marshall and his wife, Janet, are both Acton natives. They live on Longfield Road with their two-year-old son.

Mr. Marshall joined the Acton outside works staff in 1970 and transferred to the Halton Region Sewer and Water Department when the Region took over in 1975.

He is also a captain with the Acton Volunteer Firefighters after seven years with the group.

Ballinafad notes

By WINIFRED SMITH
Herald columnist

Mr. and Mrs. William McLean opened their century old farm home on Thursday evening of last week. The occasion was a euchre to help the Ballinafad W.I. raise funds. It proved quite successful. There were over forty present. The prize winners for the Euchre were Ladies 1st - Mrs. Aggie Sinclair, 2nd - Mrs. Frank Smith. Men's prizes were won by 1st - Lionel Watson, 2nd - Norman Anderson. The travelling prizes went to Mrs. Watson and Tom Gwen. A tasty lunch was served by the committee and hostess. During the lunch time a special birthday cake was cut and served. It was in honour of the 5 members of the W.I. who all had January birthdays. An enjoyable time was had by all. The W.I. are hoping to sponsor another euchre in the near future.

A goodly number of couples attended the dance in the community centre on Saturday evening. It was sponsored by the hall board. The theme of the dance was the "Fifties". Couples came dressed as they did over two decades ago. Music was supplied by disc jockey Al Ledger. A delicious pot luck supper was enjoyed and served buffet style.

It looked like fairyland when we looked out on Sunday morning quite a large number attended the church service. The sacrament of Holy Communion was observed. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Volmar were admitted into full membership of the Ballinafad church by transfer.



NORVAL-DIXIE CUB OUTING

The Second Georgetown Cub troop became the first cub pack in the community's history to play host to fellow scouts from outside town Saturday when Akela Lorraine Hruska led her Second Dixie Cubs into Georgetown for a wintertime get-together in the snow. After meeting at St. George's church for a quick photo session, both troops followed local Akela Mary Peters to Keiso Conservation Area in Milton for an afternoon of outdoor activities.

(Herald photo)

Ashgrove Socials

By MRS. JOHN BELLEBODDY
Herald correspondent

The Citizenship and World Affairs meeting of the Women's Institute was held in the beautiful new home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hunter, on the Eighth line, Tuesday afternoon Jan. 16th, with thirty ladies present.

Our President Mrs. Robt Alexander presided, and opened the meeting with the ode, and M.S. Collect. As the secretary Mrs. Craig Reed couldn't

Limehouse Guide News

In the past month, year pins were presented to the following girls of the 1st Limehouse Guide Co.: First Year - Sylvia Mileham and Elizabeth Ma-jeury. Third Year - Judy Thomson, Fourth Year - Susan Brown, Kendall Batchelor and Margaret Olah.

Sylvia Mileham also received her bird-watcher's badge. The Guide enrollment ceremonies will take place on January 30th, and the Limehouse Brownies will be in attendance. Parents will receive further information on this.

By MRS. A.W. BENTON
Limehouse Presbyterian Church annual congregational meeting was held Wednesday evening with a small turn out.

The W.A. of Limehouse Presbyterian church catered a hot roast beef dinner on Sunday to more than 300 of Knox, Acton congregation in honour of Rev. and Mrs. McKenzie and family who will be moving to Perth soon.

Mrs. Wm. Henry, who has been with her mother for nearly a month, left for her home in Elsa, the Yukon on Monday.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Sinclair who were entertained by their son and his wife in Limehouse Memorial Hall on their fortieth wedding anniversary on January 19. A good number of friends attended and enjoyed games.

After singing O Canada and the W.I. grace, meeting closed. Courtesies by Mrs. H. Halst with a social hour.

We are all so glad and thankful that Mr. Tom Blackett is at home now, slowly recovering from his tree accident five weeks ago. Everyone is looking forward to seeing him around again.

Now cheer up folks, on the second of February the ground hog will come out and see his shadow and will pop back into his den again for only six more weeks. So spring isn't too far away.

Travel

Skiing Cariboo Country

By TONY SLOAN
British Columbia's "Cariboo Country" were household words, way back in 1882.

Billy Barker had discovered gold in the Cariboo Mountains and the wagon north from Mile "O" at Lillooet was rainbow's end for miners from three continents.

The ranchers followed the miners and today a new wave of newcomers is following the old Cariboo Wagon Road (now Highway 97) north from Cache Creek. The newcomers are golfers, trail riders, hikers, tennis players, sport fishermen and cross-country skiers and their destination is the expansion 104km² (40 square miles) holiday resort just past 100 Mile House at Mile 108.

It's called 108 Resort Ranch. The main lodge has 63 fully carpeted rooms with private balconies, color TV, bathtub with shower and air-conditioning. Extra cots and cribs are available to the skiing family. The separate dining room in the Club House, overlooking the lake and valley, offers fine food in an elegant setting.

The carefully chosen location for this modern, recreational complex is particularly suited for the outdoor activities featured at 108.

In addition to the championship golf course, the rolling fields and forested rangeland of this working ranch (2000 head of livestock) offer ideal terrain for riding as well as one of the most extensive cross-country ski trail networks in all of Canada.

The 92km (50 miles) of groomed and marked trails range from novice to challenging. There are nearly 3000 markers to show the way but for wandering bush-whackers who prefer to explore the untracked, there's an additional 160km (100 miles) of back country woods and valleys.

An excellent trail map is available but, for 108-bush-whacking, a guide is available and is recommended.

The 108 trail system has been extended this year to connect up with the 62km (38 miles) groomed and maintained by the popular Red Coach Inn at 100 Mile House.

Special arrangements with the Red Coach Inn allow 108 guests to ski to town and dine at the Inn. The combined trail networks, more than 160km (100 miles) make it second only to the Canadian Ski Marathon Trail (Quebec) as the longest groomed trail system in Canada.

A fully stocked ski shop with 60 sets of equipment rentals

and a resident ski instructor is on hand for guests travelling light or in need of a few pointers.

Nighttime activities at the Ranch include tobogganing on a lighted run, skating, curling and broomball plus a twice-a-week old-fashioned sleigh ride.

A spanking team of horses with bells on leaves the lodge at 9 p.m. and transports guests to Starlight Knoll where a sing-a-long and barbeque with hot wine are the main attractions. Guests are back indoors by midnight.

Transportation is also provided for those wishing to go pubbing to the Farrier or the Town and Country Cabaret which features live entertainment and music for the light of foot.

A friend and neighbor of 108 Ranch is Jack Suttles of country music and Nashville fame. Jack, a former Kentuckian, has 'retired' to the Cariboo but his self-confessed liking for people results in an almost continuous stream of 108 guests being invited to visit his beautiful home down the road.

While resident guitarist, Tom Gough, entertains at daily after skiing hot wine parties, special presentations feature Jack Suttles and his two talented daughters - Junita and Berdenia, in the beautiful and acoustically superb interdenominational chapel at the Garden.

The famed Cariboo Garden, depicting 14-life sized sculptured scenes from the life of Christ is also located here.

Special presentations and services featuring such internationally renowned gospel singers as Big John Hall and Della Dorsey are scheduled throughout the year.

Pacific Western Airlines Ski Bird package with direct flights from Vancouver to Williams Lake (\$70 return) is the most popular way of getting to 108. A limousine service conveys guests the 88 km (55 miles) from Williams Lake Airport to the Ranch.

The alternative is a seven-hour ride via Greyhounds bus to 100 Mile House or the eight-hour scenic train ride via B.C. Railway at \$30 per tselusely traveller.

The ground package offers five nights accommodation with a skier's breakfast, daily after-ski hot wine parties, sleigh rides to Starlight Knoll and ground transportation to and from Williams Lake at \$76 per skier, double occupancy. Add \$10.50 per day for lunch and dinner at night.

Chartered or private aircraft can fly direct to the 108 landing strip which is operational year round and can accommodate up to a 55 passenger Convair.

Nordic skiers looking for just the right scene to kick and glide this winter should contact 108 Resort Ranch, Box 2, R.R.1, 100 Mile House, British Columbia or telephone on a direct line from Vancouver (604) 687-2334.

For general information on cross-country skiing destinations in Canada, contact the Canadian Government Office of Tourism, Ottawa K1A 0H6 Canada.



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