

Local bowler has a perfect score to win



Charlene McCormick realized a bowler's dream when she bowled a perfect game in a tournament in Welland recently. The Canadian Tire employee also won the overall championship in the tournament. (Herald photo)

Charlene McCormick realized the "Bowler's Dream" when she rolled a perfect game at the Rose Festival in Welland last week.

McCormick's 10-game total of 2705 pins was also good enough to give her the championship in the Festival, which featured 24 of the top women bowlers.

The bowler's perfect game came in the first of the 10 games. The Georgetown Canadian Tire employee has

been bowling for so many years, but it was the first time she had recorded the perfect score.

"I came close a couple of times," she told the Herald. "Once I bowled 433 and another time I had a 425." A score of 450 is a perfect game.

McCormick, who was born and spent most of her years in Georgetown recently moved to Streetsville. She has kept her job at Canadian

Tire however. For 10 years she bowled out of the Georgetown Bowl.

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Of her perfect game, McCormick said, "I didn't have any hangers at all...it was really uncanny." The only real tense moment came in the sixth frame when she was just a bit light, but the pins went down just the same.

To attain a perfect game a bowler must hit 12 consecutive strikes; one each through the first nine frames and three in the final tenth frame.

"I wasn't at all nervous when I went up to roll the twelfth ball," she said. "When all the pins went down the place went crazy."

For winning the Festival crown, McCormick received a \$1,200. She will also receive money for rolling the perfect game from the Ontario Bowlers Association. She also received a \$1,000 bonus from the tournament organizers for the perfect game. The tournament cost a \$110 to enter.

In many cases after rolling a perfect game, bowlers tend to roll a bad one in their next outing. However, in her second game McCormick managed to tally a very respectable 304 en route to taking it all.

"A 304 is a very good score, but even that's does not seem too good after rolling a perfect one," she said.

The bowler is a Canadian Master and has taken Ontario and Canadian singles titles, but the perfect game has to be her biggest thrill. Many top bowlers go a lifetime without realizing the dream.

In the 10 games McCormick average approximately 225.

Hewitt in Calgary

Georgetown Bowl's Vi Hewitt is at present in Calgary, Alberta as a member of the southern Ontario team vying for the Golden Age Bowlers Club National Mixed Team Championship.

The tournament which features the top 36 golden age bowlers in the country started yesterday and will finish today. Golden age bowlers must be 60 or older.

Town teams tie in tennis

The Georgetown and Acton Mixed Tennis teams battled to a 3-3 tie in action at Gordon Alcott last Thursday.

In the first men's match Peter Marks and John Cavanaugh of Acton defeated Georgetown's Sid Harris and Jim Tinney 5-7, 6-3 and 7-5.

In the second men's Acton's Mike Morris and Gord Bruce beat Georgetown's Bill Kent and John Collier 7-6, 2-6, 7-6 in a tight match.

Georgetown took their first victory when Tony Hull and Gord Doig defeated Jerry Veldman and Gary Pickles 7-6, 2-6 and 6-4.

In the first mixed match Acton's Bob Bruce and Christine Steen bettered Georgetown's John Rice and Linda Rice 2-6, 0-6.

In the second mixed Peter Hughes and Liz Doig emerged 6-2, 6-4 winners over Acton's Vic Morris and June Morris.

Georgetown earned the draw with a victory in the ladies match. Isla Allison and Marilyn Serjeantson defeated Acton's Marcia Gregg and June Lewis 6-1, 5-7, 7-6.

Paddlecade here July 4

For all the canoe enthusiasts this is a reminder that Canoe Ontario's Paddlecade will be in Halton Hills next Wednesday, July 4th, 1979. The clinic will be held at the Fairy Lake Beach (Acton) from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Since all equipment will be supplied by Paddlecade, this is a fine opportunity for everyone to learn about canoeing.

Tomorrow, Thursday, June 28th, 1979, swimming lesson registrations will be held between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. The registration will be

held at the Gordon Alcott Arena in Georgetown and in the Acton Arena in Acton. If you wish to register your children or yourself come down on Thursday!!

We are trying to reduce the number of people having to register at one place at one time. With this in mind all those individuals who wish to enroll in Swim Team and/or a Leadership Course can register at the appropriate pools between June 18th, 1979 and July 2nd, 1979. If you fit into this area, we encourage you to take advantage of this

opportunity.

The Swimming Lessons will start on Tuesday, July 3rd, 1979 at the appropriate pools. If you do not have the individual class times or the recreational swim times they can be picked up at the Acton Municipal Office, Acton Indoor Pool, Recreation and Parks Department, and the Georgetown Indoor Pool.

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