

Pulling out all the stops for 68th year

Acton Fall Fair Fever

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Fewer things are more difficult to write about than the Acton Fall Fair: there's such an abundance of things to do at Prospect Park during its three day run (Sept. 18, 19 and 20) it's hard to decide where to start.

How about the gates? The first crowds are expected to pile through at 8 a.m. Sept. 18, more than likely heading for rides and games set up the day before by Albion Happyland Midway, or they may hang a left toward the Arabian horse-show.

The exhibit hall won't be opened up until 6 p.m. The hours prior to the opening will be mostly judging items made by mostly local artisans.

No Acton Fair would be entirely the same without the Miss Acton Fall Fair competition and Friday's entertainment evening surrounding her coronation. There were 28 contestants last year and the crowd that filled Acton's Memorial Arena that Friday night watched Lisa McGrath succeed her sister Cathy.

The attractive McGrath sisters have raised eyebrows beyond Acton's boundaries. Lisa has been in the Miss Canada pageant, the CHIN radio picnic bikini contest and pageants held in conjunction with Can-Am and Molsen road racing events held in Mosport. Cathy was featured as a Toronto Sun "Sunshine Girl" earlier this year.

Saturday is chock-full of family pleasing events. The cattle show gets underway at 11 a.m. (continuing Sunday at noon). Brian Evans, Acton Agricultural Society president, says the beef competition is already filled, but there is still room in the dairy show

Sunday. The \$1 per farm or stable entry fee also includes admission to the fair.

Put a little oom-pah into your life by attending the Acton Fall Fair parade, which gets underway Saturday at noon. Pony and light horse shows start at 11 a.m., followed by the heavy horse show at 1 p.m.

Poultry and sheep shows will also be held that day, and the \$1 entry fee applies here as well. However, Mr. Evans stressed, junior division and 4-H Club members can enter their animals absolutely free.

Throughout the afternoon, there'll be several smaller events open to the public to, as Mr. Evans said, "get more people involved with the fair."

Later in the evening the popular horse pulling competitions will begin. This is an incredible spectacle pitting the sheer brute strength of these well-muscled horses against weights of several hundred pounds.

The Carlsberg (Beer) Wagon and its team of eight splendid Belgian horses is back again for the 68th anniversary of the Fair, but no word has yet been heard from the Masterfeeds people about whether or not their "percherones" will return as well.

Organize a team and pit yourselves against the Bull Dogs, Acton's provincially-acclaimed tug-of-war team. This time they'll be wearing regular running shoes and not the toothed cleats they normally use in competition.

In addition to tug-of-war opportunities, there will be log-splitting contests and a hay bale throwing competition.

The exhibitions and the midway continue all day and so will the beer garden, a handy watering hole located conveniently near the centre of the action.

A fiddling contest will get underway as the afternoon draws to a close around 5 p.m. About a mile east of the park on Churchill Road North, there'll be a dance at the Acton

Club later in the evening. The Sierra Dance Band will be featured.

Sunday boasts a new round of events, English and western horse riding shows at the list, but there will also be car-splitting demonstrations of mini-tractor pulls. Once little more than lawn tractors, these machines have been elaborately restyled to haul some pretty impressive tonnage. History buffs should take in the antique tractor show and farm equipment display, which will also be held Sunday.

The popular model boat races will be held Saturday and Sunday, buzzing across Fairy Lake, controlled by radio transmitters. The scouts' Truck Fint contest will continue at the lake, too.

Muscular dystrophy fundraising will get a boost from the firefighters. They'll compete for prize money (usually donated to the MD campaign) against colleagues from Burlington, Hillsburgh, Rockwood and Erin in the waterball contest.

Opposing teams, each handling a high pressure hose, attempt to force a ball suspended from a wire over a predetermined goal line. It's literally buckets of fun, but spectators are advised to give the teams plenty of room or risk getting doused.

Daily admission into the park during the Fair is \$2.50 for adults and students and \$1 for children.

DEATHS

HUNTER - Jean, on Monday September 7th, 1981 at the Chelsey Park Nursing Home, Streetsville. Jean Lawson formerly of Norval, in her 90th year. Wife of the late Joseph H. Hunter and dear sister of William F. Lawson, of Mississauga and the late Walker R. Lawson. Resting at the McClure-Jones Funeral Home, 34 Edith St. Georgetown where Funeral and Committal Service will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2:00. Interment Hillcrest Cemetery, Norval.

PAYNE - Freda on Saturday September 5th, 1981 at her home, 3 McNabb St. Georgetown. Freda, beloved wife of Charles Payne and dear mother of Michael, Loved Margareta Wilkom, Andrew, David and Matthew. Also survived by her five sisters. A private funeral service was held at the McClure-Jones Funeral Home, 34 Edith St. Georgetown, on Monday afternoon, September 7th, 1981. Cremation followed.

LANGDON Judge Kenneth M. - Suddenly on Friday, September 4th, 1981 at the Georgetown District Memorial Hospital. Kenneth M. Langdon of Georgetown in his 77th year. Beloved husband of Betty Green and dear father of Judge Kenneth A. Langdon of Georgetown and Brian Langdon of Brampton. Predeceased by his brothers Margareta Wilkom O. Langdon of Saint Ste Marie, Charles V. Langdon, O.C. of Toronto and T. Fullerton Langdon O.C. of South Porcupine. Rested at the McClure-Jones Funeral Home, 34 Edith Street, Georgetown. Funeral service was held Monday afternoon, September 7th, from Knox Presbyterian Church. Interment Greenwood Cemetery in memory contributions to the Georgetown District Memorial Hospital Foundation or a charity of your choice would be appreciated.

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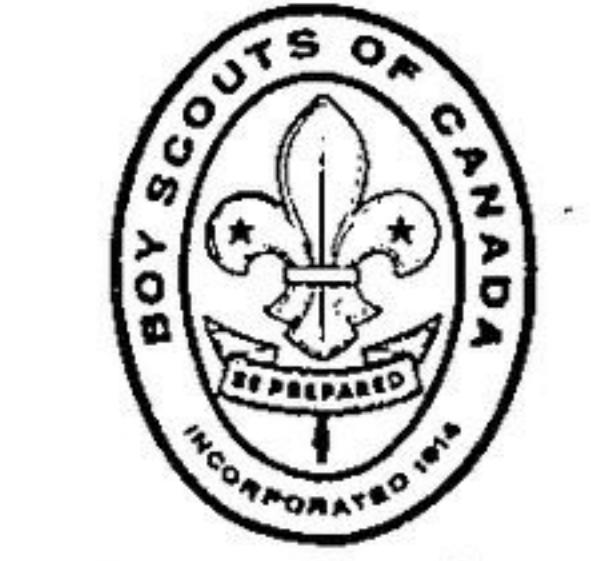
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Canteen two

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water when we had nothing else cold to drink, hot wieners when we had no buns and hot buns with soup when we had no wieners.



There are so many things to remember: the trailers with hot showers; a washing machine and dryer; the cold showers when the heaters didn't work; dirty feet five minutes after a shower; the sight of a storm coming through the pass; being thankful the District gave us waterproof jackets during the two days of rain because someone walked off with my rain poncho; the boy who bought ten beef jerky when he already

had 30 in his tent, ate the ten in five minutes and came back for ten more; the leader who wanted ten Dingdongs when he really wanted ten Dingbats; the night I was a guest for dinner with the Limehouse Scouts; the beef barbecue at a nearby ranch; the day in Banff with Evelyn where we were treated to a beautiful lunch; the canteen staff party; the beautiful army meals; seeing Lord Baden-Powell; talking to Camp Chief Chester Hull who didn't talk; standing in the pouring rain talking to a bunch of North Halton people and really - just meeting old friends, making new friends and being a part of the whole thing.

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— "Y" DISCOVERY DAYS — To Elмира and St. Jacobs, September 16th, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., bus tour, lunch at Stone Creek, shopping, fee \$20.00. Pre-Register at 88 Mountainview Rd. S., Georgetown — 877-6183. 406536cc

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— UNIVERSITY WOMENS CLUB — September Social for members on September 15, 7:30 p.m. at St. Alban's Church, Glen Williams. New members welcome. Call — 877-7252, 877-0453, 853-3581 418436cc
— GEORGETOWN West Brunwies, Guides, Pathfinders Registration Tuesday, September 15th, 7 - 9 p.m. Knox Church. Parents must register girls. 415736cc
— THE SALVATION ARMY pickup service, every Tuesday, Call — 877-8522. cefl
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CARDS OF THANKS

We would like to thank the Halton Regional Police, Georgetown Fireman, Ambulance, Hospital and Doctors, Figure Skating Club, Standard Products, Leo Archredkin Funeral Home, Rev. Neil McKee and a thousand supporters, neighbours and relatives for your floral contributions, donations, food, cards and acts of kindness in the loss of a loved and loving son, husband and father. He was also our best friend. Mae Belle, Marion, Sherry, Cathy and Leah Smetton. 420937colntf

WILSON — We would like to thank our friends, neighbours and relatives for the lovely cards, flowers and donations sent at the time of Earl's death and the support they have given us over the past year. Special thanks to Reverend and Mrs. Walter Fieley, Dr. Thompson and Dr. Bourne, the nurses at Georgetown Hospital and the McClure-Jones Funeral Home for their help in our time of need. — Anne, Ruth Anne, Norma and David 410336ccfl

MARRIAGES

ROBINSON — LISZAK Mr. and Mrs. B. Robinson, Georgetown and Mr. J. Liszak, St. Catharines are pleased to announce the marriage of their children, Christine and Richard, which took place quietly in St. Catharines, Ontario 1st September, 1981. Chris and Rick are currently completing their final year at University of Waterloo.

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— REGISTRATION for Fall "Y" programs now progressing. Register at 88 Mountainview Rd. S. — 877-6183. 410236cc
— Georgetown Hospital Auxiliary membership drive in the hospital cafeteria. Wednesday September 16th, 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Old and new members welcome. 416937celf

— McDonald's Grand Prix for Soap Box Cars — Sunday October 4th. Open to racers 7 to 14 years old. Rules and regulations at Young's Pharmacy or phone 877-3339, 877-6091. 417439cc

— The regular meetings of the Georgetown Fireline camping group will commence again Tuesday, September 15th at the Canada Trust building at 8:00 p.m. Meetings are held the third Tuesday of every month. Families interested in camping are welcome to attend. Contact Jean Harrison at 853-1177. 417836cc

— 2ND GEORGETOWN BEAVERS, Cubs and Scouts registration on September 14th, 1981 at 7 p.m. at St. George's Anglican Church. Fee \$13.50 408735cc
— Esqueuing Pony Club registration night Monday September 14th at 7 p.m. Esqueuing Community Hall. For more information call 877-1245. 420736cc
— The Senior Citizens of John T. Armstrong Terrace are having a Bazaar on Saturday November 28, 1981 for crafts, ceramics, baking, white elephant table and tea. 419636ccnt