

Amusements, contests and friendly competition draw 16,000 to Acton's best fall fair ever

Acton fall fair 'good'? It was 'fantastic'!



Ron McKnight, Acton's current Citizen of the Year, was formally escorted from the town's ActiVan by Miss Acton 1979 Cathy McGrath (left) and the 1981 Queen, her sister Lisa. Ron travelled in such royal splendor (joining the trio was Tyler

Transport president Ted Tyler (rear) to officially open the Acton Fall Fair at the variety show Friday night in the arena. Lisa later turned her crown over to Miss Acton 1981, 20-year old Cindy McGilloway.



Possibly sharing the secret of what makes Carlsberg beer such a legendary brew, these two handsome Belgian horses are members of the well-known Carlsberg team which visited the Acton Fall Fair last weekend.



The midway at the Acton Fall Fair provided additional thrills to visitors last weekend taking in the usual country-style events which make Ontario's autumn so colorful. The Acton arena also housed a number of displays for those who dropped inside to get out of the cool air for a while.

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Once just your average lawn tractor, machines like this one owned by Bill Fielding of Port Perry now pack an enormous amount of horsepower, enabling them to haul loads several times their own weight. The tractor pull, (Bill is seen here weighing in prior to the start) was held Sunday at the Acton Fall Fair.



Master magician Rossini dazzled his Acton Fall Fair audience Friday night with several spectacular tricks and a fast-paced mix of comic one-liners and gags. Here, Rossini's lovely assistant becomes a little "disjointed" but still manages to smile while the magician helps get her together.



One of the displays based on the theme "A Woman's Work is Never Done" was this entry at the Acton Fall Fair. While the gentleman is planning next year's garden with the help of the Dominion Seed House catalogue, his wife is busy with the baby.

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John Vancluse of Walnut Drive Farms in Stay or was busy Saturday morning preparing for the Acton Fall Fair's beef show. Despite the autumn chill, the wide variety of cattle shown at the fair had to hit the showers before they entered the competition.



The mice police never sleep when this cat's on the prowl. "Tommy", owned by Mary Ann Barnes and her sister Susan (right), was entered in the Acton Fall Fair's Pet Show Sunday, vying for the biggest feline prize and the ego-building best-looking cat award. The Barnes live on Acton's Young Street. (Herald photo)



A crowning achievement—Cindy McGilloway was crowned Miss Acton 1981 at the Acton Fall Fair variety show Friday night. Passing over the title to Miss Acton 1980, Lisa McGrath, Cindy is joined by princess Kymm Lakin (left) and second runner-up Mariene Lott. The coronation followed an elaborate evening of entertainment and fun as the Acton Fair began its 68th birthday.



One of the hits at the Acton Fall Fair variety show prior to the crowning of the new Miss Acton was Norma Badinton and her dog company. No bones about it, they just about stole the show, leaping through rings, dancing, yapping and occasionally becoming a little belligerent about doing some of the tricks until "hounded" into it by trainer Norma.

Traces of fair disappear as plans for '82 begin

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By the time members of the agricultural society finished cleaning up yesterday (Tuesday) there were few indications that there had ever been a fair in Prospect Park, certainly not one of the size and importance of Acton's.

But even as the clean-up was underway, society members were already planning for 1982. "You can't leave it until next year," Mr. Evans said. "You have to start getting ready now." And, shortly, the society will

once again dip into the rich resource pool which has consistently come up with successful fairs, following a not-so-secret formula which genuinely welcomes ideas from young members as well as society's esteemed veterans.

