

Balloonarama special event

Orangeville - This fall's special event will be held on the first weekend of October - Balloonarama - a hot air balloon festival with up to 30 brightly coloured balloons filling the sky over Orangeville and surrounding area. The festival begins Friday evening, September 30 and ends Sunday, October 2, 1983.

The countryside around Orangeville is an ideal location for ballooning and as a result, the festival will attract balloonists from many areas. In addition, the 'Cabatts', Beckers and Canada Dry balloons will be participating.

Over the past few years, ballooning has become an increasingly popular sport, the attraction being the joy of sailing through the air and enjoying the scenery from a great vantage point. Balloons are priced from about \$15,000 and go up to \$35,000 for the more elaborate ones. When inflated, they stand six stories high. You must become a qualified pilot before you can "fly" one alone.

There will be a number of additional festival events and attractions during the weekend:

Art in the Park - a show and sale of fine handcrafted articles.

Special contests demonstrating the balloon pilot's skills.

Tethered balloon and hovercraft rides.

A beer garden providing refreshments for the adults.

Horse racing at the Orangeville Raceway October 2.


Miss Balloonarama Contest

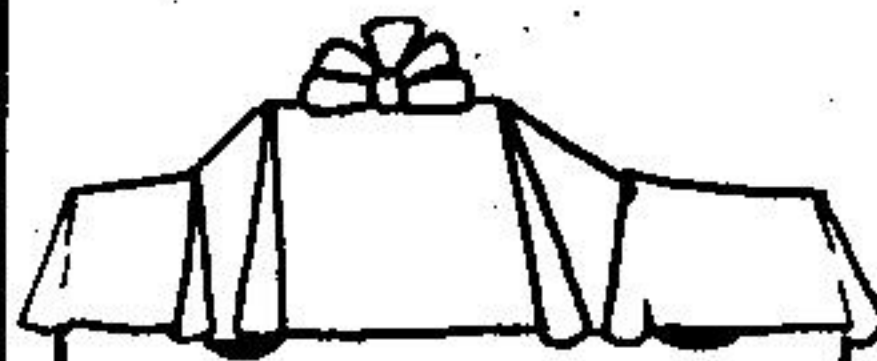
Display of ultra-light planes

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