

Winter's back! Hot times at sweetheart carnival



Jarrod and Jessica Kinch warmed their hands over a gas burner while waiting for their hot chocolate to boil.



It was a battle for the finish line as children competed in the snowshoe race.



Belgian horse team Jim and King took carnival visitors on sleigh rides through the park.



Mother Jane Pierce gives daughter Amanda a push in her sleigh while father Duncan Pierce pulls.



Lots of snow flew as participants in the carnival soccer game kicked the ball around.



Thornton MacDonald joined others to ski the cross country trails at Terra Cotta Sunday afternoon.

By CHERYL MOODER
Herald Staff

Laughter filled the air as revellers took part in the Fifth Annual Terra Cotta Sweetheart Carnival.

Visitors from all over Halton and the Toronto area donned cross country skis to swish the trails throughout the Terra Cotta Conservation Area.

Children of all ages sat on the backs of toboggans while parents huffed and puffed dragging them to various events.

The jingle of horse bells pierced the winter's chill as a Belgian horse team took passengers on a sleigh ride while overhead the whir of a helicopter sounded as it took visitors for an airborne trip.

In the Visitor Services Centre people warmed cold noses and fingers with steaming cups of hot chocolate or coffee or grabbed a quick lunch before heading back out into the sunshine.

Cries of "Come on - You can do it!" echoed through the woods as parents and spectators cheered on children and adults as they participated in soccer games, ski and snowshoe races, tug-of-war and toboggan race.

Community relations officer Sue

Powell was pleased with how the day went. "It went really nice," she said. "We had about as many as we could handle."

With the sunny weather and last week's heavy snowfall a lot of people came out to ski.

"It was almost like the first weekend open for skiing. The trails got good use," she said. And skiers kept the staff hopping.

As well, with Sunday's warm temperatures and lack of a bone-chilling wind, parents, who stood and watched their children participate in events, stayed for the entire day, Mrs. Powell said.

Winners of the five kilometre (three mile) cross country race for the males were: in first place, Scott Dickson with a time of 18:08. In second was Andre Outmet with 19 minutes even and in third was Glen Edwards with a time of 19:27 minutes.

Winners of the five kilometre (three mile) cross country race for the women were: in first place, Wendy Stewart with a time of 31:36; in second place Susan Harrison Dickson with a time of 38:30 and in third place Muriel Outmet with a time of 38:38.

After much squealing and flying of

snow, a Georgetown team entitled The Studs emerged the victors of the soccer game.

In the kids' heat (16 and under) of the snowshoe race Colin Redmond came in first while Kristine Sonchioni came in second.

In the adult division Paul Kelvinas came in first while Lou McGalls was second.

A team of four consisting of Gerry Doekes, who works at Terra Cotta, Mark Coe, Gilles Outmet and one other member, won the tandem ski race.

After an exciting rematch to see whose toboggan would travel the farthest, Shaye Crawford and her father won the toboggan race while Mark Coe and Gilles Outmet came in second.

"There were some good wipes on the toboggan hill," Mrs. Powell said. Participants ate some snow.

The tug-of-war, Mrs. Powell said, "turned out really good. I was surprised."

Ten children on each end dug in their heels to see who could best the other team.

The finishing touch to the day came when eight-year-old Jessica

Kinch of Brampton was crowned Sweetheart Queen of the day.

The youngster was a busy athlete participating in the snowshoe race, tandem ski race and toboggan race, Mrs. Powell said.

"She was thrilled (and) really surprised," she added.

Jessica received a dozen red roses and turtle neck sweater emblazoned with Terra Cotta Sweetheart Queen 1988 for her reign as carnival queen.

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By ROSE STARRATT
Herald Special

Feb. 20, the Oakville Bowlerama and the Georgetown Bowl will host the eighth annual Bowl for Millions. The goal for 1988 is \$20,000.

All funds raised in this event go to the Big Brothers of Halton, helping them continue their work with boys from father-absent homes.

The Mayors of Oakville, Halton Hills and Milton will show their support by opening the Celebrity Bowl.

Mayor Russ Miller will get the ball rolling at the Georgetown Bowl at 2 p.m.

At 3 p.m., Mayor William Perros and Gord Kranz will begin the Celebrity Bowl in Oakville with the annual Mayor'sthon.

Members of the community are invited to come out and show their support by cheering the mayors on.

Also on hand for the kick-off will be three Toronto Argonauts. Ian Beckstead will be at the Georgetown Bowl while his team mates, Jim Kardash and Randy Ambrosie will be at the Oakville Bowlerama.

The three Argos will cheer on bowlers, sign autographs and chat with fans. Ian Beckstead will also make an appearance at the Oakville Bowlerama later in the day.

Several local high schools will also be participating in the Celebrity Bowl. Schools taking part in the High School Challenge are Perdue, Q.E. Park, Appleby College, St. Ignace Loyola and Blakeslock in Oakville. E.C. Drury, Milton High

School and Georgetown high will be in Georgetown. The school who raises the most money per capita will receive a trophy.

Local establishments are sending out teams and raising funds for the Bowl for Millions Celebrity Bowl. McCain Refrigerated Goods, Kelsey's, Pete and Marty's and O'Tooles will be bowling in the Oakville Bowlerama.

The Halton Regional Police are also putting together a team in support of the Big Brothers of Halton.

"It's a real community event," said Tordis Coakley, executive director for Big Brothers of Halton. "Everyone can help and does. On February 20, everyone who comes out and shows their support is a Celebrity."

There is still time to get pledge sheets and sponsor bowlers. But not much. For more information and pledge sheets, call 845-6456 or

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