## Acton Fall Fair 78 years young

While most everyone's thoughts at this time of year are on catching a few rays or trying to beat the heat, the directors and other volunteers have been busy preparing for the 78th Annual Acton Fall Fair.

This year's fair is scheduled for the weekend of September 13, 14 and 15th at Acton's picturesque Prospect Park. The unofficial theme for this year's fair is "Educate and Entertain." The Homecraft Division's theme is "Ewe and Your Fair." When you tour the hall, watch for all the exhibits that pertain to sheep. School children are encouraged to enter the special contest adver-tised through area schools: Category - A: Picture of a sheep suitable for hanging, Category B: A free standing sheep made from wire, paper rolls, etc.

Competitions and attractions are being lined up to ensure that people of all ages will be able to have a most enjoyable time. The directors hope that everyone will come out and get involved in the many competition, or simply relax and meet their friends.

Among this year's highlights are the various displays put on by the area school children, including arts and crafts, photography, and many other exciting activities. In addition, people have a chance to show off their prize livestock or crops, garden vegetables or Mom's homemade pies and cakes.

For the younger crowd there are truck and tractor pulls, pet shows, petting zoos, the "Miss Acton" contest and of course, the midway with its thrilling rides and games of chance.

The Fair kicks off on Friday the 13th with education taking the center stage. School children and seniors are admitted free from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to view the numerous displays in the Community Center and on the fairgrounds. On Friday night a special concert featuring the Guse Family will provide the musical entertainment, with amusing interludes by "Binky the Clown".

On Saturday the Fair gets into high gear starting with a parade

## Radial Railway Museum

If visitors in Halton Hills want to see history come to life, then the Halton County Radial Railway Museum is just the place to visit.

The museum, located on Guelph Line just outside of Rockwood, takes visitors on a train ride into the bygone days of the electric railways. Founded in 1963, the museum is sponsored by the Ontario Electric Railway Historical Association, which is a non-profit educational organization. The museum displays an assortment of streetcars, radial cars, and work cars dating back to the 1920's.

The museum also boasts an extensive gift shop, restoration centre, the old Rockwood Railway Station (relocated from its original site), and a car house. For those people who wish to spend a little more time at the museum there is an outstanding mile-long train ride through the museum grounds where lucky patrons board an antique railway train at an authentic turn-of-the-century train station.

The Radial Railway Museum is the perfect afternoon getaway for visiting families and friends.

through Town at 12 noon. The members of the Fair Board expect that the many floats and bands will make this parade a memorable one. Come out and see who can shear a sheep the fastest, or who can shoe a horse with the greatest of ease. Of course, the Fair just wouldn't be the Fair if the food booths weren't busy cooking up a storm. Sample the home cut french fries, or indulge yourself with some good old fashioned candy floss. For those so inclined, the "Spot in the Park" beer tent will be serving cold beverages to quench the

In keeping with the Homecraft Division's theme of "Ewe and Your Fair", watch the amazing spectacle of dogs herding a flock of sheep. Demonstrations will be at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. on Saturday. In the evening a Teen Dance will be shaking the park from end to end.

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Just when you think you've had enough excitement for one weekend, don't forget the fair is open on Sunday at well. Horse shows, cattle shows, remote car races, 4X4 truck pull and children's pedal tractor pull are among the many events scheduled. Musical highlights on this day are focused on the Arena as various Gospel music groups sing the praises of the day.

At 4 p.m. the Fair awards are presented to those lucky enough to have caught the eye of the judges.

So while you're working on your tan or your golf game, don't forget that the Fair is just around the corner. Mark it on your calendar and come out for a funthrilled weekend at this year's 78th Annual Acton Fall Fair.

It's Worth The Drive!

## The great outdoors beckons to visitors in the Hills

The Town of Halton Hills has a wide variety of conservation areas and hiking areas for the outdoorsman in all of us. Each area has something different to offer for the visitor, while allowing him/her to enjoy the outdoors.

The Terra Cotta Conservation Area lets visitors camp in an outdoor environment while still being close to home. The conservation area also allows visitors to go swimming, fishing, or even hiking along the Bruce Trail. To get to the Terra Cotta Conservation Area, just follow Winston Churchill Blvd. two kilometers north of Terra Cotta.

The Kelso Conservation Area in Milton has an 85-acre man-made reservoir and 573 acres of recreational and natural lands. Kelso offers activities such as boat rentals, miniature golf, fishing, hiking, swimming and picnicking. Kelso Conservation Area is open seven days a week and can be reached by following the 401 east towards Milton and exiting at Appleby Road.

## Cultural Centre anniversary

1991 marks the 10-year anniversary of the Halton Hills Cultural Centre and the John Elliott Theatre. The centre was constructed in 1981 to improve upon the services and facilities offered in the Halton Region.

The Cultural Centre includes the Georgetown Public Library, an art gallery, and the John Elliott Theatre. The art gallery has displayed works from over 100 different artists since its opening, including Robert Bateman.

Rattlesnake Point Conservation Area offers 5.5 km of hiking trails, four lookout points for scenic views of the area, group camping, picnicking, and rock climbing. The 616 acres of Rattlesnake Point were purchased to protect its natural features, such as its diverse plant and animal life. For those who wish to hike along the point there is no need to worry about rattlesnakes. The last reported sighting was back in 1952. The park is open every day from 8:30 until dusk.

From the 401 take Highway 25 south to Steeles Avenue, west on Steeles Avenue to Appleby Line, then travel south on Appleby for approximately 3 km.





