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FANCY FOOTWORK! Five-year-old Brendan Pezzack shows ample amounts of skill and determination in Mini-Squirt soccer action last week at M.Z. Bennett. Brendan's Acton Veterinary squad dropped a tight 1-0 decision to the Town Milk Bulls. (Photo by Mike Albano)

Reunion planning underway for Warren Grove

BY FRANCES NIBLOCK

Warren Grove original Anne Drysdale remembers the "squeal of happy kids at the sandlot" when she talks about the plans for a reunion of all those who have lived in the wartime housing on McDonald and Mason Boulevards.

"I think the reunion will bring a lot of the kids back together that used to play at the corner sandlot. They used to play there by the hour; it was a happy time. I want to see all the people who are grownup with kids of their own come back home," Drysdale said last week.

Reminiscing about old friends sparked the idea for a reunion. Committees have been set up to do title searches and trace home-own-

"A bunch of the daughters and sons of the first people who moved here in the spring of '48 got their heads together and thought it would be nice to have a reunion and see all the people who had been parts of their lives," Drysdale said.

Drysdale moved to 10 Mason of Ed. wants Blvd. in 1948 with her husband and young son and raised her family in the house she still lives in on McDonald. Her daughter Susan (Hewitt) now lives around the corner with her family.

At the end of the Second World War 50 houses were built in the area known as Warren Grove, named after a local land-owner. Only veterans were allowed to buy the houses in Acton's first subdivision. Houses that cost \$4,500 in 1948 are listed at \$134,000 in today's market.

There are about a dozen homeowners who have lived in the area for more than 44 years.

Drysdale said there have been a lot of changes and a lot of people come and go but the neighbourhood still looks good.

"It's modern now but there's still that homespun feeling and everyone looks out for their neighbours. There's a mix of young families and seniors and everyone has fixed the houses up. This place is special to everyone who lived

The area really is home to Drysdale, who remembers her father's stories about his grandparents who homesteaded in the area.

The reunion committee is trying to trace the owners of all 50 houses and invite them to the celebration slated for next May. To raise money to pay for the party the reunion committee is also planning a neighbourhood garage sale on Sept. 12.

Halton Board Provincial cash

BY FRANCES NIBLOCK

Even though the Halton Board of Education does not want to implement a junior kindergarten program it has notified Queen's Park that it wants money to help pay for the program, and others.

The Board hopes to get part of a \$50 million provincial transition fund to help pay for junior kindergarten and computerization of its

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