# Many return for 145th reunion

BY DOUG HARRISON The Rockwood Miller

They came from as far as Albany, New York to renew old friendships, re-live old memories and make new ones.

Some even brought a picnic lunch to celebrate the occasion.

It was Sunday's Rockwood reunion, the marking of the village's 145th anniversary, at Rockmosa Community Centre.

"It was a great reunion. Everybody who came pretty well stayed all day. From 1 pm to 5 pm it was just booming," said organizer Pam Ingle, who estimated a little over 300 former residents attended.

For interested historians, there was a photo display of the old and current Rockwood along with old

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Although the reunion didn't attract the 600 who came to the last reunion in 1989, Ingle was still pleased, because this year most of the people stayed throughout the sunny and warm day.

"We were hoping for more people. Pioneer Day and the reunion drew a lot of people to Rockwood for the whole weekend. After Saturday, maybe a lot of people were too tired (to attend the reunion)," Ingle suggested.

Draws were held every couple of hours throughout the day. Prizes, some of which were donated by merchants, included gift certificates, a fruit basket and clothing.

Members of St. John's Anglican Church barbecued hamburgers to complement the pop, muffins and other treats, while Township of Eramosa Reeve Leverne Harris made the first cut of a 145th anniversary cake.

Other highlights included: Dale

Hamilton of Eramosa Players running a video of the Spirit of Shivaree performance from two years ago and Lou Edwards reciting some limericks and extending a welcome to all the people he didn't have an opportunity to chat with earlier in the day.

While there hasn't been any formal discussion on changes for the 1995 reunion, Ingle mentioned an improvement with the advertising is necessary.

"The advertising was excellent, but I think (the Township) should put poles up and hang banners. There needs to be something visible for people entering town about a month before the event. I would also like to see the barbecue moved indoors from outside."

Close to 100 mugs with '145th anniversary' inscribed on them were sold for \$7 on the weekend. However, Ingle said about a dozen are left and can be purchased for \$5 by calling her at 856-9192.

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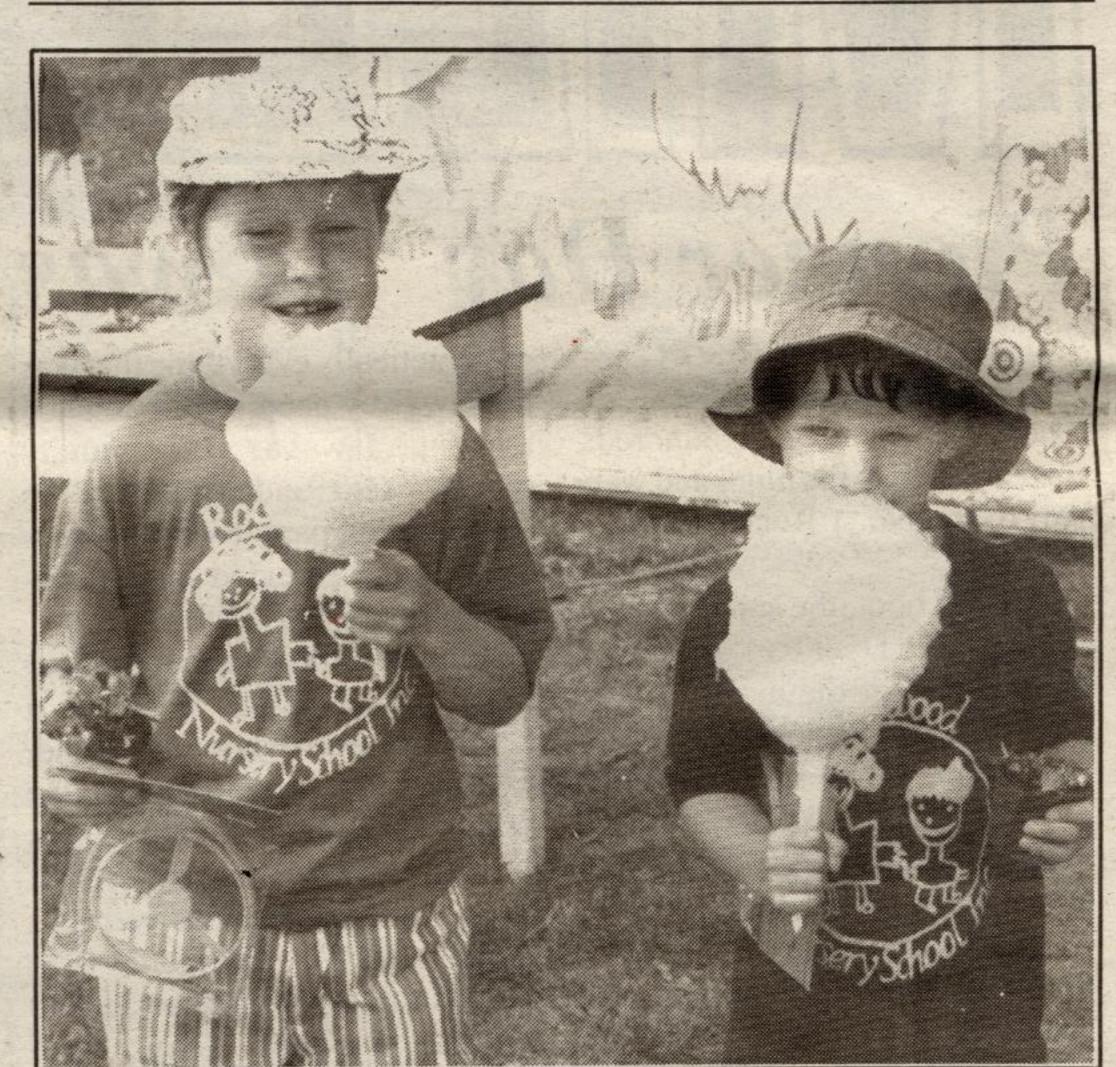
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MAMMY? 'Little Old Lady' Maryanne Hodge made her yearly appearance at Pioneer Day on Saturday. (Ken Russell photo)



MMMM, GOOD! Leanne Woods and brother Matthew feast on candy floss at Pioneer Day. (Lori Frechette photo)

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