



PEEWEE WINNERS: Taking home trophies for the Peewee Selects hardball team at the Rockwood Eramosa Minor Baseball Association's fun day held on Sunday were, from left, Matt Gegear (Most Sportsmanlike Player), Jason Bonus (Most Valuable Player) and Will Pursell (Most Improved Player). (Jennifer Flesch photo)

Council tours Fourth Line

BY FRANCES NIBLOCK
The Rockwood Miller

A tour of Eramosa's Fourth Line on Saturday was designed to help Township Council decide what type of reconstruction project is needed between Hwy. 7 and Hwy. 24.

The tour was arranged following a public meeting on Sept. 9, called to outline options and receive input from residents of the road, which staff said already receives more attention, in the way of maintenance gravel, calcium and grading, than any other road in the Township.

Harry Bonner, who lives near the south end, said he favours reconstruction, "if it's done right."

"They should go head and rebuild the road first and widen it, put in proper shoulders and ditches and pave or tar and chip it so it's not full

of pot holes," he said.

Bonner said the Township will have to install a culvert in front of his property where the road blocks the water course and noted that there will be another meeting with a drainage engineer to discuss how to solve the road break-up and poor conditions caused by water saturation.

Art Davis, who lives near the top end of the Forth Line, echoed Bonner's concerns about doing the job right.

"I want to see the road bed raised, the ditches cleaned out and I'd like the road widened so there's a shoulder for farm equipment," he said Monday.

Davis also said it seems that a one-and-a-half lane bridge near his house will have to be replaced because it is structurally unsafe.

Township Superintendent of Public Works Len Smeltzer said that reconstruction,

including the addition of drainage culverts, several levels of gravel, ditching, shouldering and a tar and chip surface could cost \$90,000 for the 4.2 kilometre stretch between the railway tracks just north of Hwys. 7 and 24.

"The Fourth Line is one of the roads that is highest on the list of roads that need work," Smeltzer said Monday, noting there is a high volume of traffic, including school buses on the road.

An informal show of hands at the public meeting showed two-thirds favoured reconstruction and one-third did not, with some of those in opposition arguing that if the road condition was improved it would encourage more and faster traffic. Several people also suggested that if the road was better maintained it would eliminate the need for reconstruction.

Endowment fund created

Special to The Miller
Hurricane Fran's determination to attend the recent Spirit Valley Experience superseded her sensitivity to the needs of mortals and drum skins. With heavy hearts we cancelled the 1996 festival.

The vision was realized, if not shared with the audience for which it was created. The Spirit Valley Experience lives, and plans for next year are already underway. Inter-

ested artists and volunteers should call 856-9999.

The Experience has succeeded in launching one of its visions - to establish an endowment for local artists. The H.K. Brush Award has been created in the memory of Kirk Brush, an inspiring teacher and respected Eden Mills resident, whose contributions to the arts life of the region were many. Spirit Valley neighbours will re-

member Kirk as The Piper of Eden Mills, an award-winning bag piper and highland dancer, and as a 19th century rebel in *The Spirit of Shivarree*. The H.K. Brush Award is given annually to a performing artist from Wellington County or Halton Region.

Celeste Brush donated the endowment funds for this award, which was generously supplemented by Walt Boduch and Diane Ottema of Scion Securities Inc.

Back to the books

WELLINGTON HALL

BY TRAVIS VAN RYN,
Grade 8

It's back to school and I would like to tell you about our first week. We are getting into the full swing of things. The teachers didn't waste any time in starting up with homework and assignments. We have already had two spelling tests and a major story assigned.

Mrs. Hare is the new Grade 4/5 teacher. She also teaches us physical education and health. We have been practicing soccer and playing some good games. In health we are learning about the body systems.

There are many new students at the school this year in all age groups, which makes it more fun to try to remember everyone's names.

I think it will be a very exciting school year.



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Book Fair coming to school

ERAMOSA P.S. NEWS

BY SHANNON DODGE
& KELLY WOODS

A new school year is well underway at Eramosa P.S.

We have some new students and a new teacher joining us at the school. Madame Osbourne, our recent French teacher, has sadly left us. In

her place is a new teacher named Mr. Crozier. We at Eramosa are trying to make him feel welcome.

To start off our new school year, we have our yearly Book Fair. The Book Fair begins on Sept. 20 and ends

on Sept. 25. At the Book Fair you can buy books, pencils and bookmarks.

To show our parents our accomplishments, we are having a welcome back barbecue, then an open house to follow.

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