

Damp beginning can't spoil 92nd Acton Fall Fair

While the rain Friday kept school children away on Education Day, all in all the Acton Fall Fair was a success on the weekend.

Acton Agricultural Society president Jim Pink said only about a dozen kids and their parents braved the weather on Friday to check out Sobey's Education Day, but Saturday and Sunday drew big crowds, and overall attendance was down by only about 200. He didn't have final attendance figures available at press time.

"Friday was a bit of a washout," said Pink, who added Acton Sobey's cooked hot dogs for the area children who couldn't make the fair because of the rain, and

sent them off to the local schools anyway.

Pink said more than 400 people took in the performance by Elvis impersonator Irv Cass.

"He put on a great show," he said.

Other popular events at the fair he said were the pig races, horse events, and tractor pulls.

Unlike the Georgetown Fair where six youths were charged at the fair's gates on closing time Friday night, Pink said there were no similar problems at the Acton Fair.

"We never even had one lost child this year," said Pink. "It was a great success."

—By Lisa Tallyn, staff writer



Nathan Pines, 6, takes a ride on The Swings at the Acton Fall Fair Saturday afternoon held at Prospect Park.



Dominic Gear, 3, feeds a baby donkey at the Acton Fall Fair Saturday afternoon.

Sarah Dolimont, 4, admires herself in the mirror after having her face painted.



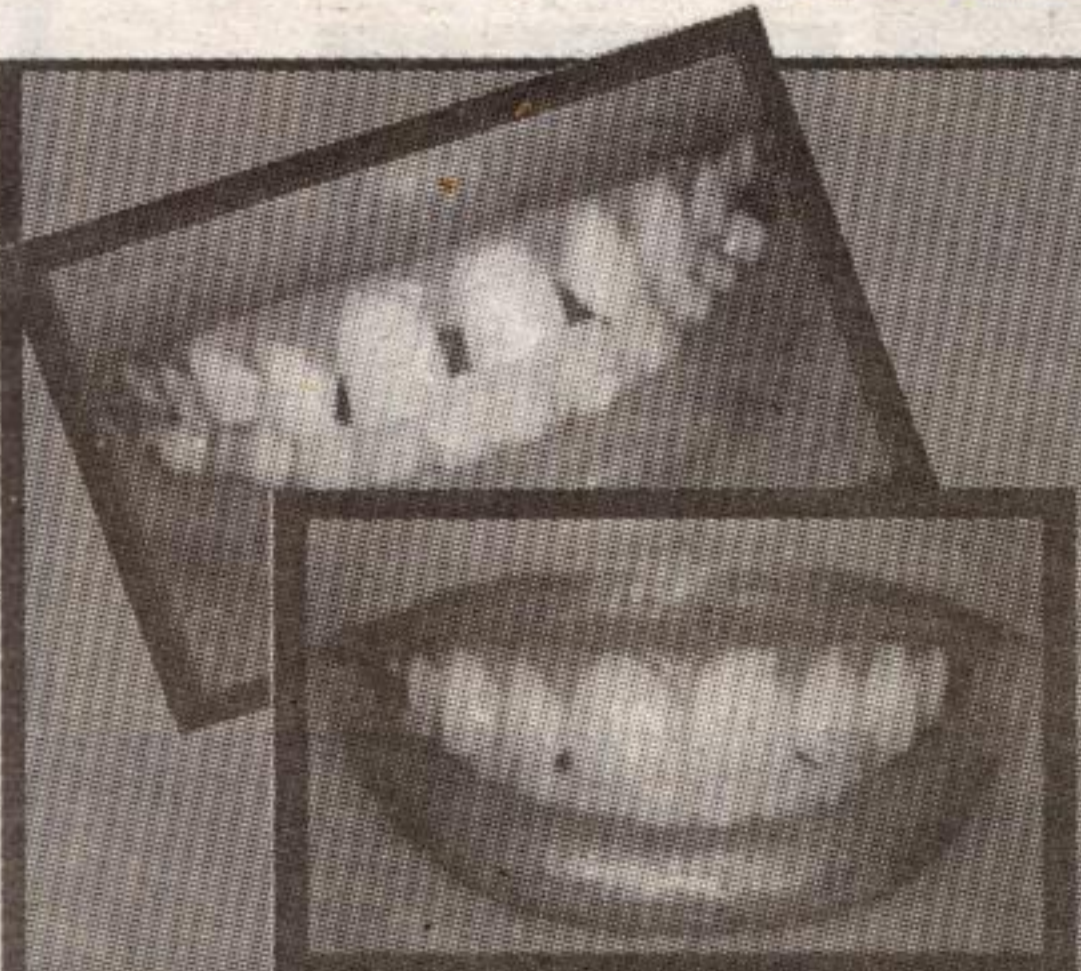
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Top: Miss Acton Becky Somerville (centre) is joined by first runner-up Jenny Gibson (left) and second runner-up Katy Boychuk (right) at the petting zoo at the Acton Fall Fair Saturday afternoon.




Left: Hannah Kennedy, 9, tries to get to the top of the ladder at the Spider Climb.



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