

The Great Turtle Race



By Stewart Smith

Can those turtles ever move! It gives a whole new perspective to the old fable about the hare and the tortoise.

The 21st Annual Turtle Convention was held near Paudash - at the Faraday Community Centre, and the home of Ada Tinney - on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, August 18, 19, and 20.

This was an international event, with most (human) participants coming from New York State, with others from Florida, and Manitoba, as well as Ontario. All the turtles were Canadian - because of the difficulty of transporting animals across the border.

This Turtle Convention was sponsored by the Faraday Recreation Association, and the Bancroft Fastball Association. Norm Gunter is praised for doing much of the organization work.

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clean, have fun a lot, and recognize the fact that you never get any place worthwhile in life unless you stick your neck out." The roughly 50 people present listened as their ranks were praised profusely. "Started by a group of test pilots during the 1st World War [sic], the club has progressed to its present position as one whose membership is diligently sought after and highly esteemed by those lucky enough to be

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Perrin Gardens Closed for Season

by Ann W. Smith

Perrin Gardens has had a successful 2 months but all good things must come to an end.

This summer Joan and Bill Perrin opened their gardens on the Quarry Bronson Road to the public each

weekend from June 17, 18 to August 19, 20.

They regret that the drought has dried up the gardens so much that it is necessary to close down for the remainder of the season.

They have been pleased with the response from the public and have enjoyed meeting people with a keen interest in what they enjoy doing

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Paudash Lake Conservation Association Meets

By Stewart Smith
The annual meeting of the Paudash Lake Conservation Association brought some 45 people to the Cardiff Legion Hall on Saturday morning, August 19.

SHORELINE

Guest speaker was Kathy Irwin, from the Ministry of Natural Resources. Illustrating with slides, she spoke on Shoreline Restoration.

Gone - thankfully, everyone agrees - are the days when a cottager could do anything he/she

wished with the lakeshore. Now M.N.R. and possibly M.O.E.E. (Environment) approval is needed prior to any project. Ms. Irwin outlined some guidelines.

The best shoreline protection is natural vegetation. "Mother Nature put it there for a reason. We all know we don't muck about with Mother Nature."

Natural shrubbery near the water, and - higher up - natural trees (with lower branches trimmed off for a better view, if you wish) is recommended.

A filter cloth with rock above can help hold shoreline. However, "Nature will erode a shore until it reaches a 2:1 slope." The it will remain stable.

Water weeds are an important part of a lake: slowing wave action, taking up excess nutrient washed off the land, and providing habitat. Weed removal would be allowed in only a restricted area for a small beach or boat area.

Even then, "beaches are very hard

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"Work World" Opens

by Sheila Baverstock

Fred and Donna Church with Bob and Donna Stanistreet, officially launched "Work

World" on Saturday August 26. This date was the first anniversary for Pizza Pizza and the tenth anniversary for the York River Tavern, both

owned by the Stanistreet. Bancroft Reeve Lloyd Churchill and Councilor Kathryn Stringer officiated at ribbon cutting ceremony at 10 a.m.

"Work World has been open for business since June 23 of this year.

The store specializes in casual clothes and work wear from head to toe, for men and women as well as carrying some children's wear.

Work wear includes safety helmets and hearing protectors as well as boots and the usual shirts and pants.

For the official opening day Work World featured a number of in-store specials. The also served a cake made by Simpson Sweetener along with coffee.

A draw for a pair of Matterhorn work boots was entered by guessing the number of Work World dollars contained in a replica of a boot.

The York River Tavern featured 1985 prices of selected refreshments.

Pizza Pizza had a prize wheel and in-store specials. Valley Rambler supplied music although the weather forced the group to perform indoors.



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