

# Overnight camp new experience



**By Joyce Beaton**  
Sore feet, mosquito bitten backs and hoarse throats are some of the rewards four Martin St. school teachers are feeling to prove their theory that all kids should experience overnight camping.

The camp at Rattlesnake Point Park began Thursday at 3 p.m. and continued until Friday at the same time. Tents were pitched and instructions given on good outdoors housekeeping. Learning experience was part of each activity, from cooking the meals to the orienteering and nature study.

"Some of these kids had never been camping, some had never eaten outdoors," said vice-principal Leon Duffield as he supervised the after-breakfast clean-up Friday morning. "Chris Logan and I felt there would be a great benefit in taking the kids outdoors and away from the classroom."

**Intrigue**  
The night before, Mr. Logan and student Stephen Best had been involved in an intrigue. Stephen was boosted into a tall tree by Mr. Logan who covered him with branches to conceal him from the rest of the students at the campfire. At the appointed time Stephen was to light a torch attached to a string. The torch would sail down the string, consequently igniting the fire.

**Magic**  
Well, the best laid plans—in the excitement of the campfire preparations the string was disturbed and the plot foiled. It was a magnificent try however, and a lot of fun. Then there was the fun of a sing-song and wiener roast around the fire and eventual lights-out in the tents. As anyone who has camped with kids knows, the giggles and squeals go on far into the night.

**Orienteering**  
The three-quarter mile orienteering route through the woods had to be mapped out and Mr. Logan ran the course, putting up signs, at a record-breaking 30 minutes. Equipped with compasses the boys and girls were required to match the signs with the compass points in order to find their way through the maze with speed and efficiency.

A nature study of the area completed the learning activities. They were rounded out by lots of opportunity for recreation by gym teacher Linda Hands and teacher Joan Kendall.

Parents Sheila Godfrey (who also pitch-hit as camp nurse) and Ann Wollaston acted as den mothers for the boisterous group of 35 students.

## Thieves are busy

Money, a watch, tractor mufflers and bikes were stolen by petty thieves in the Milton district over the weekend, according to Milton OPP.

At one home near Hornby a break-in resulted in the loss of \$170 worth of watches and some money. A local tractor sales firm reports someone removed four mufflers off tractors over the weekend, valued at \$85. And a Campbellville woman reports someone stole a 10-speed bike valued at \$130.

—The students are counting the days until the end of the school year. It's Friday.

—Yes, The Champion welcomes local students' graduation pictures. There is no charge to have a photo published.

GET OUT OF HERE SERGE, yell the girls as Serge Lowsel invades their tent during the overnight camping trip of Martin St. school students. The girls are Karen Stringer, Karen Vickery, Michelle Knowles, Caroline Brodie, Leslie Watson, Leanne Wilson and Herman the stuffed animal.



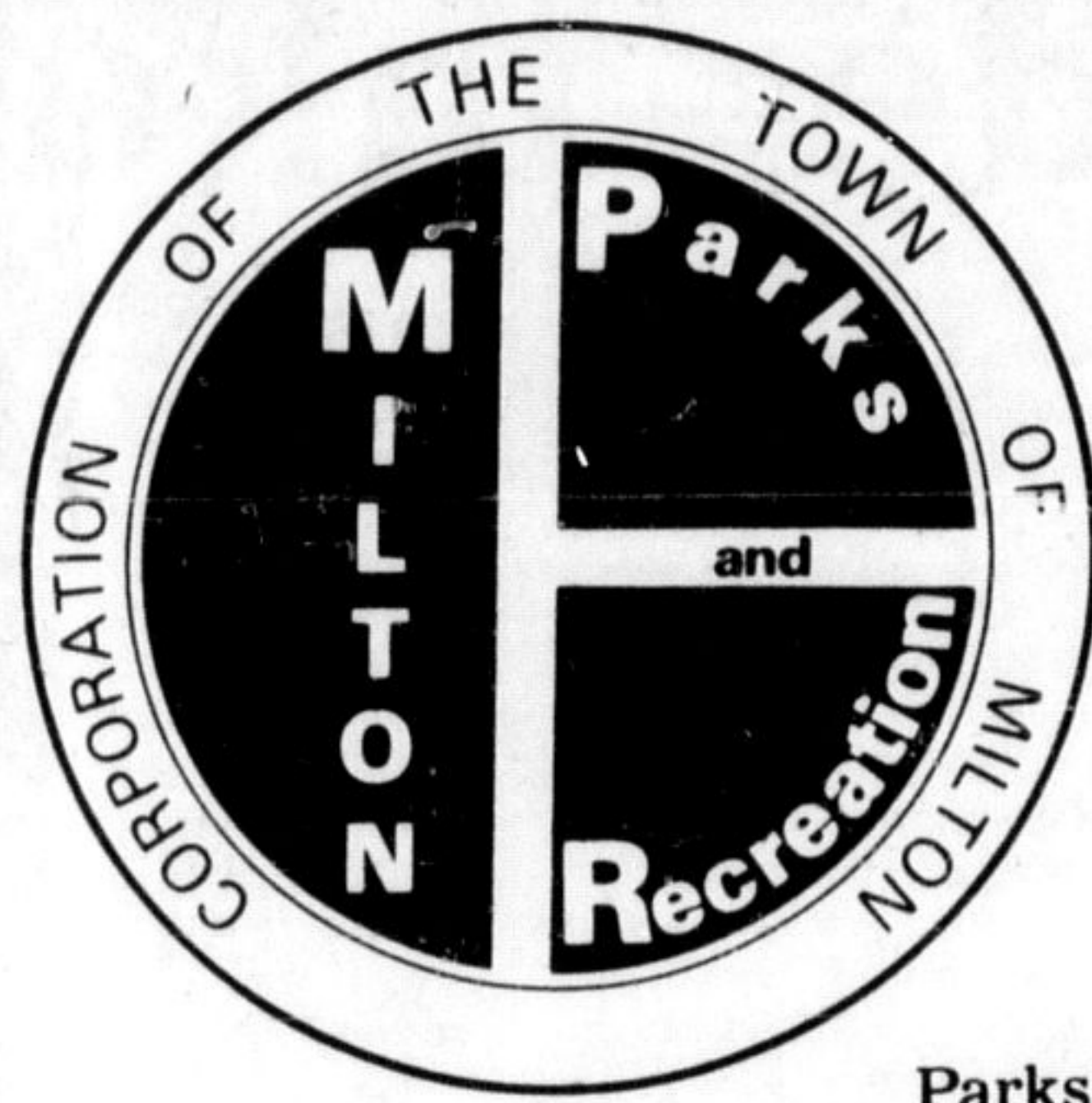
ALWAYS DISHES TO BE DONE at camp and parent helper Sheila Godfrey washes while Stephen Best dries. Rae Hands was a late riser and is still eating his breakfast.



MARSHMALLOW ROAST is always a lot of fun but in this case the fire was so hot, Karen Vickery and David Kimball needed long sticks. This was Karen's first time at camp and she thoroughly enjoyed the outdoor living.



FIRE'S BURNING, FIRE'S BURNING sang the 35 students and six adults as they gathered around the campfire awaiting the magical lighting. An experiment at Martin St. school, the overnight camp-out was a roaring success. (Photos by J. Beaton)



# MILTON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Parks and Recreation Office — Municipal Bldg. 251 Main St. E. Milton — 878-7211.  
Program Information — Rotary Park Community Centre — 878-3292  
Brown St. Arena — 878-2671

## PLAYGROUND PROGRAMME



Dates: July 2 - Aug. 16  
Ages: 5-12 years; under 5 must be accompanied by an adult.  
Staff: Programmes are supervised by trained leaders.

Program features organized activities in drama, crafts, music, sports, story telling, active and passive games, and mini events. Special Events are held throughout the summer and we invite parental participation. Opportunities will be offered to children to attend various points of interest both locally and within the region at minimum cost.

## URBAN PLAYGROUND

Locations: J.M. Denyes, W.I. Dick, Rotary Park, Dorset Park  
Times: Monday through Friday — 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. weather permitting. (No supervision Aug. 5th)

## RURAL PLAYGROUND

Locations: Travelling Playground - Brookville / Campbellville; Percy Merry / Omagh.  
Times: Tentative Schedule  
Brookville—Monday p.m., Wednesday & Friday all day  
Campbellville—Tuesday and Thursday all day.  
Percy Merry—Monday p.m., Wednesday & Friday all day  
Omagh—Tuesday and Thursday all day.

## DAY CAMP



Location: Scout Camp at Woodland Trails (north of town)

Dates: Beginning July 2, camp is scheduled in four two-week time periods.

Ages: 7-12 years (Boys and Girls)

Staff: Trained leaders in outdoor activities.

Transportation: Via bus leaves Rotary Park at 9:00 a.m., one stop at Woodward & Ontario; returns to Rotary Park approx. 4:15 p.m. Mondays to Fridays.  
Fee: \$20.00 for two weeks; Family Rate — Maximum of \$55.00. Fee includes transportation, free milk at lunch time, one overnight camp out, family night, free swims at the camp, arts and crafts, canoeing instruction, and one special event.

Program: Campercraft, hiking, Indian lore, nature lore, skits, story telling, sports and games, drama, cookouts, music, picnics and swimming.

Why a Day Camp? Camping is a unique experience for every child. He learns to play and communicate in an environment away from home. It provides an opportunity for outdoor living in groups, to teach skills of campercraft, swimming and canoeing; and encourages an appreciation of the Wonders of Nature.

NOTE: No rainouts, we have facilities for rainy days. No Camp on Civic Holiday.

## TENNIS LESSONS



Will be held at Rotary Park every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 9-12 noon for children 8-12 years.

Lessons start July 8.

Fee: \$5.00 for 6 lessons.

Register in advance. Lessons are cancelled August 5, holiday.

Trained instruction is provided.

## COMMUNITY FACILITIES

The Department operates the following facilities for the Community:

1. Boyne Community Centre
2. Brookville Community Centre
3. Rotary Park Community Centre
4. Brown St. Arena
5. New Arena - Community Room

For information regarding rental rates, facility use and ice time call: 878-7211.

The Department has a joint use agreement with the Board of Education. Call 878-7211, if you would like the use of the School Facilities in Wards 1, 2 & 3.

## PARKS

Ward 1—

- Henderson Park — Baseline
- Omagh Park — Britannia Rd.
- Drumquinn Park — Britannia Rd. (For information contact Oakville Parks and Recreation Department 845-6601.)

Ward 2—

- Unity Park (under development)
- Kingsleigh Court Park
- Rotary Park
- Centennial Park
- Fallingbrook Park
- Wakfield Park
- Victoria Park
- Brian Best Park (under development)
- Dorset Park, Neighborhood Parks (under development); Tot Lot - between Churchill Avenue & Lorne Scots Drive (Playground Location); Park Adjacent to Robert Baldwin Public School.

Ward 3—

- Brookville Ball Diamond
- Campbellville Ball Diamond
- Brookville Park — adjacent to Brookville Public School (under development)

## ROTARY PARK POOL SCHEDULE

Monday Through Friday

- 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Swimming Lessons
- 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Business Men and Women Swim
- 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Public Swimming
- 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Family Swimming
- 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Public Swimming

Saturday, Sunday and Holidays

- 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Public Swimming
- 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. Family Swimming
- 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Public Swimming

## PUBLIC SWIMMING

Children	20c
Students (over 12)	35c
Adults (over 18)	75c
Family Swimming hour	\$1.00 per family
Business Men & Women's Swim	50c per person
Family rate maximum	\$2.00

Times for public swimming will be announced at a later date

## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registrations payable to the Town of Milton; mail to Milton Parks and Recreation Department, P. O. Box 3, or deliver personally to the Recreation Office, Municipal Building.

Note: All swimming registrations accepted at Rotary Park, starting June 17.

Refunds: Will be made only if activity is cancelled or if written notification is received one week prior to commencement of the program. Administration charge of \$2.00 will be deducted from refund.

Note: A. Register early as registration is limited.  
B. Minimum of 20 people is required before program proceeds.

## HEAD START PROGRAM FOR PRE-SCHOOLERS

Location: Rotary Park Community Centre  
Dates & Times: Beginning July 8, program is in two three-week time periods; Monday through to Friday, 9 - 11.30 and 1.30 - 4.00.

Ages: Preschoolers 3 to 5 years inclusive

Fee: \$2.00 for a three week program

Staff: Trained leaders in early childhood play activities.  
Programme: Includes creative play activities such as drama, story telling, sing songs, and games encouraging self-expression, and self-confidence. Program cancelled Civic Holiday.

## LEADER IN TRAINING PROGRAMME

Teenagers 13-16 who are interested in gaining experience in the leadership field are invited to apply. Not only will the applicants receive training on playgrounds, day camp, pool and special event planning but will also have the opportunity to enjoy the fun and excitement of camping, sport participation and fellowship.

There is no fee for this program; and all participants are subject to staff regulations.

Note: no firm commitment can be made on future employment.

Course Outline

July 2-12—Theory at Rotary Park 9.30-12.00.

Child Behaviour, First Aid, Programme Planning

July 15-August 2-1 week on each of the following:

Playground, Day Camp, Pool

August 5-16—Leader's choice of location for the final two weeks.

## ROLLER SKATING

—Brown Street Arena  
Beginning May 10 - Sept. 10, 1974,  
every Friday and Saturday evenings 7.30-9.30.

## YOUTH IN



A cure for summertime Blues for teens from 13 - 16 years. This programme is co-ordinated by a youth-oriented Director and operated by and for students. Programme includes drop-in centre. Activities:

- Sports — basketball, volleyball
- Creative Crafts
- Cookouts
- Park Jam Sessions
- Dances
- Fund Raising
- Bike Rally

Fee: \$5.00 for 3 weeks, 2 sessions

Where: Martin St. School beginning July 8 at 1.00 p.m.

Trips may be organized at a minimal cost to the participants. A strong advance registration is required for this programme to operate — Please contact D. Kelly prior to Wed. July 3rd at 878-3292.

## MILTON ROTARY PARK POOL 1974 SUMMER PROGRAM

Swimming Lessons

Pre-beginner	\$7.00
Beginner	7.00
Pre-Junior	7.00
Junior	7.00
Survival Swimming	7.00
Elementary Award	7.00
Intermediate	7.00
Intermediate Award	7.00
Senior	7.00
Moms & Tots	7.00 / child
	\$12.00 / 2 children
Beginner Moms	7.00
Junior Moms	7.00

Lessons available in 3 sessions:

July 1 - July 19, July 22 - August 9, August 12 - August 30.

Each session composed of 15, one-hour lessons.

Bronze Medallion	\$20.00
Award of Merit	20.00
Leader	20.00
Synchronized Swimming	20.00
Adult Lessons	12.00

Lessons offered in two sessions:

July 1 July 26, July 29 - August 23.

This summer the Rotary Park Pool will be running an Aquatic Club, which is open to anybody interested in competition swimming, diving and water polo. The summer program for the club will be held from July 1 to August at a cost of \$30.00 per person.

## REGISTRATION FORM

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Programme \_\_\_\_\_  
Starting Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Location \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_  
Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Encl. \_\_\_\_\_