

For youngsters and adults

YMCA pool program shaping up to be the best ever

Big, bigger, best!! Yes, in the past three seasons, we have tried to improve our program in Aquatics as each year rolled by. This year, we're sure you are going

to like what's new for you and your family. For instance, do you have one of the youngsters who have passed just about all they can and are stopped

because of their young age? The Royal Life Saving Society has incorporated three new levels of swimming and lifesaving just for them! And those classes to our

Synchronized Swimming, Spring Board Diving and Competitive Swimming, and there is a few more years of swimming instruction yet. Skin Diving has taken on a new look, as now there are two levels of instruction - one for 8-11 yr. olds and one for 12-14 year olds. The first is a National "Y" Program and the other a certified course. New for the 12 yr. and up age bracket, is the YMCA Leadership Training Program. Held every Tuesday after school, it will cover the History of the YMCA, the policies of the YMCA as well as teaching ideas and techniques. We hope to develop a sense of responsibility, leadership

and maturity. Your youngster will be taught how to handle authority, discipline and other problems that come along with the job of a leader. Your youngster will be certified through the National body and receive card and crest. They will receive theory and practical sessions - all in all, a very concentrated program.

We will also have our ever-popular Ladies lessons, mixed adult lessons, water-jogging

and exercise class, baby classes, family, open and adult swims and many more interesting and exciting programs. This year is shaping up to be the best yet. Registration will begin next Tuesday and continue through out the week, from noon to nine p.m. Sept. 7-10th. Our new telephone number is 526-4421 - just ask for Vicki Cormie, Aquatic Director.

Indians baseball

Stats released

Midland Indians pitcher Bob Dymont registered nine wins

during the 1976 season - the most for any pitcher in the Simcoe Baseball League.

According to statistics released this week, Dymont was the 7th most effective pitcher, allowing just 4.60 runs per nine innings.

The Indians hurler pitched 129 innings of ball - also the most for any league pitcher. The only pitcher to hurl a no-hitter this season, Dymont struck out 126 batters and gave up just 72 walks.

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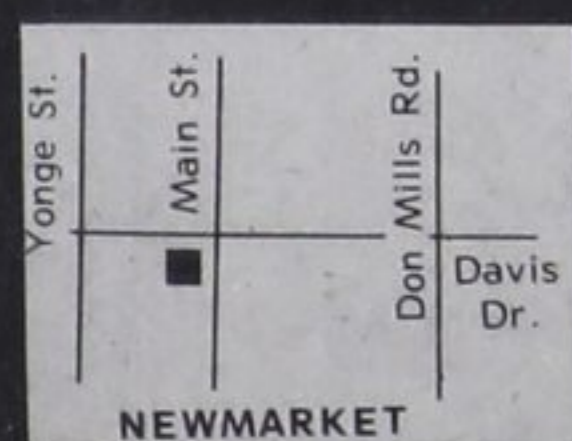
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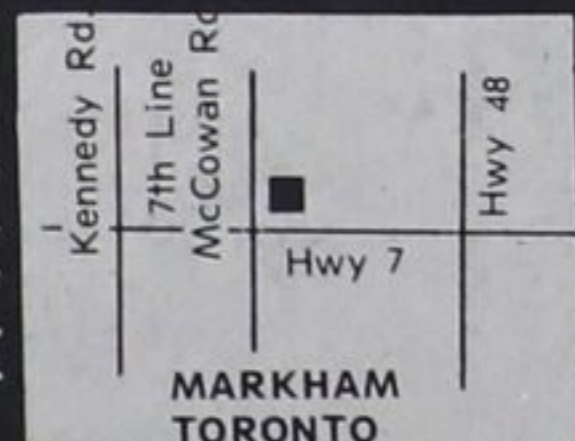
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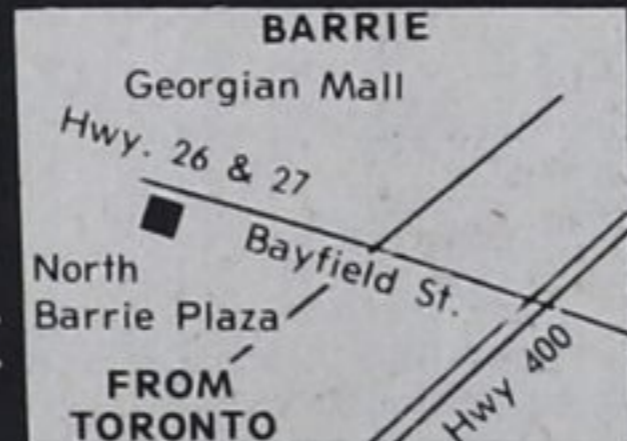
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Fin, Fur, and Feather

by Bryan Berriault

Duck season opens on Sept. 25th and closes on Dec. 15th one half hour after sunset. The shooting hours are from one half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset.

Common sense should govern your shooting. Late shooters very seldom retrieve their game. Usually darkness covers the marsh before the ducks or geese are found and thus a bird is left to waste. The good sportsman always makes sure he can retrieve what he shoots. Dogs are by far the best friend at this time of year. There is nothing more satisfying to a hunter than watching a dog he has trained retrieve a duck he has shot. To those of us who have dogs it is time to start a keen program of training to give the dog that fine polished finish. It really isn't hard to tell duck season is just around the corner because Trever (a black lab) has been nervously pacing in his kennel waiting to get at his job.

Pheasants also open on Sept. 25th in our area. Since the Tiny Marsh offer our only area for these fine birds there is usually a large crowd on the weekend but it is huntable on weekdays for those who are lucky enough to be able to get out. If you have never hunted pheasant get hold of someone with a good dog and go after them. You'll be in for a real good day. Grouse also opens on the same day, these birds get up fast and fly hard making them anything but easy to hit but fun to try and usually more exercise and sweat come out of the bush than birds.

For those who hunt deer in Matchedash they will be having a five day season this year starting on Monday, November 1st to the 6th along with the Muskoka area. Moose will also be open in this area for the same time limit. The Parry Sound area will be open for deer from November 1st to the 13th and moose from the 1st to the 6th. Farther north the moose season varies in opening from the end of Sept. to the middle of October.

Don't give up on the bass yet. There are still some of the best days left. Muskies have been hitting good at Methodist Island in Victoria Harbour. Swim Wizz have been proving their value by producing best. Pike should start hitting better as the water cools. Large silver Rapalas would be my best bet at this time of year. Rainbows should be moving off shore at Collingwood, Owen Sound and Meaford soon so keep it in mind.

One day a young hunter came running into me all excited about a new way he had heard of hunting rabbits. An old gentleman whom we will call Smokey told him during the winter to get a freshly cut log and paint the end flat black. Upon doing this place it in the snow with the black end just out of the snow and to let the hounds loose. The young fellow assured me the rabbits would try to get away from the hounds by running down what they thought was a rabbit hole and stun themselves when hitting the black end of the log ending up in a stew. Ross Willett is eager to try it this winter.

Don't forget the Hunters and Anglers Auction Sale Sept. 18 at 12 noon.

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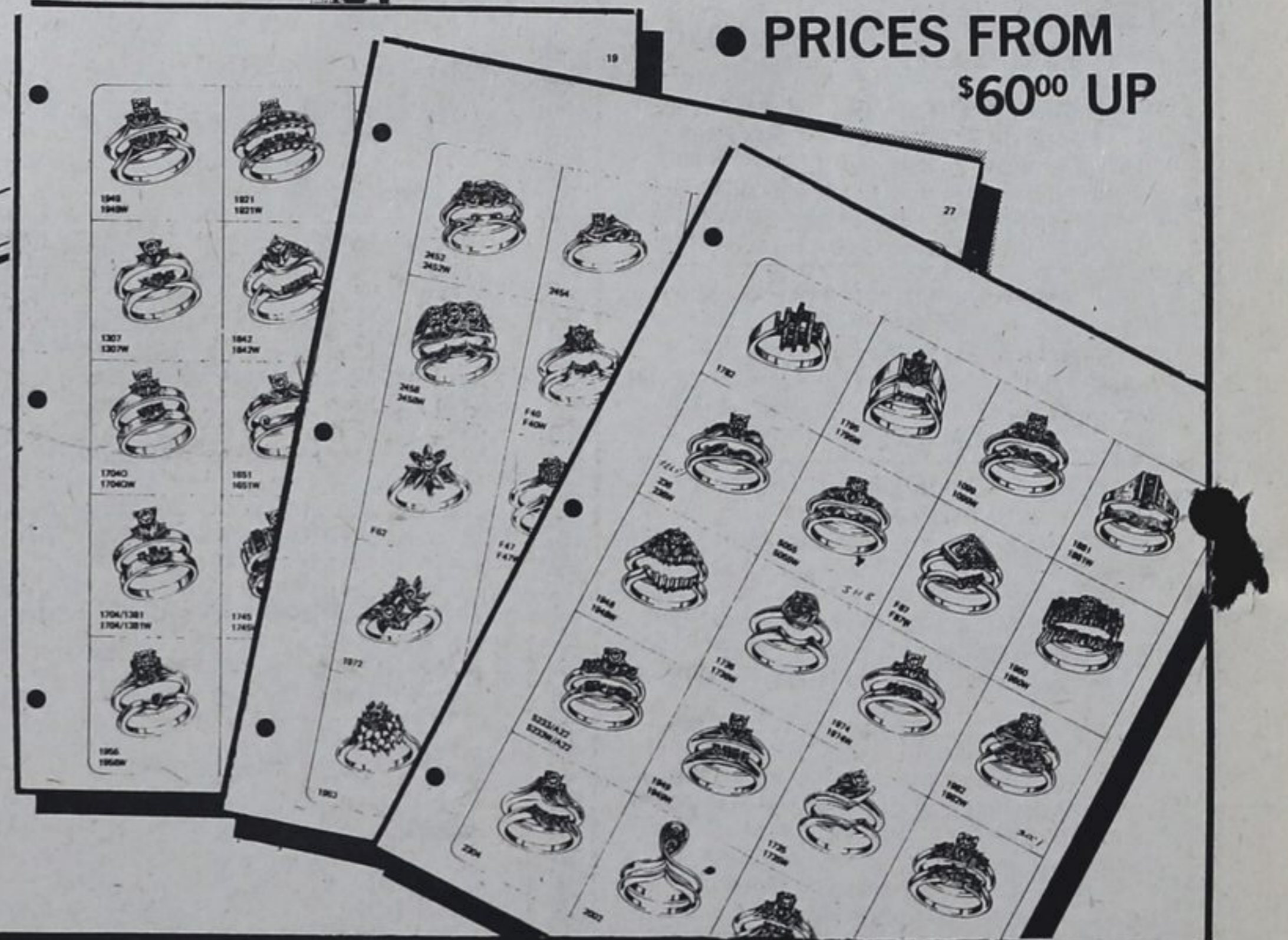
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