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Penetanguishene, Ontario

Midland's ramp caught in red tape

Midland Bay Sailing Club is a step closer in spending in excess of \$50,000 in developing a public launching ramp, extending its lagoon and generally improving facilities at the club.

Last January five representatives from the club approached the parks board to outline the club's intention of finishing the dredging of the lagoon on the sailing club's property by this month.

But according to club commodore Ted Symons yesterday the club hit a snag earlier this year...the snag being red tape.

It seems the 100-member club was required by the MOT to come up with a new survey of its existing property and plans the club had in mind for it in future.

The survey work delayed for the time any plans the club had to complete much of the work this spring.

It will cost the club about \$5,000 for engineering and consulting fees. As well it will cost in excess of \$50,000 to complete the first phase the club has planned.

By the time the entire project has been completed a couple of years down the road the club will have forked out an additional \$100,000 or so.

While some of the work is going out to tender soon, Symons says club members now realize they are on solid footing with the advice they have received of late especially from their consultants.

Plans call for improving launching facilities, dredging out the rest of the lagoon, improving mooring buoys and developing a costly breakwall which will all cost money, some of which club members are hoping will come from other sources other than their own pockets.

This week the club applied to the DOT

for approval of their plans. So far the local sailing club has in-

vested some \$175,000 on club facilities next to Pete Petterson Park.

Of that amount \$45,000 has come from the membership. \$15,000 from club fees, \$40,000 from Wintario, \$24,000 from 6,000 hours of labour, \$15,000 for

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Conquering the same waters

The second annual Tecumseth Trophy Race, co-sponsored by the Midland Bay Sailing Club and the Penetanguishene Historic Naval and Military Establishments, will be held this Sunday, July 27.

The course covers 12 nautical miles, beginning and ending at the Establishments. For entry forms and information on eligibility, call the Establishments at 549-8064.

Eldege Quesnelle wins Tiny's praise

by Adrienne Graham Gardner

Tiny Township council honored Eldege Quesnelle for his 33 years of service to the municipality in a special ceremony at their July 16 meeting.

Reeve Morris Darby thanked Mr. Quesnelle for his contributions to the township, saying "Tiny Township is a better place because Eldege Quesnelle passed this way."

Mr. Quesnelle, now 78, was an original member of Tiny's planning board, after serving on council for 14 years until 1961.

During that period he acted as Deputy Reeve for seven years. After serving on planning board for its first four years, Mr. Quesnelle was appointed to the Tiny committee of adjustment where he was active until this year.

Mr. Quesnelle's contributions also reached beyond township borders to County Council, where he served seven years, from 1954-61, and also as a member of the county reforestation committee.

Now retired and living in

Penetanguishene, Mr. Quesnelle says he is "proud to have served in Tiny, a township second to none in the county."

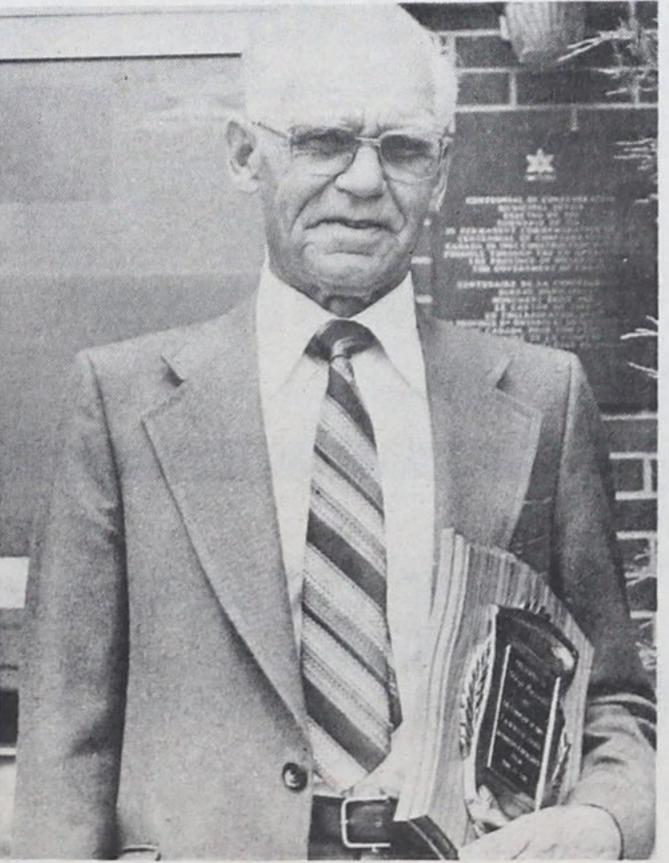
He pointed out that Tiny has had a long planning history, being one of the first municipalities in the area to "get into" planning. He also had kind words for those who worked with him over the years, calling them "good, experienced men."

Mr. Quesnelle, who was born on the 16th concession of Tiny, and spent most of his life on the family farm there, is optimistic about the future of the township.

He sees Tiny developing, "but not too fast, not over-reaching itself."

Mr. Quesnelle complimented present members of council, committees and township staff for their excellent work.

He reminisced that "things were different in the old days," when council used to meet every Saturday afternoon, joking that "of course, we didn't make any money in those days either."



Served for 33 years

Citizen briefly

Youth pinned beneath tractor

A Wyebridge area youth was pinned to the ground Wednesday night when the tractor he was driving up a slope turned over backwards.

Mark Truax, 16, of R.R. 1, Wyebridge was taken by ambulance to Royal Victoria Hospital in Barrie.

He was working on a farm owned by Victor Campbell, also of R.R. 1, Wyebridge at the time of the mishap.

Both Truax and Campbell live on the first concession of Tay Township.

Tenders to be opened on Monday in Midland

Tenders for the reconstruction of Montreal Street will be opened Monday then public works employees will check the tenders against specifications the town has prepared and passed to interested parties.

Four parties requested a set of specifications.

After discussing the merits of the various tenders with his staff, Commissioner of Works Percy Ehler will make a recommendation to council.

He hopes council will make a decision as quickly as possible.

The work should be completed by mid-October, he said earlier, and two months at least will be needed to do the work.

Work on the expansion of the town's sewage treatment plant continues on schedule.

Work proceeds on aeration tanks and a control building. Walls are going up on the settling tanks. "Things are ripped up pretty good down there," Ehler remarked.

As many as 300 exhibits on display

The show chairman of the Georgian Bay Art Society expects between 250 and 300 exhibits to be on display Sunday in Midland's Centennial Arena. The society is putting on its second annual show.

Show chairman Bert Lacroix says any local artist wishing to exhibit was welcome to register. He estimates the work of about 25 artists will be on display. Oil paintings and watercolours, and some photographs, are expected.

Some of the works will be for sale. Hours

are 1-9 p.m.

Yet another book for Fr. McGivern

A Saga of the Church in Canada is a new book by genealogist and noumenologist (student of names) Father James S. McGivern of the Martyrs' Shrine.

The paperbound digest-sized volume contains short stories about pieces of the history of the Catholic Church in Canada, stories, its author says, that won't be found in ordinary church histories.

McGivern, archivist of Catholic records for this area as well as archivist for the Archdiocese of Toronto, has included a section on the history of the church in Huronia, with six chapters, the last of which deals with the Martyrs' Shrine.

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\$20,000 earmarked for industrial park

Midland's public works committee recently decided to spend \$20,000 of provincial grant money on hand on additions to the town's industrial park.

A turnaround by the Bell Telephone building will be extended to become a U-drive leading back to King Street. Sanitary sewers and perhaps drains will be put in the gound.

Commissioner of Works Percy Ehler said this week the work could be contracted out, added to old contracts, or tendered.

Bell Telephone was the first occupant of the industrial park. Fabulous Formals is expected to move into their building this fall.

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