

# King City, Oak Ridges Lake Wilcox

"The Liberal" is always pleased to publish items of interest regarding people and events in the Oak Ridges-Lake Wilcox and King City districts. Our news correspondent in King City is Mrs. William J. Houston, telephone King 2051; and in Oak Ridges-Lake Wilcox, Mrs. Elisabeth Orton, Aubrey Ave., phone PR. 3-5619.

### Oak Ridges, Lake Wilcox Socials

**Special Vote**  
There will be a special vote on September 3 by the Oak Ridges ratepayers regarding the proposed water system. This date was set last week at a special meeting of King Township Council. Council also met with representatives of Oak Ridges Board of Trade to discuss zoning in the community. A plan which was drawn up two months ago was examined and some amendments were suggested. The major amendment would provide for a small industrial zone west of Yonge St. and north of Oak Ridges Building Supply, and another was proposed for the north and south of Lake Wilcox Road. More residential areas were proposed between these points and the zoned area would reach nearly one mile north of the presently built up commercial area and south almost to the Bond Lake curve. Representing the Board of Trade were Jack Blyth, Owen Barr, Kjell Skjerve, Ed Beaton, Donald Findlay and Werner Blohm. Plans were co-ordinated with Whitechurch Council at previous meetings.

**Flies To Scotland**  
Miss Joyce Stevenson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Stevenson, Schomberg Road, Oak Ridges flew to Scotland last week for a visit with her grandmother and a tour through Ayrshire with Mr. Stevenson's sister.

**Protest Meeting**  
Around 40 angry Lake Wilcox residents met with Whitechurch Council a week ago to try to iron out tax differences. Mr. L. Hanson and C. R. Smith acted as spokesmen, after asking for the special meeting. Apparently taxes have risen abruptly, but most felt the meeting satisfied and aware why taxes could not be reduced. Main "beefs" centred around the school tax, garbage collection rates. Clerk John Crawford explained all matters and promised that all complaints would be thoroughly looked into. Some of the delegates requested the date for payment of the discount be extended beyond July 15, but it was explained it would be a very ticklish thing to decide on since many home owners have already paid their taxes.

**Surprise Party**  
A surprise miscellaneous shower was held for Miss Valerie Cobb last Monday by Mrs. Wm. F. L. Scott, daughter of Ed Beaton, and Miss Ilga Petersen. About 17 friends attended at the Fuller residence. The guest of honor was presented with many lovely gifts and the evening closed with delicious refreshments. Miss Cobb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Cobb, Parker and Maplegrove, was married July 18, at Trinity Anglican Church, Aurora, to Mr. Brian Scott, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Scott, Oak Ridges.

**School Playground**  
A "first" this year at Lake Wilcox Public School is a playground program. John Shierer, grade 8 teacher, is supervising, and Miss Jade Seager is assistant supervisor. Mr. Shierer runs organized sports activities for the older children and Miss Seager keeps things moving for the younger section. Whitechurch Council allowed a small grant to buy equipment. New swings will be put in the school yard where the classes are held. Playground hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. five days weekly. About 100 children attend the classes and it is hoped that swimming lessons on a once a week basis may be held soon.

**Lions Annual Carnival**  
Lions Carnival has again come and gone and for the second year in a row the Jack & Jill Promenaders from Pine Grove captured the trophy for top honors as did their caller, Murray Morrison for best caller. Placing second and third were Beyer River Square Dancers and Fergus Junior Far-

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### King City Notes

Moving up from vice-president, Mr. Ralph Loney is the new officer of Clearview Gardens Home Owners' Association.

Mr. George Lawrence, president since last autumn, resigned office but still intends to be an active member. He is acting on his own suggestion at the ratepayers' last meeting, that officers and chairmen be elected gradually by so a new, untrained, executive wouldn't be taking over all at once. He favors the system, such as is used by school boards, rotating officers.

The retiring president would like to see more of the home owners supporting their association by attending its meetings and being delegates to Village Trustees' and Township Council meetings.

The majority of over 90 households in the subdivision is represented in the association. "A ratepayers' association is the only way we can make sure the subdivision lives up to agreements," Mr. Lawrence told "The Liberal."

Clearview's second plan is due to be accepted next Spring, Mr. Lawrence reported. "Our biggest concern at the moment is getting our subdivision assumed by township," he said.

Mr. John Langdon is association secretary.

**W. L. picnic**  
Proving he was the top athlete by winning four contests at King City Women's institute picnic at Boyd, Mr. Ted Munroe earned a handsome total of four cigars. Just happens, he doesn't smoke.

Some of the 63 parents and children attending the lively gathering at the conservation site were in swimming before supper. Afterward there was a variety of races arranged by Mrs. Austin F. Mable, Mrs. Robert Innes, Mrs. Verdon Gordon, Mrs. Norman Wade and Mrs. Bruce Hall.

The men's relay team beat the women's in the race of carrying life savers on toothpicks, but in a similar juniors' contest the girls defeated boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Munroe made the best time in a three-legged race. Mrs. Norman Wade and Mr. Munroe were best in shoe-kicking races, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Innes came first in the wheelchair effort.

Judy and Donna McKendry and Stephen Hooper led in the 7 to 10-year-old races. Lucky spot prizes went to Mrs. William W. Oughby and Mr. Michael Will. The nearest a concealed ground peg, under four years received balloons for running. In the peanut scramble when blind-folded youngsters tried to hit with a stick the bag of peanuts hanging from a tree, Janie Abrahams had the most success.

Mrs. John Norris won a prize for being the eldest member present and Heather Bland, at six months, was the youngest.

**Cubs at Camp**  
Three Queen's Scouts, Barry Wallace of King City, Jerry Hopkins and David Moore of Oak Ridges, helped Cubmistress Mrs. Rene Bamford when she supervised the three-day camp of about

### Teston News

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**Church News**  
The regular meeting of the Teston Women's Association was held in the Sunday School room Wednesday July 15 with 19 members present. Mrs. Wm. Marwood was in charge of the meeting. Mrs. Roy Bowen led in prayer followed by the scripture read by Mrs. C. Coutts and the lesson thoughts by Mrs. J. Murray. Mrs. W. Hadwen gave the topic, "If You Ask Me." She spoke of the problems which sometimes haunt us through life and posed the question, Are we the problem or the answer to problems? For instance while driving are we the careful driver or the one who feels everyone else should be? Mrs. H. Grimsby read two poems "Time Wasted" and "Four Leaf Clover."

Church services were resumed in Teston United Church on Sunday after a holiday of two weeks during which time Rev. and Mrs. Martin Jenkinson enjoyed a motor trip to the east coast and parts of the United States.

**Socials**  
Mrs. Russell Burbridge was hostess Wednesday evening July 15 to about twenty friends and neighbours who presented Miss Norma Amos with a miscellaneous shower in honour of her forthcoming marriage to Mr. Florio. The wedding will take place Saturday July 25 at the Church of the Apostles, Sheppard Avenue.

Miss Evelyn Hare returned home Saturday after a two week vacation in the Canadian West. Flying to Calgary Miss Hare visited with friends there and enjoyed the Calgary Stampede and trips to Banff, Lake Louise etc.

**AURORA**: The Toronto Argonauts have concluded their two-week training camp at St. Andrew's College. Many local citizens watched the twice daily practice sessions in which 58 Canadians and Americans tried out for the team.

## Water Short King City Cause Of Restrictions

First word of King City's current shortage of water came at the July 13 Village Trustees' meeting when Water Commissioner Ronald Bolton said, "We've got to start restricting water," after he studied daily readings of the well's supply.

Trustees agreed to circulate notices asking residents on an honor system "not to water lawns in the daytime between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m."

"We'll try this and if there still isn't enough water we'll have to extend restrictions," Mr. Bolton noted. He reported water level in the 50-foot well had been dropping steadily since June 1. It reached 32 feet and is going down at the rate of a foot a day.

"We're using too much water and too much is going on grass. Watering lawns in daytime in the hot sun is a waste," Mr. Bolton pointed out average consumption was rated at 100 gallons per person a day, or 130,000 gallons for the 1,300 people in the village. King City's consumption has been considerably higher, with almost 180,000 gallons used on July 10.

Lowest point the well reached was 29 feet for one day, August 28, last year. Lack of rain meant more water was being used for lawns, said the Commissioner.

Mr. G. T. Thompson, newly-appointed Secretary-Manager, said an Ontario Water Resources Commission representative had taken samples from both wells and had requested readings.

Chairman Donald Findlay read a letter going from trustees to the Department of Highways, explaining the agreement already being observed, that Subdivider Leo Valentine provide machinery and the village, materials, for Patton St. work.

Valentine Acres residents had been concerned about the street being considered assumed by the Department, in order to qualify for subsidies. At trustees' previous meeting Trustee Bolton and Township Councillors Ray Jennings and Norman Taylor agreed to contact the Department to see if the latest ruling could be changed.

"Is that letter going through township or directly to the Department of Highways?" asked a ratepayer. "Directly to the Department," replied Mr. Findlay.

**Lights in Heritage**  
After Mr. Bruce Hall, head of Heritage Park Ratepayers' Association, reported contributions of between \$280 and \$300 would be forthcoming for four lights in the subdivision, trustees passed a resolution to proceed with the installation of four fluorescent luminaires in Heritage Park upon receipt of the money.

At the ratepayers' request, Mr. Bolton agreed to mark the four poles where the lights are to be placed.

Mr. Hall inquired when weeds were supposed to be cut and Mr. Findlay replied, "before now." Trustees decided to ask Ivor Williams of Oak Ridges to cut weeds on vacant lots and roadsides. Numbers of lots were to be sent to township office for billing of owners.

At Mr. Donald McCallum's request, trustees are to place the fire phone from Mr. Harry Noakes' former house in another house and consideration is to be given whether more phones are needed and if firemen on phone duty should be reimbursed.

**New Constable**  
William Jensen was sworn into office as Police Village Constable. He signed a pledge, taken from the Police Act, that "I, William B. Jensen, do swear that I will well and truly serve Our Sovereign Lady the Queen in the office of Constable for the Police Village of King City without favour or affection, malice or ill-will; and that to the best of my power I will cause the peace to be kept and preserved, and prevent all offences the persons and properties of Her Majesty's subjects; and that while I continue to hold the said office I will to the best of my skill and knowledge discharge all the duties thereof faithfully according to the law, so help me God."

By-law 19, covering Mr. Jensen's appointment and passed by Trustees, stated the by-law shall be deemed effective July 1, 1959, and the form of remuneration shall be upon salary and allowances and not upon fees.

Trustees asked Secretary Thompson to inquire if radar could be rented, after he reported a speed trap of two tubes and a recorder was disputed in court and found unsatisfactory in Richmond Hill.

Trustee Mrs. Mary Scott reported roads were graded and culchition applied throughout the subdivisions.

Mr. Bolton noted the change-over of garbage collection from Saturday to Friday had gone well and people were pleased to find lids put back on cans.

Mr. Thompson said he checked the ditch back of the west end of Heritage Park and found the dry ditch filled with odds and ends and "enough wood to build a good double garage."

**Protest Speedway**  
Representing Valentine Acres, Mr. Fred Patterson and Mr. Harry Lacey complained of speeding by teen-agers down Patton St. and asked for two stop signs at Patton and Hollingsworth. "It's a real speedway now," said Mr. Patterson. Trustees discussed with ratepayers possible speed rates and law enforcement.

Commenting on a copy from township of the H. A. Babcock survey of King City vicinity, Mr. Bolton said "There's nothing new to us in it."

When told there was nothing in the report about incorporation, Mr. Patterson asked, "Well, what's the good of it?" Mr. Findlay said trustees' position in regard to the report had been "as guests."

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