

Blue Hills Academy for emotionally disturbed children has new head

By Margaret Lade
For the first time since it was conceived 1967, Blue Hills Academy for emotionally disturbed children has a new director. Fred Boden, who was appointed director in 1968 — two years before the residence facilities opened on Bloomington Sideroad — left the end of January to spend a year travelling in Europe. He plans to study methods of treatment for emotionally disturbed children in different countries.

The post of director has been taken over by Glenn Walterhouse, senior social worker in family therapy at Blue Hills since 1971.

The change in leadership is not likely to result in changes in philosophy or administrative policy at Blue Hills, however.

"Fred and I have worked together for four years," said Walterhouse in an interview. "We have the same basic philosophy. It is still basically family and community oriented. We support the things the family and the community support."

There have been changes since Blue Hills opened its doors in 1970 to children seven to 12 who were too disturbed to be treated in their own homes.

Last October two new services were introduced. Summit House, a residence for disturbed adolescents, was opened. A home care service was instituted for treatment of disturbed children in their own homes.

Walterhouse foresees the greatest need for expansion in both of these two areas.

The home care program broadens the service to disturbed children, taking treatment to many who might otherwise have to be taken into residence. It reaches not just one child, but the whole family, and — no small plus — it is not nearly as costly as resident care.

About 15 families are now in the program. Three child care workers, who have the support of psychiatrists, psychologists and other supportive staff, spend seven to eight hours a week with each family, helping all children in the family and the parents, teaching and demonstrating child management.

The program so far has proven very successful, Walterhouse reports. "Children who are not severely disturbed are better dealt with in their own homes. They are not uprooted."

Home care has expanded to the point where they are now ready to add another person to this department.

School liaison
In all three phases of Blue Hills operation the child care workers keep in close touch with the schools the children attend and with the teachers.

Summit House provides eight beds for youngsters 13 to 16 in a cosy rural setting

off Yonge Street in North Richmond Hill. There are three girls and two boys in residence at the moment, with staff serving as house parents providing a 24-hour program of care and treatment.

Blue Hills is looking for two more houses in even more rural setting. And although the plan is to bring them in gradually, Walterhouse predicts "As soon as we can provide them (the houses) they will be filled."

Teens toughest
The biggest problem at the moment, he says, is troubled teenagers.

Unlike the younger children who remain in residence an average of 18 weeks, the adolescents are likely to be at Blue Hills for two years or more, being helped to become established in school, work and community situations.

Some of the young people, Walterhouse anticipates, will be with Blue Hills until they are ready to go out into the world, at 18 or 19.

Where there is a family that is interested in the child, the staff associated with Summit House works with the family.

But in some case the family situation has really broken down and there is no chance of the child returning. To them Summit House is "home".

When they run away, as so many do, they run no farther than the nearest restaurant.

With the troubled teenager it is often important to get them away from their old associations, says Walterhouse. And for this reason they are looking for rural settings for their houses.

Blue Hills does not have to advertise for business. The mental health clinics, children's aid society and health nurses all know of many cases of seriously disturbed children who need the kind of help that Blue Hills can give.

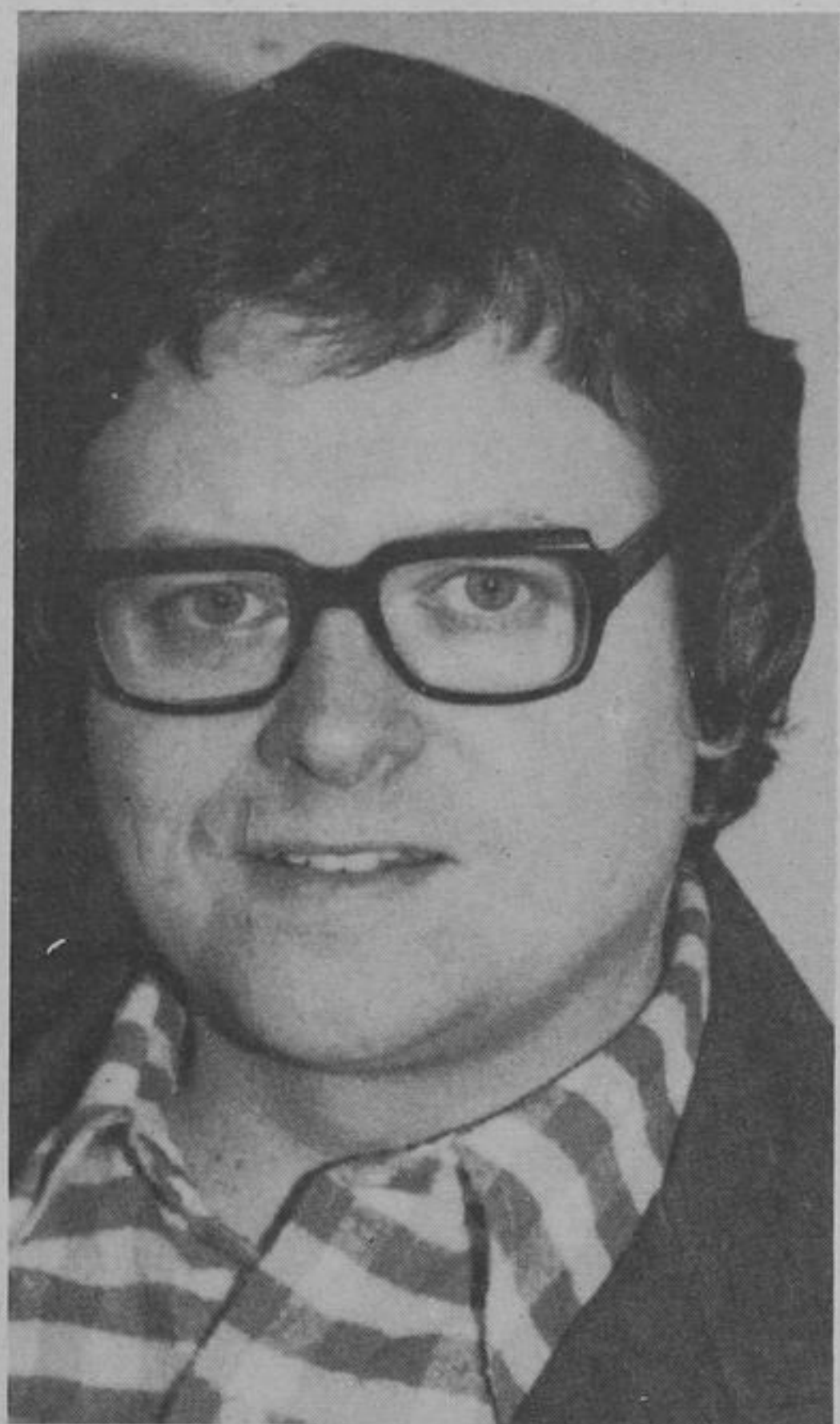
The program was launched in 1967 when a professional advisory committee of the Mental Health Association of York County was formed to consider what might be done.

A board of directors was appointed in 1968, and in 1970 the first two houses were completed. The first four children were admitted in May, and by November 12 children were in residence.

In 1972 a family service building was completed, increasing resident capacity to 23 children. Now, however, with the home care program in full swing, the bed capacity has been reduced to 18.

Hospital referral
The children, all referred by the mental health services of York County or York Central Hospital, live in residence but go out to community schools during the day and go home for weekends.

The child care workers, social workers and psychiatric consultant do



Glenn Walterhouse (Photo by Hogg)

not try to become substitute parents. But they do try to create a homelike environment.

Their aim is to strengthen and support the resources in the child's world.

The residents and their families take part in weekly family therapy sessions. Parents have many opportunities to discuss problems and progress with child care staff.

Aftercare is also an important part of the program — a service to families and schools, including individual, family and group programs.

Summer day camp
In the summer, about 150 children in York Region take part in the day camp program — four two-week sessions with intensive involvement between staff and children. This provides a positive experience for the child and enables staff members to assess the child's difficulties.

Children and families join in the recreational evenings during the camp period, providing an opportunity for parents to talk with staff members and other parents.

Community involvement is an important aspect of all the work of Blue Hills, particularly in the adolescent program. Here attempts are made to involve the young people in school or work as soon as they are able to cope with it.

Walterhouse regrets a little that as director he will not have the same close contact with family that he has had over the past four years. He enjoyed working with the families. He sees a challenge in the position, too, however.

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Director's background

Social work was not his first choice of career. He grew up and received his early education in Toronto, then attended Wheaton College in Illinois, majoring in mathematics and physics. From there he went to Emmanuel College, the United Church theological college at the University of Toronto, graduating in 1967.

Family counselling interested him more than pastoral work, however, so he went on to the School of Social Work at U of T for two years, working with the Children's Aid Society in Metro during his student years.

In 1968 he joined the Big Brothers in Metro as intake supervisor until he was appointed senior social worker in family therapy at Blue Hills. In the years 1969 to 1973 he also served on a part-time basis as director of the Big Brothers of York.

A resident of Newmarket, Walterhouse is married and has two children. He is chairman of the Lake Wilcox Community Workers' Association and is a member of the United Church York Presbytery 15-acre development committee.

The latter is a committee to make plans for property bequeathed to the church. Located in the Newmarket area, the land will provide an ideal location for community housing, day care facilities and other community services in a park-like setting, says Walterhouse.

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Pupils dance at nursing home

By Janet Russell
Pupils of the Star Dance Studio put on a show for the residents of the Cobblestone House Nursing Home, Yonge Street, Aurora, on Valentine's Day.

Brigitte Prella and Tracy Perry, resplendent in their tartans, started off the entertainment with a strathspey and Highland reel. With ribbons flying and tambourines jingling Laurie Lansing and Susan Taylor followed with a southern European gypsy dance called a Tarantella.

Then the pace slowed as the Dutch Clog Dance was neatly executed by Denise Paliga and Judy Gadjacs. It was a pity the carpet muffled the sound of the girls' taps as they performed the dance beautifully.

It was back to the Highlands with the skirl of pipes and a sword dance by

Brigitte and Tracy. Bonnie McKinnon and Cheryl Heaven in very pretty costumes, looking as if they were off to market in northern France, then performed a Breton dance.

To the enchantment of all the men in the audience, Cindy Heavener, Laurie Lansing and Susan Taylor in harem costumes danced "The Turkish Delight".

I didn't see too much of that one because the doorway I was watching through was blocked by some five or six men who suddenly decided to take more interest in the proceedings.

When the sultan's harem left, Tina O'Meara and Lynette Heavener, looking like little dolls and providing a sharp contrast, charmed with their rendition of a Japanese geisha dance.

As they were almost through someone stepped on a cord and stopped the recorded music. The girls finished their dance without any musical help, proving themselves great little troupers!

Next, it was the seann triubhas delivered in fine style by Tracy and Brigitte — a sight to warm a Scottish heart. The name of this dance is Gaelic and means literally, "the shedding of the trousers." It depicts, symbolically, the Scots' rebellion against wearing trousers which the hated English had decreed they must, and their joy at again wearing the kilt.

After the pipes it was the fiddlers we heard and Cheryl performed an Irish Jig. This dance also has an interesting story. It tells of a woman who, having just hung out the day's wash, is feeling pleased and proud of herself. Along come some urchins and tear down her line and she gets mad as you can imagine. In Cheryl's dance the audience was treated to a fine display of make-believe temper, which had us chuckling and wondering what might have happened had she caught the imaginary imps!

Then came Susan, Laurie

and Cindy in "The Sugar Plum Fairy" from the ballet The Nutcracker Suite by Tchaikovsky. In another change of pace Judy and Denise, looking very smart in their polka dot costumes gave a jazzy "Peppermint Twist" tap routine.

Cheryl came back to show us a traditional Irish step dance and Dennis and Judy after a fast change into their "mountie" costumes then tapped their way through their final number, "The Doll Dance".

This was followed by "Flora McDonald's Fancy" danced by Brigitte and Tracy in traditional Highland dress of Buchanan tartan skirts, velvet vests, eyelet blouses and plaids pinned with a cairngorm set in silver brooches.

Cindy soloed in a tap number called "Jack In The Box". Then it was time for the Can Can, and any old gentleman who might have been dozing certainly woke up for that.

Laurie, Cindy and Cheryl were in the centre of the floor while the history and origin of the dance were explained by Mrs. Sylvia Heavener, the girls' teacher.

She explained that the Can Can originated in France in the last century. Dancers

were considered "low", especially if they showed a little leg!

The story goes there were some chorus girls on stage practising in an empty theatre and one of them began to lead the others into swirling their skirts and showing their legs.

As they thought they were unobserved and it was purely for their own amusement they were soon having a whale of a time. When they became aware they were being watched they decided to put all they had into it — cartwheels, high kicks, etc. The dance was an instant hit.

To wind up the evening a

Highland Fling was performed by Brigitte Prella, Tracy Perry, Shelley MacDonald, Sean Heavener and Fiona Russell.

Cakes, cookies, sandwiches and juice were then served to the delighted and hungry dancers who demolished them in short order.

I would have liked to have stayed a little longer but the real estate firm across the road phoned at 8:45 pm and threatened to tow away two cars in their car park — one of which was ours! So we left.

We parked there in all innocence believing the office to be closed, rather than park on the street which is rather narrow. As there is room for eight or more cars (double parked) I couldn't see what all the fuss was about.

Gormley man is Holstein association director

David Houck of Gormley has been elected, with 22 others, director on the 35-member executive of the Holstein-Freisian Association of Canada.

Since 1953, Houck has been herd superintendent for Romandale Farm's Limited, which is owned by millionaire Stephen Roman, the president of Dennison Mines and defeated Progressive Conservative candidate in the last federal election in York North.

On the 1150-acre Romandale Farm, there are 230 pure-bred Holstein cattle. In recent years, cattle from the farm have been sold in 16 different countries of the world.

Houck is a qualified judge of Holstein cattle. In 1973 he was a judge at the U.S. Eastern National Holstein Show in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and in 1974 judged at the U.S. Central National Holstein Show in Madison, Wisconsin.

Laskay WI euchre winners

Prizewinners of Laskay WI regular euchre were Mae Williams, Rose Male, Agnes Walker, Pearl O'Brien, William Orr and Glen Barker. The door prizes were won by Jean MacMurchy and Wib Jennings.

The next euchre will be held February 28.

Welfare costs have risen in York Region

There's been a slight increase in welfare in the Region of York.

According to H.B. Macdonald, welfare administrator, 1 percent of York's population of 186,000, received welfare in November of last year, compared to 0.61 percent in the closing months of 1973.

Last year's budget before grants was \$1,203,400, and \$414,200 after.

In 1973, the figures were \$1,076,000 and \$324,000.

Bond Steelers whip Newmarket

The Richmond Hill Minor Midget A Bond Steel team roared back from an opening game defeat to down Newmarket Sunday by 5-1 and even their best-of-five series at one game apiece.

They had lost the opener by 5-3 February 20 in Richmond Hill Pacing Sunday's win was the two goal efforts of Ray Russell and David Forester. The other goal was credited to Chris

DeGeer. Drawing assists were Ron Abernathy and DeGeer with two each and singles to Doug Lewis and Steve Bishop.

The opening game of the series saw Richmond Hill's goals coming from David Forester assisted by Ron Abernathy, Chris DeGeer from Russell and Rick Girard; and Danny McVeigh from DeGeer and Doug Lewis.

Commuter train use has doubled

The total of York Regional commuters using the Canadian National Railways commuter trains has doubled since last April, according to CNR spokesman Maurice Simms.

During approximately the same period, the over-all number of passengers commuting from Barrie to Toronto has more than doubled, he said.

Average passenger load for a one-way trip is about 190, with 45 to 50 from Newmarket, 20 to 25 from Aurora, 25 from King and 10 to 15 from Maple.

Simms said the train has carried as many as 500 passengers at a time. At the peak of last summer's Toronto Transit Commission strike, the number of coaches was raised from two to nine.

404 info

An information centre on plans for Highway 404 from Highway 401 to Highway 7 in Markham will operate tomorrow from 2-5 pm and 7-10 pm in Muirhead Public School, North York.

Muirhead Road runs almost parallel to Woodbine Avenue, between Old Sheppard Avenue and Pleasant View Drive. Pleasant View runs only east of Woodbine between Finch Avenue and Sheppard Avenue.

Designs for the freeway, bridges and interchanges will be on display and engineers from the ministry of transportation and communications will be there to answer questions.

An official said Monday construction of detour routes south of Steeles Avenue will begin this year. Construction north of Steeles will not commence until this work is complete and there is no fixed date for this, he said.

Query student move

Possible movement of occupational students at King City Secondary School has brought about an anxious query from teachers at the school about the welfare of all concerned.

But according to York County Board of Education, they've got nothing to worry about.

The teachers' concern apparently evolved from a recent calendar of school subjects in York. It failed to show any occupational courses.

"The undertone is the effect on the working conditions of the teachers," said Trustee Donald Cameron of Vaughan.

Trustee Robert Houghton of Richmond Hill said he telephoned the Area 2 office and was told that no decision had been made to move them. Was that true?

Sam Chapman, director of education, said he believed that the fact no reference had been made to the courses in the booklet, was an oversight.

Tim Roebuck, superintendent of Area 2, said the teachers had been assured the matter would be discussed with them. Also, they would be the first to know if there was to be any relocation.

Said Trustee Chris McMonagle of Markham: "If I had been a teacher, I would be worried." On a motion of Trustee Dorothy Zajac of King, the board agreed to refer the matter to an ad hoc committee of Area 2 trustees and supervisory personnel for recommendations to the board.

'Ridges Belles win 1-0

HOUSE LEAGUE SENIOR GIRLS
In the round robin playoff at King City February 22 Oak Ridges Belles defeated King City 1-0 as Nancy Jones got the only goal of the game.

The next night at Newmarket the Belles lost to Sharon 5-1 with Rosemary Tomlinson the goalgetter for the Ridges.

BANTAM
Oak Ridges Bantams ran up a 10-3 score over Sharon to take an exhibition game February 23 at Sharon. Steve Michalsky accounted for four of the Ridges' counters, Vernon Therien for three, Scott Reid for two and Chris Jotham for one.

MIDGET
Sharon won an exhibition game at Oak Ridges February 23-4-2 with the host team's goals coming from Gilbert and Wilson.

The Shop 'n Bag Midgets fought to a 2-2 tie with Sharon in a February 23 exhibition game at Oak Ridges. Goalgetters for the Ridges were Doug Comfort and Glen Wright.

BANTAM
Oak Ridges Cougars rolled to a 9-0 win over Sharon at Sharon February 23 in an exhibition game. Scoring were Roy Petry with four counters, John Vanderploeg with two, Ken Blanchard, Bob Lafarge and Bill Carswell.

OMHA REP TEAMS NOTICE
The Victoria Square Lions Little Kings finished in first place in their league as they defeated Schomberg 3-1

February 22. Goalgetters were Robert Sanders, Peter Beck and Damien O'Flaherty with assists from O'Flaherty, Frank Rossi and Stephen Arnold.

ATOM
In the best of five game York Simcoe playoffs at Oak Ridges February 18 Oak Ridges came out on top 6-2. Paul Beck got five points — four goals and an assist — John Lalonde added two goals and Neil Wilson was credited with three assists.

In the Little NHL playdowns at Bradford February 22 Oak Ridges drew a bye in the first game and lost the second to Richvale 5-4 in sudden death overtime with the winning goal scored at 9 minutes and 38 seconds. Beck contributed four goals, Jim Jotham and Derek Battaglia one each, Neil Wilson, Bob Mashinter and Beck a helper each.

PEEWEE
Oak Ridges lost to Schomberg 1-0 February 19 at Oak Ridges and bowed out of the All Ontario Playdowns three games to one.

In the Little NHL playdowns at Bradford February 22 Oak Ridges defeated Alliston 3-2, with James Cummins getting the winning goal after four minutes of sudden death overtime had been played. Ricky Greenslade and Fred MacArthur accounted for the other Ridges' tallies, Mike Dalton came up with two assists, Tony Battaglia, Cummins and Lawrence Millard with one each.

The second game resulted in a 3-2 loss for Oak Ridges, with Bradford getting the winning goal after playing nine minutes of overtime. Millard and Battaglia were the Ridges' goalgetters with help from Dalton and Greenslade.

MIDGET
Alex Brockton Midgets posted a 6-5 victory over Schomberg February 17 as Dale Roffey picked up five points — three goals and two assists — Paul Smith clicked for two goals, Tony Roffey for a counter, Jim Gerber for four assists, Chris Smith, Bernie Ingle and Carl Taylor for a helper each.

By winning the All Ontario playdown round against Schomberg Alex Brockton Midgets are now waiting to start the quarter finals. Scoring for the Ridges in their 4-3 February 19 win were Dale Roffey with two goals and an assist, Jim Gerber with a goal and two assists, Tony Roffey with a goal, Ted Clague, Paul Smith and Brad Jotham with an assist each.

In the Gravenhurst Tournament Alex Brockton Midgets won three straight games to take the championship and bring home the trophy.

In their first game they defeated Humbervue 12-3. In the second game Midland was the victim to the tune of 5-2 and in the final, and championship, game Oro fell before the mighty sticks of the Ridges 10-4.

JUVENILE
Oak Ridges Lions

Juveniles took their All Ontario playdown round against Port Perry in four straight games and are now waiting to start the provincial quarter finals against either Brighton or Lakefield. In the second game of the series played at Oak Ridges February 18, the Lions defeated Port Perry 5-3. Larry Guaran and Allan Heintzman each contributed two goals and Dale Roffey one to the win. Assisting were John Lenneville, Terry Legge and Wayne Roffey, each with two, Dale Roffey and Chris Smith. Goaltender Bob Fortier was a tower of strength.

In the third game of the series, Oak Ridges left no doubt as they defeated Port Perry 6-1. Peter McCornachie scored twice, Larry Guaran, Allan Heintzman, Wayne Roffey and Terry Legge once. Active in the assist department were Wayne Roffey with four, Dale Roffey with three, Cam Cummins with two, Heintzman, Brian Jones, Robert Herd and Lenneville. Goalie Ken Summers played extremely well.

In the fourth game the score was again Oak Ridges Lions 5, Port Perry 3. In this contest, played in Port Perry February 21, Heintzman came up with two counters, Jones, Guaran and Legge with one each. Lenneville was awarded three assists, Dale Roffey, Legge, Wayne Roffey and Larry Guaran one each. Goaltending duties were well looked after by Bob Fortier.

Bowling Results

by Ian Cameron



BOWLING by IAN CAMERON BOWLING LOTTERY

In the last few years the Ontario Bowlers Congress and the local associations received funds from the lottery operated by Sports Ontario.

The bowlers were the biggest sellers of these tickets and the money raised help support the local association functions. But this past year the lottery was stopped and bowling lost a key money raiser.

Now the O.B.C. has gained a license from the province to run its own lottery. For this lottery a series of 25 weekly draws with the first draw to be made June 14 at the annual bowlers convention. From there weekly draws will be made every Monday from June 16 to November 24. The prize for each draw is \$1,000 and only 3,000 tickets will be sold at the price of \$20.00 each.

The YSBA will be selling tickets or they can be obtained by sending \$20.00 to the Ontario Bowlers Congress 1274 Kennedy Rd. Scarborough M1P 2L5. Leagues are encouraged to purchase tickets from their treasurers or to buy tickets as banquet prizes for their bowlers.

FRIDAY MAJORS

W.&P. Motors bowled 3852 triple and a 1402 single to lead the majors scoring. Caesars Palace leads the league with 136 pts. following them are Bill Best Tire Sales 120½, W.&P. Motors 97, Creative Decor 93, 300 Club 89, Don Mills Truck Sales 89, Andersons Heating 76 and Barfoots Sheet Metal 67½.

Ian Cameron led scorers with an 874 (297) then came Vic Reid 843 (309), Al Richardson 806 (363), Gary Richardson 806 (305), John Banks 803 (279), Corky Rumsam 799 (283) and Morrey Waldon 785 (297). Rodger Ball had the high single game with 323.

In the high average race Ernie Hughes leads with 262 then Gary Richardson 259, Ian Cameron 251 and Bruno Pezzini 250.

There are two doubles pairs still left in the Hi-Lo doubles tournament that will be decided this week.

60 BALL

On Sunday the old 60 ball tournament was started up again. The winner for the first week was Jack Hill. Anyone interested in a small bowling tournament bring your shoes and \$5.00 to A.B.C. bowl at 7 o'clock on Sunday. We have a strike pot for seven in a row and

some good friendly bowling. For this tournament you bowl till you have shot 60 balls then the bowler who has the highest pinfall after the 60 shots wins first place money.

COMING UP

March comes in like a lion as bowling tournaments are scheduled for every week end. This coming weekend the Master-Junior zone rounds will be held at Newmarket. The next week zone round for the Pepsi-Cola High School Championships are to be bowled and that same weekend also sees the Rotary 50 tournament being bowled. The weekend of the 15 and 16 has Provincial finals for the Carling Black Label Classic and Provincial finals for the Youth Bowling Council. On the 22 and 23 the Master-Junior finals sponsored by Coca Cola will be held in London plus the Masters bowl in the March Classic. The following week the Carling O'Keefe Championships will be held in Calgary for the Worlds Championships. On Easter Sunday the O'Connor Bowls' Canadian Invitational tournament will be rolled with \$10,000 at stake for first prize. So a very busy month is ahead for the bowling world.

Y.B.C. Master Junior Tournament

by Heather Porter
The Annual Master Junior Tournament which is to be held at Newmarket Bowlerama on March 2, shall be a most challenging and rewarding experience for each bowler.

The Masters and qualifiers of the tournament are as follows: Master Bowler Bill Jones bowling with Debbie Haviland with her score of 573 and Steve Young 547. Master Bowler Ian Cameron with Heather Porter 600 and Ed Weber 697. Master Bowler Ev Jones with Penny Hansen 576 and Gary Burns 603. Master Bowler Betty Wolfreys with Virginia White 546 and Murray Alexander 693. Master Bowler Ernie Wolfreys with Patsy Wolfreys 585 and Brian Milne 601. Master Bowler Jack Hill with Lois Davies 566 and Peter Boos 567.

Four Steps to Stardom Zone Round

As a result of the Four Steps to Stardom Zone Round, which was held on February 16 at Newmarket Bowlerama the qualifiers finished as follows: Junior Girls Teams: First place went to A.B.C. Bowl with 2876, followed by

Newmarket with 2807, Newtonbrook 2795, Barrie 2667, Stuffville 2606, Power Lanes 2487 and Aurora 2170. The Junior Boys Teams finished as follows: Power Lanes finishing first with 3137, Newtonbrook 2993, Richmond Hill 2977, Barrie 2687, Stuffville 2671, Newmarket 2585 and Aurora 2549.

The next shift that bowled were Junior Girls Singles, Junior Boys Singles, Senior Girls Singles and Senior Boys Singles. In the Junior Girls Singles division there was a tie for first place, in which a one game roll off took place. As a result, Newmarket won with 706 triple, which gave second place to Aurora, Newtonbrook 690, Kempview 601, Power Lanes 461, Stuffville 460 and Richmond Hill 438. Junior Boys Singles: Newmarket 704, Kempview 631, Stuffville 557, Willowdale 547, A.B.C. Bowl 497 and Aurora 346.

Our last division was Senior Girls Singles: Richmond Hill 721, Newtonbrook 687, Newmarket 651, Aurora 486, Stuffville 469 and Kempview 468. Senior Boys Singles: Kempview 802, Power Lanes 798, Newtonbrook 652, A.B.C. Bowl 637, Aurora 619 and Newtonbrook 618.