



Councillor Hancey congratulates shooter

(Photo by Hogg)

## Honor top trap shooter

At 18 years of age George Leary of Gormley is a most accomplished trap shooter.

In his fifth consecutive appearance at Richmond Hill Council's annual awards night his 1975 accomplishments were recognized.

These included the Ontario Provincial Trap

Shooting Association team. He is also happy with his penalty killing team of Tom Tidman, Dale Roffey, Billy Cromb and Steve Sherman.

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team. Past achievements include inclusion in the Canadian International Trap Shooting Trials Junior Division championships. Also during the year he finished fifth in the Mini Olympics and fifth in the challenge test for the 1976 Olympic team, just missing a berth on that

## Jewellers blast Thornhill

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Dave Stuart, Kirk Stover, Tom Tidman, Thornhill's goals were by Dan Jones and Gary Langfield.

"We're starting to show a little bit of finesse," was Artemchuk's comment after the game. "We're applying the basic fundamentals of hockey. When you do that you not only win but you look good doing it."

Artemchuk had special praise for the day in and day out play of Davey Stuart

who is our big gun.

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A big loss though has been Larry Gueran who is out with a broken collar bone. "Gueran was our top left winger and we really miss him," said Artemchuk.

The Jewellers play Friday night in Owen Sound and are at home to Barrie at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday night they are in Collingwood.

## Thunderbirds tie twice

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Thornhill showing in the past two games is the fact they tied both contests despite missing two of their top scorers in Ross Gordon (averaging a goal a game) and Kim Mabley. Both are injured and Mabley has a fractured jaw which may keep him out for about four weeks. . . also up for the past two games have been midgets Pat Bertrand, Bob Hunter . . . along with Bill Coville . . . all have played well. . . Midland outshot Thornhill 36-27.

The 7-7 tie in Orillia saw the Thunderbirds almost pulling the win out as they led the Orillia team by one goal with about 48 seconds left when Mike Skelcher got the tying goal.

Thornhill goals were by Rocky Pantalone from Mark Steele, Mitch Edwards; Steele from Edwards and Stankov; Lanni from Poulis and Edwards; Coville from Steve Wilson and Edwards; Pantalone from John Langfield and Coville; Poulis from Lanni and Coville. For Orillia it was Tom McLeish getting three goals and Chris Stockton two to go with Skelcher's and Brad Graham.

DePiero sharp DePiero also came up with a good game as Orillia outshot Thornhill 53-38. Thornhill travels to Barrie Friday night for a game with that red-hot club and next Monday they host Owen Sound.

# Death of an old elm tree



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Near Dundas, Ontario, is a tree that is 79 feet high with a diameter of 60 inches.

This tree is 15-8" around and the crown spread is an impressive 112 feet.

Being an Elm tree, to be specific, an American Elm, this tree can grow for over 300 years.

The American Elm tree was once the most common and one of the most beautiful shade trees in all of North America.

There was hardly a farm in eastern Canada that didn't have a driveway lined with elms. Cattle and elms must have been

inseparable, as there are dead elms in nearly every pasture.

Started in 1921 Nobody knows for sure how it all started, but it was in 1921 that the Elm Disease was discovered. During that year, the first known tree died in the Netherlands, and from then on it was called the Dutch Elm Disease.

Because we value our trees more than the people of Europe do, we import logs from overseas to be turned into furniture. Unfortunately, during 1930, a diseased log was brought in and the disease spread uncontrolled from then on.

A fungus The disease is actually a fungus, which infects the tree, blocking the vital water canals under the bark, and eventually killing the tree. There is only one answer, it must be felled and burned.

Beetles The fungus is spread by the European Elm Bark Beetle. Our own American Bark Beetle also decided to jump on the bandwagon and help out as well.

We can stop pollution and sometimes even wars, but not this tiny little beetle.

Originally we had six native elms in North America, all of them susceptible to the disease. Over the years, we have developed new hybrids which are resistant, but, unfortunately, not completely immune to this killer.

No elms Ontario has lost almost all of its Elms and the few remaining ones show definite symptoms.

One year the tree is in full foliage, the next you can find the first dry leaves and branches, and from there on it is all downhill, with the com-

plete tree being destroyed in three or four years.

The disease is travelling eastward, and travellers can follow the progress, especially along the beautiful Elm-lined banks of the St. John River in New Brunswick.

Biologists are working on a cure, but are as far from one as they were ten years ago.

However, there is a method to preserve healthy trees by inoculating them regularly, but it is my understanding that the cost is approximately \$200. per tree.

A local tree surgeon is supposedly an authority on this and hopefully I will be able to report how successful this method is proving.

In the meantime, I suggest you get some good pictures of healthy Elm trees, because very soon, that will be your only reminder of the stately and beautiful American Elm Tree.

# Big noise in bowling

By Ian Cameron  
Friday Majors

## bowling results

Sound Unlimited again came up with a big week as they bowled a 1,556 single game on their way to a 4,063 triple. The 22½ points they gained put them to within a half point of first place Art's Taxi.

The overall standings are: Art's 66, Sound 65½, Eves and Eves, 53, Don Mills Truck Sales 47, Mobile Heat 46, Anderson's Heating 39½, W & P Motors 39, W.J. Mowatt 36, Creative Decor 31 and Barfoot's Sheet Metal 27.

The 4,063 triple bowled by Sound Unlimited was good for \$5 and high individual award for \$5 went to Jim Boseley's 868 with Hancock.

Top scores for the night were Jack Hill 838 (323), Corby Rumsan 817 (290), George Cummings 813 (321), Ernie Haley 804 (282), Jim Boseley 799 (298), and Ian Cameron 798 (308). High singles were bowled by Stan Foster at 368 and Brian Stiver at 333.

Carling O'Keefe

The first 10 game block bowled at Barrie provided us with some very close scores. In both the ladies and men's divisions race for positions is very tight and it looks like it will go down to the final week to decide the finalists.

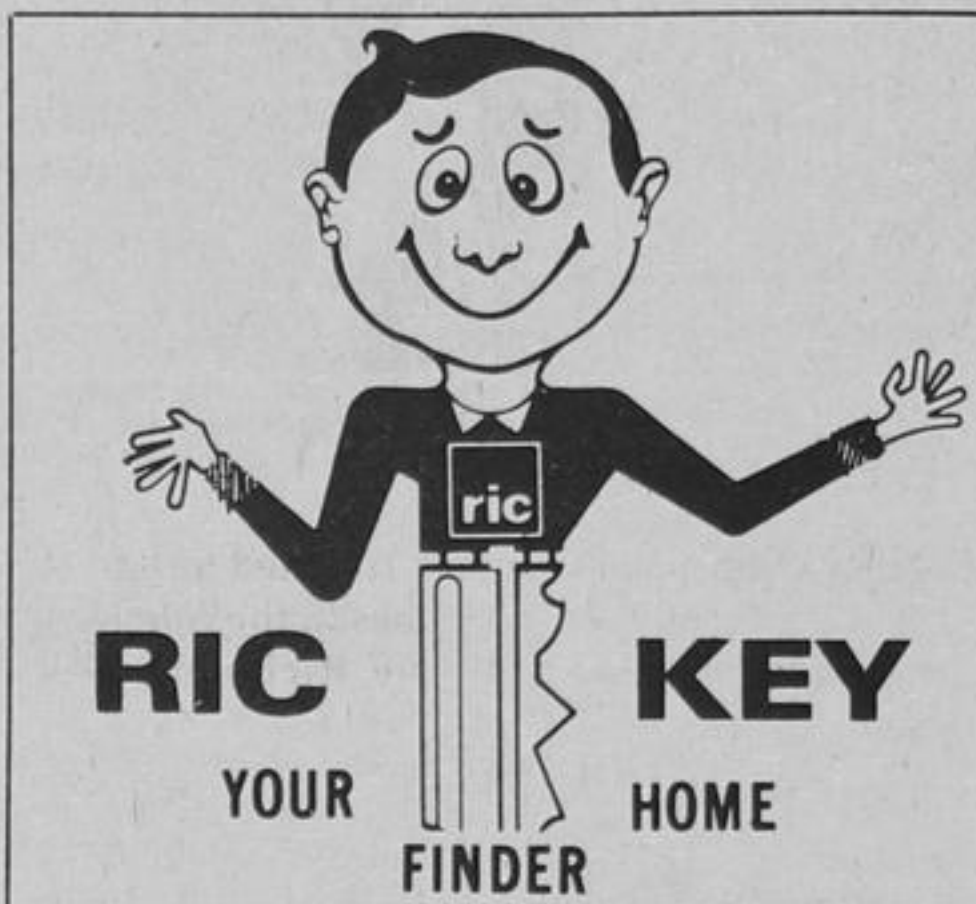
The top nine ladies are Pauline Naught 2,438, Flo Blanchard 2,388, Sue Wise 2,333, Shirley Yakely 2,325, Audrey Cummings 2,321, Diane Ingram 2,287, Betty Horton 2,274, Richmond Hill's Gayle Bartlett 2,236 and Jenny Richard 2,234.

down and add more spin to the ball so that it would break more. There were some bowlers who found success in doing this while others had control problems with the attempt at slowing down their approach.

But these are things bowlers have to adapt to quickly if they are going to become successful in tournament play.

Lottery

The YSBA finally had a \$1,000 winner in J. Marchiori of Thornhill. The first draw is now over. The second draw will be starting soon. The tickets are worth \$20 and that entitles you to one draw a week for \$1,000 for 25 weeks. If you want a ticket get in touch with me at 884-2814 or at ABC Bowl.



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