# Neighbors



Gary Barnes at his temporary desk.

## Gary Barnes — Law behind the paint cans

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Legal advice? That's right, because Loral's is equipped with its own part-time law office.

It's only a temporary arrangement. When Ottawa lawyer Gary Barnes decided earlier this year to set up a branch office in Russell, he discovered one of the village's major shortcomings - a lack of suitable space.

Until he can track down something more permanent, Gary has been loaned a desk and a bit of floor space by Loral owner Ted Lehowski and that's where he conducts business

every Monday and Thursday.

And the arrangement has its advantages; if Ted is busy with a customer, Gary will answer the phone and Ted takes messages when the young lawyer isn't available.

Gary, who has been practicing for about 18 months and has two partners, enjoys visiting Russell and would someday like to establish a full-time satellite office in the village. He hopes his wife Suzanne and himself will eventually be able to move to the area from their Gloucester Township condominium.

While working out of Loral's was slow at first, things are picking up and now Gary says: "I

always have something to do." Recently, he represented Don Rogers in the sale of the village grocery store to Jack Tyo.

Why did Gary pick Russell? When he first started coming to the county registry office to research deeds, he was delighted at the competence and helpfulness of Wendell Stanley and his staff. He liked what he described as the village's friendly atmosphere and was surprised there was no law office. He decided to fill the void.

Admitting it takes a while to get started, Gary noted that Embrun lawyer Jim Baribault has a thriving practice; he hopes to be as successful.

Mike Wood's

### Horse tales

A regular meeting of the Russell County 4-H Horse Club was held May 30th in Russell. The topic under discussion was hoof care, and the meeting included a demonstration on trimming. Plans were discussed for group demonstrations, which will be presented at the regular meeting July 11th.

The June 13th meeting of the Horse Club took place at Kathy Cauley's stables in Navan. Kathy Cauley gave a lecture on conformation and showing, followed by a slide presentation. Members later discussed the format of the upcoming 4-H Achievement Day, which will take place August 7th.

Upcoming events include a Shilo Riding Club Western Show on July 16th in Russell. The public is welcome, and admission is free. As well, don't forget the Russell Fair Horse Shows August 5th and 6th. More details next issue.

### Russell Agricultural Society

The monthly meeting of the Russell Agricultural Society was held June 15th. There was a large turnout of members, as an important issue was to be discussed and voted on.

Following the submission of estimates by Jack James, it was decided that the Society could not at present afford to construct the proposed large showing area. Plans for the showing area were shelved for future consideration.

In place of the larger building, a much smaller stabling and show area has been planned.

Barry McVey outlined the format of this year's opening performance, a Carol Baker show, and an improved children's show.

Construction of a fence, Tile Drainage for the Fair Grounds, and improvement of the electrical wiring were other topics discussed at the meeting.

Any individuals interested in assisting the Agricultural Society in their endeavour to construct a large showing area in the future are welcome to contact the President.

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#### Social notes

Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Mackenzie of Mica Creek, B.C., were recent guests at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCallum of North Russell. Nancy and Ted were accompanied by their children Joanne and Teddy.

William Lee Riggins, son of Dolly and Frank Riggins, graduated from Algonquin College of Applied Arts and Technology on May 20, 1978, as a Physics Engineering Technologist. Lee and wife Trix will be taking up residence on the farm after an absence of 2 years.

The Castor Review wishes to extend congratulations to Rick Chataway, a Review contributor in Metcalfe, who was recently married. Rick and his wife Bev will leave shortly for their summer residence at Cherry Hill, Nova Scotia.

Best wishes to Keith and Val Hansen on the birth of their son Christopher Neal. Val is a Review contributor in Morewood. Congratulations Val and Keith.

#### Grant for Embrun bus

Embrun Recreation Centre will receive a \$4,878 grant from Wintario to aid in the purchase of a 20 passenger bus.

The grant is one of 14 recently approved by the Ministry of Culture and Recreation for the United Counties of Prescott-Russel. The grants total \$34,020 and range from \$516 to \$8,898.

A grant of \$1,331 has been awarded to Embrun's Lesta broomball club to help with the purchase of equipment.

#### **Best Watermelon**

To select the best watermelon, choose a ripe, juicy one - go for the best looking one in the stack. Choose one that is well formed and avoid melons that are misshapen or have pointed ends. The shape is likely to affect the taste. Check the side of the melon that lays on the ground - it should be a creamy yellow or white.

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