

# Calendar

To list your group's activities in Castor Calendar, please call Eileen Hamelin at 445-5335 with the relevant information.

**Saturday, March 27** — Farming without chemicals: Four Farmers discuss 57 years of practical experiences — "Fertile Land, Healthy Cattle". 1:30 to 4 p.m. Kemptville College. Info.: 1-258-3411, Ext. 251. Sponsored by Organic Growers.

**Saturday, March 27** — Bake sale sponsored by the Russell Minor Hockey Association in the Russell Arena at 10:00 a.m.

**Saturday, March 27** — Dance sponsored by the Russell Agricultural Society in the Russell Community Centre. Music by Ken Millar Orchestra.

**Saturday, April 3** — L'original. Integration of the Physically Disabled person into the com-

munity through recreation. A seminar. Contact Robert Marcil at 675-4661.

**Monday, March 29** — Spring Fashion show sponsored by the Russell Branch of the Canadian Cancer Society in the Russell Community Centre at 8:00 p.m. Admission \$2.00. Children \$1.00

**Tuesday, April 6** — Russell Village Women's Institute meeting in the United Church at 8:00 p.m. Guests Welcome.

**Wednesday, April 7** — General information meeting for concerned parents regarding a swim program will be held in the Russell Arena at 7:30 p.m.

**Monday, April 12** — Catholic Women's League meeting in the Russell Catholic Church Hall at 8:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, April 13** — Parents'

Association meeting in the Russell Public School at 8:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, April 14** — Anglican Church Women's meeting in the Russell Anglican Church Hall at 8:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, April 20** — North Russell Women's Institute meeting. Hostess — Mrs. Marjorie Dugdale.

**Tuesday, April 20** — Russell Minor Hockey banquet at 7:00 p.m. in the Russell Community Centre.

**Friday, April 23** — Dance sponsored by the Russell Warrior's Hockey team in the Russell Community Centre from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. Disco.

**Saturday, April 24** — Afternoon movie matinee for all ages at the Russell Public School from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Admission .50¢

Every Wednesday morning — Story Time for pre-schoolers at the Russell Public Library at 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. For information: Lynn Ransome 445-2844 or Mary Inglis 445-2934.

Every Friday — Euchre in the Russell Legion Hall at 8:30 p.m.

Every Saturday — Euchre in the Russell Senior Citizen's Centre at 8:00 p.m.

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## Dogs

Five years ago my husband, Dave and I moved to Russell in search of the "Country Life" and space for a couple of dogs. We decided on an Irish Setter and a Golden Retriever, who joined us at nine weeks, and seven weeks of age respectively.

In order to learn how best to handle them, I joined The Ottawa Kennel Club, The Ottawa Valley All Setter Association, and The Ottawa Valley Gun Dog Club. I

also participated in an intensive course for dog breeders, covering behaviour, breeding, anatomy, genetics etc. Although I have yet to apply much of this information to a breeding program of my own,

I have a strong interest and a weakness for talking about dogs to anyone who will listen.

I hope all Castor area dog owners will find my columns enjoyable and useful.

strangers, so he began to appreciate the animals' visits, and encourage them to return. As the trust between the two developed, wolf mothers led their young into the area of the humans.

It's not difficult to picture human and wolf youngsters playing together. This would naturally lead to a strengthening of the growing friendship.

Today's dog behaviorists tell us that the bond between our domestic dogs and humans must be forged within the first twelve weeks of the puppy's life or he will never fully trust people and will behave more like a wild animal, shy and unresponsive to training. Fortunately, this rarely happens as puppies are so irresistible at that age.

This is not to suggest that the change from wolf to dog occurred in one generation, but through years of association with man some of the animals adapted through heredity and environment to a stage where they preferred human company to that of their own family, or pack.

Through these years man also developed uses, and no doubt, affection for his four-footed friends, began feeding them regularly and including them as part of the family.

## Dogs as friends — when did it start?

By Colleen Petry

How did the association between humans and dogs begin? Dogs are treasured companions all over the world as we know, but who was the first dog owner? Just as researchers hope to find the missing link that will prove (or disprove) Darwin's Theory of Evolution, students of dogdom search for evidence of the origin of our canine friends. Until proof is found, we can only guess.

We do know that as far back as man can be traced, dogs have been our companions. One theory of evolution applied to dogs suggests that they descended from wolves. This theory supposes that a mutually beneficial relationship developed after wolves were attracted to man's surroundings by discarded bones and remnants of meals.

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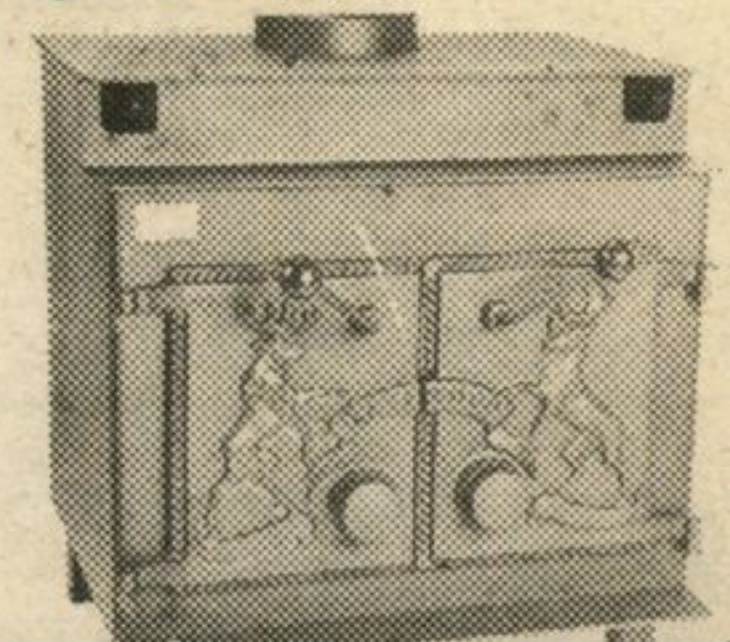
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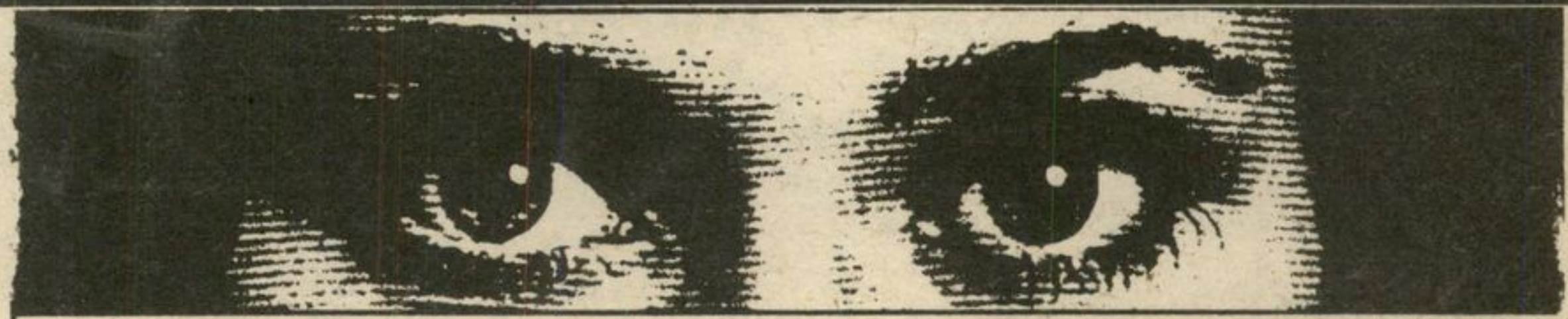
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