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The Murray Clapp Memorial award recipients for 1993
From left to rt. Bernard Keogh, Lillian Cole, Clifford Walker, Raymond McIntosh and Murray Hicks with marion Powers seated in front

Wasn't Miliford Fair fun?

That had to be the best parade we've had in years. And the "Mountie" marching in front of the colour party at the very front of the parade, going from side to side to greet the bystanders. Why,

ow could you not be proud to be a Canadian at that moment? And did you see all the young people who participated in the event, from the parade, to the food booth, to putting exhibits in the various competitions and the evening show.

And who would have thought to see a bunch of farmers and some city folk, standing around a paddock waiting for a cow to do "what comes natural" in the square of a grid.... and betting money on it. Why, I even one \$10 at bingo.

Anyone who enjoyed the day; and there certainly seemed to be quite a number there doing just that; and thinks that the day just happened, has no idea of the work, that some very willing and dedicated volunteers, did both behind the scenes the day of the fair, and over the course of the past year, to make it all happen with such smoothness. The proof of their efforts was in the way the day went off without a hitch. They even held the rain up. Congratulations certainly go out to the Fair Board and its Chairman, Rita Laramy, as well as the army of volunteers

recruited by them, for the splendid fair. Well done.

The fair is growing, but not changing. It is still the family get together that makes a community fair so special. There is still the competition to grow the best corn or quilt the best quilt. Oh, some categorize have been added and perhaps some lost, but these reflect the changes of this community. The evening show is still an opportunity for the display of local talent, and an opportunity to invite in other talent as well. Even the Cow Pattle Bingo, stuck to the rural flavour (or was it aroma) of the fair.

When we recognize the contribution that our seniors have made to their community in their lifetime, we sometimes rather jokingly suggest that we had better do so while they are still here to hang the medal on. This years' group seemed to be the exception, for they all looked to have years left in which to enjoy our appreciation and hopefully to continue the good work. Recipients of the award were, Lillian Cole, Marion Powers, Murray Hicks.

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