

## Goodwood Team Community League Champs



Goodwood "Mercurys" captured the Claremont Community League Softball Title on Monday night with a 3-game sweep of their final series with Greenwood. They were group finalists last season. Members of the club, shown here are — Rear Row (left to right) — Ron Stewart, Ken Davis, Bob Todd, Ron May, Eric Barber, Ron Evans, Front Row (left to right) — Gerry McGuckin, Rae McGuckin, Ken May (coach) and Bruce Norton. — Staff Photo.

## Goodwood Wins Comm. League Title In Three Straight Games

After sitting idle for nearly a month waiting for an opposition team, the Goodwood Mercs made quick time of it when their rivals arrived. They moved down Greenwood in three straight playoff games to capture the Claremont Community League Softball Title and trophy. The champs were presented with their award following an 8-3 victory on Monday night at Brougham.

No one play could actually determine Greenwood's loss or Goodwood's win. Both clubs were hit with errors, and both clubs benefited from extra-base hits.

Goodwood jumped into an early lead in the initial frame, after capitalizing on two Greenwood errors. The score remained divided by a single run until the third when Ron May stepped to bat and clouted a long home run into deep centre field.

The Mercs seemed to get careless with a two-run lead and gave Greenwood an ideal opportunity to close the gap.

In the fifth inning, Lorne Disney, who had a tremendous night, slammed out a double. Ken McTaggart followed with a triple, scoring Disney. Jim Wilson's single drove McTaggart home, tying the ball game, and making the park sound like a New Year's Eve celebration party.

Greenwood's big fifth inning continued with Bob McTaggart uncorking a drive but Wilson was tagged at second. With one out, George Staley let go with a good single, advancing McTaggart. Grant Jones, following Staley, was walked, and Brian McTaggart's double scored brother Bob. Staley was tagged out at home plate, and Bill Maxwell was third out with a high pop up fly. Only batter not to see action in that inning for Greenwood was pitcher Neil Pascoe. The side retired leading the ball game 3-2, and causing concern in the Goodwood dug-out.

Slowly Pulled Away Brian McTaggart, who was earlier thought to have been sidelined for the rest of the season, showed up behind a catcher's mask, and played a usual superb game. In the bottom of the fifth, a fast ball pitch by McTaggart to second baseman Grant Jones, nailed the first hitter, Eric Barber.

However, Rae McGuckin found the perfect ball from Neil Pascoe and made no mistake in driving it into the trees across the park. His homer tied the game.

Bob Todd, in the sixth inning, broke up the contest with Goodwood's third home run.

A single and two doubles in the seventh inning scored three insurance runs for the champs. Ron May, Ken Davis and Rae McGuckin circled the bases in the inning that saw Greenwood call for a substitute pitcher. Grant Pascoe, Neil's brother, hurled the remainder of the game, and allowed one final run in the eighth inning.

One of the nicest plays of the night came in the eighth inning with Greenwood at bat. Grant Jones had advanced to first on a single, and made a mad dash for second as Brian McTaggart belted one past the pitcher, Rae McGuckin, playing short stop, scooped up the ball to second and then to first for a neat double play.

Ken May went the distance for the winners. He gave up 3 runs off seven hits and struck out six batters. The Pascoe brothers, Neil and Grant, were tapped for eight runs off 11 hits. Neil struck out ten batters, while Grant fanned three.

First Time Winner Entered in the league for four years, this is the first time Goodwood has won the trophy. Last year, they were runners up and the Title was won by Pickering.

The first game of the finals, played a week ago, saw Goodwood squeeze out a 2-1 victory in 12 innings. In the second game, however, the leaders romped to a 13-1 rout.

Greenwood, who made headlines after a tremendous comeback series with Pickering, failed to repeat the performance in the finals.

The series brings to a close the Claremont Community League season.

## Scarborough Man Wins Total Points At Kart Tourney

Stan Crust of Scarborough was awarded the Total Points Trophy for his efforts in Sunday's International Tournament of Karts held at Goodwood Kartways. Crust tabulated 1,200 points in the Sportsman's classes.

More than 100 individual competitors, from as far away as New Jersey, entered the fifth annual tournament. Ten classes, with each class three heats in duration, were offered the challengers.

Other winners included Hugh Funston, Toronto; Hugh German, Toronto; Bob Morrow, Mount Forest; Greg Morrow, Mount Forest; Charles Bowles, Toronto; Jim Ciceri, Toronto; Ken Thomas, Toronto; Linda Edmison, Mount Forest; Gerry Bontius, Port Credit; and Mike Yarett, Toronto.

John Leslie of Scarborough won a trophy after he was chosen the best sportsman of the day.

Nearly 2,000 spectators from all over Ontario attended the event.

## Minor Hockey Meeting on Thursday Night

The Stouffville Minor Hockey Association will hold a meeting on Thursday evening (to-night) in the municipal building at 7:30 p.m.

Plans for the forthcoming minor hockey season will be discussed. The President of the organization last year was Wilfrid Morley.

All persons interested in this very worthwhile winter program are urged to attend.

## 1965-66 School Football Lineup

A number of rookies will join the hardened veterans to form this season's school football team. Stouffville District will play two regular league games and two exhibition contests. The league matches both against Woodbridge are slated for Oct. 7th and 21st. Stouffville visits Langstaff in an exhibition game on October 14th while on the 20th, the homesters will host Pickering College.

Included in this year's offense are Dave Beckett, centre; Mike Roxborough, centre; Dave Stoyan, Right Guard; Dave Wideman, Right Tackle; Dave Boyd, Right End; Paul Forsythe, Left Guard; Gary Sargent, Left Tackle; Dave Ferguson, Left End; Bruce McHaffey, Flanker; Pat Smith, Fullback; Cliff Bass, Right Half; Dennis Forsythe, Left Half; and Pete Turner, Quarterback.

In the defensive lineup are Peter Danielis, Harold Crowder, Stan Kerswill, Ken Winterstein, Jody Holden, Jim Lameroux, Ed Jones, Garfield Smith, and Gary Leeger.

## Lawn Bowling News

At Newmarket on Sept. 13th, Eleanor Crossen, Agnes Wallace and Hazel Wilson won the Sir William Mulock trophy. At Oshawa on Sept. 18, Don Bacon and Eleanor Crossen had three wins, as did Merv and Mabel Watts. High for 1 win was Charlie Grove and Agnes Wallace and at Brampton on Wednesday, Sept. 15, Don Bacon and Eleanor Crossen won the Rose Trophy.

Additional Enumerators for the forthcoming Federal election include Mrs. Rhoda Holden, Mrs. Stanley Schmidt, Mrs. Wm. Malloy, Mrs. Grant Turner, Mrs. Murray Redshaw, Mrs. Donald Lehman, Mrs. Donald Campbell and Mr. Henry Slack.

## In This Corner

By RON WALLACE

GOODWOOD — HEART OF THRILLS, CHILLS & NOISE

"Like driving down Yonge Street in the middle of the five o'clock rush hour at 100 miles per hour." That's the way one experienced go-kart driver summed up his feelings of pointing his small vehicle around the Goodwood Race Track.

Jim Duffin, 26, was one of more than one hundred drivers entered in the International Tournament of Karts held Sunday at the Goodwood Track.

The Scarborough man had nothing but praise for the sport of "karting." He does it because of the thrill and sensation, and the spirit of competition.

"It's not a cut-throat thing," he says, "rather a challenging fun-loving sport. It's where one driver can manipulate past another, and smile about it, rather than grit his teeth."

Jim drives a Dart Kart with a Me 8 stock engine. On straightaways he can push it up to 65 miles per hour and higher.

Jim's father, also a Jim, drives the same kart. As a matter of fact, the whole family is involved in the sport. Mrs. Duffin, Jim's mother, is the head scorekeeper, while his girl friend, Eleanor, is a lap scorer.

A go-kart is nothing more than a bunch of solid pipes welded together, a small engine (in modified cases, two engines) a seat and four wheels, equipped with small racing tires. With all that put together, and a driver added, you have one mighty fast little vehicle. The karts are built below the centre of gravity, meaning the frame is lower than the wheel centre, and this enables drivers to take corners at ridiculous speeds.

The karts are sectioned into different classes, depending on what the driver has done on it. A racing class is determined on the cubic inch displacement of the engine, whether the engine is stock or modified, the driver's age and his weight.

In Sunday's tournament, some ten classes were required including Junior; A Modified Light and Heavy; A Stock Light and Heavy; C Open; Sportsman; and a number of 'B' classes. Each class runs three heats, with each heat consisting of six to eight laps.

Besides being the fifth annual Tournament of Karts, this afternoon outing was something else . . . a new experience for this writer. Sure, I've seen go-karts before, and I've seen them race periodically, but to put sixty or seventy of them on a course, then have to cover it for the newspaper, well, that was new.

I found that, upon arrival, under all the grease and the dirt, behind the screwdrivers and wrenches, and bent over the air pumps and gas tanks, was the most hospitable air I've ever encountered at a public show.

Bill Bell actually took me to a good parking spot, then introduced me to the club itself. His mother, Jean, wasted no time in getting me passed into the pits, and the President of the club, Walter Hyska, couldn't do enough to get me acquainted with all the facets of go-karting. People came, out of nowhere, to introduce themselves.

Jim Duffin confirmed everything I had witnessed. "I've seen some members strip down their engine to get a part for another member who was in trouble."

No one is walking around pulling spark plugs, or releasing gas covers. They're taking their equipment to other karts and giving someone else a break.

I was impressed.

Everybody Scores There are no losers in go-karting, with the exclusive use of the Moto-Cross Scoring System. It works like this: 1st — 400 pts; 2nd — 300; 3rd — 225; 4th — 169; 5th — 127; 6th — 95; 7th — 71; 8th — 53; 9th — 40; 10th — 30; 11th — 22; 12th — 17; 13th — 13; 14th — 9; 15th to 20th — 1. So, even if you place dead last, you still manage a point. You even get a point, if you start and don't finish!

Just like at the Indianapolis '500,' a number of meaningful flags are used, and each colour has its own significance. A yellow flag indicates caution, hold the position and slow down. Green means the race is on and the track is clear. The dangerous red tells the driver to pull off to the side and stop immediately. A white flag shows one lap remaining, while the famous checker flag denotes the end of the race. Less used flags are black (disqualification to either a break of rule or dangerous condition with vehicle), blue, motionless (a faster kart is approaching . . . be prepared to be passed) and blue, waving (a faster kart is trying to lap you . . . move over and let him by).

Starting the race, the karts form a double line down the straightaway at a moderate speed, while the flagman holds a precarious position in the centre of the track.

'They're at the Post' The flagman makes the final decision whether the race is legal, or whether a false start is in order. With flag in hand, and conditions "go," he does a mighty, almost ballet-like, jump into the air, and the karts are off at a deadly pace . . . not to mention the deafening roar from their unmuffled engines.

It's a race of skill, guts, courage, and nerve. If you lack any one of these, you're beat before you start. It sounds like the brave man's game, but, here, as in many sports, the women are in there fighting, too.

Lynda Edmison, who is only eighteen, and weighs in on the two digit side of one hundred pounds, showed Sunday that women are capable of driving go-karts, and driving them to victory.

Entered with 10 other karts in the first heat, all men, Lynda sat pat in third spot for four laps. In the fifth, she made her move, captured second, and went for the lead. She pulled in front of the pack in the last lap to win the heat. In the second heat, of the A Modified light and heavy class, Lynda was content to come up from fourth and sit in third slot for the remaining five laps. In the final heat, however, she jumped into the lead in the initial lap, and held it to win the title with 1,025 points. She, and a married woman, were the only two ladies entered.

We discovered some interesting facts from some pretty interesting drivers. Jim Ciceri, a resident of Don Mills, might well be remembered from his Mosport stints. Jim saw a kart in Whitby and saw the possibilities in it. Finding the cheapest buy he could, Jim purchased his first go-kart for \$75.00. Today, after a number of modifications, he still uses the same vehicle.

"The secret of success," says Jim "is to keep equipment in top shape at all times."

The President was A Dragster President Wally Hyska, a 30 year old Scarborough resident, started his karting experience at a drag strip intermission. He was so thrilled by this new motor sport that he gave up drag racing, at which he was quite competitive, and started racing at Goodwood in 1961. In '63 he started racing in B Class with twin Me 8's mounted on a Dart Kart. He obtained a position on the executive of the Goodwood Kart Club and now has become a very serious-minded president, without whom, the club would probably not function as systematically.

Only 15 years old, Dave Voyce of Port Credit has been racing for six years and is definitely an accomplished driver. He drives an '800' powered by a Me 7 engine. Dave has raced at Gorwood, Goodwood, Mansfield, Ohio, Mosport and Montreal. This kid's been around. Dave loves the speed and the highly competitive nature of racing.

Castrol Oil sponsored most of the Tournament, donated a number of prizes, and gave each driver a free quart of oil just for entering. For the special occasion, such as this, entry fee was \$6.00, but on regular meets it is only \$3.00.

The Track Itself The half mile course comes complete with 1,500 feet of straightaway and sixteen turns, some of them worse than 'hairpins.' It is made of smooth, fine grain asphalt. Every single feature of the course is designed for the safety of competitors and spectators. There are red, yellow and green lights located at most of the corners, and flagmen are situated over the grounds.

Only one minor accident resulted from the entire Sunday gathering, and the driver calmly walked away. His kart went out of control on a corner, flipped onto the grass and landed sideways.

The drivers all wear crash helmets, most with full-face goggles; leather jackets, and seat belts. Chances of getting hurt are very slim, however, just in case. St. John's Ambulance is on the scene. To them, it was a quiet Sunday.

To us, it was an experience that we'll not forget for some time, and should the nerve ever approach, we might even try the sport ourselves. It's fun driving, but really, it's just as much fun watching. Quieter, too.

## LEGION LADIES BOWLING LEAGUE

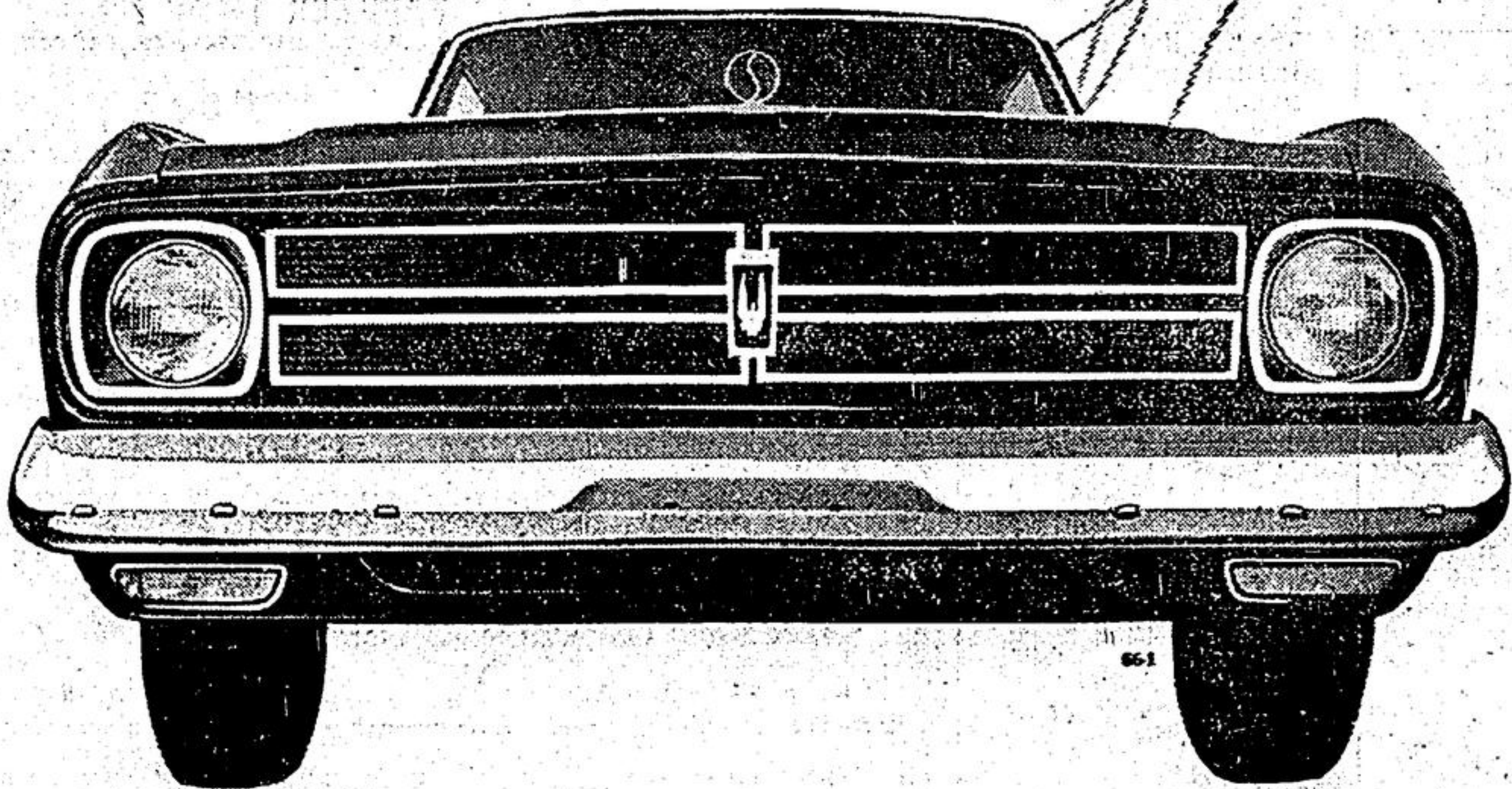
High Single, Opal Lehman, 200. High Triple, Elane Livingstone, 562. Over 200 Gladys Clarkson, 216; Elane Livingstone, 215, 200.

Team Standings Untouchables, 6 pts.; Whozits, 5 pts.; Scamps, 5 pts.; Coptiks,

4 pts.; Should Be's, 3 pts.; Curvers, 1 pt.

The winner of the record player at Keirnan's and Car-ruth's Pharmacy at Markham was Marlene Warnock of Unionville. Ivan Monteith and Gary Dickenson won Schaeffer pens. Congratulations boys and girls. Watch the papers for our magic money contest soon.

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