Fair admissions set 1983 record

n Armstrong, (left), R.R. 3, Mount , is the president of the Markham ast York Agricultural Society for Ie's the third family generation to ie position. He was acclaimed following the Fair Board's annual meeting, Wednesday night. Handing over the gavel to his successor is Barry Little, Markham, R.R. 1. Barry headed up the Fair executive in 1983. —Jim Thomas

Edwyn (Ellie) Cavanagh, (left), York Region's newly appointed Agricultural Representative, attended the Fair Board's annual meeting, Wednesday night and was introduced to the audience by his predecessor Alan Wall. Before coming to York, Mr Cavanagh served as Associate Agricultural Representative in the Counties of Kent and Renfrew. He's a graduate of McDonald College, Montreal. —Jim Thomas

MARKHAM — Net earnings by the 1983 Markham and East York Agricultural Society, (Markham Fair), totalled $64,881.00, it was revealed at the annual meeting, Jan. 11.

This is up from $61,868.00 in 1982 for an increase of $3,013.00.

While receipts (excluding grants) increased considerably, ($404,479.00 compared to $396,489.00), expenses also rose, ($316,048.00 compared to $308,190.00).

On the earnings side, admissions set an all-time record at $184,879.00. This was $11,534.00 over 1982. With respect to expenses, repairs and maintenance totalled $35,254.00, up from $29,687.00.

Rogers Gardham, finance committee chairman, described the statement of earnings and expenses as "generally speaking, very good".

"There's a limit," he said, "to how much can be brought in during five nights and four days." He noted that as the Fair grows, expenses will also grow.

"Success," he concluded, "should be measured by the number of people involved in putting the Fair on and by the number of people who come to see it".

Improve barn

MARKHAM — The livestock building at Markham Fairgrounds is undergoing improvements to make it more attractive to cattlemen wishing to use the facility.

The addition of an office and a washroom will cost close to $128,000.

Rick Wannop, a member of the show committee in the Beef Cattle Class, praised 1983 President Barry Little for his efforts in getting the project approved.

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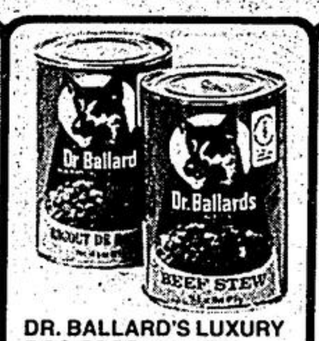

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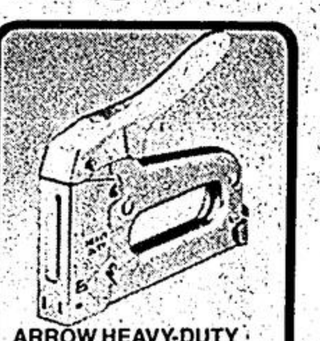

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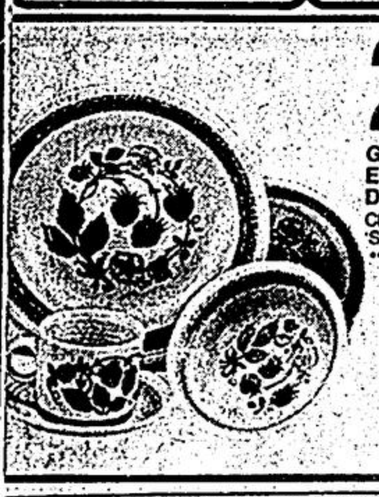

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