

# Plowmen receive awards at association banquet

**DURHAM REGION** — The annual plowing match banquet, sponsored by the Region of Durham, Rama and Mara Plowmen's Association, was held Nov. 1 in the Wick Presbyterian Church basement.

A list of award winners follows:

**Guaranty Trust Company of Canada Special** — (best plowed land in tractor classes by a resident of the match area) — Greg Timbers, Uxbridge.

**Joseph G. Tran Memorial Trophy** — (best plowed land in tractor classes by a resident of match area, who has not reached his or her 19th birthday) — Jim Allison, R.R. 1, Manilla.

**Bruce Walker Co-operative Insurance Special** — Class 2 — Jim Allison; Class 3 — Ken Clarke, Uxbridge; Class 4 — Tom Robinson, R.R. 4, Cookstown; Queen of the Furrow — Doreen Catherwood, R.R. 2, Uxbridge.

**Special donated by Les and Ruth Smith, Sunderland** — (youngest plow person) — Kent Robinson, R.R. 4, Cookstown.

**Ross Stevenson M.F.P. Special** — (best plowed land by resident of match area, who has not reached his or her 23rd birthday) — Steven Dunkeld, R.R. 1, Zephyr.

**Special, donated by Simpson-Sears** — (best finish in Class 2 or 3 by a resident of match area) — Jim Allison.

**Special, donated by Ellis Britton, Claremont** — (best plowed land by a 4-H member, resident of match area, in Class 2) — Jim Allison.

**Special, donated by Ivan DeGeer, Mount Albert** — (best finish in tractor class by a resident of match area) — Greg Timbers.

**Special, donated by Hugh Baird, Sunderland** — (best plowed land in Class 2 with mounted plows, resident of match area) — Jim Allison.

**Special, donated by Murray Jones, Smith Roles Ltd., Ashburn** — (best finish in Classes 2, 3 or 4, resident of match area) — Jim Allison.

**Special, donated by Armour McMillan, Greenbank** — (best crown in Class 3, resident of

match area) — Ken Clarke.

**Bill Scott Trophy** — (high school student for best plowed land in Classes 2, 3 and 4; resident of match area) — Jim Allison, Brock High School, Cannington.

**Special, donated by Stewart Diceman, Port Perry** — (to be awarded to the Queen of the Furrow) — Doreen Catherwood.

**Special, donated by Russell Morrison, Beaverton** — (best ins and outs in Classes 2, 3 and 4, resident of match area) — Steven Dunkeld.

**Antique Class Special** — (Rama and Mara Plowmen's Association) — Lloyd Middleton, R.R. 1, Lefroy.

**Uxbridge Times Journal Trophy** — (winner of Mayors and Reeves class) — Allan McPhail, mayor of Brock Township.

**H.L. Fair Trophy** — (best plowed land in junior match) — Barry DeGeer, R.R. 3, Mount Albert.

**Vyse Westcott Trophy** — (best plowed land in junior match) — Barry DeGeer.



**Long-time leader receives 4-H certificate**

Sunderland's Neil Raines (right) received a special 15-year Leadership Award during the recent Durham West 4-H banquet. The Canadian 4-H Council honor is presented by Barry O'Neil, Rural Organizations Specialist (Agriculture) with the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food. The award night was held Nov. 2 at Uxbridge Secondary School. —Chris Shanahan

# Budget 'did little' for Durham-York riding, M.P.P. says

By ROSS STEVENSON  
Durham-York M.P.P.

The Ontario budget did little for residents of Durham-York riding. Our communities will be directly affected in several ways as I will indicate in this news column.

For farmers, there appears to be a significant increase in the budget. Unfortunately, the large increase was already planned for by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food (OMAF).

From public documents, it's clear that OMAF was anticipating a budget of over \$370 million

without the election promises of any party. The new budget announces \$76 million of new promises — with less than \$30 million of new money to cover the promises. Clearly, some of the existing OMAF programs will undergo significant cuts to cover the new promises or the new promises are greatly inflated.

Municipalities have been promised an additional \$8 million per year over five years for a municipal road improvement plan. But that is nowhere to be found in the budget. The government in fact

decreased the allocation for the Ministry of Transportation and Communications (MTC) by \$34 million in 1986. We will find this difficult in our area where many commute to work at great distances, often on secondary roads.

While the government has decreased funding to MTC, at the same time it raised taxes on gasoline and diesel fuel, and fees for motor vehicle registration and drivers' licences. Once again, those hardest hit will be the commuters who work in Oshawa and the Metro Toronto area.

The housing field is not as critical in many rural locations as it is in metropolitan areas. However, even on a modest home, the increased transfer tax, half of one per cent, amounts to a few hundred dollars. This is additional discouragement for people, who might wish to buy a house, particularly first-time buyers.

In a riding with the south shore

of Lake Simcoe and Lake Scugog, tourism is a very important industry and many smaller tourist operators exist there. As a result of the budget, a small marinas program handled by the Ministry of Natural Resources has been cut. This important program was for the expansion of hard services such as retaining walls — essential items which do not increase

profits.

Budget cuts by the Ministry of Tourism and Recreation for information or advertising assistance in promotion of the vacation farm operations affect our riding.

The bottom line of this budget is that the people of Durham-York will pay, and pay, and pay. But what will they get in return? We deserve more than this.

  
**TOWN OF WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE**  
**APPOINTMENTS**

The Council of the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville will be considering appointments to various Committees. The following is a list of the Committees and a description of their function for which there are vacancies.

Committee	Description	Frequency of Meeting	Remuneration
Public Library Board	responsible for the administration of Whitchurch-Stouffville Public Library	10 times per year	None
Museum Board	to make recommendations to the Town Council on the operation of the Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum	10 times per year	None
Community Recreation Centre Boards at: Ballantrae, Lemonville, Stouffville, Vandorf	rental and operation of Community Centre Buildings	monthly	None
Fenceviewers	to arbitrate fence disputes between neighbours	as required	\$25.00 per day or part thereof plus mileage
Livestock Valuers	to determine value of livestock killed by dogs or wolves	as required	\$25.00 per call, plus mileage

If you wish to be considered for appointment to one of the above Committees, letters of intent should be forwarded to the undersigned on or before November 25th, 1985.

All letters of intent should clearly specify the Committee(s) in priority in which you are interested.

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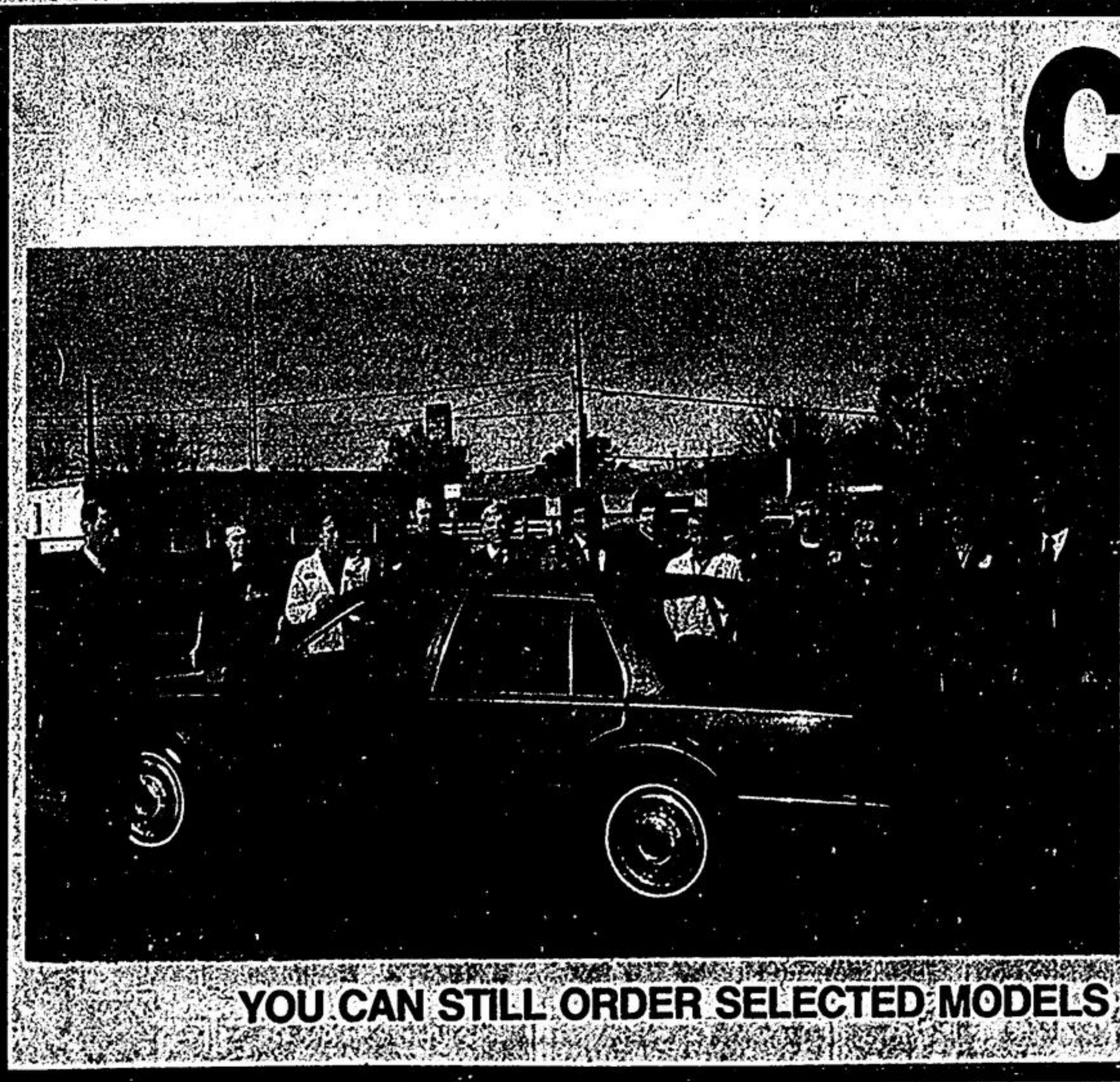
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