

Weekender

Entertainment



Rick Washbrook to Calathumpian's

Rick Washbrook will perform songs from the 60's and 70's plus original music Sunday June 8 from 2-6 p.m. at Calathumpians, special for the Festival. Also, Rick's first solo album will be available. 'Summer Roads' Calathumpians is located at 139 Main Street, Unionville.

What's On

Donna Cox

294-2200



Fernando's

Fernando's is presenting The Vaudevillians, a return to the days of knee-slapping schtick. This show features David Jorgensen, Jolene Leon and Daniel Sampson. Shows are Friday and Saturday night. Dinner is from 7 to 9 p.m. and curtain time is 9:15 p.m. The price is \$22.95 per person for dinner and show. The restaurant is on Markham's Main St.

Wellington Tavern

The Wellington (in the Markham Mall on Hwy 7) will be presenting Nuraw Blooze, a Markham-based band tonight. The show starts at 9:30 p.m. There is no cover charge. Every Sunday night is Movie Night. Patrons can watch movies on the Wellington's 10-foot screen. This week's feature movie is Rocky IV. There is no cover charge and the popcorn is free. For further information call 294-3165. Watch all televised Blue Jay games on the Wellington's 10-foot screen.

Dirty Bert's

Located in the lower level of Fernando's on Main St. Markham, Dirty Bert's features Mat Minglewood tonight.

O'Toole's

Every Saturday night, O'Toole's has a contest for a weekend for two at the Renaissance Hotel. Free draw tickets will be available at the door between 8 and 9:30 p.m. only.

Deer Park Inn

Theatre in the Park (Deer Park Inn on Hwy 47 north of Stouffville) is presenting Hooray For Hollywood, a musical comedy. Call 640-6060 for reservations. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m. and the show at 8:30 p.m.

The show goes on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings with matinees on Wednesdays.

Following the show, the House Band will be playing a selection of music from big bands to modern.

Le Flirt

Le Flirt (in the Old Town Hall on Main St., Markham) features dancing to a blend of contemporary and Top 40 music until 3 a.m. every Friday and Saturday night. There's a \$2 cover charge after midnight both nights.

Every Monday through Wednesday watch TSN sports on Le Flirt's big screen. Also watch all televised Blue Jay games. Le Flirt is now open every day at 11 a.m.

Melba's

Dine to the guitar sounds of Paul Brooks every weekend at Melba's on Washington St., Markham. Reservations are recommended.

Cotton Club

Every Saturday night listen to the New Music by Meester at the Cotton Club (on Highway 48, south of Highway 7).

Hobby Horse Arms

Tom Baker, the former musical director of the Second City Revue, will be on every Saturday night at the Hobby Horse Arms (on Main St., Uxbridge).

The piano soloist plays from a collection of pub songs and will also play requests. Showtime is 8:30 p.m. and there is no cover charge.

The Duchess of Markham

Every Sunday is Jam Nite at the Duchess (Main St., Markham) featuring Ken Newfield. All amateurs are welcome.

Fletcher's Restaurant

Tonight Fletcher's Restaurant in Ballantrae (Hwy 48 south of Aurora Sideroad) will be presenting the music of Aardvark D.J. Service. Tuesday night participate in Fletcher's Games Nite.

Town Hall Ristorante

The Town Hall (on Main St. Markham) Ristorante will be feature guitarist Pino, Thursday through Saturday.

Brodie's

Tonight John Baptiste and Friends will be performing at Brodie's (on Hwy 7 in Unionville). There is no cover charge.

Lindner's Dining

Saturday night and Sunday, Tony Alexnell will be performing in the piano lounge. Lindner's is located on Main St. Markham.

Cullen Barns

The Cullen Country Barns Theatre (at Steeles and Kennedy Rd.) presents the musical Vaudeville Sunny Side Up every day except Monday. Showtimes are 1 and 3 p.m. Admission is \$3.50 for adults, \$3.00 for seniors and \$1.50 for children.

Footloose

Every Saturday is Super Platter Giveaway night at Footloose (in Markham in the Mr. Grocer Plaza). It will be served at the table. There will be two chances to win. Reservations are recommended for the weekends.

Step back in time at museum

By CHRIS SHANAHAN
Staff Reporter

A visit to Uxbridge Township's Country Heritage Museum is like stepping back in time to view life as it was at the turn of the century.

And all that history is brought to life by curator Dorothy Brown, a delightful and energetic 78-year-old who still takes great pleasure in conducting personal tours of the facility.

The museum grounds — located on Conc. 6 about seven miles north of the town of Uxbridge — comprise a main museum building, a fully-equipped blacksmith shop and a shed housing seven horse-drawn vehicles.

Also open to the public is the family's Buena Vista residence, constructed by Mrs. Brown and her late husband Edward in 1961. It features an extensive private

Canadiana collection.

Mr. Brown, who died in April of 1983, was a multi-talented craftsman whose handiwork is still in evidence at the museum, property, once a thriving dairy operation.

The museum concept was born in 1968 when the Browns — long-time history buffs who formerly resided in Pickering and Mar-

kham — purchased the former Scott Twp. Hall.

They preserved the 1860 wooden structure (used as a municipal building until December of 1967) and moved it to their property from its original site over on another concession.

It was soon filled with artifacts depicting the development and growth of the former Scott Twp., which is now part of Uxbridge Twp. in the regional municipality of Durham.

Mrs. Brown says she owns about 75 per cent of the exhibits, the majority of which are dated from pre-Confederation to about 1900.

Many of the well-preserved items were rescued from an area dump and restored by the curator and her husband.

And some Lucy Maud Montgomery memorabilia has its place at the museum in honor of the famous novelist who resided at nearby Leaskdale from 1911 to 1926.

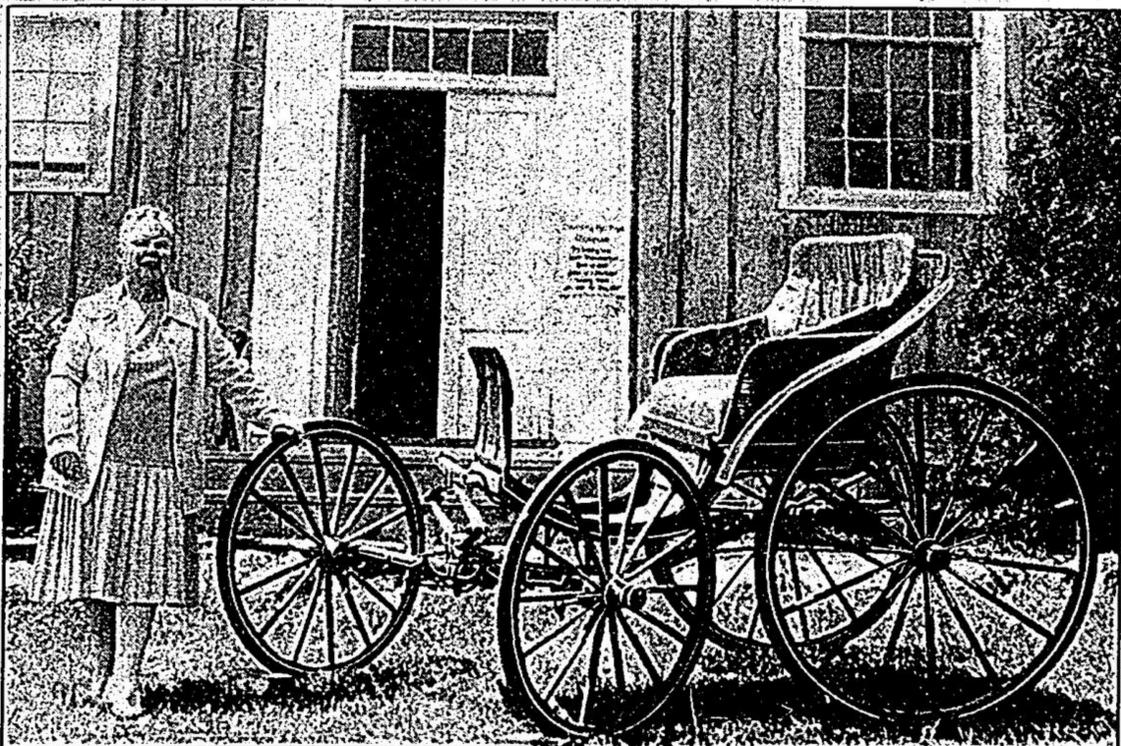
"When people ask when we started collecting antiques, I always say it was the day we were married because I was 33 and he (Mr. Brown) was 37," Mrs. Brown jokes of their depression-era union.

She's proud of the fact her museum is privately funded and survives without any government assistance.

"When you receive no government grants, you can do as you please," the senior citizen notes, adding that she plans to keep Country Heritage Museum going as long as possible.

There's no admission charge but a donation box is available for visitors wishing to help defray operating expenses.

The museum's open Saturdays, Sundays and holidays until Nov. 1, while weekday visits can be arranged by calling Mrs. Brown at 852-3927. She says her country property is also suitable for picnics and group visits.



Curator Dorothy Brown stands next to one of the vintage carriages on display at her Country Heritage Museum north of Uxbridge. The historic facility is open weekends and holidays, or by appointment dur-

ing the week. It survived a near disaster May 31, 1985, when what was believed to be part of the Barrie tornado ripped through the area.

— Chris Shanahan

Cameras at hospital

The U.S. television network ABC will film part of a mini-series at Uxbridge Cottage Hospital Tuesday (June 10), but fans will have to go elsewhere to get a glimpse of stars like Kris Kristofferson.

A production crew will shoot two scenes for the 12-hour mini-series Amerika, written and directed by Donald Wrye and starring actor/singer Kristofferson, Robert Urich, Cindy Pickett and Christine Lahti.

However, the general public will not be allowed to watch the

segments, parts of which will take place in the hospital's trauma room.

"A closed set is imperative if we want to have as little interference (as possible)," explained director of nursing Catherine Renwick. "Service will not be seriously interrupted."

While no major stars are involved in the Cottage Hospital scenes, at least one key player, Kristofferson, will be in front of the cameras Tuesday at an area church near Brock Road (Durham Region Road 1).