

# Petal power reigns at Festival of Roses



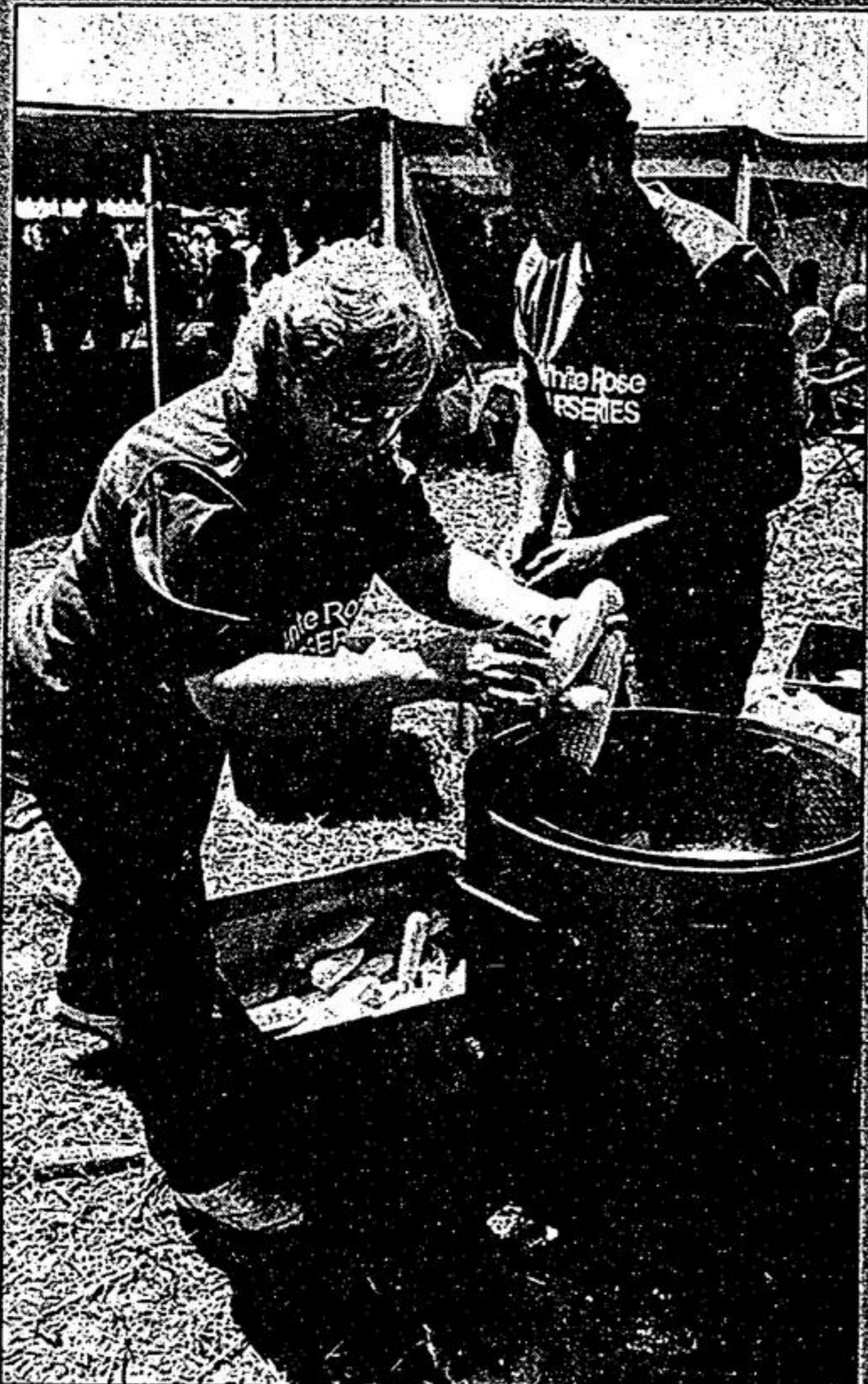
A field full of colorful roses provided opportunities for photographers to snap some shots for their photo album. She took advantage of the sights to photograph Katherine Aezel with some pictures to snap some shots for her photo album.



Budding botanists turned out at White Rose Nurseries Sandoon Farm on Saturday to sample some of the plants offered by the company. More than 700,000 roses are in production in the fields, several hundred thousand of which are in bloom. The day offered sights to everybody, from photographers to gardening enthusiasts. Included in the festival for those who visited were walking and bus tours, picnic tents, light lunches and an information station. Sandoon farm has been under the operation of White Rose Nurseries for the past 20 years and consists of more than 30 acres used for the production of ornamental plants. Most of the plants found at the firm's garden centres are grown at the farm.



And a rose by any other name, smells as sweet. Festival of Roses visitor Lucy Kmill gets a good look, and sniff, of a rose bush. She was one of the many who turned out to appreciate the beauty of the fields.



Jane Myers and Bruce Robertson were on corn roast detail at the event. They were in charge of preparing ears of corn for the hungry patrons.



Tom Kuziomko, Villy van der Zyl and Andre Fortune managed to combine a little friendly banter with work. The trio helped prepare the many ears of corn that were consumed before they were tossed into the boiler.

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The hundreds of roses fields are all in a neat row, as is to be seen at the facility. Thousands of people turned out for the festival.



A tractor provided the perfect mode of transportation under the hot Saturday afternoon sun at Sandoon Farm. Many patrons found this easier than walking through the many acres used to cultivate plants and flowers.

### Our mistake

A story in last Wednesday's Tribune regarding an increase in traffic deaths on York Region roads in 1988 stated that York Regional Police officials have 28 police cruisers on the road to combat the problem. In fact, there are 28 traffic officers who patrol for that purpose. The Tribune regrets the error.

### Low attendance

## Baptist Church services in Stouffville cancelled

Evening Worship and Sunday School services have been discontinued at the Stouffville Baptist Church because of poor attendance, a church spokesperson said last week. "Congregations have been very, very dismal," Bill Wright said in an interview. "It didn't make sense to keep the programs going." Mr. Wright said many members of the congregation who attend these programs are currently on vacation. "The smaller attendance figures are the same in other churches," Mr. Wright said. "People go away on holidays in the summer. But we hope to start up the programs again in the fall." He added that the departure of Pastor Mark Burger contributed to the church's decision to waive the two programs. "We're in a transitional period here with our pastors," he said. "We want to start the programs again when we have a new pastor."

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