

Pincrest auto racer hits jackpot

STOUFFVILLE - A trophy and \$2,400. That was the earnings of 26 year old Barry Stather, Elm Road, Stouffville, at Pincrest Speedway, Saturday. It's a track record.

Competing in a 75-lap International Class, Barry 'propelled' his '1965 Chevelle from a pole position to hold the lead all the way.

The car is powered by a 350 cubic inch engine, re-worked by the owner.

Barry has been racing successfully for three years.

'Sardine Special'

CPR wants one-unit dayliner

CLAREMONT - The C.P.R. is submitting an application to the Transport Commission, requesting permission to re-run the 'Sardine Special' on the Havelock-Toronto line.

This information is revealed by John Medcof, Mt. Albert, well-known area rail commuter booster.

If successful, Mr. Medcof points out, it would mean the dropping of the train's second car and crowding an estimated 100 passengers into an 88 seat coach.

On July 11, Mr. Medcof reveals, a single westbound dayliner was filled to capacity with passengers standing in the aisle from Myrtle to Agincourt.

On August 6, he says, the eastbound train had two full coaches. The 176 seats were filled, 35 stood in the aisles, two sat on the floor and one elderly lady tried to sit on an armrest.

"But the C.P.R. still wants to drop its second car", he said.

"A return to 'sardine conditions', combined with higher fares, might just discourage passengers enough to cause a drop in business. The C.P.R. might then use this as an excuse for obtaining permission to discontinue. I hope this is not what they have in mind", he concluded.

Barn blaze

STOUFFVILLE - A spark from a tractor, lodged in a wagon load of baled straw, is believed responsible for a blaze, Aug. 12, that destroyed a large barn on the property of Gino Testa, Bethesda Sideroad, north-west of Stouffville.

So fierce was the fire that, at one point, it was feared the house might be burned too. Its brick construction and asphalt shingles saved it, Chief Walter Smith said.

In addition to the barn, a nearly-new tractor, valued at about \$6,000, was destroyed.

There was no livestock in the structure.

Every man on the Stouffville volunteer brigade attended the scene, utilizing both the pumper and tank truck.

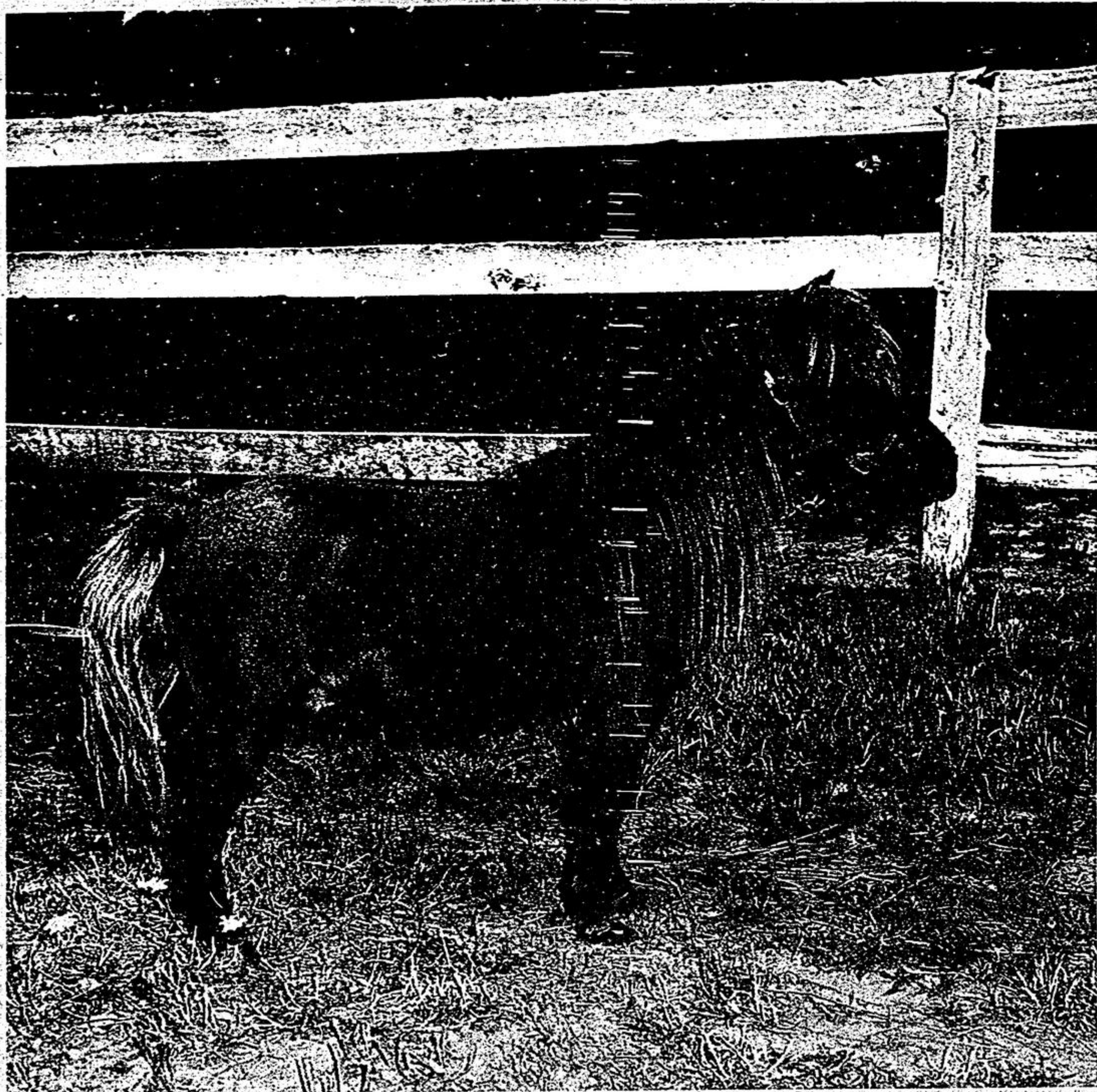
Mustache cup sells for \$55

BLOOMINGTON - Mustache cups are valuable.

So valuable in fact, one sold for \$55 at an auction on the property of the late Wm. Fockler, Bloomington, Saturday.

Other prices included - \$20 for a shaving mug, brush-holder and mirror; six arrowback chairs, \$40 each; a wooden butterbowl, \$20; a 100 year old couch, \$110 and an antique dresser, \$90.

The crowd was tremendous in spite of intermittent showers. The auctioneer was Alvin Farmer, Gormley.



'Tiny Tim' is king of the miniature horse corral

Meet 'Tiny Tim'. He's king of the corral, although he stands only 29 inches high and weighs just over 200 pounds. He's a miniature, a kind of exhibition piece, that has appeared in shows across Canada

and the United States. His owner is Miss Alma King, 17th Avenue, Markham. A foal, named 'Monty', born June 3, 1971, tipped the scales at twenty pounds.

-Jas. Thomas.

Diver drowns searching for missing man

Swept under dam

GORMLEY - For Mr. and Mrs. Leonardo L'Erario and family, Northcliffe Blvd., North York, Sunday afternoon was meant to be an enjoyable picnic outing at Bruce's Mill Conservation Area, east of Gormley.

But fate intervened, taking not one, but two lives and marring the park's perfect death-free record, established since its opening eight years ago.

The body of Mr. L'Erario was found shortly after 10 p.m., six hours from the time he was reported missing.

Earlier, a volunteer scuba diver, Michael Robertson, 23,

of Richmond Hill, lost his life when sucked through the sluiceway of the flood control dam. He had entered the water at the base of the dam to assist in the search.

The force of the out-going stream, that passes through a 30 inch pipe, ripped off the diver's face mask and fins. He was dead when pulled ashore.

Chief Lifeguard, Frank Zechner of Unionville told The Tribune that no one had

observed Mr. L'Erario in difficulty or had seen him disappear below the surface. When an appeal over the public address system failed to bring a response, the lake was cleared and a search started from two sides.

On request from Inspector Joseph Rainey, Buttonville Division, York Regional Police, a helicopter from CFTR with Eddie Luther at the controls, skirted the lake and bush area

until darkness closed in.

The afternoon, according to lifeguard Zechner, had been a normal one, with attendance down from the Sunday before. "Everything was going real well," he said, "right up to 4:30 and then this."

Until the missing man's body was found, it was not known if he had drowned or wandered off into the bush. "A language barrier added to the problem. An inquest will likely be held.



Practice makes perfect

For a first time, a pre-teen instruction course was started this summer at the Stouffville Bowling Centre, with excellent results. Twenty-

eight boys and girls were enrolled in a schedule that concluded Aug. 14. One of the participants was 10 year old Andrea Tuck, Claremont, R.R.1.

'Century City' plan scrapped by Province

'End of the road' for 'dream' development

UXBRIDGE TWP. - "We've come to the end of the road".

That, in summation, was the feeling of George Harvie, following the announcement, Tuesday, that 'Century City' had been officially axed from the Zone 2 Area of the Toronto-Centred Region Plan.

Mr. Harvie, chairman of a committee that supported the scheme, attended the meeting and spoke personally with the Minister, Hon. Darcy McKeough, at its conclusion.

Mr. McKeough, he said, declined to suggest what possible use could be made of the 6,000 acres of land or what steps could be taken by mortgage-holders to gain back their properties other than through foreclosures.

"I doubt very much", said Mr. Harvie, "that Premier Davis will allow Mr. McKeough to abort his responsibility in this regard. I feel the provincial government has an obligation to purchase these properties, some of which could be used as park lands and the remainder, still good for farming, reverted back

to agricultural purposes".

He said he was extremely appreciative of the support his committee had received.

While expressing disappointment, Louis Devor of Century City Developments Limited declined to raise the white flag of capitulation. He said his firm would consider a scaled down version of a similar plan, with a population buildup far under the previously quoted 35,000 figure. He refused to elaborate.

Ken Laushway, mayor of Whitchurch-Stouffville, said that, in his opinion, the rejection of 'Century City' would prove a benefit. He suggested that a buildup of such magnitude, so close to the municipality, could eventually turn Stouffville into a 'ghost town'.

He said he still favored steady, but controlled growth, so that services, as required, would be paid for by the developers and not by the people already residing here. He said the Zone 2 restrictions as enacted in the Plan, supported this policy.

'Save Gormley' plea

GORMLEY - Engineering consultants will be employed by York Region, to study the proposed interchange for Highway 404 at Gormley. Council members voted approval of the measure, Aug. 12.

According to the engineering report, studies will be done to examine alternative routes which would bypass the village. Construction of the interchange as presently proposed, and a grade separation for the C.N.R. tracks, would affect almost every house in Gormley. Many residences would have to be purchased and demolished.

Studies undertaken will assess traffic conditions, costs and possible alternate routes. A special evaluation will be made to determine the economic and environmental aspects of each option.

Employee honored

BROUGHAM - Ivan Booth of Brougham, a 25-year employee with the Twp. of Pickering, was honored Monday by members of Council.

Deputy-reeve George Ashe presented Mr. Booth with an engraved gold watch in recognition of long service.

Sweet charity

Museum guest

MARKHAM - The Markham Museum hosted a distinguished visitor, recently, when Juliet Prowse, lead star in the musical 'Sweet Charity', stopped at the site, along with several other members of the cast.

Miss Prowse was welcomed by curator, John Lunau and asked to sign the official guest register. Her address was indicated as Los Angeles, California.

Miss Prowse came to be in Markham through a friend, John Bishop. Mr. Bishop was attempting to locate the hamlet of Sparta, now Box Grove, where his grandfather, George Bishop once lived.

Mr. Lunau, whose knowledge of native family relationships is well known, was able to provide his guest with all the necessary information, even on his great grandfather, the late Warren Bishop. An only living relative in the area is Mrs. Joe Nobbs, Markham, R.R.2.

Field crop champions

MARKHAM - When it comes to producing a top wheat crop, Charles Hooper and Sons of Buttonville have the formula.

The same can be said for Ellis Britton of Claremont in oats and Stan Watson and Sons of Markham with barley.

These three farmers headed their respective classes in the annual Field Crop Competition, sponsored by the Markham Fair Board. Each scored an identical 99 points.

The breakdown follows: Wheat - Chas. Hooper and Sons, Buttonville, 99; Massey-Ferguson Farms, Milliken, 98; Michael Larkin, Markham, 97.5; Davidson Bros., Stouffville, 96.5; Leitchcroft Farms, Gormley, 96; Stanley Watson, Markham, 95; Hilliard Beare, Agincourt, 93; Jack Warriner, Markham, 92. Oats - Ellis Britton, Claremont, 99; Chas Hooper and Sons, Buttonville, 98.5; Bruce Risebrough, Markham, 98; Hilliard Beare, Agincourt, 97.5; Leitchcroft Farms, Gormley, 97; Davidson Bros., Stouffville, 96; Murray Dunkeld, Claremont, 95.5; Stanley Watson, Markham, 95; Massey-Ferguson Farms, Milliken, 94.5. Barley - Stanley Watson, Markham, 99; Michael Larkin, Markham, 97; Jack Warriner, Markham, 96; Davidson Bros., Stouffville, 95; Chas. Hooper and Sons, Buttonville, 93.5; Massey-Ferguson Farms, Milliken, 93.