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Cuts speculation say health officials

Liz Edwards
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Cuts to their programs are only speculation, says local health care officials.

And until they receive word from the Ministry of Health, it will stay that way, maintain the heads of the Winchester District Memorial Hospital, the Eastern Ontario Health Unit and the District Health Council of Eastern Ontario.

Monday Ontario Premier Mike Harris announced massive changes and restructuring, including to the healthcare system.

According to the *Citizen* and other media reports, it could mean reduced funding to hospitals and public health units, the closure of as many as 38 hospitals and a reduction in the number of district health councils.

"We consider it to be unvalidated information. There has been no comment to us. All I can tell you at this time is rumour," says Jocelyne Contant health council executive director. Health councils act as local advisory boards to the Ministry of Health.

Both Don Smith, president of the Winchester Hospital and Dr. Robert Bourdeau, chief medical officer of the health unit, also say they have received no other information about cuts to their budgets.

Throughout his election campaign Harris repeatedly promised the province's $17.4-billion health care program would not fall under the Tory budget axe.

Local MPP Noble Villeneuve, minister of agriculture, food and rural affairs, also stated to the *Press* at the annual meeting of the area's Progressive Conservative association last April that the funding to health care would not be cut. He could not be reached for comment Tuesday.

Reports indicate funding for hospitals could be slashed by 10 per cent this fall. According to Smith, the hospital's $15 million dollar 1995-1996 operating budget has been accepted and he has heard no word about cutbacks. The hospital gets about 80 per cent of its budget from the province.

He says the overall provincial health care budget may not be cut but there may be cuts in programming. It might not be official but there's no harm being careful.

"We've been tracking our expenditures to make sure things are kept in line. We've been hearing a lot of rumours so it makes sense to listen and not to go off expanding programs," says Smith.

As far as any potential closures are concerned, the Winchester hospital might be in a good position geographically because it is far enough from major hospital to be considered essential for the area, explains Smith.

"(Closing the hospital) is certainly not something I would consider prudent. We do serve a catchment area in excess of 40,000 people. We're an hour from Ottawa and an hour from Cornwall so we're not on the doorstep of a major institution," he says.

Quick shot stops bug

WINCHESTER — A quick jab may be the most effective way to keep employees at work.

It's what the Winchester Para-Med office is trying to convince local businesses.

An influenza immunization could likely prevent absenteeism caused by annual cases of the flu. The virus can mean up to two weeks off work and reduced productivity, according to Para-Med Registered Nurse Donnalynne Clement.

And it spreads like wildfire. Any contact with an infected person can result in the flu.

"You can even get it from touching something an infected person touched seven hours earlier, even a book," explains Clement.

But for $10 per person, employees can be vaccinated at a clinic held at the Para-Med Clinic Oct. 13 from 9 am to 4 pm. It will reduce the chance of contracting a case by 70 to 90 per cent.

Last year 40 to 45 people from 12 businesses participated.

"We sent information to 100 this year so we hope to have more participants," says Clement.

"There's no way of predicting whether it will be a bad flu year or a good year."

The vaccine immunizes against the three strains of the virus considered the most prevalent that year by the Centre for Disease Control in Georgia. Two of the strains included are classified as "A" viruses (the most virulent and responsible for pandemics and epidemics). The third is a B strain, less virulent and deadly.

The strains are named after the locations where they supposedly originated. This year's are A Texas, A Johannesburg and B Harbin.

Influenza develops wherever waterfowl, pigs and humans live in close contact. Waterfowl such as ducks carry part of the virus, which they can pass onto pigs. In pigs, it mutates into a form which can be transmitted easily to humans.

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Full of pep

Ericka Sherrer, a Grade 12 student and Peer Helper at North Dundas District High School, screams out her group's cheer during the school's pep rally last Thursday. The rally introduced Grade Nine students to school spirit.

Press Photo — Edwards

Fundraisers soar beyond expectation for charities

Kim Robinson
Press staff

WILLIAMSBURG — Carl Van Allen's eyes brimmed with emotion as he made the presentation in the living room of his home on Lightning Street Monday night.

"It's without a doubt one of the proudest moments of my life that Ruby and I are able to present a cheque in the amount of $10,500," he said.

The donation to the Canadian Cancer Society was beyond any expectations the society had when the Van Allens first proposed their Volley for Cancer fundraiser early this year.

According to South Dundas Cancer Society President Margaret Ann Casselman, this is the largest single donation the local chapter has ever received.

"The only word for this is phenomenal," said the Cancer Society's John Proulx.

"I think we can call it a dream come true," he said, looking at the Van Allens. "I think you had to have lots of enthusiasm and that rubbed off on the players."

Carl Van Allen said he was grateful to those players, who were the backbone of the project, and he added that there were so many people who had helped, he couldn't possibly name them all.

He said they were well supported by local businesses and didn't have to buy any of the prizes.

"It took over an hour to call out the prizes," he recalled.

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Prominent area publisher dies

Kim Robinson
Press staff

MORRISBURG — In his passing, Art Laurin leaves behind many sweet memories.

The publisher and editor of the *Morrisburg Leader*, who died at his home Sept. 19, was well-known in the area for his generous habit of giving out candies to children and adults alike.

A family man, helping support his brothers and sisters after his father's death and raising 12 children with his wife Lillian, Laurin treated the people he worked with like they were relatives too.

"He made me laugh, cry and at times mad as hell, but he always made me feel like one of the family," recalls *Leader* reporter Laurie Day.

Evidently he made many feel that way. Day says when news got out, the office phones rang off the hook with people wanting to know where they could pay their respects to the newspaperman.

Villagers lined up on the sidewalk at the Fairbairn Funeral Home in Morrisburg to see Laurin one last time.

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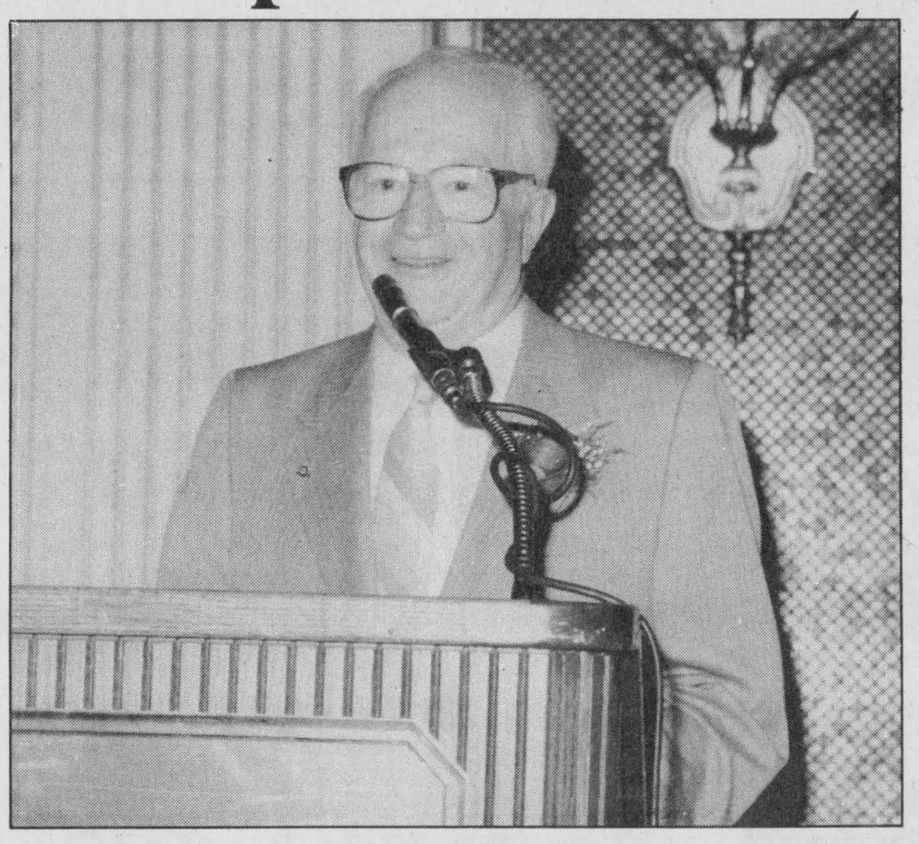

Art Laurin is pictured here receiving the Sydney R. Stone Award from the Canadian Community Newspaper Association in 1989.

Geleynse brothers ride to success in rodeos

MOUNTAIN — It was probably an intense 16 seconds for Reuben Geleynse of Inkerman, but it was worth it.

In fact, it was worth $4,500. Geleynse, 17, won it two weekends ago for coming in first in bull riding at the Western Festival Rodeo in St. Tite, Quebec. He rode two rides of eight seconds each, competing with 50 riders from Quebec, Ontario and the United States.

He also claimed the title "rookie of the year', garnered through his money wins in 11 competitions throughout the season. In the past year, he's made $6,500. The Quebec Association is the first rodeo he ever won though he's placed second and third consistently in the others.

Geleynse drew a bounty bull during the Quebec competition, an animal that is a little more feisty and dangerous because it hasn't been ridden often. It's a bit scary, according to Geleynse but it can mean more points for the rider. Riders are judged by their technique and the liveliness of the animal.

"You know you're in for a tough ride but you always want to draw a tougher bull because you have more chance of winning," he says.

Apparently rodeo skills run in the family. His brother Bart, 18, collected second last week for bareback bronco riding at the Ontario Rodeo Association Championships in Orono, Ontario.

"I was second going into the finals so basically I held my spot," says Bart.

The championship was determined by averaging the points won in three rides. Bart just missed first place and a gold belt buckle by eight points. For his three rides of eight seconds each last weekend, he managed to collect $669.

Like his brother, he is also the "rookie of the year" for Quebec in his event.

The Geleynse brothers started rodeo riding three years ago. Reuben won both the junior steer riding final championship and the year-end champion in 1992 and 1993. In 1994 he became the bullriding champion for the Ottawa River Rodeo Association.

One year, Bart placed fifth in Ontario.

They are considering entering professional events next year, harder competition and more prize money. It can be more profitable than a summer job.

"I made more money rodeo-ing this summer than I did working," says Reuben.

Former store owner takes stock of Winchester's past. 9

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Piecing together native quilting history at Upper Canada Village. B-1

A North Gower family is producing farm-fresh curd and cheese. B-2



Pedaling for profit

The Bank of Montreal Riders head out on the big bike to raise money for the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario. The success of this fundraiser means bigger and better things for next year.

Press Photo—Robinson

Village may convert to gas

Liz Edwards
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Converting to gas could cut some of the village's heating costs by nearly 50 per cent claims a gas company that approached council earlier this month.

According to figures from Centra Gas, the village could slash costs by 48 per cent for the administration building, by 27.6 per cent for the OPP building and by 5.5 per cent if the front entrance of the community centre is heated through gas.

Most of the community centre's energy costs of $44,500 come from ice making, a process which is powered through electricity. Council is not considering converting this aspect to gas, saying the conversion would be too expensive.

Right now the village spends about $10,000 a year in overall energy costs for the administration building. It is currently heated electrically. The OPP building, which is heated by oil, costs about $6,500.

At the last regular council meeting Sept. 18, some members of council were doubtful about the figures and weren't convinced the change would pay for itself.

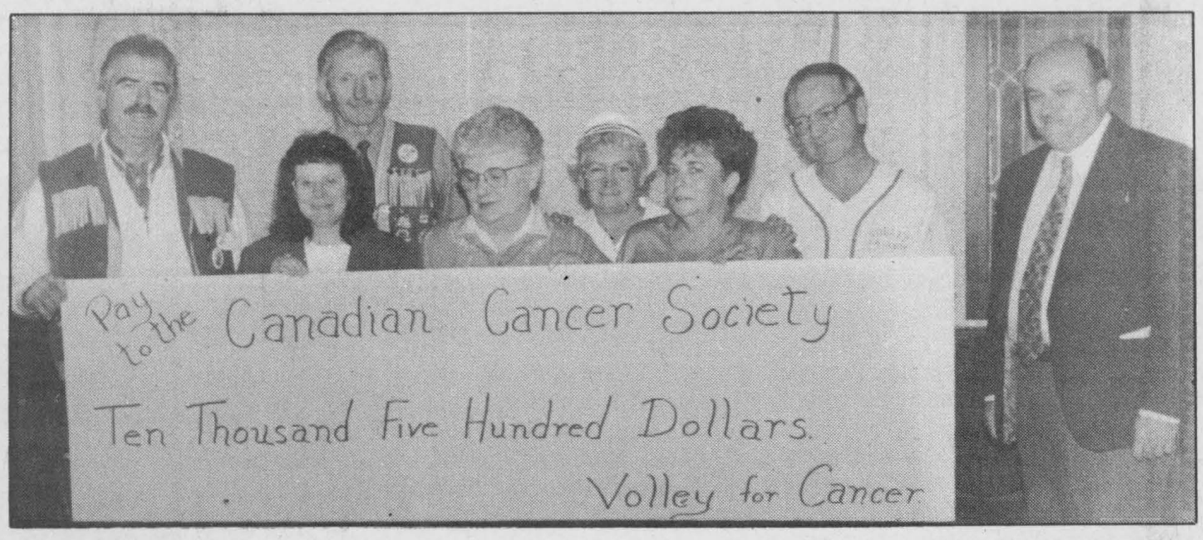
"I have some skepticism as to whether we should really convert. If we get everyone onto gas then we may have to come back to oil," said Reeve Larry Gray.

However Winchester Public School custodian Dan Kelly, who was attending the meeting, told council the school had converted to gas and recovered its costs within two years.

The village is now consulting with the Cornwall Energy Team to see what type of equipment it would need for the conversion and where it should be located and the cost.

The Energy Team provides advice for saving residential energy. The village may have to turn to an engineering consultant as the Team may not handle municipal conversions, says Village Clerk- Treasurer Bonnie Dingwall.

The conversion would have to be completed by December 1995 so the village would be eligible for an infrastructure grant approved last year. The federal, provincial and municipal governments will each pay a third of the costs.



Proud moment

The funds raised by Volley for Cancer were presented to representatives of the Canadian Cancer Society on Monday evening. The following were at the ceremony: from left, Jim Adlington (Morrisburg and District Lions Club president), Judy Simser (Cancer Society secretary, South Dundas Branch), Roy Gummeson (Lions secretary), Margaret Ann Casselman (Cancer Society president, South Dundas), Blanche Garlough (South Dundas Snowmobile Club vice-president), Ruby and Carl Van Allen, and John Proulx (Canadian Cancer Society unit coordinator for SDG & Prescott-Russell). Press Photo—Robinson

Way paved for Kiddy Kar site

Kim Robinson
Press staff

MOUNTAIN — Mountain Township may be the next area where the Kiddy Kar Playland franchise makes inroads.

Pete Charron of Embrun is one of a group of three businessmen planning to develop a Kiddy Kar site locally, and he approached Mountain Township Council earlier this month to get a feel for how the plan would be received.

The project, based on the Kiddy Kar park at Limoges, would involve building a track for the battery-powered cars and would most likely require official plan and zoning amendments, but council seemed to look favorably on the proposal in general.

Reeve Estella Rose concurred with Deputy Reeve Don Johnston who told Charron, "We can't really endorse it at this point but we certainly encourage development so long as it follows the rules."

Charron was pleased with this response.

"We didn't expect to hear anything definite from council right away. We just wanted to see what kind of response we would get," said Charron of the meeting. "I know of some areas where municipalities are really putting the boots to this kind of development."

He and his partners are looking at a number of parcels of land in the area, including one along Hwy. 43 in Mountain Township.

They would like something close to Kemptville because of its increasing development. New houses mean young families, and Kiddy Kar customers are small children.

Charron says the park could fill a gap in entertainment for children.

"Children two, three and four years old are too small for a lot of other activities," says Charron. "Bowling is out of the question, so is mini-putt."

Health unit wants access to youth

by Chris Bridgen

METCALFE — Betty Large is looking for a room, with a view towards keeping Osgoode's teenagers informed on health issues.

The Ottawa-Carleton Health Unit nurse works at Osgoode Township High School two days a week, but she wants to expand her base by opening a drop-in office somewhere in the township. She also works with Metcalfe Public School students.

Now council must decide where, and when, to give her space.

The township already provides space for a seniors outreach worker at the township offices in Metcalfe. Large would like a similar allocation.

"By being in the community all the more, I can find out what the youth want and need," she explained. "It should be a place where kids can go and feel comfortable."

Among the projects Large has already worked on with students at OTHS include having a condom machine installed. Having such a machine was discussed by students last year.

"There was a positive response to providing a machine in school," she said. "One of the focus groups we had at the school said improving sexual health and promoting healthy sex was important."

Although moving the location around the township — to community centres for example, as Councillor Dale Harley suggested — would mean opening up the office to youth everywhere in Osgoode, Mayor Lloyd Cranston said that's dangerous.

He doesn't want to see school-age children wandering around during school hours.

"They should have to stay close to the schools. Who would be responsible for them?"

Whether it's in the schools, or in a community centre, Large said she wants access to the youth.

"I'm looking to be visible and more approachable in the community," she said.

"I would be closer to the issues here. Then I wouldn't have a half-hour drive from my office if someone had a problem to discuss."

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Flu

A simple case of the flu isn't always so simple. Most people may associate it with nausea, fever and vomiting but there are far more severe consequences such as hospitalization and death.

From 1976 to 1978 more than 16,000 out of a population of two million in Harris County, Texas were hospitalized from three different strains of the flu. There were more than 307 deaths in that epidemic, mostly of elderly people.

And those figures don't include everyone who contracted the flu, says Clement. People with respiratory or kidney disease, children and the elderly are the most at risk.

The body, two weeks after immunization, will produce antibodies against several proteins of the three influenza strains. The shot may also stimulate certain kinds of white blood cells which help prevent infection.

Some people may experience some minor flu-like symptoms within 24 to 48 hours after the shot but the flu cannot be contracted by the vaccine, the virus used in the serum is dead.

There is a small chance the serum will not work but any case people contract will likely be a milder virus.

"It's pretty cheap insurance. The worst that can happen is that you are exposed to the flu anyway," says Clement.

Fundraising

The Van Allens also had the backing of the South Dundas Snowmobile Club as well as the Morrisburg and District and Iroquois/Matilda Lions Clubs.

Van Allen dubs all this a "semi-success" and is already starting to promote an expanded event next year, with more entertainment for all ages. Volley for Cancer will have a float in the Williamsburg Fall Harvest Festival parade this Saturday.

A similar success was realized in the county on Sunday when the Big Bike Ride for Stroke wheeled into the Morrisburg Plaza. The event was aimed at getting adults involved in fundraising that included the aspect of physical fitness, much like the Jump Rope for Heart program does for children.

This too was a first-time event that exceeded all expectations.

The Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario projected proceeds of roughly $7,000 from the bike ride, which involved four teams taking a tour on the 30-seater bike.

"With the first two teams we've already beat that," said Allison Hutt on the day of the ride.

Hutt is the manager of the Bank of Montreal in Morrisburg and the main organizer for the event in the county. Bank of Montreal employees across the United Counties have been working on the event since May. Another ride took place in Cornwall the same weekend, and there will be one in Alexandria this Saturday.

Participants in Dundas County included a team of Bank of Montreal employees from around the county, the Beavers Bikes Better team, the Rockin' Reach Riders (made up of Odonto employees) and the "Hair" We Go group from Village Stylists. Each team member had to collect a minimum of $50 in pledges.

These pledges amounted to $12,700 in the final tally, and the event will no doubt be back again in a larger form.

"Next year we'll be coming on gangbusters," said Heart and Stroke area coordinator Janie MacDiarmid. "We can tell this is going to be a very successful event."

Margaret Reynolds, president of the Dundas County chapter, says the event may appear in the northern half of Dundas next time.

"We're looking for support from the whole county," she said.

Laurin

Laurin was born in 1915, two years after his father Leo bought the *Leader*. He learned the ropes at an early age and loved the business, staying with it all his life.

He made many friends, not only through the paper, but through his years of community involvement. He worked to improve school and sport facilities in the community.

"Art was a super person, what more can I say?" asks Day. "Those who knew him admired him, were inspired by him, adored him and loved him."



Starting a blitz

Treasurer Lion Jim O'Gorman present a $1,000 cheque to Lion member Don Hoople and Lion President Jack Gibson to kick off the annual CNIB Blitz which began Monday. Winchester Lions will be soliciting donations door to door.

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Police blotter

Arson arrest

OSGOODE TWP. — An Osgoode Township property owner has been charged with setting fire to his own building after a lengthy investigation by police and the fire marshal's office. Wayne Shaw, a resident of Gloucester, was arrested Sept. 20 and charged with arson in connection with the July 11 fire at a residence he owns at 6765 Springhill Rd. Shaw is to appear in provincial court on Oct. 12.

Fix-up fraud

CUMBERLAND TWP. — Manotick OPP have arrested a Cumberland Township man and charged him with fraud in relation to the business activities of his renovation company spanning a period from April 1994 to June 1995. Jeffrey Fawcett, 35, faces two counts of fraud under $5,000 and one count of fraud over $5,000 following an investigation of his business, Fawcett Kitchen and Window. The investigation was conducted in response to complaints from 11 customers in Greely, Manotick, Gloucester, Nepean and Ottawa who alleged that they had been defrauded of their money. Fawcett has been released from custody and is awaiting a court appearance in Ottawa.

Assault charges

METCALFE —A frantic call that brought police to a Metcalfe residence in the early morning hours of Sept. 23 resulted in several charges for a local man. Brian Edwards of Metcalfe was charged with assault, sexual assault and uttering threats when police responded to a call from a female who said she had been threatened and locked out of her house.

Deposit box doubly damaged

METCALFE — For the second time in a month, would-be thieves have damaged the night deposit box at the Royal Bank in Metcalfe. On Sept. 18, OPP were called in to investigate the attempted break-in. Sometime overnight the deposit box had been damaged, possibly with a crowbar.

Highway attack

METCALFE — A motorist on Hwy. 31 suffered neck injuries and damage to his pick-up truck in an assault reported to police on the afternoon of Sept. 22. The incident is still under investigation.

Carts taken for ride

METCALFE — Two golf carts were reported stolen from the Poplar Grove Golf Course in Metcalfe on Sept. 20. Although both carts were recovered, they did sustain some damage.

Bike found

OSGOODE — A bicycle was turned in to the Osgoode Extended Service Office on Sept. 21. It had been left at a residence located on Joella Crescent in the village. The owner may claim the bike at the office or at the Manotick OPP detachment. Const. Rudy Schaefers, community policing officer for the Village of Osgoode, invites the public to drop by any time at the Extended Service Office, located on Main Street. Schaefers encourages anyone interested in volunteering for community policing to apply.

Elliott parodies theatre in new play

MORRISBURG — Lorne Elliott gives one the impression he's in a constant state of barely suppressed anxiety.

The fuzzy-haired actor/playwright/comedian talks too fast, at times almost muttering to himself, bouncing jokes and witticisms like a barrage of ping pong balls into his conversation.

He has a nervous edge.

The kind only a actor could experience, and only an actor who's bombing big time on stage. The kind that produces a torturous type of cold perspiration — *Flopsweat* for which his new play was named.

"I read it in a book," says Elliott.

"When you know you're dying on stage, it's a type of perspiration that hits you, runs down your back and you've still got another 15 minutes to go — that's flopsweat."

The play's main character Raymond Pelley, a thoroughly unlikable and self-proclaimed actor, playwright, and artist, knows it well. The production which premiers at Upper Canada Playhouse this Saturday, is a parody of the circumstances that cause flopsweat to trickle. It is a behind-the-scenes look at a struggling small- town theatre company.

Played by Elliott, Pelley's self-absorbed schemes and cons drive the theatre manager and the rest of staff crazy as they try to deal with the hurricane-style destruction he leaves.

But he gets his own. Pelley is dogged by a merciless critic and a personal vendetta between the two of them develops into a wrath-fueled revenge.

Flopsweat began as a collection of stories which Elliott turned into a play. He's written others, two that were produced and 150 others he refers to as adolescent angst and which heis immoderately thankful never landed on stage. *Culture Shock* ran in 1993 at the Playhouse. He is also known for his popular one-man comedy *The Collected Mistakes of Lorne Elliott*.

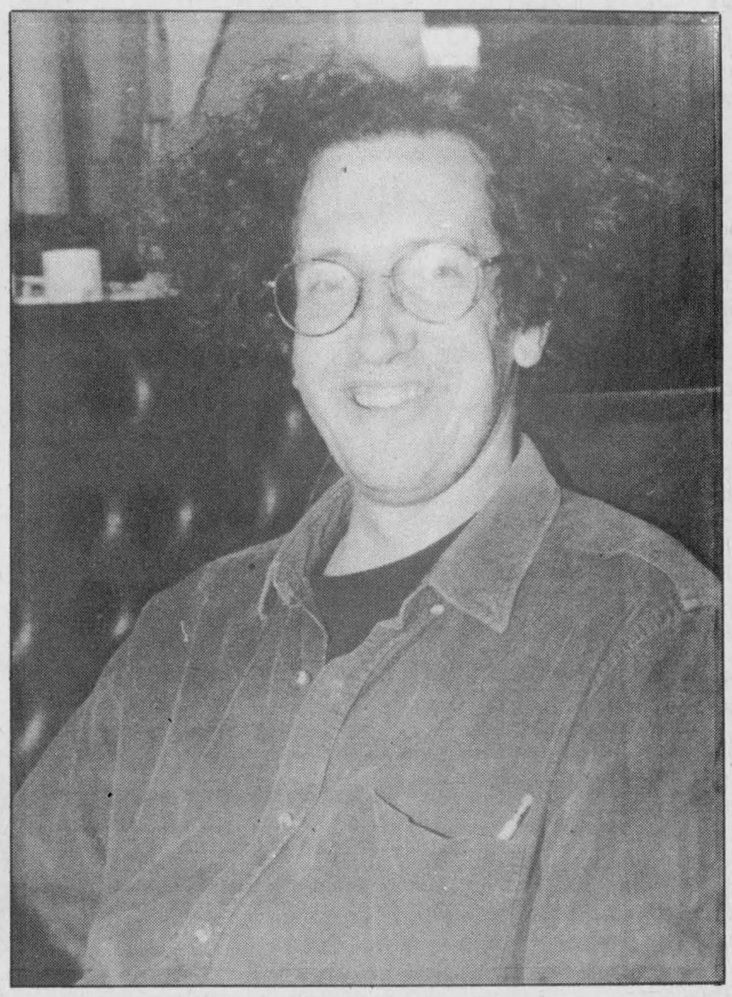
Elliott takes his ideas from actual experience as he quips "I'd like to thank the human race for being the butt of all my jokes." But the situations in *Flopsweat* aren't exactly true to life, partly to make it enjoyable for audiences and not an inside joke for the theatre.

"You've got your fact, you've got your fiction, you've got your grey area in between. It's a fictionalized view. Said character (Pelley) has no social redeeming qualities whatsoever. He has all the ambition in the world and none of the talent," says Elliott.

"He can't act, he can't write, he can't produce. He has no understanding of anyone else."

Yet despite Elliott's endless torrent of words, he falls short trying to describe a situation Pelley encounters or creates. Maybe, like most comedy, you just have to be there.

Flopsweat runs at the Playhouse until Oct. 22.



Lorne Elliott will premier his new play *Flopsweat* at Upper Canada Playhouse this Saturday. Press Photo —Edwards

Hamlet dresses up for festival

WILLIAMSBURG — Signs of Williamsburg's Fall Harvest Festival are sprouting up all over the hamlet.

Anyone driving through town can see the tell-tale corn stalks that adorn light posts and hydro poles, and residents are starting to get in the spirit and decorate their houses.

Arlene Darrach, who organized the decorated house contest, says entries really started coming in last weekend, so Williamsburg should look very festive by the end of this week.

This weekend's activities include a number of contests for garden produce and baking, as well as many other competitions.

There will be a parade at noon, followed by an antique vehicle and equipment display and other activities at Williamsburg's ball park.

Tickets for the Saturday evening dinner and dance are selling briskly.

OBITUARIES

Stuart Percival Leith

Stuart Percival Leith of Donald Ave. in Cornwall died Sept. 23 at home. He was 80.

A former locomotive engineer with Quebec Central Rail-C.P. Rail, he was born July 2, 1915 in Corliss, Quebec to the late John Leith and Eleanor Hillier. He was the husband of Cecile Lacharite who survives him.

Mr. Leith was the father of Mary Jane Parsons (Cliff), Frank MacIsaac (Monica) and Sandra Price, the grandfather of Alanna Price, Scott Parsons, Christine MacIsaac, Kathy MacIsaac and Amber Price as well as the great-grandfather of Christopher and Anthony.

He is survived by his sisters Beatrice McLaughlin and Eleanor Allen. Mr. Leith was predeceased by his brothers Jack, Kenneth, Robert and Harold.

He was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion, Cornwall Branch no. 297, the Masonic Victoria Lodge no. 16 in Sherbrooke, Quebec and the Royal Arch Masons and Preceptory. Mr. Leith was also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Sherbrooke Chapter no. 22 and the Anglican church.

A service was held at the Wilson Funeral Home in Cornwall Sept. 26 with Father Wayne Thomas officiating.

Interment was at St. Peter's Cemetery, Sherbrooke, Quebec with arrangements entrusted to Byers Funeral Home in South Mountain.

Charles Sherman Merrill

Charles Sherman Merrill died Sept. 24 at Leamington Hospital. He was 86.

A former resident of Meadows Manor Wheatley, Mr. Merrill was the beloved husband of Ethel (nee O'-Neil), the dear father of John R. (Susan) of Wheatley, James A. (Valeri) of Burlington and Preston (Margaret) of Hamilton. He was predeceased by his son Walter in 1986 as well his two brothers Lloyd and Dalton.

Mr. Merrill is survived by 12 grandchildren, nine great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

A funeral service was held at the Leslie R. Dutot Funeral Home in Wheatley on Sept. 26.

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OBITUARIES

Eileen Sarah Barkley

Eileen Sarah Barkley of RR3 Williamsburg died Sept. 20 at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital. She was 77.

Born in Lansdowne, Ontario on May 23, 1918 to the late Arthur Newbury and Janet Scott, she married Ronald Barkley Nov. 18, 1944 in Elma. He predeceased her. Mrs. Barkley lived for 51 years in the Williamsburg area.

She is survived by her children Richard (Valli) of Vermont, Steven (Susan) of Winchester Springs, Robert (Anita) of Morrisburg, Brian (Janie) of Massena, Sharon (Trevor Easter) of Iroquois and Ruby (Carl Van Allen) of RR3 Williamsburg.

Mrs. Barkley will be remembered by her sisters Kay Barton of Vankleek Hill, Ethel Saddlemire of Williamsburg, Marion Hall of Morrisburg and Mildred Johnson of Iroquois. As well as her husband, she was predeceased by her brothers Rupert and Donald Newbury.

She will be sadly missed by 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews. Mrs. Barkley was very fond of card games with her sisters and friends.

Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

Visitation was at Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg. A service was held at St. Peter's Lutheran Church on Sept. 24 with Rev. Diane Raddatz officiating. Interment was at New Union Cemetery.

Pallbearers included Richard Hess, Glenn Pemberton, Fred Osborne, Ben Barkley, Barry Barkley and Bob Chapman.

Douglas H. Deeks

Douglas H. Deeks of RR1 Williamsburg died Sept. 20 at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital. He was 68.

A dairy farmer, he was born Feb. 16, 1927 and lived his life in Williamsburg Township. He married Mary Ruth Deeks Sept. 24, 1955 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Williamsburg.

As well as his wife, Mr. Deeks is survived by his sisters Doris (Lyle Baker) of RR1 Williamsburg and Jean (Darcy Merkley) of RR2 Chesterville.

A service was held Sept. 22 at the Marsden and McLaughlin Funeral Home in Williamsburg with Rev. Diane Raddatz officiating. Interment was at the New Union Cemetery in Williamsburg. Donations to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital would be appreciated by the family.Pallbearers included John Phifer, George Carruthers, Gary Pemberton and Donald Spearman.

"Eldon" Harold Elliott

Eldon Harold Elliott of Morris Glen Court in Morrisburg died Sept. 18 at the Ottawa General Hospital. He was 61.

A former resident of RR2 Chesterville, he was born to the late Harold R. Elliott and Lois E. Pescod, who survives him. He is also survived by his wife Hilda (nee Eastman) who he married at the Manse of the Presbyterian Church in Morrisburg Oct. 6, 1979.

Mr. Elliott worked in plumbing and heating. He was also the security tenant at Morris Glen Court.

He was the loving father of Bryan (Carol) of Morrisburg, Heather Pemberton (Dwayne) of Winchester, Eva Desjardins (Denis) of Chesterville, Allan (Valerie), also of Chesterville and Karen Bradford (Douglas) of Lombardy.

Mr. Elliott was the dear brother of Anita Weagant (Fred) of Morrisburg and Ren Elliott (Alice) of Chesterville, as well as the grandfather of Dennis, Emily, Roxanne, Craig, Tamara, Gillian, Teneisha, Johanna and Linda. He was predeceased by two grandsons.

A service was held at Daniels Funeral Home in Chesterville Sept. 22 with Rev. Harry Brown officiating. Interment was at Maple Ridge Cemetery.

Pallbearers included Jim Riddell, Garry Elliott, Bob and Laird Weagant, Ivan Ashby and Bert Barkley. Carson Elliot was the honorary bearer.

Kozmin Karel

Kozmin Karel died Sept. 22 at the Winchester District Memorial Hospital. He was 76.

He was born June 18, 1919 in Podmokty (Bodenbach), Czechoslovakia. For 49 years, Mr. Karel was the beloved husband of Marie (nee Stepan) of North York.

He was the devoted father to Karl of Waubaushene and travelling companion to son Paul of Morewood. Mr. Karel was like a father to his daughter-in-law Annette (nee Jensen) and a beloved grandfather to Paul Kjeld.

He is also survived by his sister Jarmila of Prague, Czech Republic.

A family vigil was held at Daniels Funeral Home in Chesterville. A memorial service in celebration of his life will be held at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Williamsburg at a later date. Donations to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital would be gratefully acknowledged.

Arthur Benedict Laurin

Arthur Benedict Laurin of Morrisburg, Ont. died peacefully at home on Sept. 19 with his family after a four-year illness. He was 80.

Born June 14, 1915 in Morrisburg to the late Leo Laurin and Mary Ann MacMillan, he married Lillian Mabel Canning on Nov. 9, 1940 at Dickinson's Landing. He was the publisher and editor of the *Morrisburg Leader*.

He is survived by his wife and was the dear father of John (Alison) of Montreal, Mary Anne (John) also of Montreal, Arthur (Nancy) of Morrisburg, Terry (Judy) of Morrisburg, Linda (Bob) of Morrisburg, Elaine of Windsor, Bill (Sonja) of Montreal Bonnie (Ron) of Morrisburg and Rosemary of Ottawa, Sam (Margi), Louise (Chuck), and Mike, all of Morrisburg.

Mr. Laurin was the brother of Edythe Wilkins of Kingston, Rita Goodfellow of Connecticut and Leola Lynch of Thunder Bay. He was predeceased by his sisters Mary Laurin, Francis Laurin, and Irene Warner as well as his brothers Paul and Lenny. He is also survived by 35 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mr. Laurin was educated at Morrisburg Collegiate Institute and received both the Sydney Stone Award and the Gold Quill Award Editorial.

Visitation was at Fairbairn Funeral Home in Morrisburg. A funeral mass was celebrated at St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Morrisburg with Father Tim Shea presiding. Interment was at St. Mary's Cemetery, Morrisburg.

Pallbearers included Dr. Graham Houze, Peter Van Moorsel, Fred Langlotz, Brian Wheeler, Robert Gillard and Scott Arsenault.



Hunting for information

Scott Hamilton, Kelcie Hickman, Jessica Hamilton, Kia Marin, Cali-Anne and Farran Baker took part in the scavenger hunt at the Upper Canada Migratory Bird Sanctuary on Sunday. The purpose of the search was to get visitors asking more questions and learning about the background of the sanctuary.

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Musicians make mark

WINCHESTER— A number of local music students achieved the sweet sounds of success at recent Royal Conservatory examinations held in Brockville and Cornwall.

They were Winchester students of The Village Music Academy. Piano students included Patricia Exner (Grade 1), Emily Exner (Grade 2), Cynthia Moore (Grade 2), Stephanie Baker (Grade 5) and Rachel Casselman (Grade 5). Successful theory students included Stephanie Baker, Rachel Casselman, Shelly Hutt and Moira Klein-Swormink.

All theory students earned at least 90 per cent but Klein-Swormink earned a perfect score, an almost impossible task, according to her teacher John Hutchinson, director of The Village Music Academy.

Correction

The scotch collar bench pictured with the story "Saddle and harness display honors craft" in the Sept. 6th issue of the *Press* is owned by Dan Morris of Metcalfe, Ont., not the Iveson family of Metcalfe, and was loaned to Upper Canada Village.

UCV celebrates fall harvest

MORRISBURG — Fall marks one of the busiest times at Upper Canada Village. With the smells of freshly made apple cider, sausage and the newly ploughed fields, visitors to the Village will be whisked back to the 1860s during "Harvest Days" beginning Sat., Sept. 30 until Sun., Oct. 8.

Every nook and cranny of the Village will be busily preparing for the upcoming winter. The farmers, servants and women folks will be tending to an array of activities. Oats will be threshed at Loucks' Farm, putting to the test the new technology (of the 1860s), a horse-powered threshing machine. Ploughing will also be a main focus for the Loucks' farmers and farm hands.

The women will certainly not be idle - as usual - they will be drying apples and pumpkins in order to preserve them for use during the harsh winter months which are sure to follow the harvest. Bellamy's water and steam powered mill will be busy grinding wheat into flour for the winter months. At Cook's Tavern, mattress covers will be stripped of their old, lumpy contents and re-stuffed with fresh straw.

Visitors to the Village will be able to participate in this forgotten tradition by helping to prepare sauerkraut and apple cider and assisting with the stuffing of mattresses. There will be plenty of opportunity to view how pork was salted down, how sausages were stuffed and how the blacksmith used his expertise in making winter horseshoes.

Activities will vary on a daily basis throughout Harvest Days. The Village store will be stocked with many winter supplies needed to endure the cold winter months ahead. Visitors may pick up supplies of flour and cheese. Why not a woollen blanket or socks, or even the wool to make your own.

Upper Canada Village's regular season will come to a close on Oct. 9. Guided walking tours will be offered during the weekends until the end of October. For information on Harvest Days at the Village, please call 613-543-3704.

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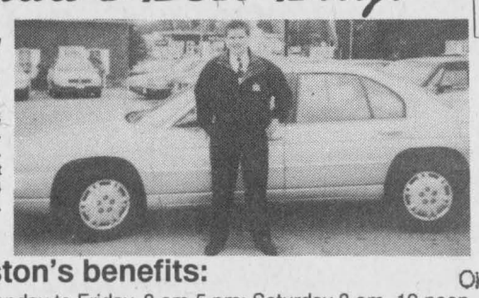

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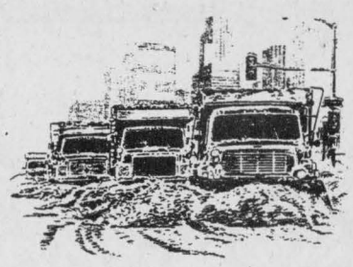

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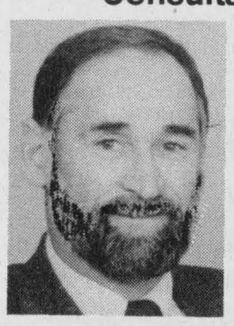

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EDITORIAL

No gift from the gab

No matter how eloquent or inarticulate politicians may be, they certainly have a unique command of language.

And no more so when it comes to the election promise. What sounds like a definitive statement during the campaign turns into a philosophical debate months after an election.

Ontario premier Mike Harris promised emphatically that there would be no cuts to the province's $17.4 billion health care budget. With that announcement the people of Ontario assumed the service they have would continue, that health care is important enough to everyone to keep the dollars in its coffers.

But like a magician who practises sleight of hand, the promise was somewhat distracting. The trick was in the wording. It did not preclude cutting programs and in fact it still remains to be seen whether it won't mean a cut in funding.

Money will likely be switched around to different health care areas until the number juggling perplexes the best of mathematicians.

Harris's Common Sense revolution is requiring more than just a bit of brain power to understand.

Local health care officials say changes are only speculations but residents, if they value their health services, should not turn their backs on a budget knife.

A local hospital closure, of course, would be the worst case scenario. But the mere threat should make them prick up their ears. Residents from Brownie groups to Legions have donated to the Winchester District Memorial Hospital.

They know health care is expensive and requires a constant infusion of money. They also think it's worth every cent.

Winchester is an hour's drive away from any major health care institution. Cuts to any services already here may mean some people won't get them at all.

The problem is they're never missed until they're needed and gone. Once the province removes certain health services, they'll probably never return. If there are programs residents want to maintain in this area, they'd better not take anything politicians do or say for granted.

Therefore when the provincial government outlines its priorities during today's throne speech, the words will require very close and careful attention.

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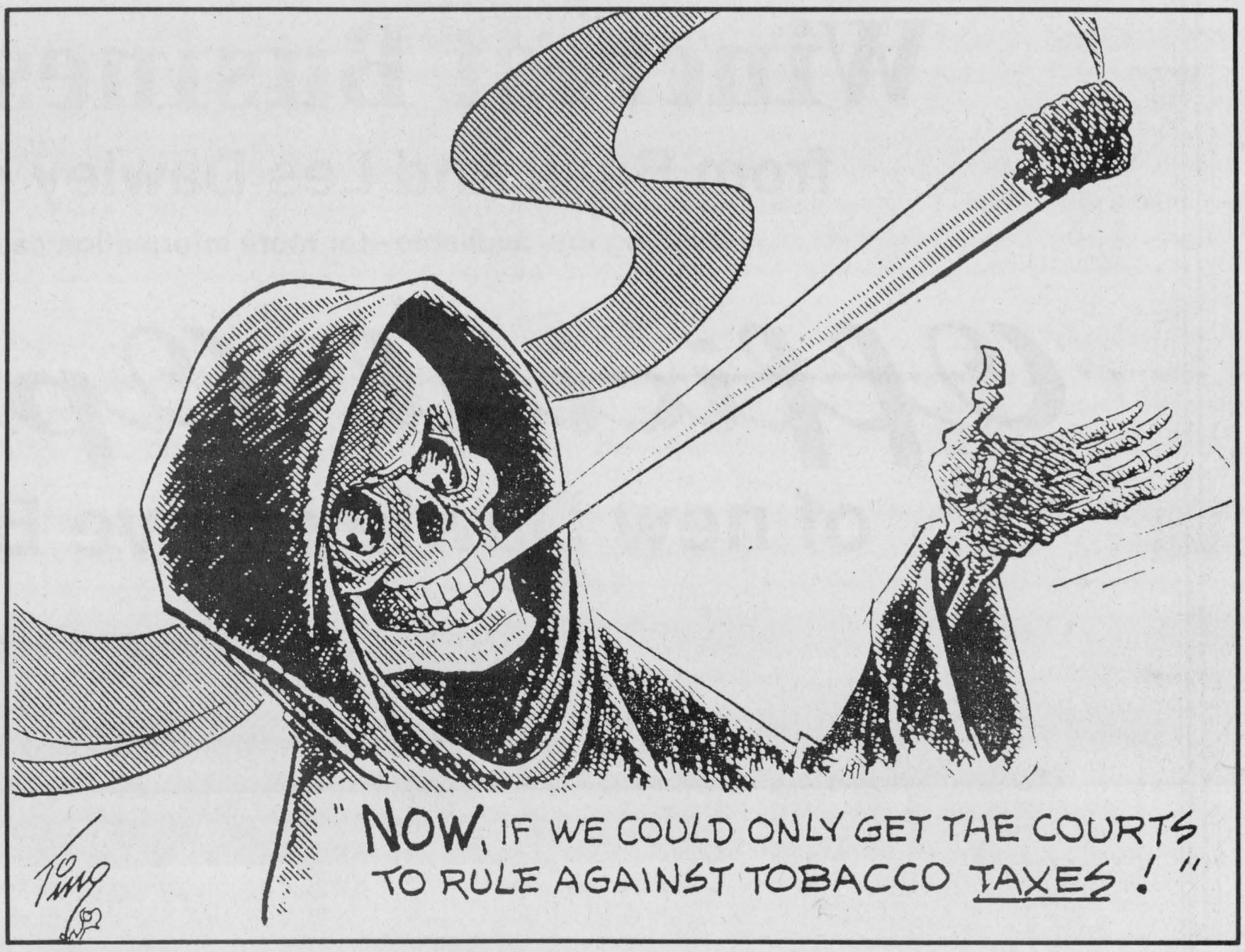


This week in...

1945

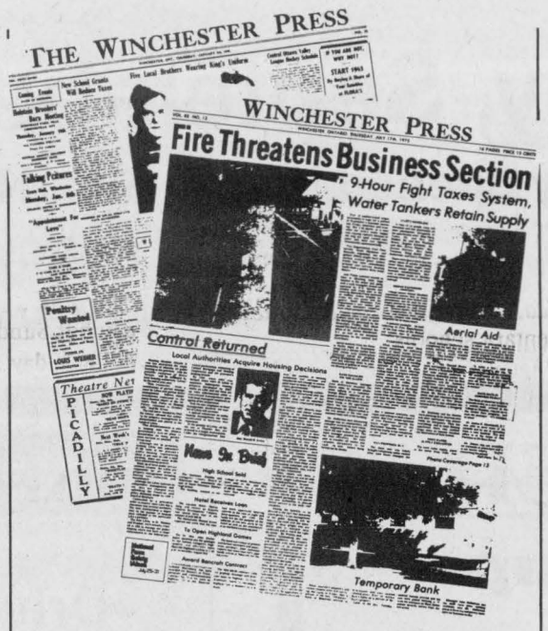
Morewood United Church parishioners held a special mortgage burning service to celebrate the final payment for the building. Earlier that year, in February, Rev. E.A. Martineau and the church board had started a campaign to pay off the $6,681 debt that remained from the $35,000 cost to build the edifice, which was dedicated in 1926. In seven months, the church had raised $7,104. Three former Morewood pastors, Revs. R.W. Armstrong, J.A. McCaskill and T.A. Woods, joined Rev. Martineau in the service.

Due to a shortage of metal, Ontario vehicles would bear only one licence plate in 1946. It was expected that in the following year the province would be able to provide two plates per car. At that time, there were 550,000 passenger cars and 95,000 trucks on Ontario roads. The 1946 plates were to have white numerals on a black background.

1955

The opening of Winchester's second annual Trade Fair at the village arena was broadcast live on Ottawa's CFRA radio station. CFRA owner Frank Ryan led the opening ceremony, then took a half hour to interview officials, exhibitors and visitors. Reeve John Fader and Winchester businessmen president Arnold Dukelow also spoke at the opening.

St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in Winchester had a new minister. Rev. William Sutherland, formerly of Dutton Duff Church, Largie, Ont. was appointed to fill the position left vacant when Rev. William Reid took on a new charge in New Glasgow, N.S. several months earlier.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A new athletic organization, known as the Osgoode- North Dundas Athletic Association, met in Winchester to plan an annual track meet for secondary schools in the district. The association, including representatives from Chesterville, Osgoode, Winchester and both Mountain District High Schools, was the first of its kind for the area.

1965

Jean Wadds was acclaimed Conservative candidate for Grenville-Dundas in the Nov. 8 federal election. Roughly 500 Tory supporters and delegates packed the Hallville School auditorium to greet Wadds as she was ushered in to the music of bagpipes. Conservative member since 1968, Wadds spoke confidently about the upcoming election and complained about the socialist tendencies of Liberal MPs, some of whom she called, "unpredictable, dangerous dandies."

Workers for the Blair Phillips company were drilling at a test site in the northeast section of the village to see if they could tap into a source that would augment Winchester's water supply. It was the second such search. An earlier test hole at the Community Park had not had sufficient flow to warrant pumping.

1975

Though the riding had changed shape, Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry voters remained true to blue tradition in the area, electing Conservative Osie Villeneuve by an overwhelming majority in the provincial election. Redistribution had severed Dundas County from Grenville and added it to the two other United Counties for this vote.

Winchester Village Council was considering passing a bylaw to enforce Sunday business closures. Council had received a number of complaints about the breaching of the Lord's Day Act following a weekend sale at the community centre conducted by two area businesses.

1985

Two Mountain Township men were convicted of arson almost seven years after they set a fire at Nationview Public School which destroyed half of the building. James Albert Dillabough and Gerald Edward Marratt were found guilty of the charge after two days of testimony, mostly from their own relatives, in Winchester Provincial Court.

Ottawa Roughriders punter Ken Clark was the featured speaker at a meeting of the Winchester Lions Club. Young fans Brian Helmer and Danny Raistrick showed up to meet him.

Chretien wearing sovereignty blinders

MEANWHILE...
by Fred Sagel

Just what kind of game are the federal Liberals playing in the debate leading up to Quebec's referendum on sovereignty?

At precisely the time when the country needs vision, leadership and talent, Prime Minister Chretien is acting like a kid in a sandbox who won't discuss a serious issue.

Liberal MP's back from the summer recess, fresh from the glow of satisfaction in having stuffed their pocketbooks by refusing to back out of a pension plan that will give them a honey pot on retirement, are now fighting for a "No" vote.

Trouble is, they don't appear ready for an honest battle. And that is largely because their leader, Mr. Chretien, looks rudderless, lost and without a game plan.

As soon as the debate on sovereignty started last week, Chretien started talking in cliches.

Asked repeatedly about his intention, Chretien did everything but answer the question. "Hypothetical," he cried. "Quebeckers will vote 'No'. The referendum question is ambiguous, because the separatists lack courage, so why should I speculate? Let's talk about the economy and social justice. Quebeckers are fed up with constitutional talk."

On and on went the evasions. When he was finally pinned by Reform leader Preston Manning — who does have a platform a firm stand and a program — Chretien started mudslinging and screaming like a little child. He was incensed that the Reform leader would ask him a straightforward question. Better, he thought, to keep playing games with people.

Manning tried to pinpoint Chretien's evasions. His opening statement was devastating but it was accurate: the BQ leader won't say what he would do after a "No" vote and the Prime Minister won't say what he would do after a "Yes" vote. So where do we go from here?

And then Manning zeroes in on Chretien. If the referendum question is so vague, he asked the Prime Minister, will Chretien commit himself to putting forth a clear question? But Chretien was evasive once again. He wouldn't answer or commit himself to any course of action.

The next day in the Commons, it got even worse: when Manning once again asked one of his razor-sharp questions. Chretien wouldn't even commit himself to what would happen if the "Yes" side did win the referendum by a narrow margin. That sent shock waves across the country. Chretien looked bad.

What kind of message does it send to the country when the Prime Minister appears to be so badly out of control on such a major issue? Or when he refuses to engage in a serious discussion of the issue of separatism and chooses instead to resort to fancy cliches about how nice life in Canada is?

This whole debate has shown the weakness of Chretien and his inability to govern the country the way it should be governed - with a game plan, some rules, a firm direction and a sense of vision. Most of what he has done since coming to office has been very little which is the very reason why he is still popular.

More and more, it is becoming clear that this is weak leadership. Manning is a much more principled politician who will tell you where he stands on the issues, including the dicey one of Quebec separatism. He is a democrat who has shown he'll live by the rules and his voice will be an important one in the upcoming weeks.

It is Manning, not Chretien, who best exemplifies the traditions of a Liberal who made it very clear where he stood on issues, particularly this one: Pierre Trudeau. Where is he when his party so badly needs him?

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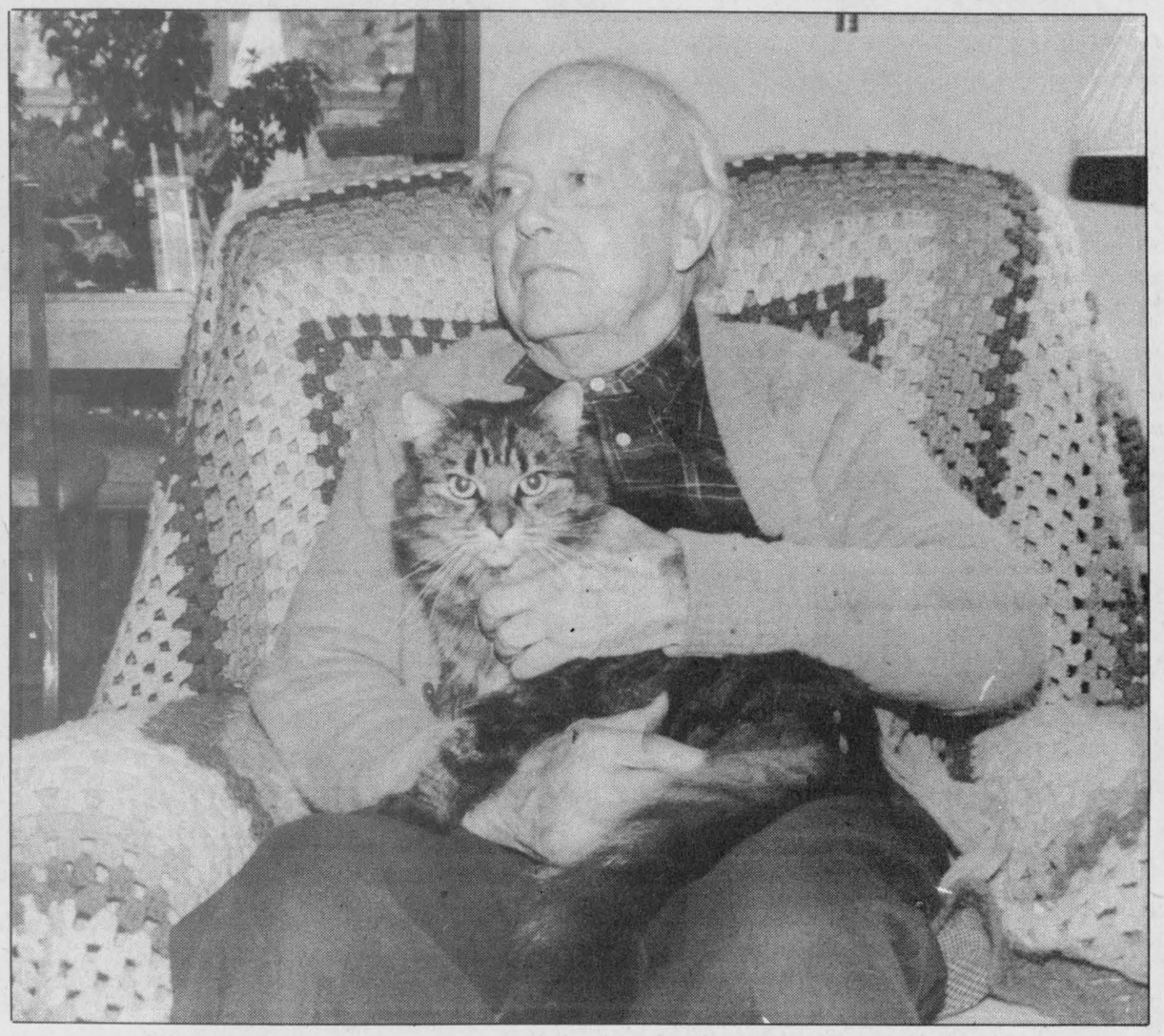

Store of memories

Above, Arnold Duncan stands with his father, Alex Duncan, outside the St. Lawrence Street store. Right, Duncan in a quiet moment at home with his cat Razzy.

Duncan in the same place but never sitting still

Kim Robinson
Press staff

WINCHESTER — Though he stayed in the same community all his life, A.W. Duncan has always liked to be on the move.

One of his earliest memories of living in Winchester is that of carting small honey pails filled with milk in his wagon, taking it to customers in the village.

At that time, the Main Street sidewalk was a bumpy way to travel because it was made of wood, with gaps between the planks.

Arnold Duncan smiles as he recalls those days. He had moved with his family to a house on the east end of Main Street, leaving the farm in the Melvin Settlement area north of Winchester where he was born in 1910.

"My dad was a farmer," says Duncan. "He hated to part with the animals so we had a couple of cows to milk and a horse, it was a pretty snappy horse, a step horse."

Sitting in the living room of his Victoria Street home, it's easy to see he inherited his father's love of animals. A large, fluffy cat wanders around his chair, jumping up in his lap from time to time, as a parakeet squawks in the background.

Once the owner of a butcher shop, he says he was never really cut out for that business, and he is better known for the years he spent in the variety store at the corner of Caleb and St. Lawrence Streets which he inherited from his father, Alex Henry Duncan, in the early 1940's.

A trip to A.H. and later A.W. Duncan's was a treat for generations of Winchester children who stopped in to plunk down a nickel for an ice cream cone, or enjoy some popcorn popped fresh at the store.

As part of the local business community for over 50 years, the younger Duncan was a familiar face behind the shiny glass counter at the store, but he was known outside the town limits as well.

The same school children who visited the store might also recognize him as the man who supplied their school textbooks.

For many years, at the start of the school season, Duncan would borrow a truck used to unload feed at the train tracks and pile it high with books instead, making the rounds to local elementary schools.

Whatever business he was in, he seemed to like to get out on the road. During the seven years that he owned the butcher shop, he started delivering groceries to the surrounding countryside in a Chevy truck.

He speaks fondly of a Ford Model T he once used to ply the back roads.

"With the old Model T I could plow more mud or snow than with any other vehicle I've owned."

This mode of transportation was a bit faster than the horse and cart, laden with milk, that he had driven to town as a teenager when he worked on his uncle's farm in Mountain Township. The milk was delivered to Ault's every day but Sunday and Duncan made a dollar a day, plus room and board.

"I'd work at the farm all week, then bike the three miles into town to scoop out ice cream on Saturdays."

Of the summers he spent at the farm he recalls, "It kept me busy and built a man out of me."

When he returned to Winchester High School in the fall he took a strong interest in sports, particularly running.

"We had a good track team, we even beat Cornwall Collegiate," he remembers.

This interest in athletics was something he shared with his late wife Carrie.

She was the high school's top female athlete the same year that he was top male.

The pair were true competitors, even with each other. They made good use of a tennis court Duncan built with a neighbor on the very spot where his home now sits on Victoria Street.

They had strung up chicken wire at either end of the court to keep balls in. Clay from an excavation for an addition to the high school was hauled in, leveled off and rolled to create a smooth surface for playing.

"We had some really good tennis. It was nip and tuck," he says of those games, describing how he met his match in Carrie. "She could beat the pants off of me sometimes."

Being active is one of the qualities Duncan attributes to his long life (he's 85 years old and counting), and keeping on the go was the key to a long business life as well.

Having been store owner through the Depression, he says, "You had to play it close to the belt."

Still, he doesn't think entrepreneurs have it any easier today.

"Times have changed. It's much more difficult now in some ways," notes Duncan. "You have to go so far out on a limb to get started."

Duncan closed up shop in 1973, moving out in a hurry to make room for pharmacist Wayne Burns whose business was destroyed by fire one weekend in November.

"By 12 noon on Monday he dispensed his first prescription," recalls Duncan.

Burns too remembers the quick transaction, how he negotiated the lease with Duncan while his pharmacy was still in flames.

"He told me, 'Just wait until morning, we might catch fire too,'" says Burns.

The comment is characteristic of Duncan, whose sense of humor has carried him through the many changes that accompany 50 years in business. He looks on laughter as the most important ingredient in life.

He says with a smile, "I like a joke, I like to tell a joke and I like to have a good belly laugh that really shakes me up about once a month."



Duncan attended the Melvin Settlement School just north of Winchester. The stone building is no longer standing. In this picture, in which Duncan is about five years old, he is sitting in the front row, fourth from the right.

Take a shot at influenza

WINCHESTER — Fall signals more than the onslaught of back-to-school sales, and the retirement of swim wings and wading pools. It's also the time when health officials' and parents' thoughts turn to immunization.

For years, boards of health have been required to assess and keep immunization records of all students as soon as they start school and every year thereafter. The boards of health are also required to assess the immunization status of all children in licensed children care programs. The medical officer of health collects students' health card numbers to more rapidly match school enrolment lists with the existing health unit's school pupils' data base.

In Ontario, the recommended routine immunization schedule is: DPT polio and HIB vaccines at 2, 4, 8, and 19 months old (one injection for five vaccines), a booster of diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, and polio at 4 to 5 years of age, Td polio vaccine at 14 to 16 years of age and Td booster every 10 years thereafter. It is most important to maintain a good immunization status throughout adult life.

The medical officer of health may grant exemptions from these immunizations, for medical, religious or conscience reasons.

Eastern Ontario Health Unit
LifeLines
submitted by Gisele Grignon

Under the Immunization of School Pupils Act 1982, all school children under the age of 18, must be immunized against diphtheria, tetanus, polio, measles, mumps and rubella. You can receive these immunizations from your family doctor or at the health unit.

Last year, the Ministry of Health launched a new program which provides a series of three hepatitis B vaccines free of charge to all Grade 7 students.

Influenza vaccines are also available free of charge in early fall for people over the age of 65 and other specific groups. Your local health unit will provide you with details. The health unit organized immunization clinics for this purpose in late October. At the same time, people are invited to ask for the vaccine that protects against pneumonia. Travellers can also receive from the health unit most of the recommended or required vaccines to travel in certain countries.

September Health Question: School children under the age of 18 must be immunized against several diseases. Name one.

Deposit your answer in the ballot box at your local participating Home Hardware Store. One winner per store will be announced monthly.



Entrepreneurial spark

Harbers Flame Centre held its grand opening over the weekend. From left, Matilda Township Councillor Bev Sabourin, Bill Harbers, Chick Bidgood, vice-president of the Morrisburg and District Chamber of Commerce, Brian and Joy Harbers, Joan Carriere, Linda Bouwers of the South Dundas Economic Development Commission and Myntja Harbers all help with the ribbon cutting. The store features a variety of wood and pellet stove models.

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- Largest Sunflower Face, Largest Zucchini (10:30) at Black's Television & Appliances
- Largest and Most Unique Shaped Gourd (10:30) at Blossom Time Beauty Shop
- Biggest/Heaviest Vegetables (11 a.m.) at Whitteker's Meat Market.
- Best Decorated or Carved Pumpkins (11 a.m.) at LMS Motor Sales
- Largest and Most Colourful Leaves (oak & maple) (11:30) at Williamsburg Garage
- Lumber Sawing Demonstration (1:30) at the park (using band saw). Featuring Steve Kenward.
- Pie Judging (2 p.m.) at Picadilly Press
- Bessie Bingo (2 p.m.) (First round) at the park
- Goat Milking Contest (2:30) at the Lion's Tent
- Tallest Corn Stalk (3 p.m.) at Roger's Barber Shop
- Bessie Bingo (3:30) (Second round) at the park

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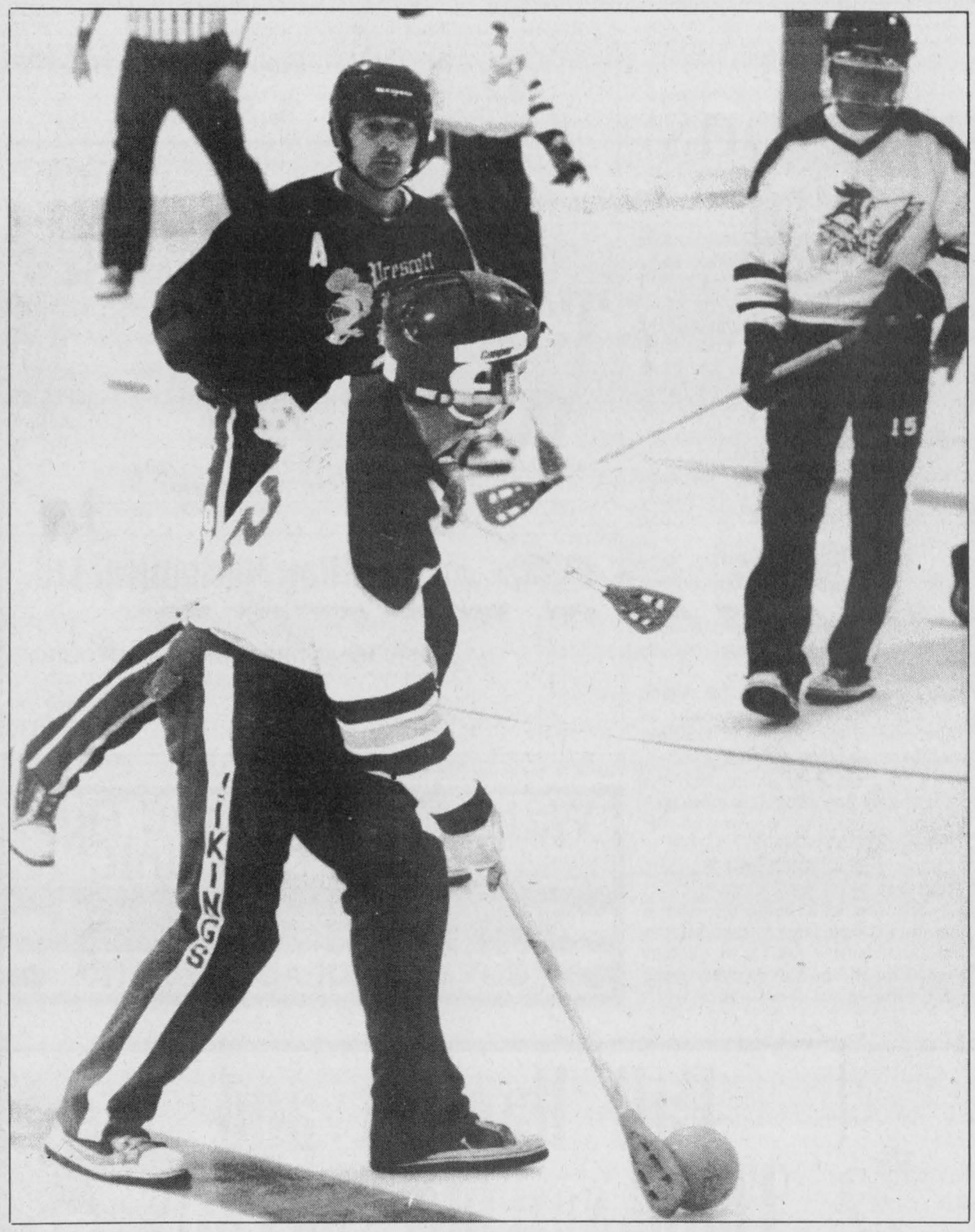

Heads up!

Prescott Road attacker Dave Holmes was intent on checking Morewood captain Gerald Eby (foreground) as he attempted a pass. The Knights doubled the Vikings 4-2 in the 1995-96 WDBL season opener Sunday night.

Press Photo—Van Bridger

Kuhn scores winning goal, Prescott Road doubles Vikes

WINCHESTER—A three-goal second half powered the defending Winchester and District Broomball League champion Prescott Road Knights to a 4-2 victory over the Morewood Vikings here Sunday night.

The same two teams met in last spring's "A" Pool showdown and once again the Road prevailed.

Viking captain Gerald Eby put his team up 1-0 scoring from Brian Como and Steve Cooper with 4:12 left in the first half. But with 0:15 left in the stanza Dave Petersen connected from Rob Carkner and Rick Jackson to tie it up 1-1.

The Vikes grabbed a 2-1 lead at 18:52 of the second half when Brian Como drilled a relay from Eby and Lance Bowman into Bruce Morris' cage.

Just over four minutes later the Knights were back in the game when Jim Fling connected from 15 feet out (assisted by Steve Petersen and Dwayne Bazinet) to tie it up at two.

Brian Kuhn netted the winner when he blasted home a shot from the face-off circle at the 9:07 mark. Bazinet picked up the assist.

A long drive from the left side by Glen Petersen iced the decision for the Road at 7:00. Chad Benoit drew the assist on the fourth and final marker.

In another opening night game Manotick downed Newington 3-1 on a pair of goals by Lincoln Tym and a single by Don Hess. Dave Bilmer replied for the Knights.

The Winchester Raiders blanked the Toyes Hill Roadrunners 1-0 in their first match of 1995-96. Brad Pringle posted the zero and captain Darcy Last fired a Mark Levere pass against the twine at 18:15 of the first half to win it.

Ben Melenhorst just missed the shutout as his Ormond Cloverdales downed the Mountaineers 3-1. John Hendrikx and Jason Norman scored to put Ormond up 2-0 at the half. Don May cut the deficit to 2-1 but Lance Ouderkirk nailed down the win scoring Ormond's final goal with 2:01 left on the clock.

Youthful Hawks meet 73s

WINCHESTER—There is a basic theme to building a team for the 1995-96 Eastern Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League season... in the St. Lawrence Division at least.

Here in Winchester, in Kemptville and even in Morrisburg this season will bring the fans rosters constructed on youth.

Each squad has a solid core of returnees but the remainder of the lineups will be young, very young.

"I have never seen a year like this. There are so many young players. But they are good quality players," commented Hawks new head man Lindsay Selleck Monday night.

"Even the guys on the bubble are 15 years old but they are good players," he added. "We will have to live and die with what we have."

The Hawks, 73s and Lions have no choice on age requirements, the new season opens in Winchester this Friday night (Sept. 29) when Kemptville pays a visit. Sunday afternoon Winchester plays in the Lions Den in Morrisburg at 2:15 pm.

The defending St. Lawrence Division champion Hawks have six forwards and one defenceman coming back. Eric Savard, Rob Raistrick, Jeff Scobie, Jason Ross, Chad Barnhart and Ryan Nichol give Winchester two veteran lines. Overage prospect Terry O'Sullivan just recently rejoined the Hawks' camp and may be the seventh familiar face on the front line.

Overager Pat Collins is the only experienced defenceman. After the 20-year-old, the next oldest Hawks is just 18 and the coach says that bodes well for the future.

"We have four defencemen now. Collins will carry the load and settle down the young guys," Selleck explained.

His three other signees are Chris Mann (16) of Chesterville, Nick Grady (16) of Crysler and Willy Ottereyes (17) of Manotick.

"They are young but they are smart and quick," the coach explains. "Two other locals, Andrew Taillefer and Jamie Hyndman, have looked good and could be in the line up for Friday's opener. But they will split the season with us and the North Dundas Midgets."

Winchester's goaltending will also be young with Mark Kennedy at 17 being the grizzled veteran. And he hasn't even

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Sports '95

Warren Holmes cracks OHL with Oshawa club

OSHAWA—Sunday afternoon Winchester's Warren Holmes heard the announcer call his number (19) and his name as the 1995-96 edition of the Oshawa Generals was introduced to the adoring home town fans.

Imagine going from the Winchester Junior "B" Hawks to the OHL's fabled Oshawa Generals in four short months. A ninth round (148th overall) selection from the 1995 Midget player draft in the starting line up.

Warren Holmes, wearing No. 19 on his Generals' jersey, dashes out on to the ice surface in front of the cheering crowd. Not yet 17 years old (his birthday falls on Oct. 24) and on the roster of an OHL team.

"It was unreal when they called my name. We had to run out from behind the net to the blueline. I was so nervous I thought I would fall down in front of everyone," the rookie winger recounted.

"It is quite a thing to make an OHL team. It is like a dream. I still can't believe it," he added.

Warren's mother, Jeanette says playing in the OHL was always an apiration of her youngest son, "he didn't know what to expect when he went to Oshawa but said he always wanted the chance. The coach told us that he (Warren) was the biggest and nicest surprise to come out of this year's training camp."

"The coach (Stan Butler) said that I was the best surprise (of camp) and hoped I would have three good years with the Generals."

GREAT NUMBERS

With most of the veterans, such as scoring sensation Marc Savard (of Gloucester and former Metcalfe Jets forward), away at NHL training camps Holmes got plenty of ice during the exhibition season and responded.

The 6'1" winger led the Generals in scoring with four goals and five assists. His efforts included a goal and three helpers in an 11-6 loss to the Kingston Frontenacs.

He also got a taste of the heavy slugging, picking up a broken nose in a hit from behind. Not one to shy away from the action Holmes says the guy hit him so he turned around and took him on.

The dirty check resulted in a broken nose.

"I have to wear a full mask now but should have the half visor on by this weekend".

"He looked fine out there. He got lots of ice time and the time to show what he could do," explained Lester Holmes.



Warren Holmes

Warren's father added that the big step up to the OHL has made the entire family very proud and all were on hand for Sunday's home opener... a 6-3 win.

Warren reported he didn't record any points in his first game. But quickly added, "Marc Savard had six points and boy to the fans ever love him. He's a great player."

Holmes started the game on the fourth line but mid -way through period two wound up on the wing on the third unit.

"I have to play more defence and I came out of the game even (plus - minus) so that was good. I did my job."

TRADITION CONTINUES

The Oshawa Generals, picked by many to represent the OHL in the Memorial Cup, is a hockey institution steeped in tradition, something Warren Holmes is well aware of.

"I can't believe it. The stalls in the dressing room have names like Bobby Orr and Eric Lindros on them. When I think that I'm here now I think I'm dreaming."

"Coach Butler told us that playing for the Oshawa Generals in the OHL is like playing for the Montreal Canadiens in the NHL... it's a tradition."

The rookie from dairy farm country is now attending Grade 12 at Henry Street High School, where members of the Oshawa Generals receive special recognition from the rest of the student body.

"We (Generals) are treated like kings at school. Everyone knows you."

The transition from Winchester to Oshawa has been made much easier by Mike and Julie Bellbeck and their children Nick and Becky... Holmes' billets.

"They are a great family. They even drove down to Winchester to visit our farm before training camp was over. They really liked the country."

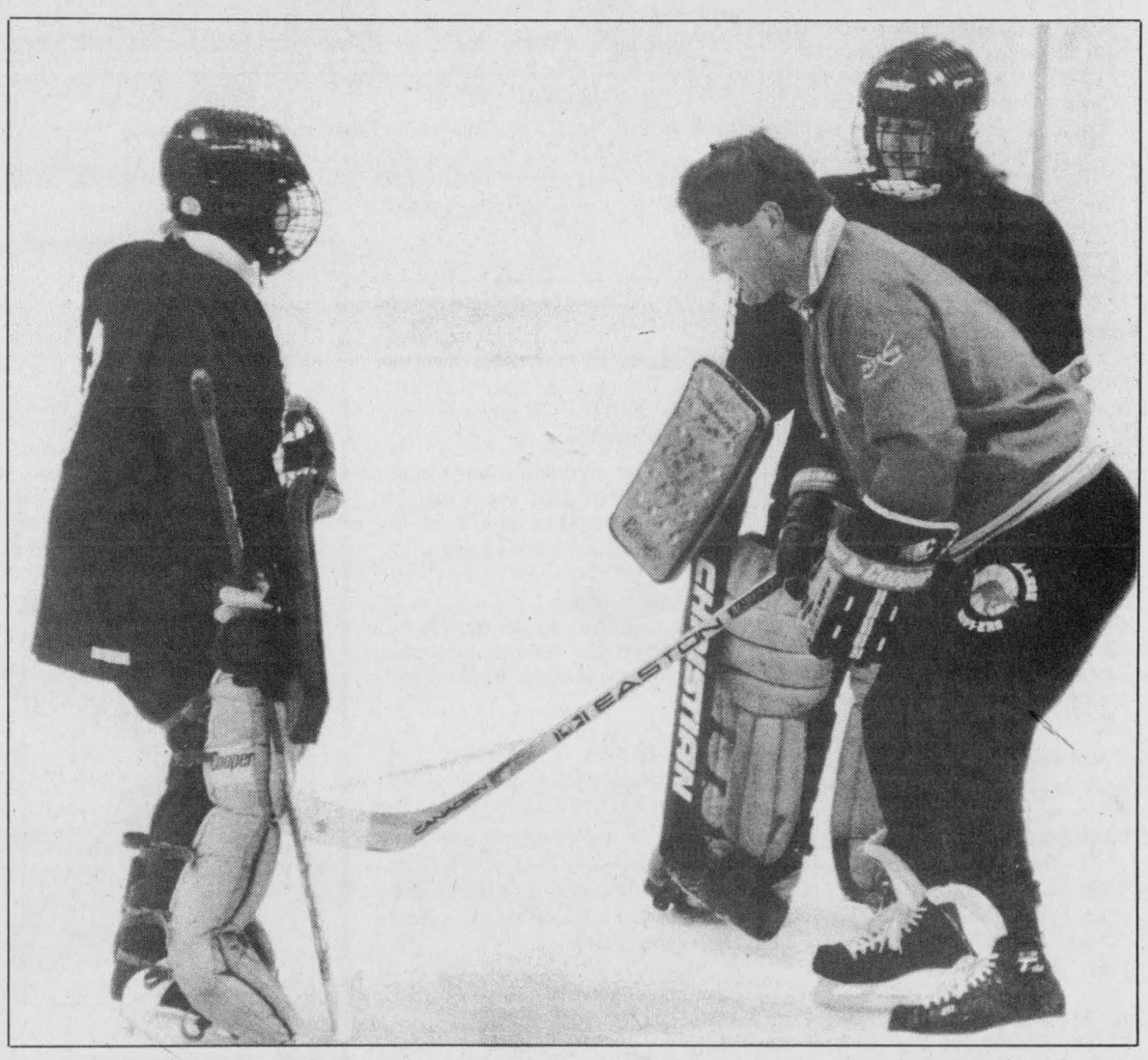
This weekend Warren Holmes will board the bus for a three-game road trip which will take the Generals to Windsor, Sarnia and Detroit.

Maybe it's just youthful exuberance or not knowing what a long bus ride will bring but Warren Holmes, says, "I can hardly wait. The trip will be great."

Warren's mother Jeanette says with her youngest in Oshawa and number two son Clinton playing in Kingston (Voyageurs) the farm house is a little too quiet these days.

"Not having the boys here kind of tugs at both the heart strings and the apron strings. But we're excited for both of them."

The Oshawa Generals will make their first trip to Ottawa to take on the 67s on Nov. 24. A great opportunity to see the former North Dundas Minor Hockey Demon, Rideau-St. Lawrence King and Winchester Hawks forward skate with the top juniors in the country.



Special instruction

First-time goalie Laurie McDiarmid received some pointers from coach Don Swerdfeger while Lori Garlough (right) took notes. The Sunday morning clinic kicked off the new Winchester and District Ladies Hockey League season.

Press Photo—Van Bridger

Registration up slightly, skaters lace up for season

WINCHESTER—Since the early 1970's hundreds of girls and boys have participated in a skating program designed for children of all ages. The beginners' school has provided a strong basis for many local hockey players (including professional player Bryan Helmer as well as McGill University star Todd Marcellus) and figure skaters alike.

The Winchester Figure Skating Club has provided such a program and again this year three levels of instruction will be offered, including Canskate, Canfigure Skate and Senior Figure Skating.

And since the '70s the organization has seen its enrollment rise to over 100 and drop to 45 (last year).

This fall 60 have joined the club and president Jeanette Holmes finds that increase, which may seem small, very encouraging.

"It's up from last year (45) and not having to pay the $100 user fee made the difference to a lot of families," Holmes explained.

"We see the younger kids coming back and we want to keep those kids skating," she added.

The president says the organization approached fundraising a little differently this fall, shying away from mandatory hand-outs at registration to concentrating on three main events - the food booth at Dairyfest, a fundraising raffle and the St. Patrick's Day Tea.

"With so many organizations (Scouts, hockey, school, Guides) also beginning their fundraising now we decided not to ask people to sell anything."

Holmes says registrations are still very much welcomed... with no late fee penalty. Just call Jeanette Holmes (774-2397), Donna McMartin (448-2665), Joan Larmour (774-3290) or Orma Casselman (774-3460).

THE PROGRAMS

The Canskate program is a "learn to skate" session which provides young skaters with a fun time while learning basic skating techniques, rhythm and balance which can be carried into hockey, more in depth figure skating or just recreational skating. The skater will learn new skills and earn badges at this level.

A second option to developing skaters is Canfigure skate. This recreational program was designed as an alternative to the Canadian Figure Skating Association (CFSA) test system. Skaters learn various aspects of figure skating (figures, dancing, free skating, stroking and precision skating) in an enjoyable learning experience which combines music, warm up exercises, instruction and warm down period.

A Senior Figure Skating program follows. Private lessons and hours of practice provide skaters with the opportunity to improve their skills and participate in the CFSA test system.

Testing is done in figures, free style and dance. If the skater is interested, coaches also support them in going to recreational events where they compete against skaters at their level.

The WFSC has professional coaches Leslie Doig- Lauzon (seventh year), Campbell Sinclair (fourth year), Tara Hickman and Jeff Levac (second year - dance partner) available to its members for the upcoming season (begins on Tues., Oct. 10).

"We are planning to make skating fun for everyone," added the president.

Canskate and Canfigure Skate are offered Tuesdays and Thursdays (6:00 to 6:50 pm and 4:30 to 7:20 pm). Seniors skate Tuesdays and Thursdays 4:30 to 7:20 pm and Saturdays 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Perth wins 3-1

Lasers knocked off by champions

MAPLE RIDGE—Hopes the Winchester Legion 108 Lasers had to make 1995 a double-title season vanished here Saturday following a 3-1 loss to Perth.

Winchester claimed the Ottawa-Carleton U-17 Division III regular season championship putting together a 10-2-2 record. They then slammed the South Nepean Rangers 15-3 in quarter-final play and moved on to Saturday's sudden-death match against Perth.

Following their 3-1 win over Winchester, Perth went on to defeat Gloucester in the championship match.

"It would have been nice to take home the double victory but some times you gotta lose," said Laser coach Gary Johnson.

Within the first 10 minutes of the contest Winchester was down 2-nil thanks to strong plays by the Perth attack and a sluggish Lasers defense.

"During the first 10 minutes we were asleep and they were up 2-0 already," the coach explained.

Winchester woke up and kept Perth at bay until late in the second when Perth dumped in the winning goal.

"We were pretty well all over them in the second half but couldn't score."

Tylor Copeland managed to sneak one past the Perth keeper but his marker came too late.

The Lasers now have to decide whether or not they are going to compete in the Under 17 Division again next season or move up.

"They've been playing together for so long they just might move up," added Johnson. "We proved the Winchester kids could compete in Ottawa and we'd like to keep them together."

Johnson also notes the season would not have been as successful as it was if it were not for the parents who brought the kids to every game and practice and cheered them on.



Pennant winners

An impressive 10-2-2 record earned the Winchester Legion Br. 108 Lasers the 1995 Ottawa Carleton U 17 Division III regular season championship. The Lasers were then eliminated in the semi-final round of the playoffs. Front, left, Gordon Dean, Shawn Francis, Mike Ennis, Tylor Copeland, Shawn Peddle, Andrea Flowers, Craig Smith, Mike Flowers. Back, left, Gary Johnson (coach), Adam Carr, Matt Dean, Brock McBain, Brian Slowey, Craig Holmes, Chris Barkley, Mike Casselman, Wes Ross. Absent: Sam Ault.

Kerfoot sends Leafs into first

METCALFE—Barry Kerfoot slapped in three goals and drew an assist here Sunday leading the McVey Insurance Leafs to a 5-2 victory over the Continental Mushroom Stars.

The decision improved the Leafs' record to 2-0-1 and left them in sole possession of first place in the three-week old Metcalfe Town Hockey League standings.

Two of Kerfoot's markers came in the opening half as the Leafs struck for a 4-1 lead. Frank Morozuk and Mike McLeary netted the other pucks while Bob Wills (2), Jim Kerfoot, Don Honey, Erin Franey, Marc Branchaud and Morozuk drew assists. Brian Kerfoot posted the win.

Moe Robinson and Ed Chiarotto replied for the winless Stars (0-3-0). Jim Bezanson and Steve Brown collected the assists.

Steve Corlyon potted a pair of goals in the first half, one on a powerplay, helping Tom's Air Cooled Flyers (1-1-1) to a 4-1 win over the previously undefeated 31 Esso Ducks (2-1-0). Dale Carson and Ray Vanbregt (into an empty net) notched the others as the Flyers won for the first time.

Phil Roberts ruined Wayne Widenmaier's shut-out bid scoring on a powerplay 6:42 before the end of the game.

In the other match the Hicks Insurance Devils (2-1-0) netted two powerplay and two short-handed goals in a 6-1 win over the Pronto Food Rangers (1-2-0).

Mike Doyle scored from Mike Brousseau on a powerplay at 20:04 of the second half and shattered Mike Preston's goose egg.

Jeff Dewan and Jim Brown each scored twice for the Devils. Jeff Quinn and Bob Martin fired in the singles.

Lancers battle Jr. Devils to standstill

INGLESIDE—After leading for most of the contest, a defensive miscue late in the match left the visiting North Dundas Devils fit to be tied.

The host Rothwell/Osnabruck Lancers were able to pull off a 1-1 tie in the SD&G Junior Boys High School Soccer League contest.

"We controlled virtually the whole game until the last bit of the second half and then had a defensive lapse and they (R/O) put it in the back of the net," explained Devils' coach Gary Johnson.

Johnson also noted his Devils were lucky to end the game with a tie.

They (R/O) had one goal disallowed so we were lucky to come away with a tie."

"We have a really strong defense anchored by Trevor Doornwaard and Adam Carr," he said.

Although North Dundas lost control of the ball late in the game, Johnson was very proud of his squad who did not lose their tempers when the Lancers started throwing punches.

"Rothwell/Osnabruck was pretty rough. A couple of punches were thrown and I was pretty impressed with their (Devils) ability to just walk away and let them deal with the yellow cards," he said.

Tylor Copeland played a perfect game in the net during the first half while Steve Hardy let one slip through his fingers in the second half.

Hawks

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played Junior "B" and only saw junior action in the preseason as a member of the Nepean Jr. "A" Raiders.

When asked about a dazzling prospect emerging from the camp Selleck says 15-year-old Miguel Lafleche a center from Crysler will get the fans on their feet.

"It should be an exciting first third of the season. We have to get the puck out of our end but we shouldn't have much difficulty scoring goals. We can skate. We can fly so I don't think teams will want to open it up against us."

Selleck figures no one team will walk away with the league, after all everyone is in the same boat with so much youth.

"I'm excited. The kids are keen. They have a fresh outlook and bring excitement to the rink and that rubs off on the coaches, manager and the fans," Selleck added.

KEMPTVILLE 73S

The Kemptville 73s will help the Hawks launch their home season coming in here for this Friday's (Sept. 29) home opener.

They too are a blend of youth and experience. But Kemptville's veterans include goalie Dom Cuglietta (over age) as well as defencemen Jeff Ricci, Mike Hutt and Brett Rodger (over age). Up front, Shawn Forbes, Mike Dube, Aaron Heath, Hamish Fraser and Jeremy Nibogie are back.

"We have five midget-aged players and three of those five are locals," 73s general manager Mike Valcour explained.

Valcour figures Kemptville will be a better team this year than last, "we you have some good midgets ready to step into the line up and a solid core of veterans. And we are fortunate to have that good nucleus."

"I think we will have plenty of speed up front and solid goaltending," Valcour added.

Valcour says 15-year-old forward Kelly Windsor of Kemptville is his pick as Kemptville's most exciting rookie.

Coach Bill Holmes returns for a third season on the bench. Assistant Derek Brannan is gone but Paul Sheard and Hal Thompson have joined the staff.

As far as predictions go, Valcour says it sounds like the Char-Lan Rebels may be the team to beat. But the Rebels have two 15-year-olds, three 16- year-olds and four 17-year-olds in their lineup.

In a couple of weeks the 73s will unveil their new team colors when they pull on Florida Panther style jerseys.

LIONS LOOK

This Sunday afternoon the Hawks fly down Highway 31 to take on the Morrisburg Lions in an afternoon contest.

On the waterfront, coach Johnny Morrow is back and so are nine of last year's squad.

Although goalie Troy Sayeau is injured (car accident) he will be back on the ice in two weeks. Until then Morrow says he will have to look to, what else, youth to hold the fort.

"We will be very young. Strong up front and young on defense and in goal. It will be a learning process for the first month. I think it will be a case of which players can mature the quickest."

Morrow still has 26 in camp and five midgets will skate for the Leos and seven of his defensive core are either 16 or 17 years-old.

Returning are Chad White, Tim Waldroff, Jeff Hyndman, Jason Fawcett, Alain Quenville, Chad Duguay, Troy Sayeau and overagers Travis Froats and Geoff Hare.

"Some of the guys who are coming back have been around for three years and are still just 18," the coach added.

"I think every year is a rebuilding year in Junior 'B'. And if you can get five guys to come back from the year before you consider yourself very lucky."

Morrow takes the Lions to Williamstown for their first action, Friday (Sept. 29) night's opening game against the Char-Lan Rebels.

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Chris Wynn, left, of the Osgoode Pypers couldn't proceed to the South End net because of a Blues' defenceman. Wynn did manage a goal as the Pypers bombed the Blues 12-3 in last Thursday's OHL contest.

Press Photo—Van Bridger

OHL sports new look

OSGOODE—Three new teams and a lot of new faces give the 1995-96 edition of the Osgoode Hockey League a decidedly new look.

As the new campaign opens color the Greely Eagles, Metcalfe Stars and Manotick Sharks... gone.

Introducing the Metcalfe Chiefs, Osgoode Snipers and Manotick Kings.

Back for another season - the defending champion Osgoode Outlaws, runner-up Osgoode Pypers and the South End Blues.

After two weeks of action the Outlaws are undefeated and lead the league with a 2-0-0 record. They opened with an impressive 6-1 win over the Pypers and followed up with a 9-2 shellacking of the Manotick Kings last Thursday.

Bill Jamieson is back between the pipes for the Outlaws who got three goals from Bob Kemp and a pair each from Mark Patterson and Dave Sheldrick in the win over the Kings. Brian Johnston picked up a goal and four helpers while Dereck Holmes and Jamie Miller replied for Manotick.

Dave Sheldrick (5-2-7) and Johnston (1-5-6) are the top two scoring Outlaws after two matches.

The Pypers, Snipers, Kings and Blues all sport 1-1-0 records leaving the new Metcalfe Chiefs squad in sixth place at 0-2-0.

The Pypers got on track, after their opening 6-1 loss to the Outlaws, by drubbing the Blues 12-3 in last Thursday's other contest.

Ken Smith popped in three goals while Kevin Downey, Tom Wardle and Tim Oshier each bagged a pair. Rick Downey and Bob Bodak each had a goal and three helpers. Mike Preston guarded the string and picked up an assist.

Jim Dumelie, Kevin Chevier and John Barrett replied for the Blues.

ALL OF THE SCORES

Sept. 12 - Outlaws 6 - Pypers 1

Sept. 14 - Manotick 9 - Metcalfe 5; South End Blues 6 - Snipers 5.

Sept. 19 - Osgoode Snipers 10 - Metcalfe Chiefs 7.

Sept. 21 - Pypers 12 - South End 3; Outlaws 9 - Manotick Kings 3.

WTHL opening night Stars meet CountryBoy

WINCHESTER—A game pitting the CountryBoy Kings against the Country Kitchen Stars tonight (Wed., Sept. 27) will kick off the 1995-96 Winchester Town Hockey League season.

The new year brings a host of player changes and much more ice time. There are just 11 skaters and a goalie for each of the four squads and those numbers prompt league president John Ralko to note that there are positions still open.

Tonight, Sept. 27, the Kings and Stars open at 8:30 while the Boyd Chrysler Ram Chargers take on the Funtastic Pools Flyers in the late game.

Next week the regular night of action returns to Tuesdays for the rest of the season. On Oct. 3 Country Kitchen Stars and and Funtastic Pools Flyers play at 7:30 pm and the second game at 8:40 puts the Boyd Rams up against the CountryBoy Kings.

TEAM ROSTERS

BOYD RAMS: Lee Taillefer, Bobby Clarke, Chris Williams, Rick Grisel, Rob Gourgon, Brett Fitzimmons, John McNaughton, Dave VanBruinessen, Jeff Williamson, Dan Emon, Bruce Morris, Neil Bartholomew.

COUNTRYBOY KINGS: Todd Findlay, Keith Moore, Mark Lindblad, Mark Guy, Tim Beach, Ken Quaile, Don Crowder, Rod Bowman, Dwayne Bazinet, Barry Fawcett, Kent Pilon, Shawn Clark.

FUNTASTIC POOLS FLYERS: Dale Williams, Scott Barkley, Mike Guy, Craig Smith, John Ralko, Darren Kelly, Bruce Angus, Eric Winter, Terry MacLellan, Rob Horton, Brad Hanes, Robert Sachs, Ray Sherrer.

COUNTRY KITCHEN STARS: Dean Williams, Darrell Shelp, John Guy, Steve Guy, Wally Vandekemp, Neil Kittle, Brad Holmes, Dwayne Fawcett, Len Depalma, Scott Wilson, George Michels, Gerry Crowder.

Jr. Broomball needs players

WINCHESTER—Anyone who missed the junior broomball registration but is still interested in trying the sport can do so on Saturday, Oct. 7.

Organizer Bill Brannen has 18 players (8 to 16 years) ready to begin play on Oct. 7 but says there is room for more.

"Kids can try broomball for a week. We have room for more. It is a good chance to try it," he said.

Officials from the Finch Junior program will be assisting Brennan with instructional clinics which will begin on Oct. 7 (5:00 pm).

The standard equipment - helmet, elbow pads, knee pads, running shoes, gloves and a broom - will be required.

Once the schedule begins participants will play 21 weekly games.

For more information call Bill Brannen at 774- 1383.

Reb tourney title to Jets

WILLIAMSTOWN—Three games, three wins for the Metcalfe Jets here on Saturday.

The defending Eastern Ontario Junior "B" Hockey League champion Jets skated to a preseason tournament championship defeating the host Char- Lan Rebels 4-1 in the title match.

Metcalfe and Char-Lan topped the round robin standings with 2-0 records and qualified for the final game. Metcalfe doubled the Athens Aeros 6-3 and knocked off the Morrisburg Lions 6-2 while the Rebels thumped the Alexandria Glens 8-1 and the Athens Aeros 7-2.

The Morrisburg Lions and Alexandria Glens finished the six-team event with 1-1 records. The Lions blanked South Grenville 2-0 and lost 6-2 to Metcalfe. The Glens tripped the Rangers 6-4 and were beaten 8-1 by the Rebels.

Both the Athens Aeros and South Grenville Rangers of the Rideau Division were winless in two tries.

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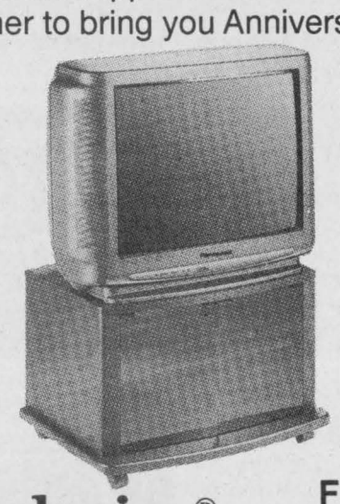

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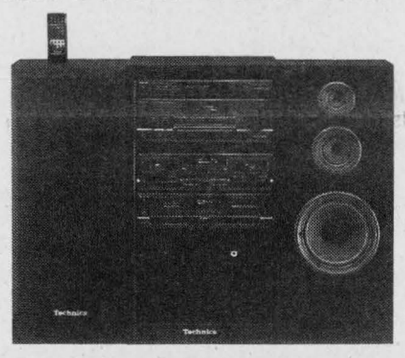

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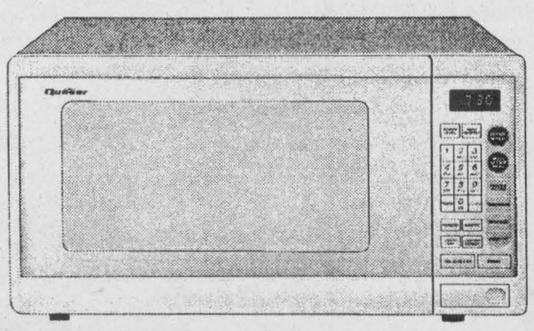

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Ray Godard named OFSC top executive

MOUNTAIN—Ray Godard has been in business here in Mountain (Godard Motors) for 10 years. He has been an avid (emaphsis on avid) snowmobiler for even longer. A dozen years to be exact.

In those 12 years he has seen the sport ride the roller coaster of bad winters and bad economic conditions to the brink of extinction.

But snowmobiling is on the rebound and Ray Godard has been one of its staunchest supporters.

Earlier this month he was recognized for his dedication to the sport when he was named the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs' 1995 Executive Award winner.

"It is an honor to receive an award like this. My peers felt I deserved it. Although it is an individual award it is not possible to earn such distinction without everyone's help."

Godard, a longstanding member of the Kemptville Snowmobile Club, figures it was the leg work done helping form the Nation Valley Snowmobile Association - of which he is president, being an instructor and a member of the Seaway Valley Tourism Association Board which all factored into his winning the prestigious award.

"I joined the tourism board to promote snowmobiling. And it was a big undertaking by all of the volunteers to get the Nation Valley Association going. But we had to do that. Our trail grooming equipment was old (17 years) and too expensive for any one club to purchase. Together as a group we made it happen," he reported.

Facing year two with an expanded trail system and a state-of-the-art groomer with which to maintain that network, Godard and his Nation Valley crew say things are looking good.

"Like any new organization we are still going to have bumps and grinds but we believe in organized snowmobiling and we are going to work toward that end."

Godard reported that last year the association groomed for seven weeks, three in extremely poor conditions but budget projections (fundraising) say they can put another new groomer on the snow next winter.

"We are sustained by trail permit sales. That is our main money source. Last year we sold 477 (permits). We had projected 422 and finished 55 over which was excellent."

Godard thinks that permit sales will hit the 400 mark by the first of December. The association is projecting a 425 total.

"Everyone is confident we will meet our budget commitments... everyone is positive."

Ever the promoter, Godard pointed out that in the northern and central parts of Ontario snowmobiling and its spin-offs pump millions of dollars into the economy.

"It's a little tougher here in Eastern Ontario. We don't have the trailside lodges and long- established support centers but we have local motels, hotels and bed and breakfast establishments that can benefit from the snowmobiler, who also needs gas, oil and repairs. It all means dollars for the local economy."

Deflecting attention from his award Godard mentioned with pride that Eastern Ontario was well represented at the recent convention in Mississauga (which attracted over 700).

"Osgoode-Carleton received a Community Service Award. Tom's Air Cooled Engines in Vernon was named Snowmobile Dealer of the Year and earlier Bruce Robinson of Kemptville received the Canadian Snowmobiler of The Year award at the International Snowmobile Congress (held in Cedar Rapids Iowa). I guess that says snowmobiling is alive in Eastern Ontario."

Godard wanted to mention some events appearing on the calender including the Mountain Trail Blazers grass drags in South Mountain on Sunday Oct. 29 and the Bring On The Snow Dance Nov. 25 in Dixons Corners an evening featuring the announcement of the fundraising draw winners.

The lack of snow this winter could certainly discourage snowmobilers but Godard says they don't need to see any before December... after that, "let it snow."



Mountain businessman Ray Godard recently received the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs' 1995 Executive Award.
Press Photo—Van Bridger

Dogs open with Aces

CHESTERVILLE—The puck drops on the 1995-96 Chesterville Town Hockey league season tonight (Wed., Sept. 27) when the Black Aces take on the Red Dogs in a 7:00 pm tilt.

At 8:10 the White Knights will skate against Team Green. Action will continue each Wednesday throughout the remainder of the campaign.

NEW LINEUPS

BLACK ACES: Goalie Craig Smith, John Guy, Pete VanKessel, Ray Sherrer, Kent Young, Will O'-Connor, Mark Chayer, Kevin Williams, Jason Ouellette, Jeff Moore, John Tessier, Dave Van Bruinessen, Mark Smith.

RED DOGS: Goalie Jeff Whittaker, Pat Kelly, Scott Barkley, Chris Van Bridger, John Luimes, Brad Cotnam, Sean O'Connor, Rod Casselman, Aron Sherrer, Kris Young, Mike Gruich, Gary Klein- Sworming.

WHITE KNIGHTS: Goalie Jim Hume, Kevin Henry, Chris Williams, Don Imrie, Jeff Holmes, Gary Geertsma, Darrin Kelly, Rick Nelson, Denis Charlebois, Pete Schoones, Troy Helmer, Greg Kelly.

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Award tourney finishes season

WILLIAMSBURG—McMillan, Munro and Roles were the names atop the leader board when the final numbers were tabulated following the 1995 Cedar Glen Awards Tournament.

Gary McMillan of Williamsburg fired a 78 to claim the the "A" class low gross. Winchester's Lea Anne Munro carded an 86 and topped the ladies' division and Boucks Hill junior Derek Roles emerged with a winning score of 90.

The day's low net scores in the "A" flight were Wayde Roles with a 69, Eunice Munro with a 74 and Jane Locke with a 58.

Gross score winners included Gary Burns (80) and Lydia Beckstead in "B" class; Paul Lacombe (92) and Laura Ryan (114) in "C" and Bud Craik (103) and Doris Mills (122) in the "D' division.

The events' low net winners were Phil Lockett (67) and Sharon Whitteker (70) in "B" class; George Michels (70) and Sharon Stanard (75) in "C" class as well as Jim Casselman (67) and Susan Michels (80 BH) in "D".

Weather permitting, Cedar Glen's fall classic series will run from Sept. 30 on.

'AA' Pee Wee Kings win

GLOUCESTER—Brett Brady netted a pair of goals leading the Rideau St. Lawrence Minor Pee Wee "AA" Kings to a 5-2 win over the home town Rangers here Sunday night.

Shawn Smail, Bobby Arcand and Paul DeDekker came through with the singles. Chris Leeder (2), Josh Patterson (2), Dean Byvelds, Shawn Smail, Derek Wilson, Paul DeDekker and Mark Cross all earned assists.

This week the Kings take on the Ottawa West Golden Knights and Seaway Valley Rapids in ODMHA action.

This Sunday afternoon (Oct. 1) in Winchester the Kings will host the Syracuse Stars in an exhibition game at 4:00 pm.

In Major Pee Wee action the Kings skated to a 4-3 win over the Gatineau Ambassadors. Matt Collins, Josh Graveline, A.J. Howe and Cory Arcand (winning goal) scored for the Kings.

Clobridge leads Devils

SYDENHAM—Lauren Clobridge led a field of 16 to the finish line here last Friday. The North Dundas District High School competitor clocked a winning time of 14:06 over a rugged 3.3 km course.

Clobridge's win in the Senior division was one of four top three finishes the Devils' Cross Country team turned in during the invitational meet.

"We had several good results," noted Devils' coach Andrea McDonell, "in spite of the course and the pouring rain."

McDonell explained the event was run through very challenging wilderness conditions which provided the athletes with a true test of their endurance.

In addition to the gold medal earned by Lauren Clobridge the Devils picked up two individual silvers as well as a team silver medal.

Rhonda Sherrer was second among 34 Midget runners finishing in 11:51 in the 2.6 km event.

Tim VanGilst also struck silver. He took on a field of 52 and clocked a second place time of 13:27 over 3.3 km. Van Gilst combined with John DeJong (13th in 14:02); Dan VanGilst (15th in 14:07) and Chirs VanKoppen (23rd in 15:03) and earned a silver medal as the second-best team in the Midget division.

The other Midget results included a 28th for Julie Robinson (18:04) along with a 25th for Andrew VanGilst (15:05) and a 36th for Gideon Naef (16:26).

Dan Schuler was 11th (20:17) and Stewart Hoftyzer 13th (22:23) over 4.7 km in a field of 37 Junior runners. Rhian Bowen was 20th (18:10) in the Junior Girls' 3.3 km run.

Pidgeon Island victorious

RIVERSIDE HEIGHTS—The 1995 season marked the introduction of the South Dundas Industrial Fastball League/John Denneny Fastball League (Cornwall) showdown series.

It also is the year the South Dundas champion Pidgeon Island A's earned two championships.

With a win over the Williamsburg Pump in their back pockets the Athletics took on and swept the Laframboise Mechanics for the overall championship.

The A's won the opener 7-2 and the second game 4-1 before securing the title with a forfeit in game three.

McMillan wins season finale

WILLIAMSBURG—Gary McMillan fired a two-shot win over Kirk Barkley as Cedar Glen Golf Course wrote finis to the 1995 Men's Night season.

McMillan shot a winning 37 and Barkley came up with a 39 gross score. The "A" class net winner was Wayde Roles (33.5) who came in ahead of Don McMillan (34.5 BH).

Pete Brown took the "B" flight gross prize with his 41. Darrell "Stu" Shelp was one back at 42. Bruce Feer shot a low net 33.5 and Don Beckstead a second-place 34.5.

The low gross score in "C" was turned in by Wayne Hammell (40 BH) while Wally Jennings finished two back at 42. Gord McMillan's net 29.5 was best net. Graham Little was second best with a 35.

Bud Craik (49) edged Mac MacGregor (52) in the "D" class gross battle. Dave Sloan (34) and Jamie Whitteker (35.5) turned in the top net numbers.

Wayde Roles doubled his prizes winning the longest drive event. Bob Harper was closest to the pin on No. 11 and Gary McMillan on No. 14.

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Legion eliminates Ravens in five games

WINCHESTER—They hadn't won a single regular season game and went down two straight in the semi-final round so the Winchester Ravens weren't given much chance of winning the 1995 Winchester Lob Ball League's "B" Pool championship.

Well, they didn't win the title but the Ravens gained some satisfaction pushing their best-of- five series to the limit.

Down two games to nothing the Ravens won game three in a driving rain by a single run (20-19).

Last Wednesday they rang up win number two of the year knocking off the Legion 108 Royals 11-4 in game four. That victory turned the evening into a doubleheader forcing the teams back on to the field for a fifth and deciding game.

But that's when the bubble burst. With just an eight-man lineup the Ravens crashed. The Royals recovered from their two-game losing skid to post a 14-5 victory and win the "B" Pool championship three games to two.

Ron Morrow pitched the 14-5 win and highlighted a six-run sixth inning with a homerun. Morrow, Dave Wright, John Marquette, Mark Patterson, John Archer and Claire Kinlin all touched home to lock up the win.

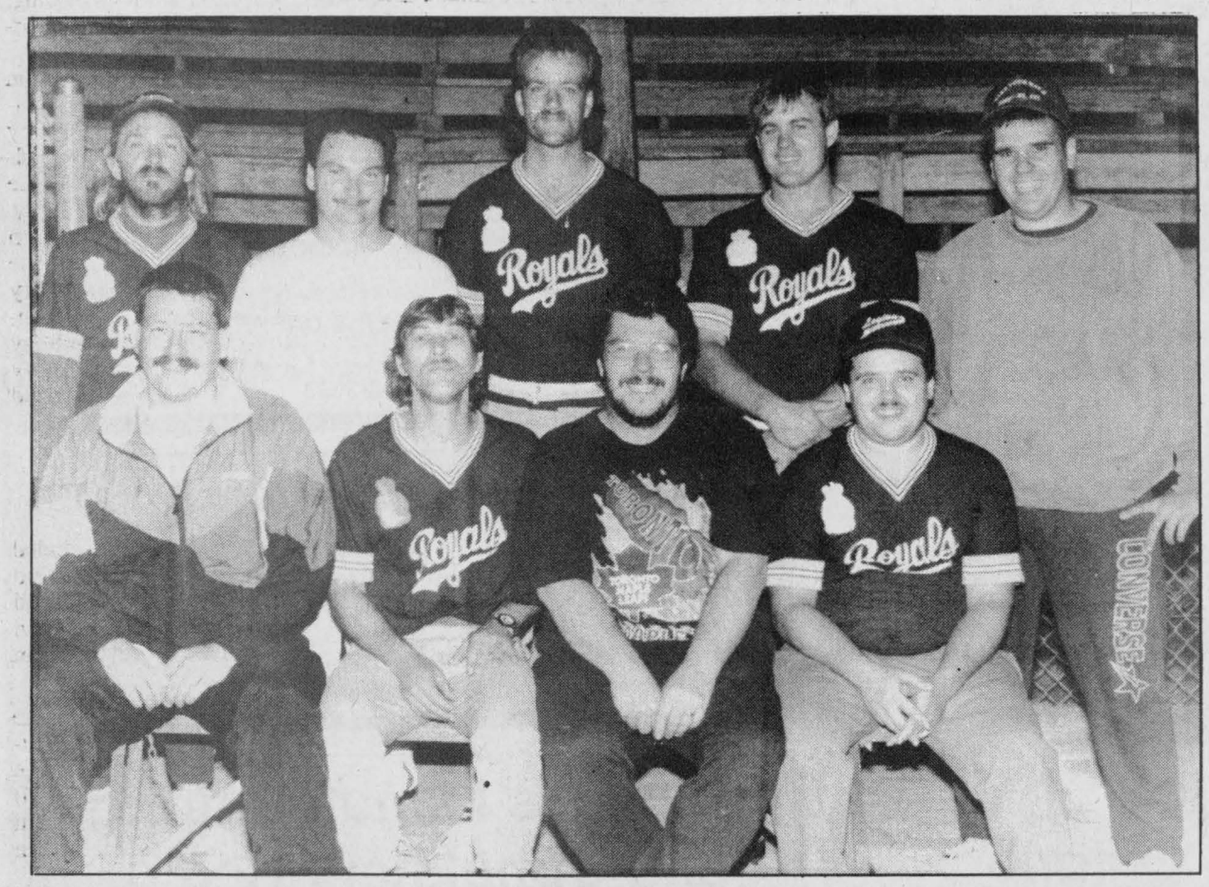
Kinlin, Archer and Marquette all scored three times in the final game. Mark Patterson and Dave Wright each supplied a pair and Morrow one run.

Paul Allen had two of the Ravens' runs while John Stewart, Bill Roffey and Chris Ellis added the others.

RAVENS WIN

John Stewart (3), Chris Ellis (3), Paul Allen (2), Doug Carruthers (2) and Amie Savard supplied the offense as the Ravens ran up an 11-4 win in the first half of the twin bill (game four).

John Marquette belted a homer in a losing cause. Andre Beaulne, Dave Hendsbee and Mike Rossignol supplied the others.



Winchester's 1995 "B" Pool Lob Ball League championship took five games to decide. The Legion 108 Royals came out on top by beating the Winchester Ravens. Front, left, Dave Wright, Andre Beaulne, Dave Hendsbee, Mike Rossignol. Back, left, Ron Morrow, John Archer, Mark Patterson, John Marquette, Claire Kinlin. Missing Tom Roberts, Phil Barton.

Bootleggers claim tournament booty

RIVERSIDE HEIGHTS—It came down to a three team round-robin playoff to decide the winner and when the final strike had been called the Mountain Bootleggers, 1995 Winchester Lob Ball League champions, stepped forward and accepted the $500 first prize in the nine team slow pitch tournament.

Mountain defeated Nick's Sports Bar 8-3 in the deciding game and a three-run sixth inning proved to be the key to the championship win. Craig Belanger, Reg Wylie and Shawn Lacurci supplied the runs in that frame.

Runs by Trevor Heuvel (2), Brett Richardson, Doug Beckstead, Garson Whitford, Shawn Lacurci, Craig Belanger and Reg Wylie figured in the Bootleggers' final total.

Both Nick's and the Bootleggers finished the opening round undefeated. With the 8-3 win over Nick's on their record the Leggers were crowned tourney champs. Nick's picked up $250 and Parkers $150.

In the first game of the round-robin Nick's edged Parkers 10-7. The Bootleggers then dealt Parkers an 8-7 decision to set up the final match against Nick's.

Mountain scored twice in the seventh inning to steal the 8-7 win from Parkers as Reg Wylie and Darrin Coleman crossed the plate.

Sam Gibson went three for three hitting two "dingers" and a triple for the Leggers. Brett Richardson, Tony Francis, Reg Wylie and Todd Halpenny (homer) supplied the other runs.

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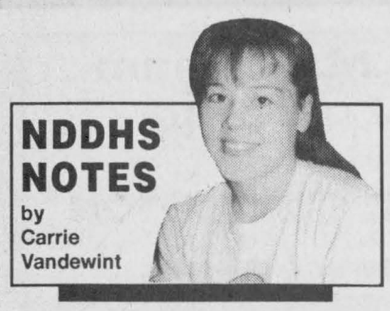


NDDHS NOTES
by Carrie Vandewint

Real purpose

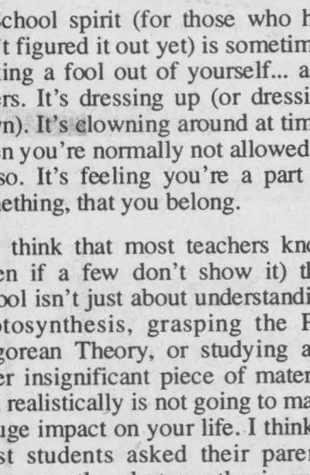
So what if you're not good in school? So what if you think calculus is a foreign language? So what if you can't tell a verb from a noun? Life goes on. But if you've learned anything at all from your high school experience, I hope that you've learned about the value of school spirit. Granted, it won't necessarily get you a job, but it will make your time here more enjoyable.

School spirit (for those who haven't figured it out yet) is sometimes making a fool out of yourself... and others. It's dressing up (or dressing down). It's clowning around at times when you're normally not allowed to do so. It's feeling you're a part of something, that you belong.

I think that most teachers know (even if a few don't show it) that school isn't just about understanding photosynthesis, grasping the Pythagorean Theory, or studying any other insignificant piece of material that realistically is not going to make a huge impact on your life. I think if most students asked their parents what exactly photosynthesis was, they'd be lucky if they got an answer that didn't have something to do with a camera.

School is about life. It's the first step we take from our family circle. Here is where we learn how to learn. But more importantly, here is where we come to apply ourselves and to get involved. Everyone has something to contribute that is special and unique.

So when we have a pyjama day, color day, pep rally, or tug-of-war... remember last week??... *all* students should come out and participate. Don't be afraid to be different. You can't just sit in a corner and complain that you aren't have a good time. Fun does not come to you; you have to bring fun to all the things that you do.



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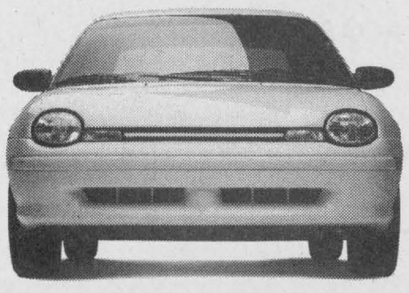

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