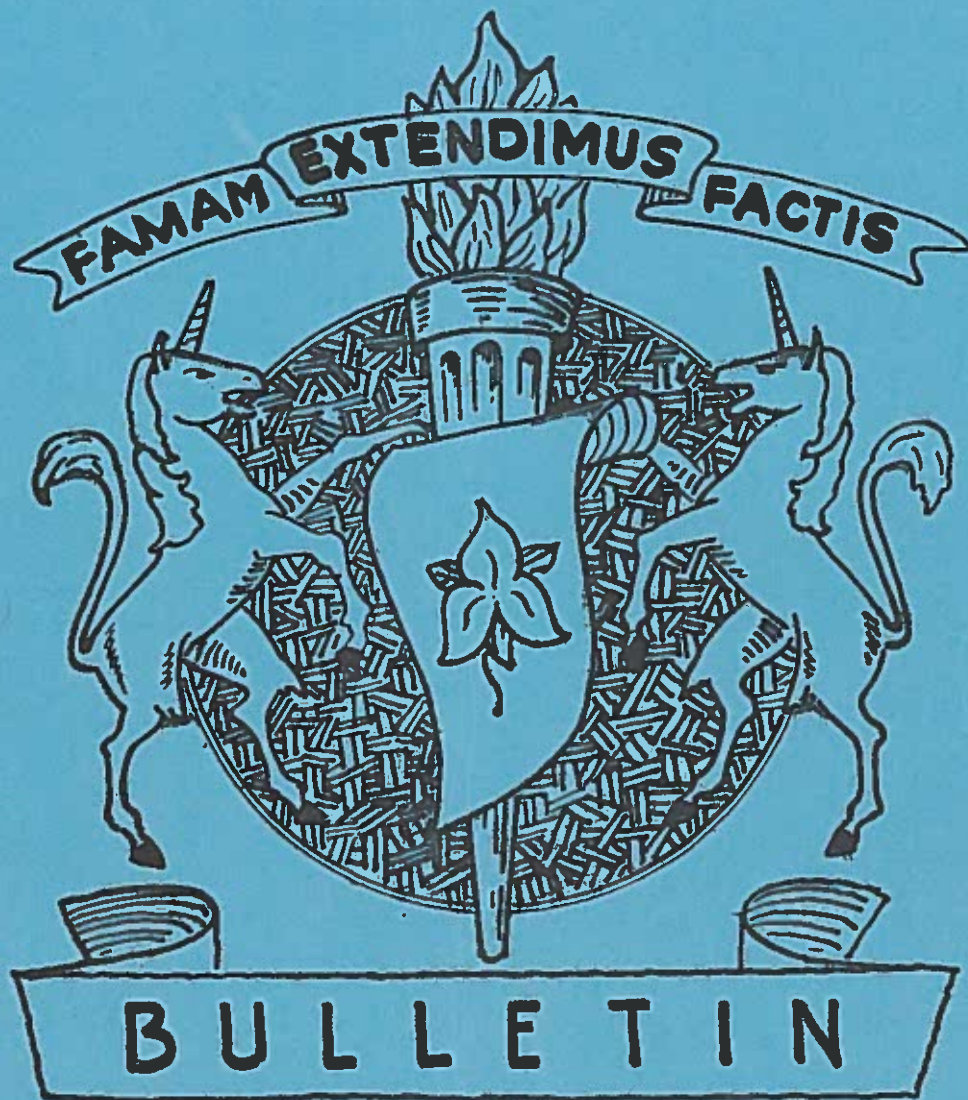


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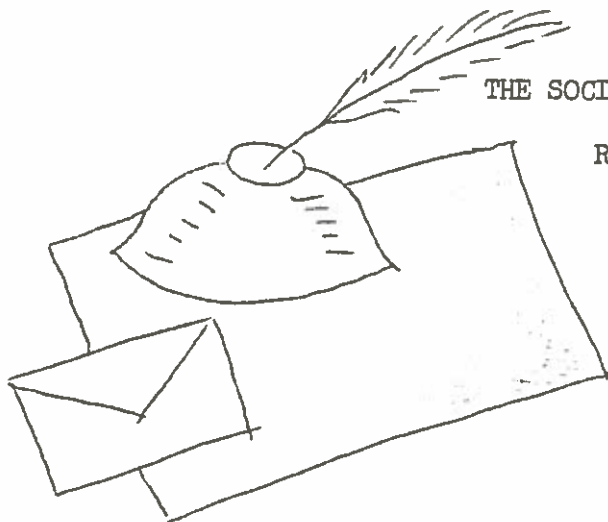
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" B U L L E T I N "

V.M. Werner, Editor

March 1963

A hearty vote of thanks to the following area groups for appointing Bulletin Correspondents:

East Central Ontario	- Murray Walker, Peterborough
Southwestern Zone	- Clair Fowler, Chatham
Professional Recreation Guild	- Jerry Love, Township of Toronto
Recreation Directors Association of West Central Ontario	- Bob Sones, Fergus.

and a sincere thank you, fellow reporters, for all the newsy items forwarded for this edition.

A fine article "The Race For Open Space" was submitted by Dick Watts. Thank you Dick. Since this Bulletin is centred on the theme of Special Events, and we are so entirely dependent on our recreation areas in programming, it seemed very appropriate to feature it as our guest editorial.

Having a background of Irish descent, I found it rather perplexing to receive some reports in French from our Montreal associates. We are especially pleased to have their reports however, and hope they will bear with us in our amateur translations and continue to keep us posted.

You will no doubt have noticed that the printing of this Bulletin is of a much better calibre than our last edition. A sincere thank you to Dusty Millar for use of his typewriter and gestetner and his cheerful assistance as we literally took over a good part of his office space.

On behalf of the Bulletin Committee, I would like to extend Easter Greetings to all and a wish for a happy and inspirational holiday.



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A President is not in office long before one of the fundamental dynamics of our Society becomes extremely apparent - our hard working Committees.

Their dedication, creative thinking and sheer industry will never cease amazing me. In my short term of office I have had to make some demanding requests of the Chairman of these Committees. Their cooperation had been complete and amazingly prompt.

The other fact that one cannot fail to be impressed with is that these people are working not for themselves but for the Society as a whole.

I do not know what dedication means to other people but to me it certainly means Society Committees.

This may be nothing new, other Presidents may have had the same experience. On behalf of all members I felt it my duty to thank all of our Committee members on your behalf.

Sam Jacks

President

S.D.M.R.O.



GUEST EDITORIAL

The Race For Open Space

An Address to the Ontario Parks Association 1962.

Waterloo University 24th August 1962.

(Supplied by NORMAN PEARSON -
Delivered by DAVE HAMILTON)

It seems odd that in a land so vast as Canada, we should be engaged in a race for open space. As we look at the pastures around our cities it hardly seems possible that we are on the verge of serious problems which, within our lifetime, may destroy many of the results of our materially successful civilization. - But our people are, and will be from now on, City Dwellers. Our cities have with rare exceptions not planned their growth or preserved enough open space. For a decade we have in many cities been living on the reserves of open space laid down by our forbears. Though we know how many horses and cars and washing machines there are in our cities, we do not have really good information on the open space that is needed, and not much on the amount of parkland that does exist. Fascinated by low density development, we have often assumed that people with gardens do not need parks; forgetting that in time outer suburbs become inner suburbs, and what has not been provided for parkland is almost impossible to acquire than, except by redevelopment. Because it cost money and invades stopping somebody's sacred right to develop, we have let priceless natural features disappear into indifferent development, and settled for cheap land in the wrong place: so that what often confronts the urban apartment dweller or the mother pushing a baby-carriage when they look for a park is either the usual jungle of asphalt and poles and wire that makes up much of our cities, or else a bald greenish brown square with no shade and no amenity.

This is all the more odd because most of our cities are in magnificent physical locations. Our regional landscapes are strong and distinctive; and most of our cities had in their original plans, quite sensible and adequate open space plans. The Colonial towns, planned in London or laid out by some strong administrator, even included provision for greenbelts; a concept that was not realized except in Ottawa and then only by buying back after 160 years, what had originally belonged to the people anyway. But as in so many areas, we first of all ignored the plans, and then we let the railways and the industries gobble up the river valleys and the lake fronts. Then we set about polluting the rivers and lately we have been very busy handing over the remaining valleys and ravines and lake fronts to the Motor-Car. It now seems that parks are places where apartment builders can steal light, air and greenery to their own advantage; or unusable green blobs in redevelopment schemes, probably put in because the

designers thought they would look nice from the aeroplane; or beautifully untouched and in accessible pieces of lake-and-woods country miles away from the metropolis. Mostly our parkland has been provided on a "do-it-yourself" basis: and since there aren't enough lakes to go around, every time we open a lake front park it gets crowded and worn out in a few seasons, - this, of course, proves that city dwellers are (as we had suspected) a bunch of uncouth characters who don't value greenery when they see it, and litter the place with picnic trash and popcorn boxes. If it has'nt been proved on that basis, it has been established on the principle that combined school and park sites will let us cut down on the school site and save us four mills on the tax rate, because we can always find a way to use the parkland later on. Separate schools not being in that favoured position, simply build all over their schoolyard and get blamed for lack of foresight. Another useful idea has been that the park is a piece of land which a subdivider can't use: so we end up with the steepest ravines, the floodable land, and the little piece left over because the by-laws wouldn't let anybody cram a house on to that site, or because we might need it later for a fire station, an electricity sub-station or a place to store sand and gravel in the winter.

Some cities have had their carefully accumulated open space battered by expressway programmes, and in the race to get new space, have found that there is a grand new business: selling space in parks. People who went out and bought a place in the backwoods to store lumber or construction equipment suddenly found that if they created a pond and provided picnic tables there was a better return than if they subdivided: so recreation has now become a very lucrative enterprise. Conservation authorities are constantly under pressure to expend the parkland aspects of their projects to the point where the experts can't conserve anything because of the holidaymaker.

Others have even found that because little bits of open space are difficult to look after, any big ones look good in brochures about progress and prosperity there is a certain mileage in selling off parks. So immigrant area where nobody can vote yet lose their corner park, or the air rights are sold for an office building or a car park; while an equivalent area is provided in beautifully maintained but quite inaccessible green areas alongside expressways. This seems to be based on the proposition that greenery is meant to be looked at, not used, and that the only purpose for a park is to provide a setting for public nuisances. The next step is to adopt the pathological attitude that trees bring dirt and disease and are infested with birds.

We are now beginning to swing away from such attitude: but it will take much more effective planning to ensure an adequate open space area for our urban population. We are nowhere near having the international standard of 10 acres per thousand within urban area; our performance in providing provincial parks in Ontario is excellent and impressive; but they are not really in the right places to be an answer to the

metropolitan problem (that is not an invitation to open our Provincial Parks to mining) we actually need BOTH the outlying Provincial Park, which is preserving a typical landscape or a wilderness feature, and catering to the longer holiday - AND the close-in regional metropolitan park. In this latter field our performance is very poor except in one or two places: we are losing the race for open space.

We are losing to housing, shopping centres, institution, air-fields, expressways, railyards and industry. We are losing because our cities are not required by statute to provide a decent level of parkland and because there's no action by higher levels of government to either make cities able to control their natural area or to solve the problem by providing suburban parkland. We are losing because we do not plan air cities and stick to those plans. At the moment we are struggling with a backlog, and we have been saved by the chunks of open space gained in the years when growth was slower, but when the children now at school seek houses and parks in a few years they may well be cheated by our greed and lack of foresight out of the real benefits of civilized urban life.

We must now think and plan in regional terms to solve this problem. We must spend more money: if we can "waste" money on projects like the "Arrow" fighter we can "waste" some money on land for parks: for that remains when the scrap aluminum has been sold off. It is a mad economy that can not make a massive investment in parkland and in human health and enjoyment, but can fill everyone's house with gadgets and the warehouses with goods. Our problems are not those of a small-town gaming society: they are the problems of an urban people living in a few great cities where adequate parkland is an essential, not a luxury.

Civic design is a LOST ART in Canada. We must be the generation that rediscovers it, that makes an urban order out of the chaos of sprawl and the challenge of the regional city. Our problem is to give our cities some form and some shape. Green space is the lungs of the city and the rest manifestation of civic pride. Until our architecture recovers its capacity to create cities for people, greenery is even more important.

Our cities get their form from roads, railways, and the pattern of services and land use. For our keener cities parkland should be seen as a system: so that if we printed its pattern on a map by itself, it would show what manner of city we had built. For our great conurbation, where cities grow together and overrun their boundaries, we urgently need a pattern of regional parklands which will protect and preserve lake shoreline, river valleys and ravines and provide greenbelts to define the urban form. It should be possible even in the "Golden Horseshoe" to go to the edge of the city and see untouched countryside or a belt of regional parks. The Golden Horseshoe should be a constellation of cities in a green setting rather than a massive urban sprawl. I will be told that this is impossible: it is possible, but it may not be done. If it is done, we stand a fair chance of winning the race for open space; if it is not done, we will pay for it later in redevelopment schemes, but in the meantime a generation or two may never know what it is to have adequate parkland.

Our cities need more trees; they need parks in their old central areas; they need greenbelts to define limits so that people do not need to drive for a day to escape; they need wedges of green space penetrating the sectors of the city, and they need a great network of footpaths to let the pedestrians enjoy the system of open space. This means a good survey of need and of existing parkland in all our cities; it means incorporating the needs for local city, suburban, and regional parks into understandable systems; these must be put into enforced statutory plans as essential parts of city and regional planning; so that such concepts as the "Bruce Trail" linking the great city and the varied landscapes and the dramatic natural features such as the Niagara Escarpment, become part of a pattern of open space and outdoor living. Why should we not have a chain of parkland, footpaths and recreational opportunities all along the Grand River?

This challenge arises to our generation because we do not have the legacy of feudal estates, old fortifications, obsolete hunting parks, and common land; because we have not had the parades of pompous tyrants; and we have not had the converted military training fields; our industrialists have never had massive guilt about their debt to the environment as the industrialists had in Manchester or Birmingham or Essen. We have never had a real accumulation of open space: it has always been difficult to get more open space than we needed. But what might seem luxury has become necessity; for health, for civilized life, perhaps even for sanity and completely artificial environment.

It is easy to deny the need by pointing to the low-density suburbs; but people can only get the habit of going to parks if parks exist: if there is no park nearby and if the parks which do exist are bald and dull and sun-baked, small wonder that we turn to beer and television and grow fat and lazy. We should perhaps change our whole view of what a park might be. There must be, near groups of houses, safe places where mothers and small children may easily walk and play: they need not be large and they could be alongside nursery schools. Our school sites and park areas for neighbourhoods should be planned so that the population can get more use and enjoyment out of the combination. They should be well-treed and be a real focus for the neighbourhood, even if a much larger area is needed to give adequate space for games as well as quiet recreation. Then the major parks in the city should link with footpaths the different communities, and by separating them physically, give them an identity. Some may be very formal, and others simply an escape; and the footpath should lead to the botanical gardens and the zoos and the conservation places; and again to the greenbelt and the regional park.

But most of all, next to the ample provision of green space, we need in our major cities places which are truly urban parks and entertainment centres. Why is it not possible to create in our cities something like Copenhagen's Tivoli Gardens? Is it a sin to collect together in one place all the family pleasures and delights and encourage people to flock there and enjoy them? to take a glass of wine, to dance, or see the theatre,

listen to music, watch a circus, enjoy a waterfront, or all the thousand and one things that the old pleasure gardens like Vauxhall and Ranelagh provided in the English tradition?

We can and must provide the widest range for outdoor-living, from the peaceful contemplation of the wilderness to the varied entertainments of a Tivoli. If a city-living people cannot do this, they are slaves, they are something that merely exists like a vegetable. That is the challenge of the race for open space, to enable our citizens to live, and live ABUNDANTLY.

NORMAN PEARSON

TAPESTRY OF MY LIFE

I wonder what the other side will be when I have finished weaving all my thread. I do not know the pattern nor the end of this great piece of work which is for me. I only know that I must weave with care the colors that are given me, day by day, and make of them a fabric firm and true, which will be of service for my fellow man.

Sometimes those colors are so dark and gray I doubt if there will be one line or trace of beauty there. But all at once there comes a thread of gold or rose so deep that there will always be that one bright spot to cherish or to keep and maybe against its ground of darker hue it will be beautiful!

The warp is held in place by the Master's hand. The Master's mind made the design for me; if I but weave the shuttle to-and-fro and blend the colors just the best I know, perhaps when it is finished, He will say, "'Tis good," and lay it on the footstool of His feet.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

A Public Relations Workbook is being distributed by mail to S.D.M.R.O. members. The P.R. Committee having completed this commendable job have included the following letter with the workbooks. Your suggestions would be welcomed by the Public Relations Committee.

Dear S. D. M. R. O. Member:

The Public Relations Committee of the S.D.M.R.O. is aware of an immediate need within the Society for understanding and implementation of good publicity and public relations procedures.

The "Public Relations Workbook" is intended as a basic resource for recreation personnel. We trust that it will help members personally in promoting their own role within the community, and also that of the Society. From time to time, further papers and information related to this subject will be mailed to be added to your Workbook.

THE COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU WITH SUGGESTIONS, ADDITIONAL RESOURCE MATERIALS AND CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM. The Workbook is to assist you and only through co-operation and communication regarding what is helpful, can this medium be beneficial.

A list of the members of the Public Relations Committee is included at the end of this letter. We would welcome your comments and suggestions.

Yours sincerely,

Eleanor S. Blake,
Public Relations Committee Chairman.

Committee Members

Mrs. Shirley (Clouse) Hall,
Recreation and Parks Department,
Municipal Building,
Etobicoke, Ontario.

Mr. Dave Smith,
Director of Recreation,
Brampton, Ontario.

Mr. J. Casburn,
Director of Recreation,
Acton, Ontario.

At the annual Athletic Night of the School of Physical & Health Education Alumni Association at the University of Toronto last Friday, February 15th, the Society had a display.

Many of the people at the Athletic Night were high school students and Bill Hare, Eleanor Flake and Stan Labanowich found some of them rather interested in the field.

NOTICE: TO ALL S.D.M.R.O. MEMBERS

SUBJECT: MEMBERSHIP STATUS CHANGE

SUGGESTION - REQUEST:

Please notify the Registrar and Membership Chairman when your membership category is due to change. Although this applies in all categories it will particularly occur on numerous occasions for Qualifying members.

Reasons: Course completion, increased experience, change of employment.

(An attempt will be made by the Registrar and Membership Chairman to watch for changes, but it is impossible to know the full status of all members at all times without their personal notification)

When a member becomes qualified to receive particular "Membership Certificate" these will be presented at the next Annual Meeting.

NOTE: A number of members were presented with either incorrectly prepared or blank certificates at the last Annual Meeting. To correct this we are asking all those so affected to contact the Registrar at once. Please indicate the category of membership, the "Registration Number" (if this was filled in) and your full name - as you would wish it to appear on the certificate. We will issue new certificates as quickly as possible.

L. Branch,
Membership Chairman,
Victoria Park Pavilion,
Kitchener, Ontario.

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S.D.M.R.O. LIFE GUARD TRAINING
COMMITTEE

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The Editor, Bulletin - S.D.M.R.O.

The importance of high standards for Life Guards through competent training, has been promoted with verve over these past five years by the Society of Directors of Municipal Recreation of Ontario and satellite Directors of Recreation Associations in this province. The onus and responsibility now lies with the Municipality or Agency who hire Life Guards to prevent and protect the public from water accidents.

The life-guard Training Committee of S.D.M.R.O. has been able to co-ordinate and work in co-operation with the major agencies who are responsible for Life Saving and Water Safety in Canada, namely, the Royal Life Saving Society, the Canadian Red Cross Society and the Y.M.C.A., to provide a minimum Life Guard Training Programme. Now, having been accepted in principle by all four National Societies, this Life Guard Training Programme is the National standard for training Life Guards in Canada.

What are the results?

First - any Municipality, area or agency may present a Life Guard Training Programme if they have leaders who have been indoctrinated regarding the course and are approved by the Royal Life Saving Society - Canada.

Second - a course includes both lecture sessions and pool, and takes approximately 32 hours.

Third - once approved, you will be supplied with the necessary forms, Course Outline, Conditions of Examination and Reference Manual. A Life Guard Manual will be ready in September 1963.

Fourth - Two Life Guard Examiners will be supplied to each course by R.L.S.S. Certification will be made to each successful candidate.

Fifth - Conditions of Examination require candidates to hold the following pre-requisites.

1. Candidates must be 17 years of age.
2. Candidates must hold -
 - (1) The Bronze Medallion of the R.L.S.S. or equivalent
 - (2) Senior Artificial Respiration Award or equivalent
 - (3) First Aid qualifications or equivalent qualification satisfactory to the Examiner.
 - (4) Certificate of fitness with 20/30 vision with or without corrective lenses.
3. Fee for candidates has been set at \$3.00

All Directors of Recreation or Supervisors of Recreation wishing further information, may obtain same by writing to the Chairman, S.D.M.R.O. Life Guard Training Committee, 2001 Eglinton Avenue, East, Scarborough, Ontario.

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Let every dawn of morning be to you
as the beginning of life, and every
setting sun be to you as its close;
then let every one of these short lives
leave its sure record of some kindly
thing done for others, some goodly
strength or knowledge gained for yourself.

John Ruskin

SPECIAL EVENTS

Township of Toronto Recreation and Parks Department

Credit River Carnival '63

On Saturday, February 9th, the Credit River Winter Carnival was held and, by the appearance of the ten to fifteen thousand people attending, the second annual carnival had metro and Township-wide appeal.

Commencing at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, a complete schedule of events attracted children and adults of all ages. Organized by the Recreation and Parks Department of the Township of Toronto, the carnival featured twenty-eight events, commencing with the pre-school age events and ending with a community square dance on ice in the evening.

Acting as Master of Ceremonies, Frank Burch of the Recreation and Parks Department, was ably assisted by the Credit River Supervisors and by Parks Department personnel. Members of the official party included Reeve Robert Speck, Councillors Vignale, Harrison, Lewis and McMillan, Commissioner of Recreation and Parks, W.J. Hare, Director of Parks, Ed. Halliday and Director of Recreation Jerry Love. Assisting in the judging were two members of the Recreation Commission, Mrs. O. Dumbrille and Mr. J. Holmes.

Featured in the afternoon events were the junior and secondary school competitions. The tug of war was won by Port Credit Secondary School. The 1,000 meter relay teams from each school comprised of four girls and four boys, was won by Thomas L. Kennedy. The Chariot race (Ben Hur on ice) was again an exciting and colourful spectacle to watch. Five schools competed and chariots were judged for originality and style. Thomas L. Kennedy's chariot was again judged first. In the race, however, a collision at the halfway mark put both T.L. Kennedy's and Lorne Park's entries out of the placing. Port Credit's chariot crossed the finish line seconds ahead of Allan A. Martin and Queen Elizabeth entries. The Cheerleaders' competition saw more schools participating this year and was a rare exhibition of skill, synchronization and enthusiasm. All entries from the Junior and Secondary Schools were excellent and it was obvious that a great amount of time and effort had been put forth in the preparation and presentation of the routines. Port Credit Cheerleaders were judged in first place. The results of all school competitions were tabulated and Port Credit was awarded by Reeve Speck, the Robert W. Speck trophy for school competition.

Two additional feature events were the 500 meter Ladies race and the 1,000 meter men's distance. The evening programme consisted of a demonstration by the Credit Valley Skating Club and a community square dance called by Keith Squires. Credit Valley's demonstration was extremely well organized and provided an excellent display for those attending. The children participating displayed both showmanship and talent as they skated through the free skating, dances and routines.

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The Credit Valley Skating Club demonstration was followed by Mr. Keith Squires, who taught and called the square dances. Mr. Squires was assisted by a square dance set comprised of eight Lorne Park Secondary School students.

SUDBURY

The grand finale of an exciting and active season of hockey, figure skating, broomball, etc., comes in the form of Winter Carnivals to each of the 29 playgrounds. This event is the highlight of the season and members of the associations use plenty of initiative and enthusiasm in drawing up program features for the day.

Meetings of Playground Association members are held especially to arrange events in order that they may be a success. Playground members come up with a unique theme for the Carnival in order to draw large crowds. Some of these have been huge bonfires from Christmas trees, cross-country ski races, pony rides, snowmobile rides, pee wee vs. mothers' hockey games, curling games. Along with these drawing attractions, the activities are varied and certainly plenty of fun for all from 2 to 92.

The day's activities besides bringing many hours of fun, laughter and several tight belts, usually obtain initial funds for members to conduct future playground activities or purchase equipment etc., for the fieldhouse.

Carnivals surely give parents the satisfaction of seeing their children thoroughly enjoy recreation and also the opportunity to participate in events themselves for further derivement.

KITCHENER

Revived after 15 years absence our Winter Ice Carnival was held at Victoria Park on February 9th. Ice sculpture, costume judging, public skating and racing events for 1,000 school students filled the program. Recreation Commission Sports Director, Hap Shantz co-ordinated the event with the Sports Association.

Initial negotiations by the Recreation Department placed the sponsorship of the Canadian Speed Skating Championships in the hands of the Sertoma Club. Over 100 competitors from across Canada participated on Victoria Park Lake the week-end of February 16 and 17th with assistance from the Recreation and Parks Department.

EAST YORK RECREATION BOARD

A very successful "Christmas Carnival" was held during the Christmas holidays in the East York Arena commencing with a Tyke Hockey Game - three players from each of our ten team league taking part. This was followed by Novelty and Relay races for Boys and Girls (Picnic fashion). The boys favourite being the Stick-handling contest. In this the competitor carried the puck in and out of obstacles (cartons) on the ice. The highlight of the afternoon followed when (16) Snow Princesses representing East York's Elementary Schools were judged to select Miss Snow Queen 1963. Pleasure Skating for all finished off the programme.

The highlight of East York's Saturday Morning 5 Pin Bowling Programme was held during four Saturdays in January and February - "The Parent-Child Tournament". This is divided into 4 divisions for three age groupings (Dad-Son, Dad-Daughter, Mom-Son, Mom-Daughter). To provide fun for all the Tournament is operated thus, Parent and Child bowl alternate frames, Parent starting, Child finishing (3 games). 312 Children and 312 Parents took part in these Tournaments at our local lanes. Participation of Child and Parent together makes this the most popular of our Bowling Tournaments.

DEEP RIVER

Winter Carnival

The idea behind the Deep River Winter Carnival was to enliven the long winter months and bring cheer to a normally rather static period in our community life. It was held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, February 1, 2 and 3. The Carnival Committee was established in late October; various sub-committee chairmen were appointed with power to add to their committees which were - Finance and Funding, Parade, Outdoor Events, Floor Show, Dances, Audio, Safety and Hazards, etc.

Admission to the various events in the Carnival was by Carnival button. Adult buttons at \$1.00 and children's 25 cents were sold and provided the Carnival's only source of revenue. Canvassers sold buttons systematically by streets and the buttons were then sold at stores in the town. Possession of a carnival button was the only regulation for participating in any of the Carnival events; the system proved to be most successful, particularly on the Saturday night, when dances were popular with people travelling from one to another, and generally promoting a Carnival spirit.

"Snow Bunnies" were among the major attractions of the Carnival weekend. There were twenty-seven girls, dressed in appropriate costumes - bunny-hats, white mitts, ski slacks, etc. The Bunnies were invaluable in providing publicity for the Carnival newspaper pictures, TV interviews and generally attracting people to the events. The Bunnies appeared at all the Carnival events, in small groups, adding a glamorous touch to the proceedings. They also acted as hostesses, welcoming people to the town.

DEEP RIVER Cont'd

The program was as follows:

Friday, February 1

- 6:45 p.m. Opening Ceremonies - a large parking lot adjoining a shopping centre had been prepared for the ceremonies. A rink had been prepared and the Carnival Queen's ice throne was surrounded by snow sculptures, forming an attractive setting for her and her attendants. A Clown Band - men dressed as clowns - was enjoyed by the children especially. A chuck wagon dispensing hot dogs was in attendance.
- 7:15 p.m. An outdoor figure skating demonstration on the rink in this location.
- 7:30 p.m. Mock Bullfight
- 8:00 p.m. Crowning of Carnival Queen
- 8:10 p.m. Fireworks

From 7:00 p.m. onwards there was a Curling Club Bonspiel. Outdoor activities for the family continues with family tobogganning at Hill Park, and skating at the outdoor rink there. A Youth Dance was held in Alder House, one of the Community Centres.

Two performances of the Carnival Follies were held in the Community Centre, the only problem being the large number of people in attendance. The Follies was a variety show with a wide appeal both to parents and youngsters.

Saturday, February 2

- 9:00 a.m. Curling Bonspiel at the Curling Club.
- 9:00 a.m. Minor Hockey League at the Arena.
- 10:00 a.m. Parade - consisting of floats from the three shopping centres, several by individual merchants, one from the Community Centre, Hydro Dept. etc. The Bunnies and Carnival Queen were displayed effectively in convertibles. One particularly admired "float" was an old Model A driven by the Beverley Hillbillies!
- 10:00 a.m. Rod and Gun Club Rifle and Pistol Shoot in the range of the Community Centre.
- 1:00 p.m. Toboggan Races at Hill Park.
- 1:30 p.m. Demonstration by Deep River Figure Skating Club at the arena.
- 2:00 p.m. Combines Cross Country and Slalom races at Hill Park.
- 2:00 p.m. Children's costume party at Hill Park Rink.
- 2:00 p.m. Novelty and special events such as fire-lighting, woodsawing and chopping, pole climbing, snowshoe races, flapjack making, dog derby at Hill Park.
- 2:15 p.m. Tin Can Curling - Hill Park rink.

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- 2:30 p.m. - Junior and Adult Slalom ski races at Double Dip hill
- 2:45 p.m. - Tug-o-War on Ice - Hill Park rink.
- 3:00 p.m. - Judging Children's costumes - Hill Park rink.
- 8:00 p.m. - Casual Skating at the Arena.

On Saturday evening, the whole town was out in force visiting the four dances in town. The Choral Group ran a dance at their hall, Hill House, the Staff Hotel Club ran one in the Staff Hotel, the Canadian Legion held one in the A.J. Cipriani Memorial Hall and the Curling Club also had one.

Sunday, February 3

- 9:00 a.m. - Curling Club Bonspiel - Curling Club
- 10:00 a.m. - Rod & Gun Club's Rifle and Pistol Shoot
- 10:30 a.m. - Junior and Adult Cross Country Race (separate events)
- 1:30 p.m. - the Algonquin Car Club, a group of car enthusiasts who do not let our heavy snowfall deter them, held a "Dice on Ice" event on the frozen Ottawa River.
- 2:00 p.m. - Casual Skating at Arena
- 2:30 p.m. - Open Ski Jumping Contest - Double Dip Hill.
- 3:15 p.m. - Demonstration by a professional dog sled team.
- 7:00 p.m. - House League Hockey - Arena

The Carnival closing ceremonies consisted of a Community Bonfire on the frozen river, a team of skiers bearing lighted torches ending at this spot.

One of the most distinctive aspects of the carnival was the amazing participation by individuals making snow sculptures - some truly lovely sculptures were produced, such as Eskimo hunters harpooning walruses, dog sled teams, penguins, Nursery rhyme characters, pink elephants, a mermaid, a moose, etc. The staff hotels in town produced some interesting abstract sculptures, and the staff hotel annex had an entrance way to the hotel prepared out of blocks of ice cut from the river. Many of these sculptures were effectively lit at night. It was interesting and amusing to note that the snow sculpturing became quite a status symbol, and if one appeared on a street, others were sure to follow - bigger and better!

A special Carnival Edition of the Association's newspaper "The North Renfrew Times" was prepared. At the final meeting of the Carnival Committee the Carnival was evaluated, suggestions made etc. It was unanimously decided that there would be another Winter Carnival in 1964, sponsored again by the Deep River Community Association Inc.

If anyone is interested in hearing more details of our Carnival, Jac Cropley will be pleased to answer enquiries.

FERGUS

Four Town Tournament - Acton, Georgetown, Milton & Fergus

PURPOSE

The purpose of this tournament is to give the boys of the Squirt, Pee Wee and Bantam age bracket who have not played out of town, an opportunity to be involved in a tournament. Just because a player shows exceptional potential at this age, it does not always mean that he will be a top hockey player. Many boys have not been an All star down in their early years, but have gone on into top flight hockey later in life. Therefore, if Minor Hockey is to prove its worth we must give each and every boy the opportunity he deserves.

RULES

1. A player may only play for one team - for ex. if a Pee Wee who has the ability to play Bantam and chooses to do so, he must play for that team during the whole tournament.
2. All players must produce birth certificates the day of the tournament before playing.
3. Player limit is 16 players including a sub goalkeeper who may only play goal.
4. Age limits and playing rules to be the same as laid down by the O.M.H.A.
5. Three fifteen minute periods to be played. The first two at straight time and the last period to be ten minutes at straight time and five minutes at stop time. (Last Five)
6. In case of a tie at the end of regulation time, a sudden death 10 minutes overtime (5 minutes each way) will be played. The team scoring the first goal is the winner. Either team failing to score in the 10 minutes, the team that has the most number of shots on goal at the end of the 10 minute period will be declared the winner.
7. Teams must play with the same list of players for all games that they submitted for the first game.
8. A manager or coach of any team who evades or attempts to evade the rules and regulations of this tournament will, along with his team, automatically be suspended from this tournament and any trophies that are won by same will be forfeited.
9. All players must not be playing on the Squirt, Pee Wee or Bantam All-Star team as of February 1st, 1963.

FERGUS - Four Town Tournament Cont'd

ADMINISTRATION

Each town received tickets to be sold by the players. The player selling the most tickets received two passes to an N.H.L. Toronto Maple Leaf Home Game.

A hot meal was provided through the courtesy of the Fergus Minor Hockey Club. Guest Speaker was Leo Schmaltz, Scout of Toronto Maple Leafs

Each Manager will be assigned a Guide who will stay with the team during their visit.

Each team will receive a Dressing Room which will be used by that Town only.

Each Manager will receive enough crests for his team to be picked up at the Registration Desk.

BRAMPTON

BRAMPTON FLOWER FESTIVAL

June 28-29-30 & July 1

The Flowertown of Canada is DIGGING in with plans for a Flower Festival that will rival anything seen in North America, STEMING from an idea of the local Chamber of Commerce. The GROUND work has begun to LEAVE no stone unturned in making this a really BLOOMING good show.

Twenty sub-committees have been formed to cover all the aspects of the festivities and the municipality is getting behind this project 100%.

Mark the dates on your calendar and plan to attend.

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He climbs highest who helps another up.

" WINTER CARNIVAL AT OUTREMONT "

Before the winter carnival was held at Outremont, Friday, Saturday and Sunday the 15,16,17 of February many preparations were necessary.

A reception was held at the Hotel de Ville, Wednesday, February 6th, to choose the "Snow Queen." His Honour the Mayor and other principal organizers of the festivities were present. Each of 6 schools entered a candidate for Snow Queen.

The activities began Friday, the 15th at 8:00 p.m. with a large parade to please the heart of young and old alike. "Mr. Outremont" in his traditional costume led the parade to the ice palace built on the grounds of Stuart a l'angle du Chemin near St. Catherine and McEachran Streets. The evening ended in a large colourful dance, with the Salada Tea Company serving as sponsors.

Numerous activities were held on Saturday the 16th. In the evening towards 8:00 p.m. at the municipal pavilion in St. Viateur park was held an entertaining athletic show and masquerade.

The sensational Bernard Valois performed on the trampoline while Raymond Damblant and his team assisted with a judo demonstration.

The following day, Sunday the 17th proved very interesting. At 3:00 p.m. a hockey game took place where in each of the 3 periods two different teams competed. Teams were made up of local politicians and celebrities. The game proved very humorous and entertaining and was supplemented by between period acts for the youngsters.

It all ended at the ice palace with an open air dance and fireworks. - Loud speaker system - courtesy of Molsons Brewers - with local merchants supplying prizes for the youngsters.

OUTREMONT

"FETES D'HIVER" A OUTREMONT

Des preparatifs sont actuellement en cours en vue de brillantes "Fetes d'Hiver" qui se derouleront a Outremont, vendredi, samedi et dimanche les 15, 16 et 17 fevrier.

Une reception tenue a l'Hotel de Ville mercredi le 6 fevrier decidera du choix de la "Fee des Neiges" en presence de son Honneur le Maire, de messieurs les Echevins et des principaux organisateurs. Six colleges feminins ont soumis chacun une candidate.

Les activites debuteront vendredi, le 15 fevrier, a 8:00 p.m. par une grande parade de8ouverture a laquelle devront prendre part tous les jeunes et moins jeunes de la localite. "M. Outremont" dans son original costume sera a la tete du groups qui se dirigers au magnifique palais de glace construit sur le terrain Stuart a le'angle du Chemin de la Cote Ste-Catherine et de l'avenue McEachran. La soiree se terminera par une grande danse en plein air. La compagnie de the Salada offrira gratuitement ses services.

De nombreuses activities sont prevues pour samedi, le 16 fevrier. Le soir, vers 8:00 p.m. a la patinoire municipale du parc St-Viateur se tiendra une grande mascarade. Le sensationnel Bernard Valois presenters une demonstration de trampoline; le ceinture noire, troisieme dan Raymond Damblant, assiste de son equipe offrira une demonstration de judo.

Le programme du lendemain, dimanche le 17 fevrier, promet de'etre tres interessant. A 3:00 p.m. une partie de hockey donnera aux echevins l'occasion de se mesurer avec des membres des associations civiques locales; a la deuxieme periode, les policiers rencontreront les pompiers; a la troisieme, les manuels feront face aux Collets blancs. Entre les periodes, de multiples activites sont prevues pour les jeunes.

Le tout se terminera au palais de glace par un feu de'artifice.

Le systeme de haut-parleurs est une graceusetete de la Brasserie Molson. Une homme d'affaires de la Cite, Raymond Dinelle, offre gratuitement le programme dans un format tres attrayant. Plusieurs marchands de la localite ent offert leur collaboration en offrant des cadeaux aux jeunes qui participeront aux epreuves.

" WHO HAS THE BALL "

Dave Smith, Brampton

In the By-Law structure of most municipalities, the By-Law under which the recreation committees of the municipalities are established would read something like this -

"There is hereby authorized and established for the municipality a Community Program of Recreation which includes cultural, educational, physical and social activities, within the meaning of the regulations under the Department of Education Act, and that such a program should be carried on for the benefit of the whole community including all age groups and both sexes."

"The Community program of recreation shall be in charge of and be conducted by a recreation committee to be known as the _____ Recreation Commission, hereunder referred to as the Commission."

We are a committee of council and although we have been given the authorization to carry on a program of recreation in the community, I wonder if our position is fully understood.

One of the reasons for this question is a result of some recent happenings in the municipality. When much discussion and planning was being made for the new municipal building no apparent thought was given to the use of space in this building by the Commission Office. Also, more recently, when various departments in the municipality were asked what amount of office space they felt would be required for future expansion of their offices, again the Commission was by-passed as to their possible needs.

We are an integral part of the municipal government, not a poor relation who is looked down on by one's rich relatives. The services which we provide in the municipality are equally as important as those of the other departments in the municipality. I realize that many individuals say, "When I was a boy we did not have any organized program to teach us how to use our leisure time", but for some reason they forget that there were other things which they did not have when they were boys.

I am sure that many individuals can remember the time when there was no electricity, and oil lamps were used. I am sure that these individuals also remember that the sanitary facilities were a good distance behind the house. They also recall unpaved roads. Why were these things improved?

A way was found to produce electricity and provide us with a constant source of power to make one's living easier. Because of the increased growth of municipalities a much more sanitary method of sewage disposal had to be devised. Because more people had to travel, to visit, to drive their cars, a more satisfactory method of roadways preservation had to be devised.

These services were all taken on by the government at various levels because they realized there was a need and demand for them.

Does this not also hold true for municipal recreation?

I could make a very long list of the reasons for an organized recreational program. I feel the most important fact that should be considered is this: More people today have more leisure time to do things with. Many do not know what to do with this time. It is the objective of any Municipal Recreation Committee to "assure adequate recreational opportunities for the men, women and children in the community."

The individual can enjoy amenities from good roads, adequate sanitary facilities and electrical power. It is also necessary to the community that the individual also enjoy physical, mental, social and spiritual comfort.

One municipal department is as important as the other and it is necessary that they work hand in hand to assure a happy, well-balanced and satisfied population.

What is our position in the municipality? Are we the municipal department that is to be responsible for the recreation program in the community?

Our position, according to the By-Law, by which we are charged with the responsibility of providing a program of recreation for all the population, is our guide. In order that we can fulfill our position, we must have the understanding of the municipal government and they must be aware of what our position is. Without this awareness and understanding, without proper liaison between departments the high quality of service to the municipality, which we must give, will be sorely lacking.

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A number of the Recreation Directors in C.P.B. Representative Lloyd Marshall's Area (Oakville to Stratford) have been meeting around a word called "Fitness." They have met three times now and are gathering research material from all over the world on social, physical, emotional, mental and spiritual fitness. These sessions have been very rewarding and could be beneficial to us all.

Do you know what the word "fitness" means?
Do you have fitness programs?
Is fitness a concern of Recreation Directors?
Are there many people who are concerned about fitness?
Are you an example of fitness or have you even thought about you and your not so balanced life?

Bob Sones

"AREA GROUP NEWS"

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PROFESSIONAL RECREATION GUILD

Report of the President to the Annual Meeting, Wednesday, Jan. 9th, 1963

The charter year of our new organization was most eventful for a number of reasons.

Firstly, I was very fortunate to have as fellow executive members, a very experienced and capable group of gentlemen. Each had a definite function as an executive of the P.R.G. and contributed a great deal of time and effort to our new organization. A total of 9 executive meetings were held. In addition, most members of the executive served on other Guild committees.

Secondly, excellent facilities were always available for our meetings and socials. Seven of our eight monthly meetings were held in City of Toronto Community Centres. The other programme session took place in Forest Hill. Our initial meeting and broomball game last January were hosted by Etobicoke, while the golf social was centred at Lakeview Golf Course in the Township of Toronto last June. The final dinner and Christmas Party was hosted by Scarborough at Cedarbrook Community Centre.

Reports of the programme and Social Chairmen will elaborate on this total of twelve Guild functions (including the hockey tournament).

Thirdly, through our programme chairman Jack Keay in co-operation with other Guild members, we were able to benefit from a variety of well-qualified speakers and leaders. These include Bob Secord, Barry Lowes, Eleanor Blake, Derek Holloway, Dr. Harry Ebbs, Bill Hare, Tim Leishman, Ozzie Dalzell, Bruce Fleury, Connie Tucker, Frank Cornack, Jack Eilbeck, Hank Labatte, Jack Dane, Angela Armitt, Tommy Thompson, Noel Seager, Mel Mathews and Ralph Boot. I am very proud that a number of these people are Guild members. May I sincerely thank Jack Keay for his enlightening programmes and Keith Smith for the well-timed socials.

Fourthly, the new Guild registered 66 members. Jack Eilbeck, our treasurer and membership chairman, deserves the major credit and yet I know that Jack was disappointed that more recreation personnel

did not join. At our eight regular meetings, the smallest attendance was 24 and the largest 73 with the average being 51. These figures are relatively impressive until compared with a mailing list of 169 people.

This latter figure leads to our fifth blessing - this is Jack Dane. I wonder if we all are cognizant of the time involved in recording and duplicating minutes and then mailing these and meeting notices to 169 people - 103 of whom are not members of the P.R.G. Jack Dane and his staff at Forest Hill are to be profoundly congratulated for this contribution to our Guild.

My sixth vote of thanks is voiced in the direction of Bob Davidson who was responsible for the preparation and duplication of our constitution.

Number seven blessing was Dave Appleton who carried the ball for the Guild in organizing the Pee wee Hockey Tournament last February at Maple Leaf Gardens.

May I briefly comment as follows on other Guild matters. The business sessions this year were purposely abbreviated in order that we devote maximal time to programme. May this also serve to recommend to the 1963 executive that this policy be followed and that the executive again handle the major portion of Guild business. I believe that the membership will support the Guild provided that good monthly programmes are maintained.

My second recommendation is the formation of special "interest groups." I believe that the lifeguard training group is the only one that presently exists. The real strength of our organization will lie in the development of these groups so that our members will be able to participate in informal sessions with "standing interest groups."

I challenge all of my fellow members to improve your professional standards in 1963 and be prepared to give guidance to lay persons with whom we work. The pee wee hockey jamboree, in my opinion, symbolizes a philosophy of professional recreation personnel in that it emphasizes the value of developing citizens first and hockey players second. On Saturday, Feb. 9th at Maple Leaf Gardens, we shall be able to evaluate our experiment.

One program recommendation is to deal again with the topic of vandalism. This time, I would like to deal with prevention and involve a speaker who can enlighten us on the psychological aspect of vandalism.

In closing, may I officially acknowledge the assistance of the general membership and executive members. I can assure you that your retiring President "received" more than he "gave" to the Professional Recreation Guild.

W. Gerald Love.

RECREATION DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION of EAST CENTRAL ONTARIO

The East Central Ontario Recreation Directors Association is sponsoring a Junior Bowling Tournament to be held in Trenton on April 6, 1963. Boys and girls teams from the surrounding areas will be taking part in both Junior and Bantam Division. Trophies and crests will be awarded to the winning teams.

The East Central Ontario Recreation Directors Association in co-operation with the C. P. B. are sponsoring four leadership courses to be held in our area. They include: Badminton Instructors Clinic - Peterborough - Feb. 23rd.
Advanced Majorette Training - Cobourg - March 2nd.
Clinic for Instructors of Junior Skiers - Peterborough - March 9th.
Conference Planning - Some time in March.

Other courses held in this area include:

1. Weaving Workshop - Belleville, March 22 and 23.
2. Children's Arts & Crafts Leaders Course - Belleville, Feb. 22-24

There have been three new recreation committees set up in East Central Ontario. Two in Prince Edward County at Picton and Wellington and one at Marmouth near Wilberforce.

RECREATION DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION OF WEST CENTRAL ONTARIO

40 Zone Members attended an extremely successful seminar retreat held in Dundas Ontario on Tuesday, Feb. 19th and Wed. Feb. 20th. Sessions included presentations by Association members, C.P.B. personnel Father McKim of Canterbury Hills and Karen Reinhardt, Secretary, Kitchener Recreation Office.

Topics discussed included:

1. Fitness - physical, spiritual, etc.
2. Administration - Personnel Selection, Secretary's Role, Staff Training, Planning Legislation.
3. S.D.M.R.O. Meeting - conducted by Executive, P.R. and Membership committee members.
4. Special Services - of C.P.B.
5. Facilities - Operation and Programming.
6. Gimmicks Galore - new and interesting "try these" items.
7. Group Methods - Drama, Games & Crafts.
8. Community Committees

MUNICIPAL NEWS

WATERLOO

The Waterloo Recreation Commission, The Waterloo Board of Park Management, The Waterloo Memorial Arena Commission, and the Waterloo Community Centres Board have been combined into a ten-man board. Until now, thirty-two persons served the four groups.

The new board is composed of eight ratepayers, one Alderman, and the Mayor of Waterloo. The new board is as yet unnamed.

To implement this move, the following steps had to be taken:

1. Repealed the unexpired terms of thirteen appointees on the four boards.
2. The City solicitor is presently drafting a private bill, setting-up the single board, which will be presented to the Ontario legislature.

The legislature will also be asked to repeal private bills which established both the Park Board and the Arena Commission.

Until the legislature passes the private bill, the ten-man group is convening separately in four groups.

Four budgets have been set as well as four sets of books, and four sets of minutes, kept to meet legal requirements.

KITCHENER

Growing

Extensive office renovations have taken place in our Department recently to accommodate an increasing staff. A second office secretary has been appointed to bring our staff to a total of 8 full-time employees.

Summer staff selection is now under way with 65 leaders to be appointed.

KITCHENER (Cont'd)

Big News ! ! - Facilities Money

Many Society members are aware that Kitchener recently completed a one year "Investigative Study of Recreation Facilities". - It brought results.

City Council and the Ontario Municipal Board have approved, in principle, \$250,000.00 annual capital budget for recreation facilities for the next five years. A plan for pools, rinks, centres, etc., to spend the first $\frac{1}{4}$ million dollars in 1963 has been prepared and accepted. Very little now stands in the way of construction commencing shortly. First items will probably be a \$50,000.00 Senior Citizens' Day Centre and an Indoor-Outdoor pool.

PETERBOROUGH

Peterborough's new Assistant Director is Murray Walker, a native of Bowmanville, and formerly employed with the Lindsay Recreation Commission. Murray was born and educated in Bowmanville and received his early recreational experience while working as a part-time leader with the Bowmanville Recreation Department. In his capacity with the Bowmanville Department he served as playground supervisor, day camp instructor, and programme director for the summer months.

He has also instructed both children and adults in swimming, holding an Instructor's award in both the Red Cross and Royal Life Saving Societies. While in Bowmanville he also assisted with the organization and administration of the minor hockey and has done considerable refereeing. He has been active with Drama groups, and for a period acted as Director of Children's Theatre in Bowmanville.

Murray's duties in Peterborough will be associated mainly with programming.

The Peterborough Recreation Commission has again this year sponsored an Unemployed Men's Programme. The objective of this programme is to provide men who are unable to find winter employment with an opportunity, to meet, play cards, read, or just enjoy fellowship. This we feel will assist in passing the time, and in attaining some form of enjoyment during the winter days. It has been active since January with an average of 120 men enjoying the programme per week.

Peterborough has operated a very successful Junior Ski School with well over 300 participants taking part. The course was in operation during a four-week period, with races and competitions being held on the last day of the course.

TORONTO TOWNSHIP

Two Hundred and Fifty applicants gathered at Lorne Park Secondary School, Lorne Park, Ontario, Monday, February 18th to start the Pre-Selection Training Course for Playground and Daycamp Leaders, sponsored by the Township of Toronto Recreation and Parks Department. These people meet Monday and Wednesday evenings for a three week period to participate in practical sessions on active and quiet games and craft sessions. Interviews for Daycamp staff are also conducted at this time. All candidates are required to write an exam on Saturday, March 9th, and the hiring meeting for summer staff will take place in mid-April.

All staff of the Township of Toronto Recreation and Parks Department are busy working on the annual spectacular "Recreation Week '63" which this year will be held in T.L. Kennedy Secondary School in Cooksville from April 16th to 19th inclusive. This year there will be more to see and do for the citizens of the Township. Highlighting the "Recreation Week '63" will be an Appreciation Night dinner given for volunteer leaders, Members of the Commission, Council etc., which will precede the official opening on the Tuesday evening, April 16th. This will be in a candlelight and wine atmosphere in the new Cafetorium of the school amid a setting of the usual model park tea garden (a fantastic display of the Parks Department), music supplied by one of the Junior String ensembles and also the Toronto Hammond Organ Society. Many displays of Arts and Crafts etc., will be on display throughout the school and clinics, basketball and other games will be played in one of the gyms during the week.

One of the other highlights of "Recreation Week '63" and something new that has been added to this special week is a one-day workshop for Senior Citizens, which will be held on Friday, April the 19th. Seniors from the four Senior Clubs in the Township, as well as from the Senior groups in the various Churches in the Township, as well as Senior clubs in the neighbouring areas will participate and it is expected about One hundred Seniors will be in attendance for this First Workshop, which will highlight Programme Planning for Seniors. Morley Dewburg of the Second Mile Club of Toronto will be the key-note speaker for this Workshop.

The Fourth Annual Youth Conference of the Township of Toronto Recreation and Parks Department will be held on Saturday, April the 20th, with discussion centering around "duties of officers and Programme Planning for Teen Clubs". The theme of this year's Conference is "The Inside Story", and it is expected that this year the delegates will enjoy the Conference more than ever because everyone will be able to "get in the act" and enjoy themselves.

Information about all of these activities contained in Items 2,3 and 4, is available from the Recreation and Parks Department, Municipal Buildings, Cooksville.

CORNWALL - MUNICIPAL NEWS

Hockey School For Youngsters Helped 62 Kids Tremendously

To watch a young hockey player from the time he can hardly lace on his skates to the time he plays on the local pond and works his way to junior, senior or pro is a many splendored thing.

Whether or not he makes it to the top, it is always endearing to the parent or anyone else interested to observe the youngster going through the paces of a practice, scrimmage or game.

To help these young eager beavers make out in the wonderful game of hockey, the Cornwall Recreation Department formed a hockey school mainly on the efforts of its directors, including Rudy Payment.

Last winter, Payment was instructing the local figure skating club, from which a theory was brought to light -- that if you can teach a figure skater, you can teach a hockey player how to skate.

Some 12 young pucksters joined in the exercises with good results being achieved and this prompted the recreation committee to pursue its endeavour and help those(hockey players) who wanted to learn the fundamentals of our national pastime.

Some 62 boys followed this year's edition of the hockey school, which took in 12 weeks of hard work for Brown and Assistant Robert "Red" Carson of Long Sault. Carson is a former Intermediate hockey player in Cornwall, having played in the late 40's. The former NHLer stressed the four basic fundamentals of hockey: skating, stick-handling, passing and shooting, with equal time given to each phase of the game.

The Cornwall Recreation Department has come a long way in the past five years while making great strides for the recreation of the many lads who like to play sports for pleasure and health.

The Bob Turner Memorial Centre was built to give the youngsters a place to play hockey and lacrosse, among other things.

Minor hockey, minor baseball, minor lacrosse and others are all direct programs with the late Bob Turner being very much responsible for the success of these projects, which are now enjoyed by almost every young boy or girl in the city.

LONDON

Open House Program

The week of March 18th featured Open House at each of the five Adult Community Centres for the 3,058 adults registered. Activities at each

LONDON Cont'd

Community Centre Open House included displays and demonstrations of the various crafts offered during the 20 week evening program. A fashion show to display the wide range of articles completed by the sewing, millinery and leather carving class members, and entertainment provided by the Square Dance and Round Dancing groups was held.

One hundred Community Centre members were involved in committees which planned and directed Open House Week.

Badminton

A Community Centres Badminton tournament restricted to class members offered competition for both 1st year trophies and regular matches for singles, men's doubles, ladies doubles and mixed doubles in "A" series and consolation.

Square Dancing

Don Armstrong, caller from Pt. Richey, Florida presented two dances in London, open to London and District clubs and classes. Don Armstrong also conducted an afternoon workshop featuring squares, contras and rounds.

Community Centres' Annual Banquets

The week of March 25-30 provided a pleasant evening of dinner and entertainment for members of Community Centres, their friends and guests. The evenings included Banquet, guest speakers, musical presentations by the Secondary School Glee clubs, the Optimists Boy Choir or the Sweet Adelines. Each evening also included door prizes, euchre, bridge and bingo for prizes donated by each class.

WINNIPEG

A report from Winnipeg indicates that their Recreation program is growing by leaps and bounds. There are 3 indoor rinks under construction to provide both boys and girls hockey and girls figure skating ice time among other scheduled events.

Speed skating relay races, a Jam Can Curling Bonspiel and Broomball Tournament were programs of interest for the young folks this winter. Other attractions offered in the community were Baton classes, craft classes movies and youth dances. An active senior citizens program was continued. Further items of interest gleaned from the Winnipeg report are an Adult and Teen Dance program; several Tiny Tot centres offering a variety of pre-school age activities called "Fun Time Programs".

The cultural aspects of programmes are not forgotten. There are ballet lessons for girls in several community centres and a Teen Drama group who are planning a "Bus Stop" production.

BULLETIN BOARD

Senior Citizens' Workshop: Friday, April 19, 1963 in Township of Toronto featuring Program Planning for Seniors

Township of Toronto Youth Conference, Saturday, April 20th - Theme - "The Inside Story"

C.A.P.H.E.R. Convention - June 24 - 29th at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.
Further information: Pat Lawson, Secretary,
C.A. P.H.E.R. Convention
Committee,
University of Saskatchewan
Saskatoon, Sask.

A note from Jerry Love:

Also of news is the fact that my wife, Beth, presented me with a 7 lb. 1½ oz baby boy last Monday, February 11th. His name is David Grant Love. Incidentally, Grant was my wife's surname and the baby was born on her father's birthday.

It was with considerable regret that we learned of Louise Colley's illness. She is in Royal Victoria Hospital, Barrie, Ont. Louise writes that her condition has improved, but that she will be hospitalized for a while yet. All best wishes for a rapid recovery, Louise.

Congratulations to the following Recreation Directors, Assistants, etc. on acquiring new positions:

Murray Walker, Peterborough, Assistant Director.
Pep Perryment, now in St. Catherines - Ted Wood, now in Grimsby.
Hap Shantz, Sports Director, Kitchener.
Royal Boothby, Senior Citizens Advisor, Kitchener.
Kathy MacMillen - Oakville - Al Argent - Oakville.
Don Fulton - Fort Erie (was in Fergus)
Jim Casburn - Acton from Toronto.

THE SECRETARY'S ROLE IN RECREATION

A Secretary plays an important part in Administration in a Recreation Department. Her duties are varied and widespread and she carries more authority than a clerk or receptionist.

I've been Secretary to the Kitchener Recreation Department for almost 4 years and during this time I've functioned in a great number of capacities. From my own experience, let me tell you about some of my responsibilities.

I am in charge of the Secretarial Office. In this capacity I do general Secretarial work such as stenography and typing, this takes on an average of 3 hours per day. I also do mimeographing for groups related to Recreation such as various recreation groups in the city. I am also in charge of mimeographing program announcements for 32 schools five times annually.

My job also entails such things as issuing minutes of recreation organizations of Area and Provincial professional organizations for which our Director or Assistant Director act as Secretaries. For example the R.D.A.W.C.O. and S.D.M.R.O.

With regard to this general secretarial work, I have also been given the authority to call in assistance from such organizations as Office Auxiliary.

My official position is that of Secretary to the Director of Recreation as such I am responsible for all his secretarial work.

Along with my general work, I am responsible for filing and locating filed information on short notice. I have the responsibility of allocating 21 playing fields throughout the city to approximately 20 teams daily. I must also allocate and issue permits for the various hockey rinks in the community.

My duties also entail being custodian and checker of cash receipts from such recreational activities as Art Classes, Square Dancing Classes, Retarded Children's and Retarded Adults Programs, Bowling, etc. I am also responsible for Petty Cash disbursements and accounting. Ordering office supplies and keeping track of them is another of my duties.

Through our office I am responsible for collecting reports from playgrounds and rinks, etc. I am also responsible for arranging for the loan of equipment to organizations. This includes the equipment for such things as badminton, tennis, horseshoes and baseball.

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In the office I act as receptionist for visitors. I am also responsible for answering the telephone. In this capacity I act as a clearing house for information about our various programs. Consequently I must keep myself informed and up-to-date on all the programs under the direction of the Commission.

Also, with regard to the telephone, I am responsible for calling members of the Social Workers Council for monthly meetings and for calling other groups such as Commission members and members of the Investigative Study. I attend monthly meetings of the Recreation Commission as an observer in order to learn first hand the discussions and decisions of the Commission.

My duties also include composing a schedule for the use of various rooms in our Central Administrative Building and for collecting rentals.

In order to understand Recreation more fully and create a more professional attitude, I am presently enrolled in the In-Service Training Course. I feel that this will assist me greatly in my job and help to broaden my outlook and understanding of Recreation in our Community.

Karen Reinhardt,

Kitchener, Ontario.

Perfection consists not in doing
extraordinary things, but in doing
ordinary things extraordinarily well

Antoine Arnauld

WE'RE PLANNING A CONVENTION: ARE YOU COMING. ?

WHEN - June 24th - Board of Directors Meeting and also that of the Representative Council.

June 25th - Fitness Seminar.

June 26th to 28th - C.A.H.P.E.R. Convention

June 29th - Convention Reports and Resolutions Board of Directors.

June 28th - Part of the day will be planned by the Canadian Medical Association.

Many top Speakers and Resource Leaders will help us as we consider the various different aspects of the "THEME"

"FITNESS AND AMATEUR SPORT"

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REGISTRATION

You may register at any of the following times for part or all of the sessions.

Monday, June 24 - 7 to 9 p.m.

Tuesday, June 25 - 8 to 9 a.m.
7 to 9 p.m.

Wednesday, June 26 - 8 to 9 a.m.

COMMITTEES - Women's Athletics Research, University and also sectional meetings for Physical Education, Health and Recreation people.

ONLY ONE REGISTRATION NECESSARY FOR EVERYTHING.

Registration and Accommodation forms will be sent to you in April.

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The City of Sarnia requires a program assistant to the Director of Recreation. He will supervise the athletic programs of the Recreation Department and its affiliated organizations as well as manage, under direction, a recreation arena.

The person we are looking for is a man who is engaged in, or has completed, the Recreation In-Service Training course of the University of Western Ontario and should possess, or be working towards, a Department of Education Type B certificate.

Preference will be given to the applicant with experience in the operation of an arena or other artificial ice facility. Experience in the supervision of a swimming program will be an advantage.

Salary -- \$4150.00 to \$4500.00 to start, depending on qualifications.

Apply, giving full particulars of age, training and experience, and citing references, by May 11, 1963, to:

G.N. Strickland,
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SALARY

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STARTING DATE

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REPLY TO:

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