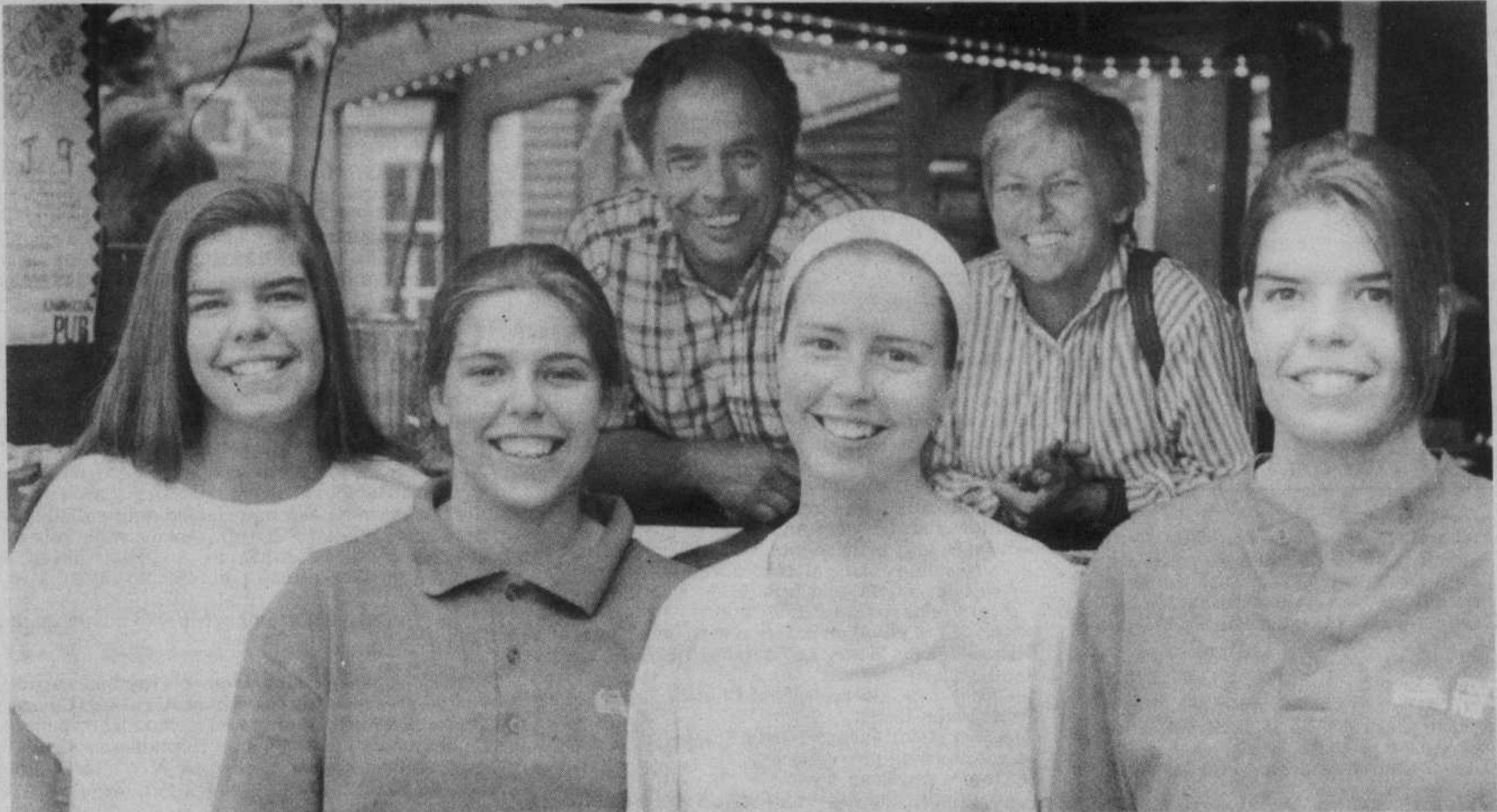


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Saturday, July 13

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July 13-14

Please note that all local merchants are encouraged to support the Knowlton Lion's Club first annual Country Music Festival by adopting a country & western theme for your business. Merchants are encouraged to be creative in their decorations, and costumes during this period. This spectacular event will be held at the Brome Fairgrounds on Saturday, July 13 and Sunday July 14.

July 15-July 26

The office of the Centre de Benevolat in Cowansville will be closed during the holiday period — July 15-26. If you anticipate needing transportation to a medical appointment during that period, please call as soon as possible at 263-3758.

Tuesday, July 16

A 500 card party will take place in Brome Hall at 7:30. Admission charged. Prizes and refreshments. Everyone welcome.

Church Services

Saturday, September 14

A special high mass will be held at 4:30 at St. André's Catholic Church in Sutton to celebrate the church's 125th anniversary. The mass will be followed by a friendly supper at Mont Sutton Ski Chalet. For reservations and information call 538-2434 or 538-2023.

St. Edouard Church, Knowlton

— Saturday: 7:00 p.m. French
— Sunday: 9 a.m. English, 10:30 French.

Grace Anglican Church, Principale Street in Sutton

— Sunday: 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Calvary United Church, Pleasant and Maple St. in Sutton

— Note: There will be no service during the month of July. Regular service will continue at Dunham United Church in Dunham at 9:30 a.m.

Olivet Baptist Church, Maple Street in Sutton

— Sunday: 11:30 a.m.

St-André de Sutton, Main Street North

— Saturday: 7 p.m.
— Sunday: 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Glen Sutton

— Sunday: 7 p.m.

All Saints Anglican Church, Abercorn

— Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

St-Simon d'Abercorn

— Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Notre-Dame-de-Graces, Glen Sutton

— Sunday: 8:30 a.m.

Mansonville United Church, Mansonville

— Bolton Center: 9:15 a.m.

— Mansonville: 11:00 a.m.

— Vale Perkins: 2:00 p.m.

Trinity Church, Cowansville

— 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion BAS (1962 Rite)

— 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion BAS (Modern Rite) and church school.

Christ Church, Cowansville will meet at 330 Bruce Blvd, Cowansville

— 10 a.m. Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer.

Cowansville area pastoral charge (United Church)

(There will be only one service of worship each Sunday in the Cowansville-area United Church. All services are at 9:30.)

— July 14 the service is at East Farnham United Church.

— July 21, 28 and August 4 the service will be held at Brigham United Church

— August 11, 18, 25, and Sept. 1 at Emmanuel United Church in Cowansville.

Bedford Pastoral Charge (United Church)

— July 14, Bedford, 10 a.m.

— July 21, Stanbridge East, 10 a.m.

— July 28, Mystic, 10 a.m.

All Saints Anglican Church, Dunham

— 10:30 a.m. Services and Sunday School

— first Sunday of the month: Choral Eucharist (BCP)

— third Sunday of the month: Morning Prayer (BCP)

— second, fourth, and fifth Sundays of the month: Choral Eucharist BAS (1962 Rite)

Note-Book of common prayer is used on all festivals.

Bishop Stewart Memorial Church of The Holy Trinity, Frelighsburg

— 9:00 a.m. Services and Church School Holy Communion-BAS

(Modern Rite) except fourth Sunday each month where morning prayer is said.

St. James Anglican, Foster

— 9:30 a.m. Sunday mass with holy Communion. (summer season until October 13).

St. James the Apostle, Stanbridge East.

(Monthly schedule of 10:30 a.m. services)

First Sunday, Holy Communion (BCP).

Second Sunday morning prayer(BCP).

Third Sunday 1962 Eucharist (BAS).

Fourth Sunday, Modern Eucharist (BAS).

Fifth Sunday, Morning Prayer (BAS).

Arts Calendar

Till July 28

Arts Sutton Gallery will feature the watercolors and etchings of Tobie Steinhouse. A vernissage will be held Saturday July 6 from 2-5. The gallery, located at 7 Academy, is open Thursday through Sunday from 1-5.

Till August 3

Theatre Lac Brome presents *Man of La Mancha* by Dale Wasserman, Joe Darion and Mitch Leigh. Directed by Jack Langedijk and Carrie Foster, the play was one of Broadway's longest running musical classics. This production brings to life Don Miguel de Cervantes and his tale of Don Quixote, the aging would-be knight. The production features such songs as 'The Impossible Dream,' 'Dulcinea,' and 'Little Bird.' It is a story of romance, hope and chivalry. Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 8:30, tickets \$16 or \$55 for season subscriber. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 8:30, tickets \$13 or \$45 for season subscriber. Tuesday and Thursday matinees, 2 p.m., tickets \$13 or \$45 for season subscriber. Special rates for students, seniors and groups of 20 or more.

July 13-14

ART TOUR: Thirty artists from Knowlton, Sutton, Dunham, Mansonville, and Brome will open their

workshops to the public from July 20-28. This will give the curious art lovers the opportunity to meet and speak with these artists and see their works.

ALL SUMMER

The Brome County Historical Society invites everyone to stop in for a visit to the museum. This summer's theme is "Music Festival" and features a collection of musical instruments and sheet music from 1900 to 1930. The music and songs of this era reflect the many and varied characteristics of the people who made Canada their home: French, Irish, Scottish, English and European. The museum, consisting of five buildings, is situated on Route 243, Lakeside Road in Knowlton. It's open Monday to Saturday between 10 and 5, and Sunday from 11 to 5 until August 29. For more information please call 243-6782.

Once again, Missisquoi Museum extends an invitation to the whole family to come and enjoy this year's exhibition "The Long Cold Winter: A Victorian view of winter in Missisquoi County 1850-1900". The museum is open daily 10 till 5 until October 13. Admission charged. For more information call (514) 248-3153.

Community Notes

If you or anybody you know are between the ages of 4 and 14, come and see what Church Day Camps are all about. It's a week of fun, fellowship and challenge.

Ages 4-6 from 10 a.m. to noon. Ages 7-14 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The following churches in our area are holding Day Camps. For more information call the numbers below: Trinity Church, Cowansville, July 8-12, 263-2662 or 263-4532. All Saints' Anglican Church, August 5-9, 298-5396 after 7 p.m., 295-3252 or 295-3196.

The Cowansville soup kitchen will be closed until September.

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Bible Meetings are being held Sunday afternoon from 3:30 to 4:30 in the Community Room, 63 Western St. in Sutton. These meetings are to help increase the faith of those who have faith, and to help others find it. No obligation. All are welcome.

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The Suzuki Violin School invites registration for the coming school year. Call 243-0879.

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Brome Lake swim program makes learning fun

By Karen Stairs

Think summer and you think water. Think Brome Lake and you think beach, or more precisely Douglas Beach. Think swimming and you *should* think the Brome Lake Aquatic Program.

Now entering its ninth season, the program offers a combination of Red Cross and Royal Life Saving Society instruction.

From basic water safety through to Bronze Cross, the highest pre-instructor level, the program offers something for everyone.

It was originally developed by Director Nancy Dixon, when her own son was at the age to begin lessons and there were none being offered in Knowlton.

This year, about 200 swimmers are registered. Dixon wants to see more people take advantage of the opportunity.

"We're able to give our courses at the regular price of only \$25 per season because of the town subsidy and some private donations," she says. Registration fees account for only a third of the program's operating budget.

Classes run for 45 minutes at the beginner levels and the more advanced classes last for an hour. Each class swims three times a week.

EVALUATION

Swimmers are continuously evaluated in their courses and advance when they have mastered the requirements for each level. This way some

swimmers complete a couple of levels over the summer.

The key to the program's success is a qualified and experienced teaching staff. Both Red Cross and Royal Life Saving Society Instructors Certificates are required for the instructors.

Head Instructor Wendy Richard has returned for a fourth summer at the beach. She came up through the program and Dixon sees this as an advantage.

"We like to be able to hire local people, especially those who have done their training with us," she says.

Richard says the lake environment tends to produce stronger swimmers. "The water's not heated and they have the waves to sometimes swim against."

Many of the classes are team taught. Dixon explains that this way, swimmers having difficulty with a stroke or technique can be taken aside with one of the instructors for extra help, without holding back the whole class.

The classes include some theory although Dix says, "We try to keep the classes fun by using games at all levels."

PROGRESS BADGES

Badges are awarded when swimmers progress from one level to the next. Dixon says this is very important. "It gives them an immediate reward and they're very proud of it."

Other special features are clinics, where extra help is available on an individual basis,

and a parent/child class.

The Aquatic program is administered by a committee of six, who along with Dixon believe such a program is necessary in our area. The swim team is an important part of it.

Each summer in August a meet is held with neighbours at the Brome Lake Boat Club.

"It's very competitive," says Dixon. "Sometimes we win, sometimes we don't."

The program runs until Au-

gust 16 and is still accepting late registrations. A barbecue is held at the end of the summer when special awards are presented along with a trophy for the best male and female swimmer.



Swimming in a lake makes the swimmers stronger, instructor Wendy Richard says.



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Knowlton Pub in controversy

KNOWLTON — Innkeeper Gerry Wood says he's glad Brome Lake police are paying more attention to the presence of minors in the bars of Knowlton. But he's angry that a personal vendetta seems to be behind the police campaign.

Wood and his family own and operate the Knowlton Pub, long

a popular singles bar and one of the few businesses in town which can claim a true connection to its Victorian decor. But Wood has also lately become the target of a lightly-veiled smear campaign by some of his Knowlton neighbors.

In a series of raids on Saturday night, town police backed

up by Brome Lake volunteer firemen and a Quebec Police Force patrol carried out two "walkthroughs" at the Pub on Bolton Pass Road, two at Cedric's, a bar around the corner on Knowlton Road, and one at the Lake View hotel on Victoria

Street.

Cedric's was relatively quiet, Brome Lake police chief Peter Stone said afterward, and the Lake View "had only four customers inside so we didn't go back. It would have been like harassment."

PACKED

But outside the Pub police found more than 50 juveniles and young adults milling around because they weren't able to prove they were old enough to be allowed in for Wood's popular Beat the Clock discount night.

Inside, the place was packed, with drinkers beating the clock by buying drinks before the price went up at advertised intervals.

There were no arrests. But Stone said police would be back on a semi-regular basis for a few months "to bring down the dust" raised by revellers and complaints.



By Charles Bury

On the wild side

Since Wood began the once-a-month feature, Beat the Clock has grown so popular that young singles come from "at least a sixty-mile radius," he said this week. "They come from Sherbrooke, from Montreal — and we have one guy who comes down from Ottawa every time. He hasn't missed in over a year."

Chief Stone confirms that Clock night doesn't attract just

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The Knowlton Pub is a family affair



All six members of the Wood family help make the Knowlton Pub a success. It's rare for a customer to be able to walk into the Pub these days without a friendly greeting from someone named Wood — owners Gerry and Marg or daughters Trish, Debbie, Michelle and Jennifer. If the bar is open, at least one of them is probably there.

'Don't look for me at night, though,' says mother Marg. 'I worked for a long time as an emergency room nurse at night, and then it was the same thing here. So now I want my evenings for myself. I let the others look after the night shift.'

The Woods are at the core of a busy staff who keep the Pub a popular place with its varied clientele, who range from millionaire investors and the local business crowd to tea ladies waiting for the play to start, lonely singles, and townies who just want to have a drink.



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Some residents single out pub as trouble spot

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the local crowd. "I'd say about 30 per cent of them come up from Vermont, where the drinking age is 21," Stone said. "And a lot come from Montreal. You see them heading back afterward. It's like a rush hour at 2:30 in the morning."

"I'd say only maybe 5 or 6 per cent of them come from Knowlton," Stone added.

BATTLE ZONE

Lately Clock night's popularity has gotten slightly out of hand. After leaving the Pub, a few young patrons have caused minor havoc around town, in their cars burning rubber, and on foot — or on all fours, some would say — breaking lights and windows, trashing lawns, swinging from sidewalk signs, and vomiting where they fell.

Downtown Knowlton got to be a bit of a battle zone some Saturday nights — not unlike Lennoxville last year — as if the drunken crawl were part of a university entrance exam for rowdies.

And the customers were not always all 18, the legal drinking age.

BROME LAKE DUCKS

Wood has responded by hiring extra staff to police the Pub, and even bringing in private security guards to patrol the neighborhood on Clock night.

Although he wasn't expecting the police raids, Wood said that to help keep order last Saturday he had hired the local rugby team, the Brome Lake Ducks.

But all the ducks in Brome Lake couldn't keep underage drinkers away from a popular bar.

Stone and Wood agree: no matter what measures police and bar owners take to keep them out, some underage drinkers will always get inside.

'WILL DO ANYTHING'

"Some of these kids will do

anything to get into a bar," Wood said.

The youngsters trade identification cards, manufacture false ones, dress up and go out, Stone added. And inevitably at least some of them sneak in.

"I've had parents who asked me to let their kids in even though they were underage," Wood said, and other parents bring their underage children to the bar themselves.

"And there was this one woman who gave me hell in front of a crowd one time because her 16-year-old daughter had been in the Pub. I said I didn't think that was possible because we try to check everyone at the door."

"I asked her how she thought the girl got in, and she said 'Well, she has a false I.D.' — as if it was my fault. What can you do?"

"I have four daughters, and I had the same problem myself when they were underage. They were going to other towns to go out."

"Actually, the police coming out really makes my job a lot easier," Wood said. "As long as they don't just pick on me."

SINGLED OUT

But at least some local residents are doing just that — singling out the Knowlton Pub as the cause of all society's ills.

An hysterically-worded advertisement in the *Brome County News* section of last Thursday's *Record* suggested that local "beer outlets" were "selling alcohol to children", and that they "promote alcohol abuse to increase profits", causing "associated violence and vandalism."

The ad asked readers to send protest coupons to chief Stone, demanding that he "take notice of this advertisement and restore peace in Knowlton."

The ad was unsigned, which was an inadvertent violation of

the *Record's* advertising standards. However it was prepared and purchased by Knowlton businessman Brian Timmins. The ad was paid for by the wealthy Timmins and a few neighbors, whose support was sought in an even more strongly-worded letter he distributed in town the week before.

SECRET

The letter, typed and signed by Timmins, accused local "pubs and bars" of selling not only alcohol but also drugs to Knowlton "children". It also promised secrecy to supporters.

Timmins' target was clearly the Knowlton Pub, as he has been telling anyone in town who will listen. Although formerly friends and partners, he and Wood have been on the outs for more than a year, since they differed on the operation of the Brome Lake Theatre, a new building attached to the Pub which is also home to the local drama group.

The great irony is that Timmins' merchant dream for Knowlton — a busy, vital downtown core with lots of commercial action — has come true a bit more than he and the other dreamers bargained for.

MOTIVE

Timmins says his motive is virgin-pure — trying to save the town's children from the certain doom of drug and alcohol abuse. But he when he speaks of Wood his voice and

words seem to express more anger than virtue, and more greed than either. He's worried about vandalism, noise, real-estate values and image.

"We worked for years to build this town up into something nice," he said this week. "And we did. Now it's like a jungle. Everybody downtown has put up lights, they have to bring their garden furniture inside at night; things are broken or stolen."

Timmins also claims the vandalism is driving down property prices in Knowlton's to-nay downtown.

Privately Timmins is even more direct in his attacks on Wood, accusing him of everything from serving liquor to 13-year-olds and selling them cocaine to being an addict himself.

For Wood these accusations bring the fight full circle. He was angry to see Timmins' advertisement, but not surprised. "Had it been somebody else I would have taken it more seriously," he said. "But knowing where it came from, it's a different story."

THE MORTGAGE

Then there's the mortgage on the Brome Lake Theatre. Timmins, an early backer of the drama project, proposed that a theatre be added to the Pub. Then he co-signed the papers so Wood could afford to build it, and expand seating in the Pub.

A dreamed-of influx of din-



'The police coming out really makes my job a lot easier,' says Knowlton Pub owner Gerry Wood.

ner-theatre and family business never happened. A recession came along. Now Wood is stuck with the hefty payments, and his main money-maker is the Beat the Clock promotion that Timmins is trying to stop.

Could Brian Timmins, the well-known gadfly and less-known silent partner, have a secret business motive for attacking Gerry Wood? Is this whole exercise a hostile takeover in disguise?

"You know, I hadn't thought of that until this minute," Wood told an inquiring visitor this week. "But if I started missing the payments, and Brian started making the payments, the place could become his..."



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Correction:

The advertisement on Page 6 last week which began: 'Stop selling alcohol to children...' was mistakenly unsigned. It was paid for by a group of Knowlton residents headed by Brian Timmins.

All *Record* ads must allow the reader to easily identify the advertiser.

The *Record* apologizes for this omission.

Knowlton parents send ideas to council to help prevent drug and alcohol abuse

KNOWLTON (CB) — A committee looking into ways to discourage alcohol and drug abuse among local teenagers has come up with a series of suggestions for Brome Lake town council.

The list was compiled at a meeting Tuesday and town councillor André Groulx will present it to his colleagues, who will have to spend some town money to make the committee's plans come true.

"It was an excellent meeting and the people came up with a lot of very good ideas," Brome Lake police chief Peter Stone

said in an interview Wednesday.

Stone said the committee was made up of a number of concerned citizens including "mothers and fathers, businessmen, councillor Groulx and myself."

MANY ANGLES

He said the group looked at the abuse problem from a variety of angles, ranging from prevention of drug abuse and excess drinking to stopping the vandalism which sometimes results.

Suggestions to council will include town-sponsored teen

dances, attendants and extra lighting at both public and private parking lots in Knowlton, and a beefed up police presence on busy nights, Stone said.

Johanne Morin, who's in charge of recreation for the town, will be asked to organize the dances, Stone said.

Stone has long asked council for money to hire extra police for busy nights. Now he has added ammunition — recent crime statistics, the committee's recommendations, and more than a hundred coupons mailed in by residents asking for tougher law-enforcement against rowdy youths.

COUNCIL DECISION

"It's up to the council," Stone said. "If they say no, then we're back to square one. But I don't think they're going to say no."

"When you've got a hundred people writing in to ask for action, plus the stats we have, I think council is going to go along with it," the chief added. "We're going to clean up Brome Lake."

Councillor Groulx said that

additional police presence by itself can discourage a lot of teen alcohol and drug abuse.

"If there is an extra patrol car out on nights when there are special events, if the young people see it they will automatically be more careful," Groulx said.

"The thing which worries me most is the chance that some young person will be killed in a car accident as a result of excess drinking," Groulx added.

"Having an extra police officer on duty during weekend nights is a small price to pay for that."

Stone praised committee members Ed Payne and Gerry Wood in particular.

Payne's work as a schoolbus driver has alerted him to many of the problems faced by the young, and "he has obviously done a lot of thinking and a lot of research on this," Stone said. "He came up with some pretty good stuff."

As owner of the Knowlton Pub, Wood has also seen plenty of young people and their pro-

blems. He took a lot of heat early in the meeting but stuck it out and made some good points.

TEEN BAR

One of Wood's suggestions was that the town acquire a place local teenagers can call their own. Adolescents drink and take drugs because they're bored and want to grow up too fast. "The problem is that they have nothing else to do," Wood said in an interview.

"Community groups, churches and service clubs have tried holding dances for the kids," Wood added, "but the first time there's any trouble — drinking, or drugs or fights — they give up and pack it in, and say 'let the bars worry about it'."

"Right now there's no place in town that's suitable for the teenagers to go," he said. "If the town is that concerned, they could build a place, and rent it to someone to run a teenage bar. I think the kids would go for that."

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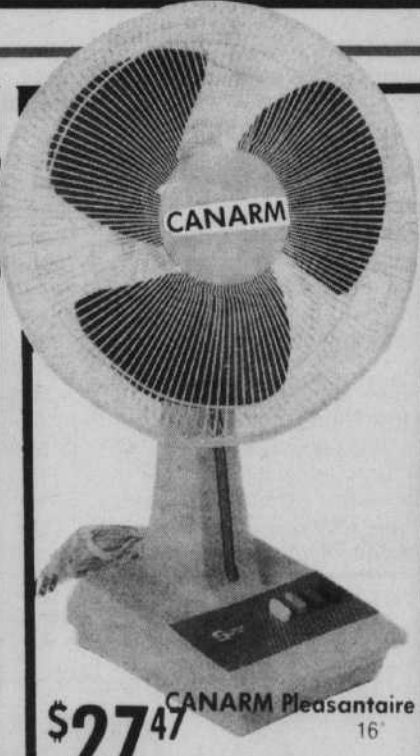
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Everywhere you look in the quaint and charming village of Knowlton, merchants are beginning to deck the halls to

celebrate Christmas in July.

The seven year tradition gives shoppers a head start on Christmas shopping, while providing a leisurely and pleasant day browsing through some of

the town's unique gift, antique, and clothing shops.

The biggest perk is that families get to enjoy all the fun of Christmas without any of the work. The merchants and a full contingent of bands and min-

strels will entertain shoppers as they stroll from shop to shop. And of course, what's Christmas without a visit from Santa?

July 20 is the big day. The welcome mat goes out at 10 in the morning, and the carpet isn't rolled up until after a roast

beef dinner and dance at Lion's Park.

There's plenty of space in town to accommodate overnight guests as well. For more information on Christmas in July activities call Helen or Cam Brown at 243-5785, and watch this paper for further details.

Inverness golf expansion tees off

BROME LAKE (SM)— Golfers teed off on the back nine at Inverness Golf Club Saturday officially inaugurating the 18-hole golf course.

Members expanded the 2-year-old nine-hole golf course transforming it into one of the most challenging and demanding 18-hole courses in the region. Inverness pro Michel Debreuil says the course is desi-

gned for skilled golfers.

"This is not so much a course for beginners," Debreuil said. "People who play the course tell us it's demanding with lots of challenges."

The expansive course weaves along the hillside facing Brome Lake, overlooking the Sutton mountains.

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scenic golf courses in Quebec," added Debreuil.

Most of the club's 44 members are weekenders who have condos on the lake.

"But it's not a private club, and it's not restricted to members," stressed Debreuil.

Green fees range from \$15 on a weekday to \$25 on weekends.

For more information call 242-1262.

Golden Age Club meets

WATERLOO — Golden Age Club members met on June 24 with a smaller attendance than usual.

500 was played at eleven tables with nine at the game tables.

Prizes for score went to: Ladies 1st, Edna Lassemba; 2nd,

Muriel Whitehead; men's 1st, Adrian Whitehead; 2nd, Oral McGovern.

A number of door prizes were given out.

A drawing was held on five articles, winners being: Electric curlers, Ruth Lefebvre; hand-made cape, Valentine

Vintinner; Maple Leaf design, spoon rack, Margaret Wright; Pkg. of facecloths, Gerald McGovern; Crochet doily, Rita McGovern.

Refreshments were served and the next club meeting will be on September 9.

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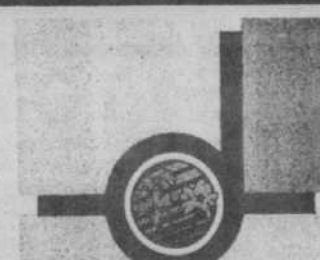


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Nature inspires Quebec artist

KNOWLTON — Scenes of remote backroads far removed from the hustle and bustle of city life, portraits of tranquil duck ponds and limpid trout streams are but a part of nature captured by Quebec artist Walter Bernatchez.

Bernatchez's works will be

featured at an exhibition to be held at the Lakeview Inn in Knowlton from July 13-28.

Although color-blind, Bernatchez's love of nature, and particularly the forest, drew him to the study of art.

Born in Noranda in 1941, Bernatchez

spent most of his childhood living among the Ojibwa and Cree natives of the White River Valley in Algoma country.

The vernissage will take place July 13 from 2 to 9 p.m. The exhibition will continue each Thursday to Sunday.

Pesky aphids can be easily controlled

- A) Aphids: Little known facts!
- C) Aphids: The all too common pest
- C) None of the above

Of all the insects in your home and garden, the most common and most prolific has to be the aphid. Nearly every species of plant is fed upon by some species of aphid. They are tiny insects (less than 1/10 inch long) with a soft pear-shaped body and come in a variety of colours. Green aphids are the most common.

Aphids (or plant lice as they are sometimes called) have an interesting and complex life cycle. They overwinter as eggs, usually at the tips of branches. When the eggs hatch in early spring, the young aphids immediately begin feeding. They do so by piercing the plants and sucking the sap from the plant tissue. They will gather at the plant tips where the tissue is most tender and easier to penetrate.

These young aphids are all female and give birth to live young without having mated. In fact many of the young have babies growing in them when they are born. They may have as many as 20 generations annually. When these colonies of aphids become crowded, a generation of winged aphids is produced, which migrate to another source of food. Towards the end of the summer, cooler temperatures stimulate the production of both male and female aphids. They will mate and produce the eggs which overwinter.

Symptoms of aphid infestations are contorted young leaves, yellowing and a less vigorous plant. Aphids, by their feeding, seldom do much damage to the plant. Generally, the younger the plant or the earlier in the season, the more damage can be done. Light infestations late in the season may actually help to harden of plants for winter. Though not directly damaging, aphids by their piercing and sucking transmit viral diseases. Much the same way humans can trans-



mit disease by using non sterilized hypodermic needles.

Most aphids secrete a sweet sticky substance called honeydew which will support growth of black sooty mold. It will also attract other insects. Ants will actually "farm" aphids, extracting the nutritious honeydew from them. They will even carry wingless females to new food sites. If an abundance of ants are observed on the plants, chances are the plants are also infested with aphids.

Fortunately (for the plant) aphids have many natural enemies among the insect parasites, predators and birds which help to keep them under control. They are the main food for the lady beetle. Light infestations can be washed away by a forceful spray of water. This is easily done with house plants.

Many insecticides will control aphids. Systemic insecticides work particularly well. These are absorbed by the foliage and/or roots and are carried throughout the plant. On trees and shrubs, dormant oil applications will kill overwintering eggs.

Although not a serious pest, because of its potential for spreading disease, control measures should be taken. Houseplants in particular, because of the absence of natural predators, should be monitored and treated immediately.

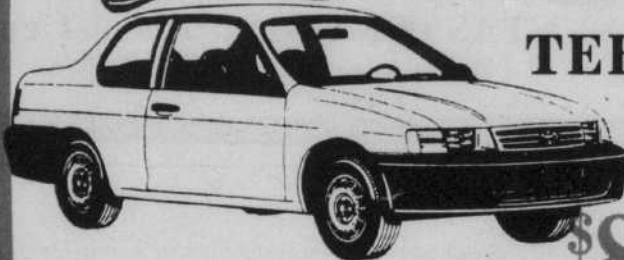
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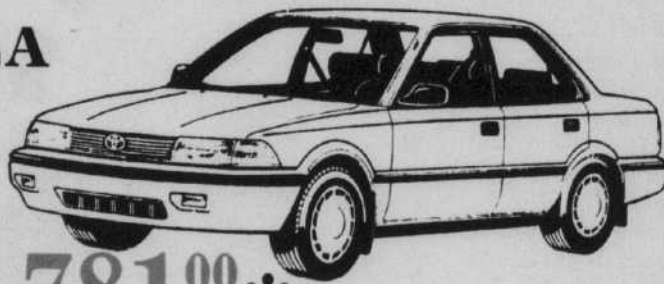
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Comments and questions on this or other material is welcome. Real estate today is also in the local tempo.

Brome County Women's Institute annual convention held in Abercorn

On May 3 the Abercorn W.I. hosted the Brome County annual convention. President Sheila Needham opened the meeting with all repeating the Collect and singing O Canada. A moment of silence was held for deceased members, Miss Lincoln, a devoted member and Mrs. Shonyo (mother of Ruby Sherrer) of Austin. Donations were given to Adelaide Hoodless Home in their memory.

Pauline Wilkins, President of Abercorn branch welcomed members and guests, Ruby Sherrer, Jocelyn Meunier and Pearle Yates.

Jean Lee acted as secretary in the absence of Beth Champoux.

Minutes read and report given on the October rally held in Magog.

Two requests were made for an Abbie Pritchard throw, one for Mrs. Riddell of Abercorn

and Mona Charters of Sutton branch.

Treasurer Betty Needham gave her report and the program books were handed out.

Convenors gave their yearly reports. Morning business ended with Betty Needham telling a joke about wheels on wheels in heaven.

All enjoyed a bountiful dinner in the upstairs hall, after which all went over to the P.R.R.P. Abercorn (recycling project).

Afternoon session opened with roll call taken with 35 members and five guests.

The competition for the county was judged by Ruth Best and Gladys Hubbard. Stuffed animals: 1st, Sylvia Hopps; 2nd, Pat Lahue; 3rd, Jean Lee and the fourth was not judged as it did not have the yarn attached, made by Vera Meilleur. J.&P. Coats: collar made by Sylvia Hopps.

The officers for the following years are Betty Needham, President; Ola Carr, 1st Vice and Norma Sherrer, 2nd; Treasurer, Sheila Needham and Beth Champoux, Secretary.

Agriculture convenor Norma Jennings; Publicity, Pat Lahue; Education and Cultural Activities, Mary Ward; Canadian Industries, Frances Tracy; International Affairs, Eileen Taylor; Home Ec and Health, Vera Meilleur, Citizenship and Legislation, B. Davidson.

At this time a gift was given to Sheila Needham for her three years in office. Sheila then presented Pearle Yates with a gift for all her work as Provincial President.

Pat Coates thanked the Abercorn branch for hosting the convention.

Meeting closed and all enjoyed tea and snacks before returning home.

Shefford No. 77 Ladies Auxiliary holds regular meeting

A regular monthly meeting was held on June 9 with a very good turn-out. Bobbie Cochrane, acting President opened the meeting in Ritual form. The colours were presented by the Sgt.-at-Arms Tootie McCullough and colour bearers Lois Campbell and Debbie Edwards.

The minutes from the last meeting were read and moved accepted as read and carried.

Correspondence: A thank-

you card from Joyce Durrell for cards and calls while in hospital. A thank-you note from the Massey Vanier High School for the donation of a bursary, also asking for someone to present this to the winner on presentation night. Debbie Edwards offered to do this again this year. It would be a special presentation because her daughter, April Edwards had been chosen to receive this bursary. A thank-you letter

from the Senior Branch for the generous donation received from the Ladies.

Membership: Acting President, Bobbie Cochrane initiated a new member into the Auxiliary, Suzanne Belval.

Acting Treasurer, Grace Rainville gave the treasurer's report in the absence of Lillian Bouchard, treasurer.

Social: It was reported that Betty Ann Tryhorn and Lucille Aitken were the hostesses for the evening.

Sick and welfare: Edith Sturtevant reported she had sent out three birthday and a get-well card and that she had visited several of our shut-ins.

Grace Rainville reported she had attended the District meeting with Tootie McCullough and Rita McGovern on June 2nd in Sutton.

Everyone was in favour of going to the Dragon Vert for our September meeting. It was moved and accepted that the Ladies would pay for half of their meal.

Being no further business the meeting was moved adjourned and a social hour enjoyed by all.

Lucky winners of the drawings were Debbie Edwards, Dorothy Neilsen, Joyce Durrell and Lois Campbell.

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St. James Guild holds regular meeting

FOSTER — The June meeting of the St. James Guild was held at the home of Suzy Allen on Wednesday afternoon, June 12.

The president Dorothy de Solla called the meeting to order at 2 p.m. welcomed members and visitors and led in prayer. Ten members responded to the roll call and three visitors were welcomed.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and approved. The treasurer gave her report.

Proceeds of the May rummage sale were \$283.25 and proceeds of the May card party were \$174 from admissions and \$24. on a drawing. Another rummage sale was held on June 29.

The corresponding secretary reported sympathy cards sent to the families of Allan Shufelt and Myrtle McLellan. A bill for keys to the hall of \$3.48 was presented and voted paid.

The July meeting will be hosted by Loys Heatherington on Wednesday, July 10 in the hall

at 2 p.m.

Some discussion followed on the article in the **Record** on the Bishop Carmichael Memorial Church, St. James Parish. Much credit is due Muriel Whitehead for this article. It was not an easy task as no records were available, thus she had to rely on people's memories. The name of one of our former pastors was inadvertently omitted, that of the Rev. Neville Tucker. Although at one time, it was a mission church, it is

now a part of the parish of St. Luke's in Waterloo. At that time St. James Parish included the churches at Bondville and Fulford which have since been closed.

The lucky draw was won by Josie Curtiss.

The sum of \$100. had been

realized from the sale of Anglican cookbooks.

The president moved the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Elvia Johnson.

Following the benediction, refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by some of the members.

Creek United Church Women hold regular meeting

FOSTER — There were only six ladies in attendance at the United Church Women's meeting in the hall on June 19 which was opened by the president, Margot Allen with the reading of the UCW Purpose in unison.

Helen McGovern led the worship with a Bible study from the Presbyterian Conference based on Genesis 19:1-19 looking at it from women's perspective.

The minutes were read by the secretary, Alice Whitcher; accepted as read and signed by the President. One item from the minutes was emphasized

which was that we would be responsible with the Mission Services items for "one year only."

The Treasurer gave her report which showed we need to get busy with the "No-bake Sale" which has been delayed due to the need of more notices being printed.

Some new arrangements were made re the purchasing of groceries for the after-services coffee hour.

There will be four young people from this area who wish to attend camp at Quebec Lodge. They are Laura and

William Allen, Jamey Ratcliffe and Christopher Owen. The UCW will help towards their expenses as in previous years.

No more could be arranged about the catering opportunity until more details are made available.

The annual donation to the Aquatic Club will be sent.

There was one item of communication, a thank-you note from Esther Honey.

After collecting and dedicating the offering in the usual manner, the meeting closed and lunch was enjoyed.



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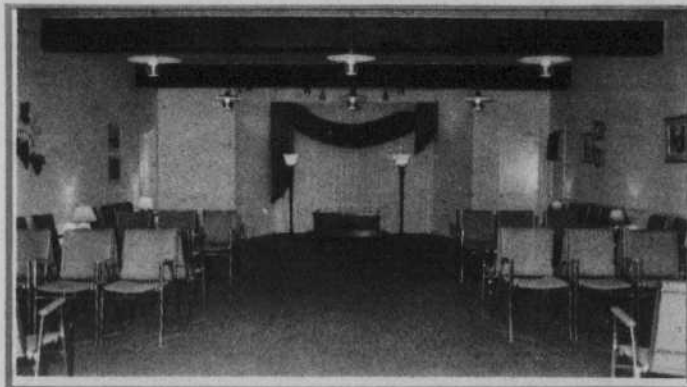
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Mrs. Angie Sherrer was a recent supper guest of Mrs. Ada Goodhue and Miss Doris Dougall.

Mr. and Mrs. Cedric Dougall spent a few days with their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Pettes of Round Lake, N.Y. While there they visited their grandson Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pettes and family, also their granddaughter, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Smith, Sean and new baby Lauren.

Mrs. Norman Hillyer spent a weekend with her daughter Mr. and Mrs. deLuca and family of Rosemere and attended the baptism of her little grandson Robert Norman Pierre deLuca.

Mrs. George Watts has returned to her summer home here.

Mrs. Ada Goodhue and Miss Doris Dougall attended the wedding of the former's great-nephew James Lamoureux and Miss Tammy Bilodeau which took place in East Berkshire and reception at the Dairy Bar at Enosburg, Vt. on Saturday, June 22.

Mrs. Goodhue and Miss Dougall called on the former's niece, Mrs. Basil Royea and Mr. Royea of Orange City, Florida, now staying with their son, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Royea and son in Richford, Vt.

Robert Clark, Prescott, Ont., has been visiting relatives and friends in the vicinity.

Mrs. John Madden, Georgia, Vt., was a dinner guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Cedric Dougall on Wednesday, June 26.

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Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hebert, Middlebury, Vt., spent a week with his sister Mrs. Daisy Johnston, Brome.

Mrs. Karen Gay, Port Cartier, Que., is spending a few days with her step-father Lydney Kirby and visiting relatives and friends in the area.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Hart, Kings-

ton, Ont. visited Lynn Dempsey and Tom Cook recently.

Mae Russell and Clayton Page have returned home after spending a week in Mississauga, Ont., with Mr. and Mrs. M. Applebee and family. En route home they called on Mr. and Mrs. Lin Dempsey in Peterborough, Ont.

Pete and Cora Hazard returned to their home after spending a week in Atlanta, Georgia, where they attended the wedding of their son Clark to Florine De Vere of Calgary on June 22nd.

Carl and Alice Bidwell motored to Baie Comeau to enjoy a week of fishing.

Bid Lachapelle and Stephen spent a week with Pam and Kim McOuat and family in St. Andrews East.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Kirby, Jasper, Ont., spent a few days with her sister Mable Boyce early in July and visited relatives in Mansonville and Brome area.

Mrs. Dale Kirby, Smiths Falls, Ont., with her two daughters spent a few days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. M. Jones.

Mrs. Daisy Johnston and her guests were dinner guests at the home of her sister Mrs. Wallace Sayers, King Rd., West Brome, recently.

On July 1st, Daisy Johnston, Maurice and Marion Fuller and Gordon Westover provided music as part of the Canada Day celebration at Austin, Que. With Daisy and Gordon playing fiddles, Marion on piano and Maurice with his spoons, lively music was enjoyed.

Sympathy to the Madden family in the loss of Margaret Madden, Mrs. Madden taught school for many years in this area, was well known and highly respected.

Trudy and Bob Hector of Montreal were recent supper guests of Mrs. Muriel Miller.

Bid and Stephen, David, Joanne and June Lamb, Cathy and Ralph Davidson, Pete and Cora Hazard were all in St. Andrews East to attend the wedding of Wenda McOuat to Dr. Jean Ouelette on Saturday, June 29.

Birthday greetings to Evelyn Harvey, Mrs. Preston Crittenden, Arline Willey, Muriel Miller, Vera Smith and Merlin Derby who all have July birthdays.

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