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More successful than ever

Impressions of Mayfair '74

by Doug Gregor

(Rather than a factual report on numbers, winners, and other details, this is an account of impressions of Mayfair '74 by one of the many residents who enjoyed a weekend of fun and camaraderie.)

A delightful piece of entertainment which served as the official opener to Mayfair '74 captured my attention on Thursday night in the high school auditorium. "The Public Eye", a presentation by the Kanata Theatre Group was fun! Producer-director, Maurice Dubras, can be pleased with his selection of play, and proud of the performances of the engaging Brenna Robinson, the staid Bob Horsey, and the zany Brooke Keneford. Congratulations to those behind the scenes in this production.

On Friday night our entire family journeyed once again to the high school and together with over four hundred other people settled back to view another first for Mayfair - Musicana. The show was top notch and will have to become an integral part of future Mayfair celebrations. Doug Milne's hard work in organizing this event was well worthwhile. David Galbraith and his Studio 74 crew created a professional backdrop for the acts. Julie Breeze and Scotty McMillan were terrific emcees and kept the show moving briskly before the effervescent crowd of onlookers. The talent is obviously all around us and Musicana provided the showcase for this talent. A good time was had by all!

On Saturday morning we joined the "many who located themselves along the Parade, route and were bedazzled with out neighbours by the band, majorettes, cluster floats, and costumed children. Allan Brown and his parade marshals are to be commended for their terrific organization of a real highlight of the weekend. It was terrific to see so many actually participating in the parade.

We joined the throngs of people at Earl of March High School and participated in the many activities set up by hard working committees of all kinds. The applause of many confirmed the choices of judges Allen Ross, Shirley Watende, and Jan de Jong as prizes were awarded for best costumes and float. Residents meandered about the high school complex participating in the games of chance run by the Queen's - I Scouts; purchasing baked goods from COT and Explorers; visiting the White Elephant tables of Leacock School and March Band Boosters; devouring refreshments of Leacock School and Earl of

March students; and purchasing plants, shrubs, and greenery from the Kanata-March Horticultural Society.

In the foyer of the high school a dazzling display of art work, demonstrations, and exhibits even surpassed the claims of publicity chairperson, Janet O'Grady. It must be said that the Art Committee certainly outdid themselves and gave further evidence of the amount of talent in Kanata and March Township.

The afternoon was taken up with a look at the athletes of the area involved in field day activities; a visit to the Jaycee Beer Garden and a visit with President Bob Kingham as he demonstrated his barf-sauce pitching prowess even though he seemed encumbered by his partner Reeve John Mlajak; a chat with March Hares members Stan Dimoff, Stan Williams, and Ladd Skube as they quenched their thirst with some of the foamy stuff.

How did they do it? I don't know, but the Kanata-Carleton Rotary Club once again came through. Despite weather conditions, over 1500 residents sat down in the Arena for the traditional steak barbecue - delicious! The Earl of March School Band added to the spirit of the event and created a bandshell-picnic atmosphere. Ted Manger seemed to be "dragon" most of the day and at times reluctantly, but Ann Dubras, Ted and other members of the Kanata Theatre Group can be proud of the enjoyment they provided for all, particularly the youngsters, for their production "Reluctant Dragon." What could be better than eating delicious food and knowing that you have contributed to a worthy cause? Such was the case with the Canadian Save the Children Fund's dessert table.

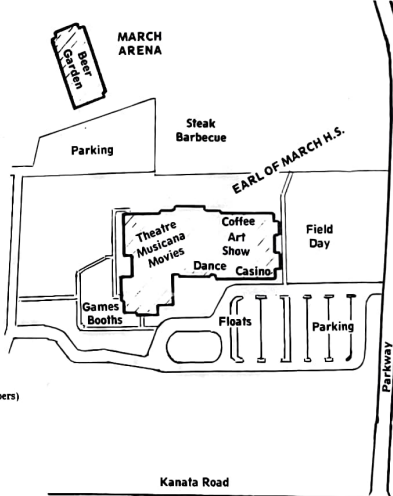
The exhaustion many must have felt certainly was not evident Saturday night at the Mayfair Dance and Casino. Couples involved themselves in conversation and enjoyed hours d'oeuvres and organ music. Music of the 50's provided dancers with the background for dancing. For those who wished, and there were many, the March Hares had liquid refreshments available and the Jaycees provided games of chance. Once again Doug Milne deserves a lot of credit for his work in making the dance a great success.

About eighty people participated in a pleasantly beautiful Outdoor Church Service Sunday morning. The patio setting was ideal and although Reverend John Pressey had to curtail the service somewhat because of the weather, I am sure all present would agree we'll have to do it again.

Mayfair '74 Programme

When	What	Where	Cost
Thursday			
8.30-10.00 pm	Theatre Production "The Public Eye"	High School Auditorium	Free
Friday			
7.30- 9.30 pm	Musicana (Talent Show)	High School Auditorium	.50
8.30-11.30 pm	Teen/Queen Dance	March Arena	\$1.50/one 2.50/two
Saturday			
9.30-11.00 am	Mayfair Parade	See Map	Free
11.00- 5.00 pm	Art Show	Upper, Lower H.S.	Free
11.00- 1.00 pm	Outdoor Carnival	Outdoors, E of M	Free
12.00- 4.00 pm	Beer Garden	Arena	Free
1.00- 5.00 pm	Horseshoe Tournament	E of M Track	Free
1.00- 5.00 pm	Continous Movies	E of M Auditorium	Free
1.00- 1.30 pm	Children's Theatre	Outdoors, E of M	Free
1.45- 3.45 pm	The Reluctant Dragon	High School Green	Free
5.00- 5.30 pm	Field Day	Outdoors, E of M	Free
5.00- 7.00 pm	Children's Theatre		
5.00- 7.00 pm	The Reluctant Dragon		
7.00 pm	Barbecue	Near Arena	
8.30 pm	Deserts	Near Arena	
	Casino Auction	E of M	Free (KBCA Members)
	Mayfair Dance & Casino		
Sunday			
11.00-12.00 pm	Outdoor Church	E of M Patio	
1.00- 3.00 pm	Pet Show	Leacock Grounds	Free
2.00-4.00pm	Bicycle Rally	Leacock School	Free
2.00 pm	Lobholl Final	Roland Michener	Free

Mayfair '74 Location



KANATA'S NINTH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Mayfair '74 a resounding success

BY DOUG GREGOR

Participation was the key note of Mayfair '74. The active involvement of literally hundreds of Kanata-March residents created a happening for hundreds more.

The Kanata-Beaverbrook Community Association, sponsors of Mayfair, can be proud of the organizational job done by Mayfair Co-chairman, Barry MacDonald and Bruce Robertson.

Because of the many activities that took place the following account is limited to reaction, of a resident who endeavored (rather successfully) to taste all of the courses offered.

THEATRE PRODUCTION
Maurice Dubras et al in producing and directing "The Public Eye" brought enjoyment and laughter galore to the audience. The talented cast of Brenda Robinson, Bob Horsey, and Brooke Keneford got Mayfair celebrations off to a fine start.



Thursday evening, May 23

THEATRE PRESENTATION

8.30 p.m.

Mayfair '74 will officially get underway in the auditorium of the Earl of March High School at 8.30 p.m. Residents of Kanata and March Township are invited to attend a Kanata Theatre Group one-act play "The Public Eye" by Peter Shaffer. This presentation with Brooke Keneford, Brenda Robinson, and Bob Horsey starring, is the Theatre Group's contribution to our week-end of enjoyment, and will also provide the opportunity for KBKA president Bob Kingham to officially open our celebrations for Mayfair. Admission is free.