

The Goulbourn News



Produced by the *Goulbourn Historical Society & Museum*
2064 Huntley Rd., P. O. Box 621, Stittsville, ON K2S 1A7
E-mail address: goulbmus@compmore.net Telephone: (613) 831-2393
Please visit our website at www.goulbournmuseum.ca

Issue #38-August 2004

COMING EVENTS

Saturday November 20, 2004 – Goulbourn Museum – 1 p.m.

David Flemming, President of Heritage Ottawa, will speak on the 1917 *Halifax Explosion: Victims and Survivors*. Mr. Flemming, a native of Halifax, has had a life long interest in the disaster. As Director of the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic, he undertook detailed research on the topic and organized a comprehensive exhibit. Mr. Flemming's new book *Explosion in Halifax Harbour*, complete with full colour visuals, provides a compelling account of the explosion and its aftermath.

Thursday November 25, 2004-Museums Sustainability Plan, City Hall – 7 – 9 p.m. 110 Laurier, Ottawa, Ontario (in the Festival Board Room – Ground Floor)

This meeting is scheduled to allow for public consultation on the Museums Sustainability Plan, now being prepared by the City of Ottawa Heritage staff. The final plan will be presented to the City of Ottawa, Health, Recreation, and Social Services Committee in early January 2005. All Museums' staff and Board members are encouraged to attend this important meeting, which will allow the heritage community a first look at the proposed report and provide a forum for public input.

Saturday December 18, 2004-Goulbourn Museum – 1:30 p.m.

Ron Dale, historian and Superintendent of Niagara Historic Sites including Fort George and Brock's Monument, will speak on Christmas in the British Garrison.

GOULBOURN HISTORICAL SOCIETY, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Volunteers are most welcome to fill several positions on the Board of Directors that will be available in January 2005. For information contact Robin Derrick, President of the Historical Society, at 836-7931.

LOOKING BACK

INTERVIEW WITH HENRY ARBUCKLE

AGE 93

**Interviewed and tape recorded by G.T.H.S.
members Beth Stackhouse and Joyce
Redwood-March 1978.**

**Transcribed by G.T.H.S. member Cheryl
McCoy in October 2003.**

When the calves come in the spring of the year, we killed them, took the pelt off them and took the hide over to Hemphill and he'd tan them. The Hemphill Tannery was just down the street from Church of England on the creek. William Hemphill and his son Horace lived on that property. They had huge vats, can't tell you what dope was in them, and they'd put the pelts in there so long. The hair would get rotten and they'd spread them out and they'd take this thing and take all the old hair off. That's the way it was done. My Dad used to take the pelts off the calves and the tannery would make leather mitts for me, and my two brothers, for the winter.

William Hemphill was the Reeve of Richmond for quite a while. He used to live on the Tom Nesbitt farm before where he lives now. That was the DeHaan Farm. People by the name of Mann owned that house before the Nesbitts. A man by the name of Hinton first owned the house where William Hemphill lived. He owned the 200-acre farm up the 4th line where my father, and my father's brother, settled and bought the 200 acres. He left and went down to what they call "Hintonburg" and settled there just this side of Ottawa. The first William Hemphill was a tanner and the second William Hemphill, was a farmer and lived up on Tom Nesbitt's place. Tom Nesbitt sold it later to Leonard Brown. There used to be an Argue man had that farm.

The old blacksmith shop was on the corner right where the garage is. There was a great big brick building there and they made buggies when I was a kid. It was a double decker, two storey, blacksmith on the bottom and woodworking on top making sleighs and fixing buggy wheels. I think they tore that building down. Not much work for a blacksmith shop. Used to be if you wanted something welded, you took it to the blacksmith and they put it in the coal fire and got it together that way. Today, with all this electric stuff, killed that job out.

William Henry McElroy donated the land for the Anglican Church across the river. There used to be a hotel on the bank of the river near the Danby and Mary Nelson smokehouse but I don't remember it or any buildings there. Sam Todd and the wife and family were raised there. Just the other side of that house, they used to hold Hornerite camp meetings and there would be awful crowds there. They had big tents, religious hymns, singing and preaching. I used to go out to the great big tent with benches at the Hornerite bush, follow the crowds you know. They were pretty strong in my young days with their rolling and singing. Many people went just for fun. Not many people joined up though. Whatever bunch they had, they brought with them. They tried to recruit you but were a good class of people. The apartment building owned by Harold Kirkham, on the main street, used to be the Hornerite Church (Standard Church).

The Klu Klux Klan was here for a while too but they disappeared and you never hear tell of it these last years. I don't know much about them. They were down on the highway and had a tent down there for meetings. They did come up here and hold a meeting the other side of the river. Bernice (Moore) McCaffrey, who grew up on the Shea Road, was told by her Father that the Klu Klux Klan held meetings across from United Church Cemetery. Some local people belonged to it just like any other congregation but they couldn't keep it going.

I think I was the first person in Richmond to put a load of gravel on the main street on this side of the bridge. Boy, it was awful especially in the spring. Water would boil up and heaving bad in front of the M & M and down at the corner. You'd go to your knees in it. Just pure mud. Never took your boots off at the door when you went to church and it was a terror. Rubber boots got a great going then—*toe rubbers* were no good. Everyone went to church then as something to do.

Had a barbershop run by a man named Albert Boyle. He was a boot cobbler. He lived across from Smith's Store at the Masonic Hall there. House sits right on the ground. Across from the Public School, the shingled house was owned by the MacDougall's. Their father had a big brick shop over at the corner and he was a carriage maker. He made buggy wheels and things like that. Harold Moore's two sisters lived in that house.

I believe a McElroy man built the house for Dr. Channonhouse. It's a big house. I wouldn't want a mansion like that. It's three storey. Dr. Channonhouse died in that house and then his son Jack took it and lived in it for quite a while. Then he moved. I remember down this back street over here, where Scollans live, a Dr. Beatty lived right at the end. Dr. Beatty looked after my Mother. The Post Office used to be where Dr. Kemp was (where Dr. Fitzgerald is now). A man the name of Butler runs the Post Office. Hillie Brown had the mail in his house for a while too, along with an ice cream parlour his wife, Olive, run. Mrs. Albert Boyle used to run an ice cream parlour from her house. She was the wife of the barber and cobbler. In my day, I remember Birches starting the store but I don't know who they bought it from. They lived in the house and then made it into a shop.

The Jock River looks about the same, maybe bigger. When I was a young lad, we used to take our flock of sheep down to Nesbitt's Rapids and wash their hides, on their backs. Keep them in

there for a good while, just the sheep's head out of the water and you are up to your waist. Wasn't too deep there. Loaded the sheep in the wagon and home to the farm again. We sheared the sheep ourselves and sold the wool. We got rid of a lot of it up at Carleton Place. They used to leave it in good shape, all in rolls ready to go on the spinning wheel. My Mother did all the spinning and knit socks and mitts. There were no sweaters at that time. Some knit caps. Lots of wool to keep you warm. You know, there is nothing better than wool to keep Jack Frost out.

My Dad used to take me to Ottawa with him when I was a kid. We'd kill some pigs and chickens and take the horse and express and head to the market. We'd back into the side of the sidewalk there and they'd be all lined up. It would take about four hours to get there. The horse had to gig down some 20 miles at 5 miles an hour – it's about all they could do. There were stables down there that you could take your horse out of the rig and put it in the stable to be fed. That's the way we run the show. If you had a good day, you'd get out of there by 11 o'clock. We'd be down there for 7 o'clock in the morning, after getting up at 2 o'clock, have a snack and feed the horse before leaving. I got a great kick out of it as everyone was going. Didn't mind it a bit.

I went everywhere by horse and buggy or cutter in the winter. In the wintertime, you had two big robes. One hanging on the back of your cutter and on the seat to sit on and one to put over your knees. That would hold the robe there. You kept your ears well padded.

I went to school down on this back street. Second street down, two schools, public and continuation. Jimmy Moore bought it and it went up in flames. There for a while and then Goulbourn Township was taxed up too heavy paying into Richmond and they built the public school on the back of the exhibition grounds. Only that school took this district here. We used to skate on the river, down where Scollan's live,

when the ice was thick enough to carry you and there was no snow. The school was only a block up from Scollans and we'd go down there at noon hour. Didn't have time to put the skates on at recess. The skates were strapped on your boot. Later on, we got the kind that were bolted on.

My Mother, and her generation, went to school at the little school down by the cheese factory. She was born away out in Goulbourn. Was born where Herman Dawson lives. I went to school until I got in the fourth book and quit to go to work. I was 15. I forked off 14 loads of hay into the stack in one day and got 50 cents. That was my salary. I'll never forget that – never forgot that. Be no time, and they'd be back with another

load of hay to be put in the stack. Lot of hay for 50 cents. They drew it home on sleighs in the wintertime. My haying days is done. There was no easy time and little pay for what we done -- \$12.00 for a month's wages.

My Dad used to rent 50 acres right beside our own farm and I think he paid \$160.00 a year. That was a lot of money in those days. It was hard going. We milked all the cows by hand then. Today, it all goes into the tank and the cooler – no carrying or nothing. Everything is different today.

The End

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

The G.T.H.S. and Museum would like to set up several volunteer committees to assist with a number of new initiatives. Some committees may simply require volunteers to help out with a particular task. Other committees might require meeting on a regular basis to discuss action plans, or enlisting outside expertise, and then reporting back to the Board of Directors.

***Fundraising** – Developing programs to raise money for the G.T.H.S. & Museum.

***Emergency Preparedness** –Formulating a Museum emergency plan to best protect the collection in the event of a fire or natural disaster.

***Gift Shop** – Purchasing gift shop inventory and recording all transactions.

***Historic Plaques** – Arranging for the installation of Historic Plaques in appropriate locations throughout Goulbourn.

***Community Events**– Setting up temporary museum exhibits at venues throughout Goulbourn, developing volunteer rosters for booths at off-site events, arranging for participation in community parades.

***Costumes** – Arranging for the purchase or making of period costumes to be used by volunteers at special events and by children visiting the Museum.

***Capital Projects**– A committee to examine the feasibility of a link between the Museum and the Clerk's Building.

If you are interested in helping out, please contact us through the Goulbourn Museum at 831-2393.

A LITTLE BIT OF HISTORY

We found this interesting tidbit in our newsletter files. It was provided to us, several years ago, by Erskine Rivington who had uncovered the piece in the November 7, 1929 edition of the *Carp Review* and forwarded it to his fellow G.T.H.S. members. Erskine passed away in 2004.



S.S. # 12 Goulbourn c. 1930
From the Goulbourn Museum collection.

HONOUR ROLL SS No 12 Goulbourn September – October 1929

Sr. IV - Ernest Argue, Gerald Argue, Clifford Switzer, Grant Bradley, Albert Savage, Lawrence Leedy, Cecil Bennett, Frank Alexander

Jr.IV - Arthur Appleby, Frankie McCaffrey, Harris Bradley

Sr. III- Nora Bradley, Elmer Foster, Viola Appleby, Hilda Alexander, Irene Savage, Freda Rawlings, Edna Alexander

Jr. III – Helen Brennan, Phyllis Bennett, Freddie McCaffrey, Cyril Kelly, Jackie Argue, Sterling James, Blair Mitchell, Lila Leedy, Orman Savage, Lillian Bradley

II Class – Orland Foster, Hugh Alexander, Larry Duetta, Lyman Boyd

I Class – Wallace Caldwell, Marjorie Bradley, Frances Appleby, Graham Simons, Agnes Brennan

Primer – Hugh Murray, Ray McCaffrey, Gerald Brennan, Thomas Cathcart, Mabel Boyd, Irene Sparks, Norman Seabrooke

W. F. Johnston - Teacher

LOOKING FOR BAKING

On Saturday December 18, 2004, we will have guest speaker Ron Dale at the Goulbourn Museum. The G.T.H.S. is looking for members who would be willing to share some of their Christmas baking for this event. If you are interested in helping out, please call Georgia at 836-7931 as soon as possible.

Add a Smile to your Day

WORLD'S EASIEST QUIZ

(Passing requires 4 correct answers)

- 1) How long did the Hundred Years War last?
- 2) Which country makes Panama hats?
- 3) From which animal do we get catgut?
- 4) In which month do Russians celebrate the October Revolution?
- 5) What is a camel's hair brush made of?
- 6) The Canary Islands in the Pacific are named after what animal?
- 7) What was King George VI's first name?
- 8) What color is a purple finch?
- 9) Where are Chinese gooseberries from?
- 10) What is the color of the black box in a commercial airplane?

All done? Check your answers below.

- 1) 116 years
- 2) Ecuador
- 3) Sheep and Horses
- 4) November
- 5) Squirrel fur
- 6) Dogs
- 7) Albert
- 8) Crimson
- 9) New Zealand
- 10) Orange, of course

What do you mean you failed?

POINTS TO PONDER

Up to a point in a man's life is shaped by environment, heredity and changes in the world about him. Then there comes a time when it lies within his grasp to shape his life into the sort of thing he wishes it to be. Only the weak blame parents, their race, their times, lack of good fortune, or the quirks of fate. Everyone has it within his power to say, "This I am today; That I will be tomorrow."

By: Louis L'Amour
"The Walking Drum"

*****RECIPES*****

The following recipes are *From the Kitchens of Lanark County*. This book was compiled in celebration of Rural Expo 2003 Lanark County I.P.M.

SQUARE DANCE CASSEROLE

By: Jo Creighton

3 lb hamburger	1 can tomato soup
1 pkg thin egg noodles	1 can beef consomme
1 Spanish onion, chopped	2 to 3 tbsp. Worcestershire sauce
2 green peppers, chopped	1 to 2 tsp. Tabasco sauce
1 bunch celery, chopped	2 tsp. salt
2 cans mushrooms, sliced	1 tsp. pepper
2 (20 oz) cans tomatoes, chopped	

Brown meat. Boil noodles for 10 minutes. Mix all ingredients in large casserole. Sprinkle grated cheese on top. Cook in 350°F oven for about 2 hours. Makes large batch, freezes well.

PENNE AND ITALIAN SAUSAGE

A one pot recipe from the 1999 Milk Calendar

1 pound Italian sausage – hot or mild (500 g)	1 onion chopped
1 glove of garlic, minced	1 tsp. Italian Seasoning (5 ml)
¼ tsp. crushed red peppers, or to taste (1 ml)	1 tbsp. cornstarch (15 ml)
2 cups milk (500 ml)	1 can (19 oz/540 ml) tomatoes, chopped
½ lb penne pasta (250 g)	1 cup grated mozzarella cheese

- 1) Cut sausage into 1 inch (2.5 cm) pieces
- 2) In a large frypan, cook sausages over medium-high heat until browned on all sides. Add onion, garlic, Italian seasonings and crushed red peppers, cook until onion is tender.
- 3) Stir in cornstarch, add milk, stir until mixture comes to a boil and thickens.
- 4) Add tomatoes and penne pasta. Return to a boil, cover and simmer for 15 minutes or until pasta is tender.
- 5) Stir in Mozzarella cheese and serve.

Preparation time: 10-15 minutes

Cooking time: 15 minutes

Yield: 4-6 servings

Welcome to our newest G.T.H.S. members

Marjorie Gillick....Stittsville, Ontario
Susan Paterson.....Stittsville, Ontario

Violet Lowe.....Ottawa, Ontario
Tom Wilson.....Keremeos, B.C.

Membership Renewals: Please check your membership renewal date found on our mailing envelope under the return address label. The timely payment of Membership Dues will make it easier for the Society to keep up with our expenses.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION
To the Goulbourn Township Historical Society

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
Street Address: _____
Town or City: _____ Province: _____
Postal Code: _____ Telephone: (____) _____ - _____
e-mail address: _____ Date: _____

Renewal amount: _____ single _____ family _____ sub-total: _____
New member: _____ single _____ family _____ sub-total: _____
Donation to the G.T.H.S.: _____ sub-total: _____
Donation to the Goulbourn Museum: _____ sub-total: _____
Amount Enclosed: _____ **Total:** _____

Signature: _____ (Authorization for disbursement of funds)

As of December 1, 2003, the cost of a membership to the Goulbourn Township Historical Society will be \$15.00 per year. This rate applies to either a single or family membership. Please make your cheque payable to “The Goulbourn Township Historical Society” and mail it to The Goulbourn Township Historical Society and Museum, 2064 Huntley Road, P.O. Box #621, Stittsville, Ontario K2S 1A7.

The mandate of the Goulbourn Township Historical Society is to foster an understanding of our local heritage. Meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of the month. Most meetings have a guest speaker, addressing a topic of historical interest. The Historical Society is active within the schools, speaking to children about the history of Goulbourn and showing them some of the artifacts we have on display at the Museum. The Society also participates in community events such as Heritage Day, Canada Day, the Richmond Fair and Villagefest.

PLEASE NOTE: Donations made to the Goulbourn Township Historical Society and/or the Goulbourn Museum (of \$10 or more) will be given official tax receipts for income tax purposes.

Members of “The Goulbourn News” committee are: Hilda Moore, Donna Hockey and Virginia Notley. Questions or suggestions regarding the Newsletter can be directed to Virginia at 836-1556. For information concerning the Obituary section please call Hilda at 838-2274.

Obituaries - Goulbourn Residents

CATHCART, RUSSELL M. – of Stittsville – on August 5, 2004, aged 79, son of the late Gilbert and Linda (Cherry) Cathcart. Predeceased by his brothers Benson, Henry, George and Harold.

FLYNN, LOUIS PATRICK – of Richmond – On August 21 2004, husband of Estelle Donohue and father of William (Donna), David (Marie) and Erin. Also survived by 3 grandchildren and a sister Myra (Russ Summers).

GOTH, W. H. KENNETH – of Richmond (formerly North Gower) – On August 2, 2004, in his 90th year. Husband of the late Marjorie Thelma Wilson and father of Judy Creelman (Ross), Linda Gamble (Randy), Paula Rogers (George) and Stephen (Shona). Brother of Lena Anderson, Edna Shute, Edith Moffatt, Anna Perkins, Lula White, Muriel Carpenter, Evelyn

Hobbs, and the late Myrtle Irvine, Lloyd, Percy and Earle. Also survived by 6 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

HILL, GORDON WILLIAM ANDREW – of Richmond - On September 6, 2004, in his 80th year, husband of Barbara Findlay and father of Bruce (Cheryl), Nancy (Kelly Hunt), Richard (Roseanne) and John (Louise). Also survived by 8 grandchildren and his sisters Jean (Charles Clarke) and Hilda (William Gervin). Predeceased by his sister Helen Alexander (Karl).

NEILL, ELDON – of Stittsville – On September 2, 2004, aged 83, husband of Lil (Bradley) and brother of Everett, Bruce (Elizabeth, Phyllis (the late Earl Mulligan) and Marion (Cliff Rivington).

Obituaries - Former Goulbourn Residents

GAMBLE, DAVID GEORGE – formerly of Richmond – On August 17, 2004, aged 68, son of the late James Edgar and Ina (Evans) Gamble

and father of Jane and Paul (Shauna). Also survived by 2 grandchildren. Predeceased by his brother Keith (late Elaine).

Obituaries - Out-of-Town Residents

ALLSOPP, EDWIN – In Almonte on August 28th, 2004, aged 59, father of Jessie Cashen of Stittsville.

CARKNER, GEORGE HARVEY – On August 21, 2004, in his 83rd year, father of Elizabeth (Tom Beckett) of Munster Hamlet.

HANSCHKE, EDITH ROSE – In Collingwood on August 6, 2004, mother of Peter (Mary Herbert) of Stittsville.

HART, PATRICIA WARBURTON – In Alberta on February 20, 2004, aged 93, mother of Robert (Peggy) of Stittsville.

HOOPER, NANCY – In Alberta on July 22, 2004, aged 62, sister of Don (Molly) Buck of Richmond.

HOPSON, OLIVER R. – In Kingston on April 23, 2004, in his 79th year, father of Denise (Frank) Kahle of Richmond.

HUNTER, DONALD A. – In Smiths Falls on July 20, 2004, in his 83rd year, father of Shirley (Robert) Graves of Stittsville.

HYLAND, ETHEL PATTERSON – In Kingston on April 19, 2004, in her 88th year, mother of H. Roy Hyland (Lorna) of Richmond.

JOHNSON, GILBERT – On March 27, 2004, aged 70, brother of Bruce (Marjorie) of Stittsville.

JONES, CHRISTOPHER HENRY – On April 17, 2004, in his 94th year, father of Eric (Andrea) of Richmond.

LAWRENCE, KIRK – On August 4, 2004, in his 68th year, husband of Hazel Goodenough and son-in-law of Marion Goodenough of Richmond.

MacGREGOR, LORNA – In Cornwall on July 29, 2004, aged 70, sister of Mary (Tom) Gemmell of Richmond.

MAYHEW, CLARENCE NEIL – On August 6, 2004, aged 81, father of Terry (Wendy) of Richmond.

McGRATH, PERCY J. – In Nova Scotia on August 22, 2004, father of Sean (Maria) of Stittsville.

McGREGOR, Dr. JOHN BOOTH – In California on February 29, 2004, aged 52. Predeceased by parents Major and Mrs. John McGregor of Stittsville.

MISSEAU, JAMES – On February 28, 2004, aged 67, husband of Catherine Kavanagh, and brother-in-law of Anne Casey, Munster.

MUZEEN, EVELINE – In England on April 20, in her 95th year, mother of Bernard J. Muzeen of Stittsville.

PERSHAW, MILTON DOUGLAS – On April 17, 2004, in his 70th year, father of Brenda (Dan) Pershaw of Richmond.

PILON, AMBROSE – In Hawkesbury on May 15, 2004, father of Ray (Cheryl) of Richmond.

PILON, GISELE YVONNE (nee Ouimet) – On June 28, 2004, aged 74, mother of Ray (Cheryl) of Richmond.

PRUDHOMME, ELLEN L. (HELEN) – In Port Albernie, BC, on March 26, 2004, in her 89th year, mother of Dawneen Featherston (Dale) of Stittsville.

REID, WILLIAM – In Maxville on May 30, 2004, aged 87, brother of Ted Reid of Stittsville.

RIDDELL, VIOLET – In Perth on August 14, 2004, in her 82nd year, mother of Bill (Linda Marie) of Stittsville.

ROURKE, STEVEN ROBERT – On May 20, 2004, aged 52, father of Kim (Ron Ventura) of Stittsville.

SHEA, EARL – On August 2, 2004, in Iroquois Falls, aged 76, brother of Barbara (Bruce) Wilson of Richmond.

SPRINGER, BEATRICE MARTHA – On June 1, 2004, in her 90th year, mother of Cheryl Sarsfield of Stittsville.

STANLEY, JOHN MOORE – In Shawville on May 22, 2004, in his 82nd year, brother of Ruth (Nelson) Brock of Stittsville.

STINSON, MABEL DOROTHY (nee Beatty) – On August 15, 2004, aged 92, mother of David of Richmond.

SUNSTRUM, HAZEL EMILY (nee Griffith) – On August 18, 2004, in her 81st year, mother of Roy (Margie) of Richmond.

THOMPSON, WAYNE LLOYD – At Orr Lake on July 20, 2004, in his 59th year, father of Nicola Crockett (Barry Miner) of Stittsville.

VARDON LEGGE, JEAN – On April 28, 2004, aged 75, mother of Jo-Ann (Bradley) Snouten of Munster.

WAKELAM, ETHEL MAY – In Almonte on April 7, 2004, aged 75, mother of Tracey (Glenn Bowden) of Ashton.

WARRINER, AUDREY M. (nee Pilon) – On June 24, 2004, aged 67, sister of Janice (Bob Loverock), Munster.

YOUNG, MARY – On April 3, 2004, aged 92, mother of Margaret “Peggy” (late Thomas Beazley) of Stittsville.

This newsletter is produced with the assistance
of the City of Ottawa and the
Ontario Ministry of Culture, Tourism, and Recreation.