

Port Credit Don scullers win awards

For many years, the two dominion Day Week-end regattas have been important tests for rowing clubs in Ontario and Northern United States as they prepare for national championships.

The St. Catharines International Invitational Regatta on Sunday and the Dominion Day Regatta on Toronto's Centre Island both attract topflight competition.

Four wins and two seconds established the Port Credit Dons as real contenders for Canadian Henley honours later this month.

On Sunday at the Invitational, in very windy conditions, the Senior Lightweight Four event was all Don Rowing Club as Bob Hemphill, Nigel

Hussey, Brian Jackson and Lach Maclean crushed St. Catharines, Hamilton Leanders and Toronto Argos by five lengths open water.

In the Junior Lightweight event, rowed Sunday morning, Dons crossed the finish line ahead of the pack. However, they lost on a disqualification for cutting out of their lane although no collision resulted.

DOMINION DAY REGATTA

This is an integrated paddling and rowing regatta featuring the best paddlers and oarsmen in North America. Due to late arrival of boat trailers, the rowing events were delayed approximately three hours. Credit

it is certainly due the regatta officials who managed to make up nearly all this time and finish the schedule only an hour late.

Dons stayed in the winner's lane for the second day in a row as Hemphill, Hussey, Jackson and Maclean added Coxie Robbie Innes to win the Senior 145 lb. cox four by a length over a favoured St. Catharines.

One of the closest duels of the entire program was staged by Dons and Hamilton Leanders in the Open 155 lb. Cox Four event. In an early heat the two crews eliminated Argos and St. Catharines from the final as Dons nipped Hamilton by half a deck.

In the final, it was the same as the local crew and Hamilton were bow to bow all the way. The lead changed several times but again Dons drove ahead for a half-length victory.

Dons crew, composed of Jim Dobbin, Chuck Millar, Bob Hemphill and Warren Trimble with Rod Innes coxing, expect many more close races in this event this year. Buffalo Westsides and Ecorse Boat Club were third and fourth.

Former Argonaut, Doug Clark, a member of last year's Pan American Games Double, brought Dons their third victory of the day with a fine win in the Open ¼ mile dash for singles.

The waters of Hamilton Bay were the calmest they have ever been for a regatta in the last 20 years when the 2nd CORA regatta of the year was held on Saturday afternoon.

Two wins and a second showed that Port Credit Dons were taking advantage of a good thing.

Dons Junior lightweights continued to dominate the Jr. 135 lb. and Jr. 145 lb. four events, winning both these races with open water over an experienced and very strong London crew. Bob Dobbin, Wilko Kellman, Marty Albertson, and Tom Holloway make up this crew which won a Canadian Schoolboy Championship earlier this year.

The Senior Lightweights again faced very strong competition as they raced bow to bow over the mile-long course only to lose by less than half a length to Toronto

Argos. The Senior races, being held by CORA for the first time this year, have proven to be very exciting as each week no race has been won by more than a boat length.

Dons had planned to participate in the Central States Regatta in Ecorse, Michigan, on Sunday. Arrangements for accommodations proved to be inadequate and due to the long distance involved, it was decided to work out on the river here instead.

Next weekend will be a weekend off, and coaches Chris Leach and Bill de Ruiter are taking their crews north for a weekend training camp at Bass Lake. The crews will row twice a day and work on improving the fine points of racing such as starts and mid-race sprints.

The following week the first Provincial Championships will be held on the Canadian Henley course in St. Catharines.

County land title suggestion

BRAMPTON—The registry office may shortly become a land title office, if county council adopts a suggestion from county assessment commissioner, Carl Madgett.

Mr. Madgett suggested the county should adopt a system of guaranteeing land titles, instead of just registering the titles, because ownership changes so frequently and information listed at the time of registration may be incorrect.

He noted that much time is spent in searching titles to property, only to find that the information in the registration is not up-to-date.

He cited the case where a Bolton man had been assessed down through the years as owning 27 acres of land, where he actually owned only 15.1 acres.

He said cases such as this were coming to light in the view of the county reassessment now in progress.

"People question more what they own when taxes become higher and tougher to pay," Mr. Madgett explained.

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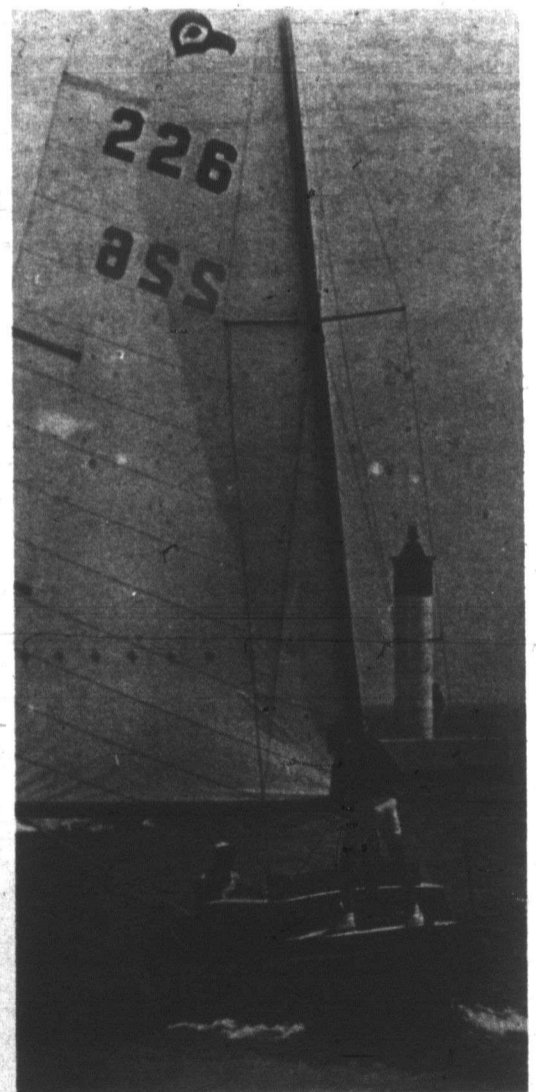
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Nothing like a fine day, a brisk breeze and lots of sail for an afternoon's fun. Scene shows crewman getting ready to lower the sail as they approach mooring at Port Credit Yacht Club after one of last Saturday's races. Skipper is keeping an eye on things.