

Ray Vanhoucke of South Dorchester Optimist Club fries sausage for a pancake breakfast at S.D. Community Centre in Ly-

ons last Sunday. The club holds breakfasts in spring and fall every year, to raise money for community youth projects.

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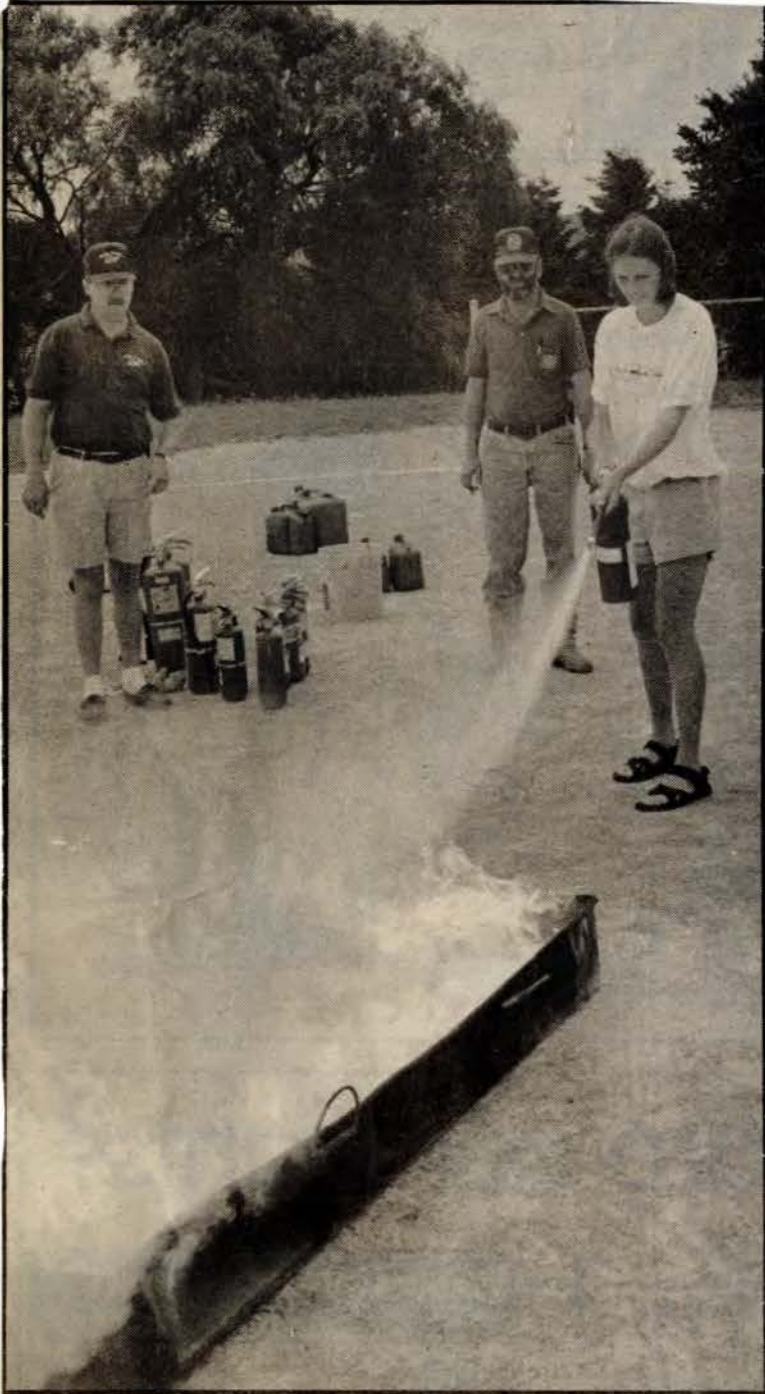
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Doug McCallum, left, and Bob Howey were kept busy in the kitchen at South Dorchester Optimist Club pancake breakfast Sunday. The service club held the

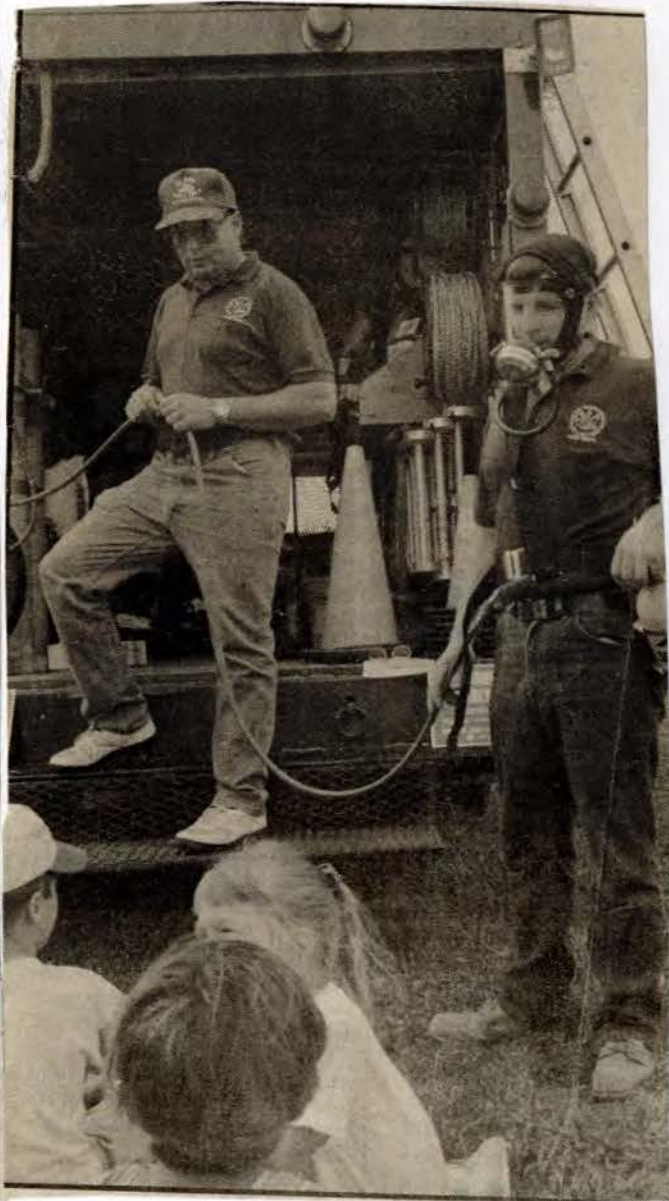
breakfast at the community hall in Lyons as a money raising event for Optimist youth programs.

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EXTINGUISHER... Sarah Provoost, 13, of Aylmer, learns the correct way to use a fire extinguisher, while putting out a small oil blaze.



POISON PROTECTION

Stan Putnam, a South Dorchester firefighter, wears an oxygen mask to help discussion of poisonous gases.

J. B.
R. B.

Children learn dangers facing them on a farm

By TIMES-JOURNAL STAFF

LYONS — This hamlet north of Aylmer was filled Wednesday with a variety of farm equipment accidents, fires, and even ... lunch, for about 90 kids.

The accidents were part of Child Safety Day Camp, a day to learn all about safety on the farm, at the South Dorchester Fire Hall.

Close to 100 six- to 13-year-olds saw, among other things, straw dummies being ripped

apart in a PTO shaft, and through a bailer.

Not a pretty sight, admits Marvin Coreless, the Fire Prevention Officer of South Dorchester Township's fire department.

But effective.

"I think it really got the point across. When they saw it happen, they were quite amazed," said Mr. Coreless.

"The idea is to save a life or injury."

Some of the participants were also taught through some hands on experience — the correct way of using fire extinguishers.

"I learned a lot," said Sarah Provoost, 13, of Aylmer, after extinguishing a controlled fire.

In total there were nine locations the young learners went to at the fire hall, including those teaching about safe water, poisonous gases, and grain handling.



(T-J PHOTO)

RIPPED OPEN... Straw dummies lay ripped open as a reminder of the hazards of some farm equipment, as Marvin Coreless, South Dorchester Fire Prevention Safety Officer, warns the children.

John N. B.

July 1996



South Dorchester Township volunteer firefighter Jim Legg, left, explains some hazards of farm machinery to youngsters participating in the annual Farm Safe Day at Lyons community hall. About 126 youngsters took part in the

program sponsored by Elgin Farm Safety Council and South Dorchester fire department. Topics ranged from safe use of machinery to recognizing chemical hazards and safety on a bicycle.

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*J.S.F.
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Marv Corless, the fire prevention officer of the South Dorchester Volunteer fire department explains some of the dangers found in a kitchen to some of the children of the junior and senior kindergarten classes of South Dorchester Public School. The kitchen is part of the fire safety house training vehicle the Elgin fire departments are using as an education tool.

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WINNERS - The Elgin County Annual 4-H Fun Night award winners, from left, included: seated, Sarah McKillop, photo contest winner; Michelle Lackey, outstanding Shedden Dairy member; Ammie Lunn, outstanding Elgin County member; Ron Donkers, runner-up outstanding member; Jennifer Empey, outstanding member East Elgin Dairy; middle - Vickie Paget, 1992-93 Elgin County Dairy Princess; Brian Schavo, sponsor, Fingal Optimists; Alana Bogart, outstanding member,

Shedden Beef; Laura McKillop, photo contest winner; Judy Woolner, outstanding member, West Elgin Beef; Jeff Haveron, outstanding member, Belmont Dairy; and Margot Ormerod, sponsor, Dairy Lane Systems; back - sponsors Bob Ashton, St. Thomas Lions Club; Theo Webber, Elgin County Council; Roger Vandierendonck, Elgin County council; Harvey Tribe, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, St. Thomas; Donna Shepard, St. Thomas Lions Club. - (Marg Berry photo)

Belmont teenager is named top Elgin County 4-H member

Ammie Lunn attributes confidence to 4-H involvement

By MARG BERRY
for The Times-Journal

PORT STANLEY — Seventeen-year old Ammie Lunn stood before the crowd and spoke with poise and confidence about her life as a 4-H'er.

She attributes much of her personal confidence to her involvement in 4-H Club activities. The Belmont area teen was named Elgin County's outstanding 4-H member at the Elgin County 4-H Fun Night, held recently at the Port Stanley Arena.

"I would recommend 4-H membership to anyone," she said, following the announcement of her award. "Everything I've done builds your confidence. You meet so many friends. It makes you feel so positive."

J. F.
M. F.



Members of the 4-H Club of Prince George, B.C. are visiting this area as an exchange program with Aylmer and area Friendly Connections 4-H Club. Front row, from left: Carrie Shively, Brad Lunn and Heather Zavitz all of Aylmer group. Second row: Kyla Anderson, Thirza Billings, Tara Wheele, Caroline Perrin, Bryce Bushell, James Steidle, Karli Southgate, Melissa Steiddle, Alison Seedhouse, and Tanya Meise, all of

B.C. Back row: Aylmer chaperone Barb Taylor, Karen Hare, Anita Smit, Jennifer Beecroft, Tricia Taylor, Lori Smit, Ammie Lunn and Quincy Causyn, all of Aylmer, and B. C. chaperone, Susan Steidle. The visitors are billeted with local members and will participate in club activities in this area as well as tour of popular and historic attractions. Aylmer group will travel to B.C. on July 19.



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Members of East Elgin 4-H Club were recognized for their service and achievements at Aylmer Fair Saturday. Don Catt, left, was honoured for five years service

as volunteer leader of the club, Wendy Buchner for completing 24 club projects, Jennifer Empey for completing 12 projects and Wendy Pake for six projects.

Belmont Dairy 4-H

by Beth Stover 1995

On April 19, the Belmont Dairy 4-H Club held its first meeting at the farm of Henry Helder. There were 16 members present.

The club leaders are Henry Helder and Charlie Jenkins.

Dan Foster was elected president, Jeff Haveron was elected vice-president. Megan Jenkins was elected secretary and Beth Stover was elected press reporter.

We should have a calf selected for the next meeting to

show at the Aylmer Fair in August.

We are learning about Dairy health and breeding.

The second meeting was held at the Willsey farm on May 30. We discussed Cows, Milk and Us.

Henry Allan Helder, Paul Moore, Sabrina Cameron and Amanda Willsey did a project on judging milk and the composition of milk.

The third meeting was held at the Doelman farm on June 27. We discussed Breeding Basics.

Tom Doelman, Dan Fos-

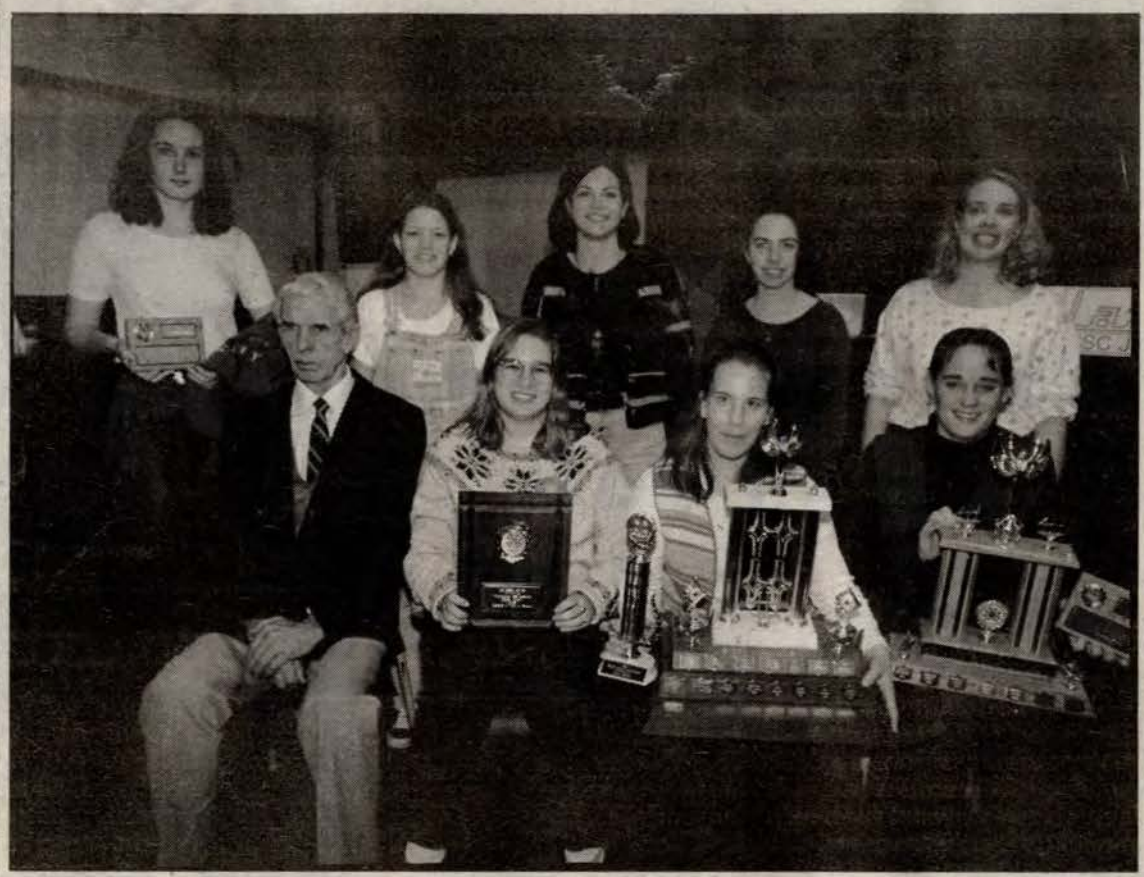
ter, Jeff Haveron, Ammie Lunn and Brad Lunn presented the lesson.

It consisted of a video showing breeding processes at WOBI and a Wheel of Fortune game quizzing us on what we had learned.

The next meeting is at the Stover farm on July 11 at 7:30 p.m. 1995

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4-H AWARD WINNERS...

Elgin 4-H Club acknowledged its top members at an awards and fun night Nov. 24. Those recognized, from left, include: front - Giles Hume, 40 years as a leader; Angela Rock, Outstanding Member in Elgin County; Alana Bogart runner up for Outstanding Member; Sherry Hare, top dairy member in East Elgin and Elgin

County overall; back - Kelly Lackey, top dairy member in Shedden; and 24 project completion awards recipients Sharon Wilson, Ammie Lunn, Sharon Buchner and Julie Bowen. Absent is Sabrina Cameron, top dairy member in Belmont. About 20 Elgin clubs from the county attended the event at the Springfield Lions Hall. 1995

J. H. H. J.

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Signpost photo by Dot Sale
(l-r) Mike Hepburn, Dan Dykxhoorn, Megan Lackey, Roger Smith, Tamara Willsey and Charlie Jenkins. Dan Dykxhoorn of Springfield won High 1st Year Member East Elgin 4H club, Megan Lackey of Wallacetown, won Shedden's and Tamara Willsey won Belmont's.

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Belmont 4H Dairy Calf club learns to judge

June 1996

by Ashley Murray
FOR THE SIGNPOST

On May 12, 1996 at 7:30 p.m., leader Henry Helder held the second club meeting. We opened with the 4H pledge. Then we proceeded over the barn where we judged a class of Ayrshire cows in milk. First year members learned the basics of judging. Some paired up and some solo, then judged the class.

After four members gave reasons for the way they judged the class. We then had Becky Lunn and Megan Jenkins do their project on "The Four Stomachs". We all had good laughs playing many games to help us learn about the four stomachs.

We concluded our meeting at 9 p.m.

Our next meeting is on June 18, 1996 at the Willsey's farms at 7:30 p.m.

Belmont Dairy 4- H calf club

by Ashley Murray
FOR THE SIGNPOST

On June 18, 1996 at 7:30, we held our second meeting at Willsey Farms.

President Becky Lunn opened our meeting with our 4-H pledge. New business about the Rose Bowl was brought to our attention. Afterwards Siobhan Stover presented her project about Guernsey cows. Two members presented their project about "What's in a Feed". We played "Concentration".

Afterwards we judged a class of four year old milking holsteins. The class was placed 2, 1, 4, 3.

We all gave reasons to Henry and/or Charlie. Paul Moore thanked Roy Willsey for the use of his facilities.

Our next meeting is on July 18, 7:30 at Jenkins'.

Belmont 4-H Dairy Calf club

On April 24, 1996 at 7:30 the Belmont 4-H Dairy Calf Club started their year with an organizational meeting at Charlie Jenkins' house. We have a total of 12 members this year. We voted on our executive. Becky Lunn is our president, Mandy Wilsey our vice-president, secretary is Beth Stover, press reporters are Tamara Wilsey, and Ashley Murray, and our newest position is recreation - Megan Jenkins, and Paul Moore.

Also, we handed out projects, dates and where and when the meetings were to be held.

Our next meeting is May 21, 1996 at Henry Helder's house at 7:30 p.m.

Boys and girls attend
1996 Belmont 4H Dairy
Calf Club Meetings.

*J. H.
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Agar, Lunn top youth

By Susan McConnell

TWO young women from Elgin dairy farms were honoured recently by the Elgin Federation of Agriculture for their commitment to agriculture.

Catherine Agar of Iona Station, a University

of Guelph student, was awarded a Youth Achievement Award for her farm leadership. Rebecca Lunn of Belmont was awarded a Youth Achievement Award for her outstanding work in 4-H.

May 18 1994

Ammie Lunn



1993 Winner of
Miss Aylmer Fair Contest
and entrant in Miss CNE
"Queen of the Fairs
Pageant"
contest this year

Kingsmill-Mapleton Women's Institute sponsored Ammie Lunn in the 1993 Miss Aylmer Fair contest.

In 1994 she will represent Aylmer Fair as an entrant in Miss CNE "Queen of the Fairs Pageant".

Congratulations Ammie !

J.H.
A.V.R.