

THIS HUGE TOWN CLOCK IS KEN SINGTON'S CENTENNIAL PROJECT SCHEDULED JULY 10-11-12

## Rural jubilee at Kensington expected to draw throngs

By CARMAN SMITH  
Band concerts, parades, sports, dances and numerous other events are in store for residents of Kensington and surrounding areas during the town's three-day 1964 Rural Jubilee, slated for July 10, 11 and 12.

Boyd Bearsto, over-all chairman of the town's centennial committee, recently expressed enthusiasm for the program as he gave a run down of all the events which will be held during these three days.

One of the features of the jubilee will be the unveiling of the town's special centennial project, a three-faced, electric, automatic-set clock, which is to be situated on top of the post office building.

The unveiling ceremonies will take place Friday afternoon and hopes are high that Hon. Watson MacNaught, solicitor general of Canada will preside at this ceremony.

**CARRIAGES FLOATS**  
The program will kickoff at 1 o'clock Friday afternoon with a parade which will feature horse-drawn carriages of 19-cow-era along with floats and modern vehicles.

The crowning of a jubilee queen will take place either Friday night or Saturday and it is hoped that the entries, who must be from the Kensington regional area, will participate in the parade. This contest is sponsored by the Women's Institute and Mr. Bearsto stressed that it is not a beauty contest. The winner will be chosen for personality and costume and entries from ages 16 to 100 are eligible.

Following the opening ceremonies Friday afternoon a sky-diving team will put on a performance and their landing area is expected to be held close to the town. A small admission fee will be charged to cover the expense of bringing in this exciting act.

**FISH FRY**  
At approximately 4:30 meals in the form of a fish fry will be served and it is hoped that the Central Airforce Band, which will be on P.E.I. at that time, will provide music during the meal.

A mammoth dance will be held Friday night at the Kensington Regional High School and the services of Don Mosser and his Islanders will be sought to provide the music.

The Island Barbershop quartet championships and the Island-wide beard growing contest will feature Saturday's program. The barbershop quartet championship which will be judged by the Airforce four, a nationally known RCMP singing group, will be staged at the Regional High School Saturday night. During the evening's program it's expected that the Kensington Centennial Chorus, under the direction of Rev. L.M. Murray, will render a few numbers.

No time has been set yet for the beard growing competition but it is thought that it might be staged Saturday evening also. The contest is open to beard

growers from across the Island who began sprouting their whiskers in 1964. There will be cash and merchandise prizes for the winners in the different categories — longest, most colorful, best kept, finest, etc.

**BICYCLE RACES**  
Earlier in the day tentative plans are for relay and bicycle races, softball games between Kensington area teams and P.E.I. tug-of-war semifinals.

An agriculture committee has been formed and it's expected that it will provide agricultural displays along with entertainment which will include such events as a greased pig competition.

Other events during the first two days of the jubilee will be kiddies' programs which include a doll carriage parade, a pet's day and possibly a soap box derby. The John Holmes mid-way of Charlottetown will also be on hand to provide rides, canoe facilities and games during the celebrations.

Saturday night, weather permitting, a street dance will be held.

The celebrations will close with an open-air inter-denominational service Sunday morning. It's anticipated that all Kensington churches will be represented at this service. Although the plans for many of these events have not been finalized

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## WORLD'S GREAT SWIMMERS BID FOR \$5,000

### Island's gateway sports strait swim as attraction

One of the major attractions during P.E.I.'s centennial celebrations this year will undoubtedly be the Northumberland Strait swim which is expected to attract name swimmers from Europe, United States and Canada.

The swim, a long-time dream of well known sports enthusiast James "Big Jim" Pendergast until it became a reality last year, this year will highlight Borden's three-day centennial program.

Centennial celebrations at Borden, the gateway to P.E.I., will get underway Friday night, July 31 with a mammoth parade and close Sunday afternoon with a concert by a nationally-known military band.

**TOP SWIMMERS**  
The fact remains, however, that the swim will be the major attraction of the three-day program. With a purse of \$5,000 \$2,500 of it going to the winner — the swim is expected to draw such name swimmers as Herman Willemse, winner of the Atlantic City swim last year, Egyptian Abdel Latif Ab-

ou Heif and Mohamed Aly Mahmoud, Greta Anderson, last year's strait swimmer Jean Courriere, Boston's John Starrett, Cliff Lundgren as well as Island swimmers Helen Carragher and Morgan Mitchell.

The program will open Friday night with the parade which will consist of floats from across the Island, bands, the swimmers and town equipment. An as-yet unnamed VIP will preside at the official opening.

Afterwards there will be a mayor's reception at the town hall for visiting dignitaries. A carnival will open that evening at the rink which will include children's rides. Also included in Friday night's events will be a dance, either street or indoors.

**DEFENDS ON TIDE**  
Saturday's program will get underway with the swim which is expected to begin on the New Brunswick side of the strait some time between 7 and 10 a.m. depending on the tide. It's expected that RCMP ships will again patrol the strait while the swim is going on and an inv-

itation will be extended to RCN ships to visit the port town during the three-day festivities.

Also Saturday the carnival will be going all day and tentative plans are for a round robin softball tournament between Borden area teams.

Sky divers will put on a performance during the day and arrangements will be sought for possibly a night flare-tilt jump Friday.

Meals will be available all day Saturday for visitors and following the swim a victory parade will be held. Later in the evening it's anticipated that a victory dance will be held.

**ATHLETIC PARK**  
The town's centennial project is an athletic park which will contain a number of ball diamonds along with a playing area for children. The park is situated on a five-acre site within the town boundaries and town officials plan to make it beautiful. Landscaping plans have already been made and trees ordered for the park which is expected to be ready for the town's centennial festivities.

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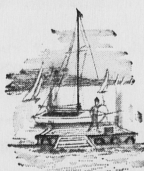
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