

I - Elgin J Evans, oldest son of Robt A Evans born August 11 1892, one mile north of Snowball.

At seventy five years ones memory has faded, but I still have some fond memories of A, A, Number 10 Snowball school, situated on the Aurora sideroad, as it was called in my school years, one & one quarter miles from our home, and we walked that distance summer & winter, to get a ride was really a treat, and I am sure more snow was prevalent then, than at present.

I started school at the age of 6 yrs, 1898, the grades were differant then, than at present, four grades, first, second, third, & fourth, 2 parts to each grade, I passed the entrance in June 29th 1906, Mr C W Mulloy was inspector of schools. After the above introduction I will endeavour to make some remarks concerning the memories of Snowball school Nu' 10. The three teachers I remember were Mr Elmer Richardson, Mr Sproule and Miss Margaret Cleland, finally Mrs Ibram Davis, not much remembrance about Mr Richardson but Mr Sproule always carried a pointer three ft long and never left his desk to come down the Isles without it, He used it on his own desk to draw attention, and when he spotted something wrong before him, and that was often, The noise was deafening and especially when hitting the desk where you happen to be sitting, The desks were made to sit two.

Miss Cleland was my final teacher, the attendance averaged 60 pupils and her salary was 300.00 per annum, always had a large entrance class, In 1906 nine wrote for their certificate and six passed, Miss Cleland also taught a

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large class in the winter months, giving High School subjects, I had the privilege of talking, arithmetic, book keeping and Algebra for two months during two winters.

I cannot remember any extensive building additions, as at that time the school was nearly new.

The desks were made to sit two and the only addition were two long dunc seats, one situated at each end of the platform, near the teachers desk, blackboards were the full width of the school in front, and were used for all the lessons given, each class were brought to the front and questions asked after the teacher had explained the lesson at hand, you were moved down or up in the class according to your ability of answering the questions, and if you were in the bottom of the class continually, you were slated for the dunc seat, to be by yourself and closer to the teacher, it was also used for bad behavior when school was in session. Slates in a frame about eight by ten inches were used for lessons, slate pencils and a sponge to wipe off the slate, an ink Well was also in the desks to be used for special occasions, but not very often.

Two large box stoves were used for heating, a long stretch of pipes near the ceiling were always a menace and a fire hazard, always a problem to keep enough wood in the "large" wood box, boys took turns bringing it in from a large woodshed, wood was bought in large quantities, and it was the boys duty to have a bee carrying it into the woodshed, sore fingers & toes went along with that deal.

The Trustees I remember were Messrs Tom Ferguson, Daniel Casey, John Edwards and Robert Evans,

Three generally were the ones in office.
 Speaking for the boys our sports were soccer and Hard ball.

Our entertainment was generally before Xmas, the whole school taking part in dialogues, recitations, musical selections, everyone was used according to his or her ability, we really looked forward to practice time and the special evening off the concert.

We as scholars & parents also enjoyed the Oyster supper generally held in the hall, Mr Geo Care always interested in organizing the concert and dinner, oysters bought by the gallon, and a good lot were demolished, Mr Care always gave a step dance, also a comic actor & singer, Mr Brodie from Aurora, orchestra was always there to liven the place up. The oysters were prepared on the two box stoves,

The special line of punishment was to be sent out to the Ante room, alone for a long period of time, on one occasion my good friend Edwin Johnston was sent out to the above room, he crawled into an empty barrel and pulled a cover over, Mr Sprout inspected all hideouts, and at last came across the barrel, I can ^{still} hear the teachers remarks, but he did not use the pointer,

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 Newmarket R R 3.

1968
 30 Newhall Women's Institute

4-H Homemaking Club.

The following was written by Mrs. Ernest Copson as a tribute to the "Snowball Snowbellies": -

Snowball Women's Institute members are very proud of their "Girls 4-H Homemaking Club" and their very fine enthusiastic leaders, ^③Mrs. Roy Snider and ^④Mrs. Charles Grubbe.

Their project this year of 1957 is "The Club Girl Entertains" and members taking part are as follows;

2 Carrol Snider, 3 Gloria Brown
1 Carol Sullatly, 6 Carolyn Sembeck
8 Lynette Patterson, 9 Gabriell Enderus
7 Toni Rous, 11 Catherine Hood.

The meetings were held at different homes and a special one, to which the girls invited their mothers, was planned, as a Tea Party.



Mrs. Grubbe graciously offered her home for the occasion, at Smoke Tree Farm, lot 26, Concession 2 of King Township. The Mothers were pleased to accept the invitation and Mrs. Arthur Kerr a vice-president of Snowball S.I. and Mrs. Ernest Copson, a former secretary were present also.

The girls' meeting was in progress around the kitchen table, while the guests were enjoying reading the girls' note-books and entertainment files in the living-room, when Miss Edythe Purp, a former leader of Snowball girls work, dropped in with her flash camera and snapped some pictures.

Mrs. Grubbe brought a centerpiece, (of) a flower arrangement they were working on as part of the project, into the living-room to decorate the tea table. Then the girls served the refreshments consisting of plain and fancy sandwiches, relishes and cookies - all made by them as part of their training on learning the art of entertaining. Mrs. Snider poured tea while Mrs. Grubbe presided over the kitchen.

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MRS. HAROLD SNIDER AND HER SISTER-IN-LAW, MRS. ROY SNIDER, retired from the 4-H Homemaking Club last week after long service in the club. Mrs. H. Snider, at left in photo, was a leader for nine years while Mrs. R. Snider led for 14 years. Presentations were made at the Snowball Institute meeting last week *Mar 18, 1970*

(Banner photo by Scanlon)

*4-H leaders
Honored
at the home
of Mrs. C. J. Smith*

*as Million Cup and award for Mrs. H. Snider
and an Institute cup and award for Mrs. R. Snider*

Exhibits for Summer Day
of Rural Leaders Training Schools.



Apr. 1961. "Sewing to Save Dollars
and Make Sense".

Exhibit - Articles for a bazaar
made from 20 yds of print plus
four yards of yellow broadcloth
for bias binding trim.



Rural Leaders -
Mrs E. S. Laddick and Mrs Frank Seadek



Apr.
1962.

"143 Pounds
of Meat"

Exhibit - "Looking Back Then and Now"
Local leader Mrs Fred Seayge in
middle with two class members
Mrs Elgin Brown and Mrs David Alsup

in costumes of fifty years ago and present day.

Mrs Brown testing the meat
cooking in the old iron Dutch
oven on her black wash stone
and Mrs D. Alsup doing same
with her new style Corning
ware on her modern
electric stove.





Local Leader Training
School - Rugs - 1964
← Summary Day Exhibit
at Region Hall, Newmarket

At the start the girls were eager
To get going on their rugs,
But ~~that was~~ from the very first rugging part
We were seeing what was up.

But that was not our worry

We were rugging, rugging, rugging,
We were scheming our designs,
~~and~~ with dogs and bulls and lobsters ~~and~~
We came out with colors fine. *scarlet*

We went home and cut up sweaters,
Trousers, skirts and socks galore,
But when ~~a friend~~ came in to visit
Rugs were hid behind the door.

We were still rugging, rugging,
Fleur-de-lis, ducks and ~~scrolls~~
And when lunchtime came ~~there was our luck~~
and she served the stew and rolls

But aside from all our worries,
We enjoyed good fellowship,
And if ever we begin another
We will never make a slip.

We'll ^{will} go on rugging, rugging,
'Till our rug looks ~~just like~~
And when we have finished, completely,
We will know just where we're at!
that it is good



Skits at Summary Day
by Rugging Class in
old time costume,
Singing their original
song to the tune -
"Seeing Nellie Home."