

The Lancers

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Lancer Report by Lila-Jean McGregor...
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September 17th, 1972 was a beautiful sunny day when the Lancers, their parents and friends met at the Albion Hills Conservation Park in Bolton for a Beef Barbecue Dinner highlighted by the 1972 Awards Presentations.

Many thanks to Mr. Green and the Parents Committee and the other willing workers who served us

beef on a bun and golden corn on the cob. Shortly after the supper we assembled on the field area and presented our 1972 show for our guests. A special guest was Mrs. Stevenson and her family. Unfortunately the President of our Club was not able to be present as he was still at the Optimist Convention at the Skyline Hotel.

After our show the big moment had arrived and the 1972 Lancer Awards were announced, as follows:

"Lancer of The Year":
MARTY KING

There really could have been no other choice as Marty not only performs to his best ability when on parade or in a show but when it comes to selling on the fund-raising drives he is right in there! Marty also did a wonderful job as drum major with the corps in Calgary and gained the respect and cooperation of the whole corps.

I think the only one really surprised at the award was Marty --our King.

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"Bugler of The Year":
SCOTT McCABE

"Wagon Wheels" would certainly lack something without Scott's solo which he does so well. It is easy to be one of a group but

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to have the courage to stand out in front of the corps to do a solo takes something a little extra, especially when you have had no previous experience in facing the public. Congratulations Scott. Scott's reaction to the award---stunned but very happy!

"Drummer of The Year":LINDA COFFEY & JOHN NAROWSKI

Yes, two of The Lancers took this top award this year. What can I say about Linda except that she is a real trooper---with a foot swollen almost twice its size and very painful she lugged that big drum through the whole of the Diamond Jubilee Calgary Stampede Parade and this takes guts and determination!!! Always a smile, always a joke but always a worker...that's Linda. Her reaction to the Award...shock and tears of joy.

I don't know John very well as he is one of the younger corps members...not in amount of service but in age. Before taking on the drums John was on cymbals and I think it was to be his first time on parade (The Aurora Fire Fighters Parade) to play drums and what happened...no one turned up for cymbals. When John was asked if he would go on cymbals he agreed, willingly even though I am sure it must have been a disappointment to him. It is this kind of co-operation which makes a good corps. All the best, John, in the future--John's reaction---a quiet smile and utter disbelief.

"Rookie of The Year":BOBBY OEHM

This is the only award which is chosen by the Corps Council, and what a hard job it was for us to choose just one. It seems more than a year since a golden red headed little guy with freckles has been around and so it has-- Bobby used to come out with his parents to watch big brother Barry and he was championing at the bit to get into a Lancer uniform. Well, he finally made it and he was not in the Rookie horn line very long before he got promoted. Keep up the good work Bobby and in a couple of years maybe you will win "Bugler-of-the-Year".

Bobby's reaction to his award...a grin from ear to ear!

"Guardman of The Year":LILA-JEAN MCGREGOR

This has been a wonderful year for me as a Lancer---first to be chosen as guard rep on the corps council, then to win the GCC "Fiddler-On-The-Roof Contest, the trip to Calgary, and now, the culmination and crowning glory to be chosen Guardsman of the Year! I say, "thank you" to my instructors Mr. Blandford and Ric Brown and to the Executive. My reaction to the announcement...surprise and tears and tears. Mr.Oehm said he hadn't seen so many tears since the last time he watched the Miss America Contest.

To close off the "1972 Lancers Awards Presentations" our Director, Mr.Brown thanked all the Executive and Instructors for their years work and Mr. Fox was presented with a special plaque for his contributions in the equipment department.

THE LANCERS thank Mr.Brown, Mr.Day, Mr.Oehm, Mr. Jemmett, our Directors, for all their time and effort expended on our behalf during the past year and especially for our most successful trip to Calgary this year!

OTHER ITEMS from the Lancer Camp:

...Watch for the Lancers in the Guard Circuit this year...CONGRATULATIONS to ROSE MILANKOW for doing such a good job as Guard Sergeant and on her promotion to Guard Captain....a lot of new items are coming up for the 1973 Lancer Booster table including a new button, so save your pennies and support the Lancers!