

He's City's Top Junior Gardener

A 13-year-old St. James boy, Bobby Armstrong, of 399 Truro St., has topped 789 other youngsters in Greater Winnipeg to win grand prize in the 50th Waugh Shield children's garden competition.

Results of the competition, judged by W. H. Gray and Chris Plejdruc, were announced today. A team of 12 young gardeners from Fort Garry won the Waugh Shield in the district competition.

Bobby was awarded 95 marks. Following closely with 92 marks was Marguerite Hamilton, 11, of 601 Linden Ave., East Kildonan. Third was Bobby Laskosky, of 410 Oakdale Drive, Charleswood, with 91½ marks.

Roger Watson, of 1389 Pembina Highway, won a watch as first prize in the competition for 12-year-old gardeners. The J. Guest Memorial Pin went to Lois Bucowski, 10, of 424 Dalton St., Winnipeg. Tod Smith, of 17 Tod Drive, St. Vital, won the competition limited to eight-year-old gardeners.

Youngsters from eight to 14 years of age entered the competition.



Bobby Armstrong and his garden. TRIBUNE

8/8/58

Child's Garden Competition To Start Soon

The annual Waugh shield children's gardening competition will soon be starting, according to Miss Gladys Matchett, secretary.

"It is hoped," says Miss Matchett, "that last year's total of 680 entrants will be topped this year." The competitions are open to all children between eight and 14.

The gardens must be at least 100 square feet and not more than 150 square feet. Seeds can be obtained from the Waugh Shield committee.

After the work of preparing the ground for seeding is finished the child must do the actual gardening himself.

The gardens will be judged late in July. The 12 best gardens which have been selected previously will be judged by experts who will award the Waugh shield. Medals and other awards will go to runners - up with a special prize for the best garden by a 12-year-old.

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Room 206

Telephone 96-0230

February 17, 1956.

Miss Gladys Matchett,
Secretary,
Waugh Shield Children's Gardening
Competition of Greater Winnipeg,
247 Campbell Street,
WINNIPEG 9, Manitoba.

Dear Madam:

We wish to thank you for your letter of the 6th instant enclosing application form for participation in the Waugh Shield Children's Gardening Competition of Greater Winnipeg.

We have to advise that, under existing Legislation, your organization does not require the permission of the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau to appeal for funds in the City of Winnipeg. However, if the proposed Act respecting collecting or canvassing for contributions for charitable or other purposes, which is before the Legislature at this session, is passed, it will be necessary in future for your organization to apply to this Bureau for permission to solicit contributions.

Yours very truly,

CIVIC CHARITIES ENDORSEMENT BUREAU,

Secretary.

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Established 1908

WAUGH SHIELD

Children's Gardening Competition of Greater Winnipeg

403883,

247 Campbell St.,

Winnipeg 9, Man.,

Feb. 6, 1956.

Dear Miss Saunders,

To confirm our telephone conversation of this afternoon, I am forwarding an application form which explains what the members of our committee do with the funds obtained from our friends and supporters. Please send me any papers that we may require at any time this season.

Yours sincerely,

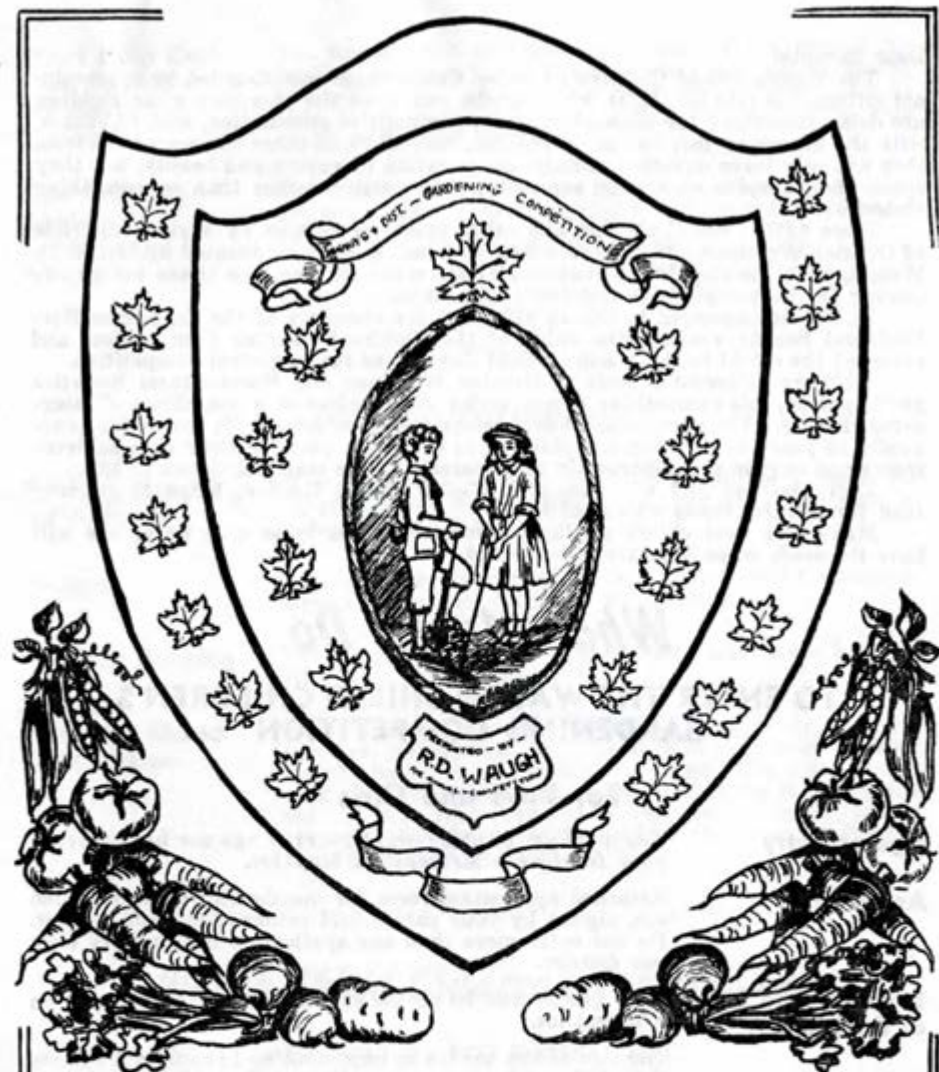
(Miss) Gladys Matchett
Secretary.

Enclosure:

Miss Matchett advised that they have a list of contributors but that they do contact others from time to time.

Feb. 15/56 - I telephoned Mr. Fraser, City Solicitor, for his opinion as to whether the Waugh Shield Children's Gardening Competition of Greater Winnipeg would come under the jurisdiction of the Bureau, and he advised that, under existing legislation, they do not have to apply to the Bureau for permission to appeal for funds inasmuch as they do not come under any of the four categories controlled by the Bureau. However, if the new Act is passed by the Legislature, then they will have to make application to the Bureau for permission to solicit funds.

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DIG FOR IT

WAUGH SHIELD CHILDREN'S
GARDENING COMPETITION

Dear Parents:

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Since 1910, several Shields and other prizes were won by various districts of Greater Winnipeg. In 1923, the fifth and last shield was donated by Mr. R. D. Waugh, with the stipulation that this shield must be won five times before becoming the property of the winning contestants.

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Make sure your child's application is returned early so that he or she will have the seeds when May 1st rolls around.

What Must I Do

TO ENTER THE WAUGH SHIELD CHILDREN'S GARDENING COMPETITION

For Boys and Girls

- Age of Entry** You must not be under eight years of age nor have reached your fourteenth birthday on May 1st.
- Application** Attached application form for membership is to be filled out, signed by your parent and returned to your teacher. Do not enter more than one application nor in more than one district.
- Location and Size of Garden** Your garden can be on the school grounds, at home or on a vacant lot.
The size of the garden is important and should not be less than 100 square feet and not larger than 150 square feet. If possible, put a stake at each corner as a marker of your garden plot.
Vegetables and flowers must be grown in one plot, without path or division.
- Seeds to be Planted** Three varieties of vegetables—
Table beets—Intermediate carrots—Dwarf beans
Also three varieties of flowers—
Zinnias—Centaurea—Marigold
Seeds will be delivered to you about May 1st, and only seeds obtained through the Waugh Shield Committee must be used. All vegetables and flowers must be grown from seeds, outside, in your own garden.
The 6 packets of seeds for 30c.

What Help Can I Get to Make My Garden a Success?

You are allowed assistance in preparing the ground for seeding, but afterwards you must do the actual gardening yourself. Your garden may be inspected from time to time by a representative of the Organization who will gladly assist and advise you.

How Will My Garden Be Judged, and When?

The judging of your garden will be done between August 1st and August 11th, according to points, and the highest points available are:
Condition of Crops—50 points Cultivation—20 points; Layout—10 points; Appearance—10 points; Freedom from Insects and Disease—10 points; Total 100 points.

Other Information

Entering Garden for Judging

If your garden is good enough, it will be entered for judging. This will be done by the district representative before August 1st.

Judges

Judges will be appointed by the Waugh Shield Committee. Appointed judges will judge all districts.

Time of Judging

The judging to decide winners will take place between August 1st and August 11th.

Entry for Shield Competition

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Waugh Shield Children's Competition

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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Address..... Phone.....
School..... Room Number.....
Signature of Parent.....

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J. Guest Gold Pin

Will be given to next highest girl competitor. Donated by Mr. J. Guest for annual competition.

Cash Prizes

Four cash prizes will be awarded in each district competing. Garden must score 60% or over to receive prizes.

Surprise Gift

A Wrist watch will be donated by Timerite Jewellers, St. Marys Rd., St. Vital, to boy or girl 12 years of age, having the highest points.

**Exhibitions—
Where You Also
May Be a Prize
Winner**

Each child gardener has the privilege to exhibit his or her vegetables and flowers free of charge at any of the following Garden Shows:

- Winnipeg Horticultural Show
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- Fort Garry Horticultural Show
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For Further Information Apply to

President—J. Guest, Phone 20-3734.

Secretary—Miss G. Matchett, Phone 40-3883.
247 Campbell St., Winnipeg 9.

*Treasurer - Mrs W. H. Moberle
270 Conway St.,
St James.*

March 17, 1949.

Mr. E. Cochar,
Secretary,
Waugh Shield Children's Gardening
Competition of Greater Winnipeg,
335 Bartlet Avenue,
WINNIPEG, Manitoba.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 12th instant with reference to appealing for approximately \$275.00 to enable your organization to continue their work in 1949, we wish to advise that it will be in order for you to proceed with your campaign. However, we should appreciate your submitting to us a copy of your financial statement when your competition is finished this year in order that our file may be kept up to date.

Yours very truly,

CIVIC CHARITIES ENDORSEMENT BUREAU,

Secretary.

per:

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Mar. 22/49

Mr. Counsell was advised that this letter was written.

(Bureau 19/4/49)

Established 1908

WAUGH SHIELD

Children's Gardening Competition of Greater Winnipeg

335 Bartlet Ave.,
Winnipeg, Man.

March 12th, 1949.

Civic Charities Bureau,
160 Princess Street,
Winnipeg, Man.

Gentlemen:

It is our intention to solicit funds for the continuation of our work among the children of this City during 1949. Our requirements will be in the neighborhood of \$275.00.

May we have your authority for this canvass ?

Yours very truly,

E. Cochar
Secretary

17/3/49- Mrs. Harkin stated that, in view of ~~the~~ last year's discussion, the organization be advised to proceed with their campaign for funds. This has to be decided when By-Law discussed. (no need to call members of Bureau.)

"Correspondence received as information."
Bureau 19/4/49.

Fort Garry Wins Garden Contest

Winner of the Waugh shield in the children's gardens competition for 1948 was the Fort Garry district team, it was announced Thursday.

Gold medal winner for the best garden shown was Frank Kerr, 669 Strathcona street, of the Fort Garry team. Denise de Valdrie, lot 3, Fort Garry, captured the silver medal for the second best garden, while Tom Bingham, 492 Riverton avenue, a member of the Elmwood school team, won the prize for the best garden cared for by an eight-year-old child.

The annual competition is for Greater Winnipeg children aged eight to 14 and is under the direction of a central committee of which Mrs. F. T. Anderson is president and Miss Gladys Matchett is secretary-treasurer. Judges were T. Holtom and F. Ball, who commented on the improved condition and appearance of the gardens this year.

Team scores were: Fort Garry, 992½; Charleswood, 978; St. Vital, 969; Elmwood school, 961; Guide team, St. James, 953; Lord Selkirk school, 922; Isaac Brock school, 882; East Kildonan, 849.

The following teams did not have the required 12 contestants in each group, so their aggregate scores were lower: Sir Sam Steele school, 767; Dufferin school, 647; George V school, 598; Florence Nightingale school; Champlain school; Faraday school.

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Other Prizes

A suitable prize, donated by Mr. C. H. Budd, will be given to the competitor scoring the highest number of points who has not reached his or her ninth birthday on May 1st in current year of competition, and who is not a winner of another prize.

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A valuable surprise gift will be given to the child who gets the highest total score on his or her exhibits at the above mentioned Horticultural Shows:

First prizes score 3 points
Second prizes score 2 points
Third prizes score 1 point

Mrs J. F. Anderson, 44 26 Roblin Bldg
Miss J. Matchett, 247 Campbell St
W 129.

247 Campbell ST.,

Winnipeg, Man.,

June 18, 1948.

Mr. J.D. Fraser,
Civic Charities Bureau,
160 Princess St.,
Winnipeg.

Dear Sir:

In reply to a conversation, which I had with an officer of your staff, I am forwarding some information regarding the activities of the Waugh Shield Children's Gardens Committee.

For about four years we have been trying to manage on the contribution of \$150 from the Winnipeg Tribune, and from the small profit on the seeds. Now, however, we feel that we should have more funds in order to handle the work efficiently.

Mr. C. Edwards of Scott, Bathgates is our auditor, and can give you further information in regard to the management. Furthermore, most of the committee are teachers, or persons such as Dr. Cherewick of the Rust Research Bureau, Fort Garry Site, who was president of our committee for two years, and is now honorary life president.

I am enclosing an application form, which gives in detail the requirements of the committee. Then too, we think that gardening has an excellent influence on the young folk who enter our competition. They are likely to become definitely better citizens for having followed the rules and will have learned a great deal about nature.

Yours sincerely,

(Miss) Gladys Matchett

Sed.-Treas.

19/6/48 - Mr. Galston, ^{Chairman,} was contacted by ^{telephone} Chairman this morning, and he advised that it would be in order to file this away and let it ride since there was some question as to whether this came under the jurisdiction of the Bureau.

"File"

Meeting of Dec. 15/48.

May 18, 1948.

Mr. A. C. Counsell,
Secretary,
Donations Bureau,
Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce,
346 Main Street,
WINNIPEG, Manitoba.

Dear Sir: Re Waugh Shield Children's
 Gardening Competition

Further to our telephone conversation of yesterday afternoon with regard to the above, we wish to advise that the appeal for funds being made by this organization was discussed at the meeting of the Bureau on the 12th instant. As you know, we are empowered to deal with appeals for money for philanthropic, charitable, patriotic or athletic purpose, and, since there is some question as to whether this type of appeal comes under our jurisdiction, we are not asking them to apply for a permit. However, as they offered to make application for the permit, we are asking them to send us a copy of their last audited financial statement and an outline of their activities for our file.

This for your information.

Yours very truly,

CIVIC CHARITIES ENDORSEMENT BUREAU,

Secretary.

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per:

May 18, 1943.

Mr. Peter Romanch,
Forever Industries Limited,
115 Robinson Street,
WINNIPEG, Manitoba.

Dear Sir: Re Waugh Shield Children's
 Gardening Competition

Further to our telephone conversation of the 12th instant with reference to the above, this matter was discussed at the meeting of the Civic Charities Endorsement Bureau on that date, but, inasmuch as there is some question at the present time as to whether such an appeal comes under our jurisdiction, we are not going to ask you to apply for a permit authorizing the soliciting of funds. However, as you offered to make the application, we should appreciate your forwarding us a copy of your last audited financial statement and an outline of your activities for our file as we may be asked for information since you are finding it necessary to extend your appeal for funds.

We might add that Miss Matchet, a teacher in the Lord Selkirk School, who, we understand, is working with you, telephoned yesterday afternoon and the above information was given to her.

Thanking you in anticipation of your kind co-operation in this regard, we remain,

Yours very truly,

CIVIC CHARITIES ENDORSEMENT BUREAU,

Secretary.

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per:

Re: Waugh Shield Children's Gardening Competition.

May 12, 1948.

Mr. Counsell of the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce telephoned this morning, advising that the above organization were soliciting funds on behalf of their welfare work in connection with the Waugh Shield Children's Gardening Competition. Peter Romanch, Accountant, Forever Industries Limited, 115 Robinson Street, (53 673), had sent out the letter, and contributions were to be sent to Herman G. Rocker of the same Company.

I telephoned Mr. Romanch who advised that this is for the purpose of teaching children gardening, that they buy seeds, pay rental for lots, supply books on gardening and also tools if necessary, and give the youngsters prizes. He further advised that they are working in conjunction with the Tribune and that Mr. Waugh was the sponsor of this competition in the beginning. Mr. Romanch was advised that it might not be necessary for them to apply for a permit but that the matter would be taken up at the meeting of the Bureau this afternoon and he would be advised of the decision.

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Later:

Bureau advised of the above at meeting this afternoon, and they instructed that a letter be written to Mr. Romanch advising him that there is some question as to the extent of our authority in asking them to apply for a permit but, inasmuch as he offered to make the application, we would appreciate him sending us a financial statement for our files. Mr. Counsell is also to be advised of the matters coming under our jurisdiction and the decision reached in connection with this organization.

May 17, 1948.

Gladys Matchett, teacher in the Lord Selkirk School, telephoned this date advising that the Chambers of Commerce and the Better Business Bureau had been consulted with regard to the Waugh Shield Children's Gardening Competition and now she wanted to know what our requirements were before going ahead with this. She was advised of the decision of the Bureau and promised to send the required information. She was further advised that a letter would be written to Mr. Romanch explaining the situation. Miss Matchett stated that the Tribune give them a grant of \$100.00 but that that is not sufficient.

Later:

Mr. Counsell advised of the above and that a letter would be written to him.

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