

Recreational Centre Marks Sod Turning With Street Dance

The East Kildonan Recreational Centre celebrated its official sod-turning ceremony Saturday night with a giant wiener roast and sing-song.

The block between Chelsea and Bronx on Watt st. was closed to traffic and some 500 residents, most of whom danced in the streets, watched Mayor George Suttie turn the first sod.

The proceedings opened with the singing of "O Canada", led by Doug Allan of the Elmwood-East Kildonan Y.M.C.A., accompanied by accordion music.

George Perks, vice-president and chairman of the planning and building committee, acted as chairman in the absence of Jim Foubster, president, in the early part of the evening.

He introduced Mayor Geo. Suttie, Councillor Bruce Bodie, Murdoch Galbreath, Dave Brown, and others.

Gordon Phillips, vice-president and chairman of the social committee, assisted by the ladies' auxiliary and their president, Mrs. Anne Brownlee, took charge of the arrangements for the event.

The first unit to be constructed will provide a meeting place for residents of the municipality and dressing room for this winter's activities.

In addressing the large crowd

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