

H. DITTBURNER & SON, FORESTER'S FALLS

Mr. Henry Dittburner bought the former Henry McClure blacksmith shop in 1926, the early depression years, and carried on a blacksmith and machinery sales and service business. He took a course in acetylene and electric welding and was probably about the first welder in this district. While he was still in the business his son Roy Dittburner became a co-partner. More land was purchased for storing machinery and a new large storeroom and shop were built.



After Henry Dittburner's death in 1976, his son, Roy took over the business. After 65 years in business, Henry Dittburner and Son Ltd. was closed in 1992. Sadly, Roy died tragically in an accident in 2004.



Owners and staff of Dittburners invite area residents to stop in and take advantage of their 60th Anniversary. It's a family business which Roy's father Henry started in 1926. Pictured here from left to right are Roy Dittburner, his wife Betty Ann, Dick Hill, Garwin Hartwig, Murray De Ruiter and Meryl Hartwig.

The establishment of the Ross Museum was made possible by the generous donation of land from Roy and Bette Ann Dittburner.