



Highland Games delight



If determined looks were enough to win, these members of the Acton Station Hotel Bulldogs would have walked away with top honors in the Highland Games tug o' war competitions. As it was the Bulldogs finished a strong third in

the spirited event, Brampton's Firefighters took top spot for the fourth year in a row in this year's competition despite a strong bid from Georgetown's firefighters who took second.

It just wouldn't be a Highland Games without the haunting sound of the piper. This talented musician was just one of the dozens of bagpipers attending this year's games and competing in the many classes of band and individual competitions.



Cabre toss competitor Mike Milligan of Fergus, Ontario shows his winning form in the gruelling event. After all the "on" starts went through a series of false starts because of

problems with the cabre, Milligan emerged as the winner of the event followed by Georgetown's George Gallway in second place and last year's winner Dave Theriault of Elora in third.



No this is not part of the Scottish invasion, it's what's known as the massing of the bands, the climax of any Highland Games. Led by their drum majors, wave after wave of piper's

and their bands crowd onto the field to take part in a rousing finish to the games.



Highland dancing contests took place throughout the day at the Speyside Highland games on the field adjacent to the main events but the big crowd got a midday look at the competitors during a mass dance. From left to right, Donnayn Wilson,

Kimberly Bingham and Sarah Wood kick up their heels for the crowd. Sarah later went on to take first prize in the beginners eight and under class.

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