## Trout fishing derby set for May 6-7

Kelso Conservation Area, Milton, will be holding its Ninth Annual Trout Fishing Derby Saturday, May 6 and Sunday, May 7 from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily (gates open at 6 a.m.).

Last year over 550 fishermen lined the shores of Kelso Lake, going after the over 1,700 Rainbow Trout stocked that season. This popular derby follows the opening of trout season and gives fishermen a chance to land some hearty trout ranging in size from eight to 24 inches for lots of prizes. Registration for the derby will be at the Kelso gatebouse the days of the derby.

Fees are \$5 per adult and \$4 per

person 12 and under or 65 and over. Camping is available in the park, \$5 per person per night for truck campers and tents. An early bird breakfast is also available at our snack bar starting at 6 a.m.

Prizes for the derby are provided by Ram-Bow's Fishing and Hunting Supplies of Milton and McDonald's of Milton.

Special note: Trout season opens April 29. Kelso Conservation Area will be stocking its lake for this day with over 1,000 trout added to our already healthy stock of fish. Kelso Park will be open from dawn until dusk for fishing.

## Spring festival at Crawford Lake

A special spring festival at the Crawford Lake Indian Village and Conservation Centre will insure that the spirits of visitors soar as high as the Turkey Vulture drifting gracefully over the lake and woods of the Niagara Escarpment.

"The Spirit Soars" will be held Sunday, May 14, as a tribute to spring, the return of wildflowers and birds; and Indian heritage and folklore.

Events planned during the day include a demonstration of kite flying by a group of experts from the Toronto Kite Flyers Association; a "kite hospital" operated by staff members from Touch the Sky, the Toronto-based specialty store; a live demonstration featuring Turkey Vultures; Indian displays and games in the

Village; planting of the "Three Sisters" - beans, squash and corn; and special Mother's Day Wildflower Hikes.

Visitors will also have the opportunity to Adopt a Tree at the
Crawford Lake Conservation
Area, as a Mother's Day gift. or
memorial to other relatives or
friends. The Halton Region Conservation Foundation's fundraising drive to create the Village
and Centre has raised about
\$25,000 through people adopting a
tree for \$50.

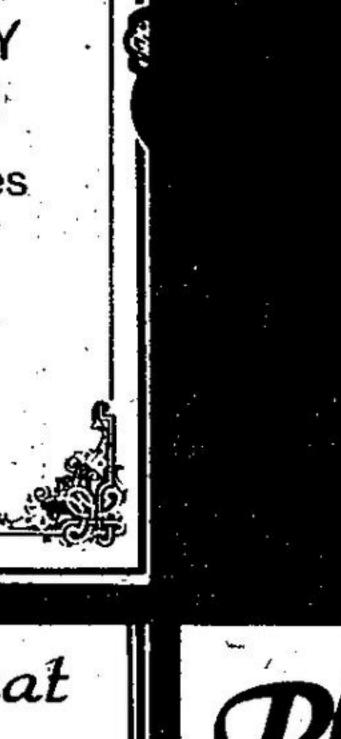
The Foundation, which is a volunteer organization operated by an appointed board of directors, has raised more than \$700,000 in the past six years, and needs less than \$60,000 to complete the Crawford Lake fundraising campaign.

"The Spirit Soars" festival will include music in the outdoor picnic area near the Conservation Centre, where barbecued hot dogs cooked on a specially designed grill will be available, along with cold drinks.

Crawford Lake is unique: sediment on the bottom is deposited in distinct layers, or varves, which allow researchers to accurately date material found in core samples. Dating material is as simple as counting the number of alternating bands of light summer and dark winter varves - just as a tree stump can be dated by counting the rings.

Corn pollen and other material found in the varves representing the year 1434 to 1459 led to the discovery of the Iroquois Village, which has been reconstructed on its original site.





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