

# HELP US FILL THE VOLUNTEER EQUIPMENT BANK

We are in need of the following items during our build. If you could donate any of the following, it would be greatly appreciated:

- Paper towels
- Napkins
- Toilet paper
- Paper plates
- Styrofoam cups
- Stir sticks
- Plastic cutlery
- Styrofoam bowls
- Rubbermaid containers for storage
- BOTTLED WATER
- Pop
- Juice boxes/bottled
- Hot Chocolate
- Tea bags
- Sugar (in packets)
- Creamer or coffemate
- Dry wipes
- Saran Wrap
- Garbage bags
- Food storage bags
- Garbage pail
- Recycling Bin

If you could loan: Small fridge  
Picnic Table

If you are able to help us with some of these items please let us know. Our number is 905-637-4446 or 1 866 314-HFHH (4344).



Give your garden the Fall advantage

## In The Garden

Creating natural gardens that:

- ◆ Establish now for a healthy start next Spring
- ◆ Encourage songbirds
- ◆ Require minimal care

### Discuss your Garden Needs

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## Milton ChoriSters

### Love to sing? Join us!

The Milton Choristers is a non-auditioned community choir founded in 1968, made up of men and women from Milton and the surrounding area, presenting a varied repertoire of classical and contemporary music. We are looking for dedicated enthusiastic singers to join us for our upcoming season.

Milton Choristers 2004-2005 season:

- Catch the sound of...  
Remembrance, November 13th
- Christmas, December 12th
- Gospel, April 9th
- Swing, June 25th

Rehearsals are Tuesdays, 7:30-10:00 p.m. at Knox Presbyterian Church, 170 Main E, Milton, starting September 7th.

For additional information, please call (905) 876-3203

Visit us at [www.miltonchoristers.com](http://www.miltonchoristers.com)

# Beauty is in the eye of the off-roader:

## The hidden delights of Halton

By ANN KORNUA

What wonders lie hidden in our region of Halton? There are many places to visit on the map that are delightful; from escarpment cliff sides to rolling meadows and serene woods. But what about those places not found on a map? Places known only to dreamers and extremists? There are undiscovered wonders of the Escarpment country that are rarely spoken of. These places may be hard or treacherous to get to and are usually off limits to the general public.

My partner in my mission to discover these places is Canadian mountain bike competitor Luke M., who is always looking for exciting new places to train and new trails to explore. I am not an extreme athlete, but my desire to explore is stronger than my physique.

"The Red Sands" is the eponymous name some give to an area that stands open and exposed, looming over the small town of Milton like a forgotten ghost mine. Unused for over 25 years it's overrun with brush, garter snakes and broken rocks discarded in a mosaic of chaos. This place seems long forgotten by those that once had a bright purpose for it, the fence chained to keep people out. However on arrival at the Red Sands, my accomplice, Luke, and I had no hassle in finding a back entrance.

After riding our bikes past weeds, twisting trees and shrubs, we found ourselves in a giant open pit. The howl of the highway passing overhead causing an eerie muffled silence all around us. Our first hint that this place had been visited recently were moped

tracks dug into the soft sand beneath our wheels and a few discarded pop bottles and tires. Other than that, whoever had been coming here cared enough not leave much behind them.

### YOU JUST WANT TO LEAN YOUR HEAD BACK AND HOWL

Ideally the best situation for mountain biking is good hard soil. This place was particularly sandy making steering rough and bike handling difficult but after you went down a few hills and gullies and whipped up a huge dust trail behind you the dangers were forgotten and you just wanted to lean your head back and howl with delight. Many trails have been carved out into the face of the Red Sands with care and thought and we spent our time traveling down each single one. Frequenting mostly by owners of dirt bikes it is an ideal location for an afternoon romp in the sand. We spent our time avoiding puddles and a few small ponds; trying a few makeshift ramps and left as inconspicuously as we came in.

As we sped away down the back road to our hidden car, I pondered the future of the Red Sands; will this place still remain hidden? Will development move in and build houses for future generations, or will it turn into a natural regeneration area to benefit the Escarpment Region? It's not particularly beautiful to many. Some consider it an eye-sore, but to those who frequent it, the Red Sands remain an area of delight.



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PHOTO BY ANN KORNUA

SEPTEMBER 10, 11 AND 12, 2004

# Georgetown Fall Fair

## Friday Evening

Fair Ambassador Competition  
6:00 p.m.

Lawn Tractor Racing  
8:00 p.m.

## Saturday

Kinsmen Girls' Softball  
8 a.m.

English Horse Show  
9 a.m.

Halton 4-H Rabbit Show - 9 a.m.

Junior Dairy Show  
11 a.m.

Demolition Derby  
7:00 p.m.

## Sunday

Poultry Show  
9:30 a.m.

Heavy Horse Show  
10 a.m.

Pony Mounted Games Show  
10 a.m.

Children's Pet Show  
10:30 a.m.

Kiddie Pedal  
Tractor Pull  
noon

## Weekend Highlights

Midway by Funland  
Outdoor Amusements, Homecrafts and Exhibits, Agricultural Awareness Tent, Tiger Paw Exotics Petting Zoo, Canadian Vintage Motorcycle Club, Tiger Paw Exotics Petting Zoo, Dr. Bandoli, Various Entertainers and Demonstrations, Silent Auction, Concessions and Arts & Craft Show, Youth Bands and High School Events

Adult Admission: Friday - \$7, Saturday - \$7, and Sunday - \$5.  
Children 7-12 - \$3 Any Day  
Children 6 and Under - Free  
Weekend Pass - \$15

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