

Halton Agricultural Society

Review 1974 Fall Fair – prepare for new year

"The concessions were down and the midway was lousy." This was how director Jim Brownridge summed up the 1974 Milton Fall Fair at the annual meeting of the Halton Agricultural Society, Saturday afternoon members of the executive, directors and associate directors met at the Agricultural Office on Main St., Milton to review the past year and make plans for 1975.

Secretary of the women directors, Evelyn Love, reported on the district meeting where Herb Norrie was guest speaker. He said fall fairs "are for fun and relaxation and directors' meetings should be the same."

Mrs. Love reported, "Everyone should want to come back again for the enjoyment, education, participation and competition and other organizations in the community should be encouraged to participate." She recommended the men directors should bring back written reports from their meetings as an encouragement for the organization.

Good fair
President Gerald Carton

felt that "on the whole we had a good fair, the grounds were improved, but we're looking for a better year next year." He thanked the directors for "doing double duty on the plowing match as well this year."

Mr. Carton said Ontario Agricultural Societies were given a boost this year by the passing of Bill 21. "This bill recognizes the impact in the community of the fall fair and is providing grants of two-thirds of the cost up to \$500 for entertainment and for farm improvement with one-half of the cost up to \$300 maximum." If the society sponsors a light horse show a grant is available of one-third up to \$500.

New ideas

Chairman of special events, Alfred Ford, felt new ideas were needed to bring more interest to the fair. This year a display of carnival glass received marginal response from fair visitors. Mr. Ford also suggested a pony show might be a good attraction for the 1975 fair.

Gate receipts were weak at \$6,000 for Milton Fall Fair as compared to Acton which took in \$10,000.

Fair dates were set for Fri-

day and Saturday, Sept. 26 and 27. An awards committee for 1975 will include Bob Marshall, Martha Stokes and Evelyn Love.

Fund-raising activities were decided upon with the annual card party to be held March 25 and the annual dance on April 19.

Special award

Clayton Hadfield, a director and chairman of the poultry committee for nearly 20 years, was presented with a special merit award by George Readhead.

The 1975 executive will remain the same as last year with Gerald Carton as president, Lloyd Stokes first vice-president, Robert Marshall second vice-president, and Lillian Readhead as secretary-treasurer. Mr. Marshall was also named a director to the Halton Farm Safety Council.

Honorary directors are

Halton Regional Chairman Alan Masson, Mr. and Mrs. L. Crawford, Hon. George Kerr, M.P.P., Hon. James Snow M.P.P., Dr. C. H. Heslop, E. Harrop, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Scott, Mrs. E. E. Yates and J. E. Ellenton.

Directors

Directors for 1975 are E.

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Associate directors are Doug Gardhouse, J. L. Chisholm, J. A. Elliott, A. E. Waldie, H. Armstrong, F. W. Chisholm, J. H. Willmott, R. A. Brownridge, James McKay, Jeff Nurse, Jim Livock, W. Rayner, Art Wilson, W. Sinclair, E. McGibbon, R. Ford, R. Gardhouse, D. G. Wilson, H. Patterson, H. Ribot, George Swann, M. C. Beaty, Russ Hurren, A. G. Hunter, Craig Reid, T. Bousfield, G. Thompson, G. Rayner, Clarence Ford Jr., Bob Merry, Claude Inglis, Don Heath, Bill Donaldson, Art Lawson, Reg Coulson and George Henderson.

Women

Women directors have as their chairman in 1975 Martha Stokes, vice-chairman Chris Harris, secretary Lillian Love and treasurer Irene Dixon. Directors are Mrs. A. Frank, Mrs. P. W. Merry, Mrs. J. Brownridge, Mrs. H. Reibot, Mrs. J. C. Marshall,

Mrs. L. Stokes, Miss E. Chisholm, Mrs. T. Bousfield, Mrs. A. Ford, Mrs. Stan Love, Mrs. R. Blacklock, Mrs. F. Robert-

son, Mrs. Art Wilson, Mrs. C. Twiss, Mrs. H. C. Reid, Mrs. N. McPhail, Mrs. F. Dixon, Mrs. O. Coulson, Mrs. R.

Featherston, Miss G. Featherston, Mrs. V. Coulson, Mrs. R. Marshall and Mrs. G. Harris.



CLAYTON HADFIELD was presented with the award for meritorious service to agriculture by the Halton Agricultural Society at their annual meeting Saturday, by director George Readhead. Mr. Hadfield has served the society as a director and chairman of the poultry division for nearly 20 years.

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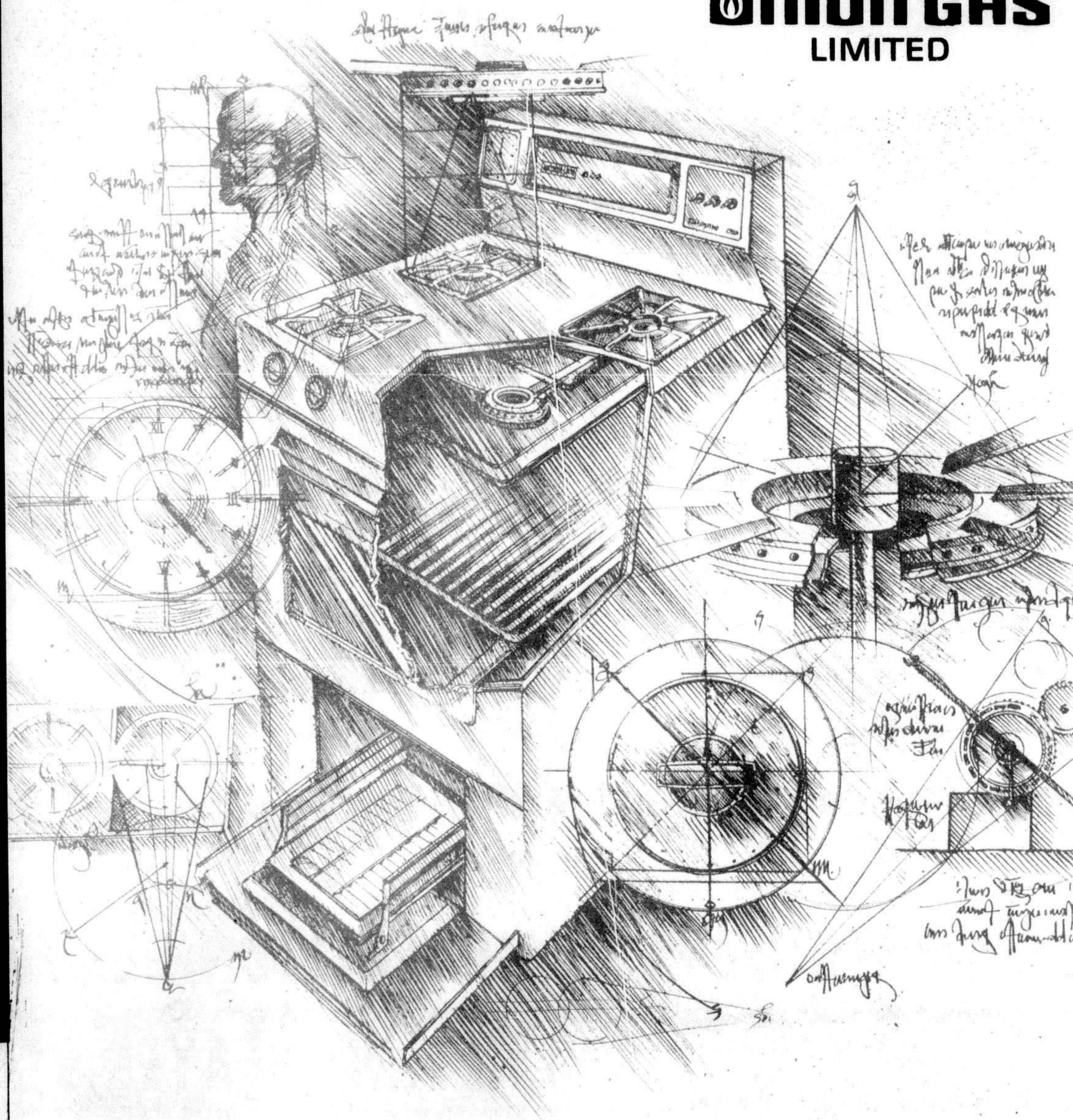
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