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# Dog gone fun

This furry pooch led its family down the hill Sunday afternoon at Glen Eden, which apparently has an open-door policy for canines and humans alike.

## Malboeuf wants smaller council, and a decision on the issue now

By BRAD REAUME

The Champion

Rick Malboeuf wants to reduce the size of Milton council from 10 members to six.

The new regional councillor representing Milton's urban area provided the necessary notice of motion at Monday night's council meeting.

"In these times of increased user fees, potential staff reductions and maybe increasing taxes it is imperative that we set an example," said Mr. Malboeuf.

He said he is on record as supporting scaling back council. Under his plan there would be six councillors and a mayor, including one councillor for each ward and one regional councillor each for urban and rural Milton.

Any changes should take effect for the next municipal election, slated for the autumn of 2000, he said.

"The impending budget is the main reason for going with this early in the term," said Mr. Malboeuf. "We're going to be asking the ratepayers to take less service so we have to set the example."

He said he was absolutely opposed to any increase in local taxes. Mr. Malboeuf added, if there is a suggestion to boost user fees, he will insist that separate accounts be kept for various fees to make certain they are applied where they were collected.

"We have to show leadership and responsibility in the budget process," he said. "A reduced council is only going to save \$60,000 or \$70,000, but it's the

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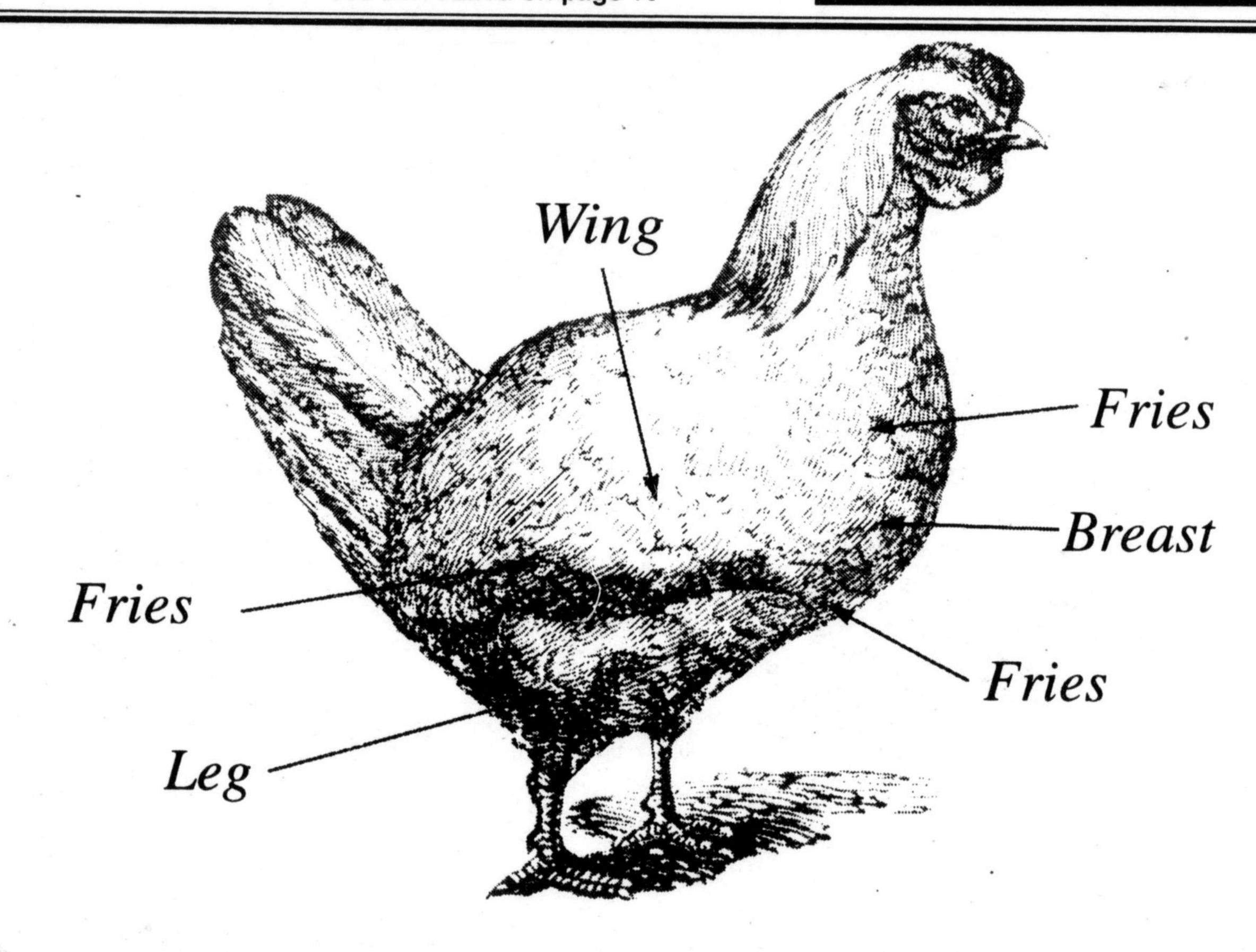
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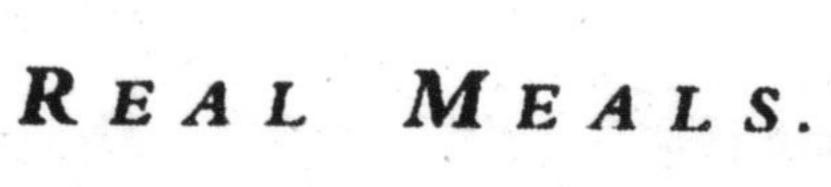
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