

# The Canadian Champion

Milton's Community Newspaper Since 1860

CNA Named Canada's Top Community Newspaper

TS

**Home**  
hardware  
building centre

385 STEELES AVE.  
EAST, MILTON  
TEL: (905) 878-9222  
www.miltonhh.com

REAL ESTATE

See what's on  
the market inside

SPORTS

O'Meara makes  
first CFL start

www.miltoncanadianchampion.com

COMMUNITY

Spanish students  
enjoy Milton

HALTON HILLS JEWELLERY  
Co. Ltd.

We will be closed  
Monday August 4th for  
the Civic Holiday

218 Main St. E. Milton  
905-875-2999

A Metroland Media Group Publication • Vol. 149 No. 41

Wednesday, July 30, 2008

44 Pages • \$1.00 (incl. G.S.T.)



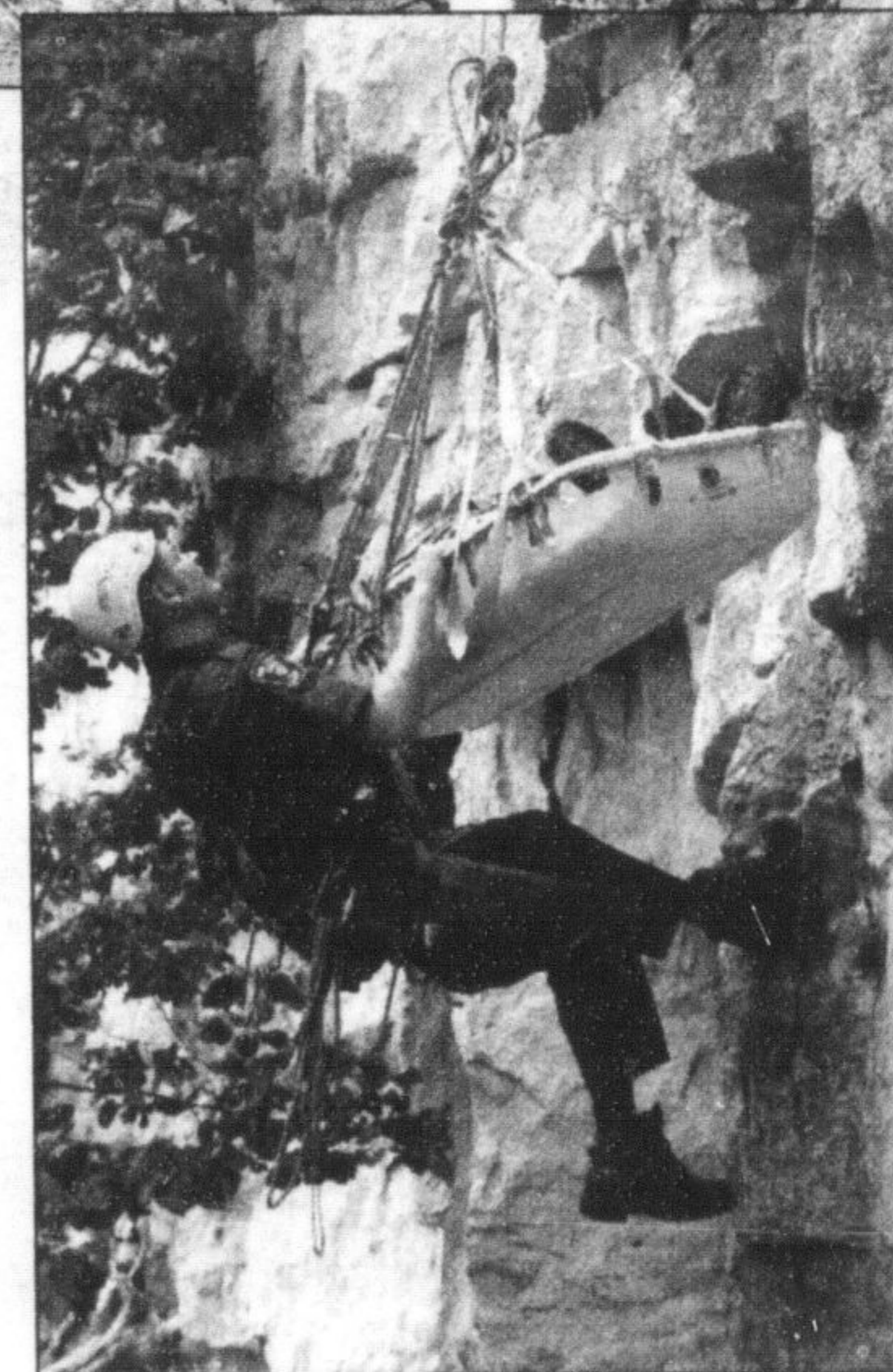
## Injured climber rescued

It was a close call for a rock climber who plunged 20 feet down a cliff at Rattlesnake Point Conservation Area Sunday.

Police said the 29-year-old Toronto man was rappelling down the cliff face with friends at about 1:45 p.m. when his safety equipment failed and he fell, landing on his back on the rocks below.

It took more than an hour for rescue crews to bring the man back up, doing so with a special basket on ropes that can be pulled up. He was taken to Milton District Hospital, but suffered no serious injuries.

It was the fourth accident involving rock climbers at the park so far this year, said Ron Kindt, manager of Rattlesnake Point and Hilton Falls conservation areas.



GRAHAM PAINE / CANADIAN CHAMPION  
Top, an injured climber is aided by emergency crews at the scene following his 20-foot fall. Above inset, Milton firefighter Gord Harse accompanies the climber up the 50-foot rock face.

## Pot worth \$1.5 million seized

More than \$1.5 million worth of marijuana was seized by police following the raid of a rural Milton house Friday afternoon.

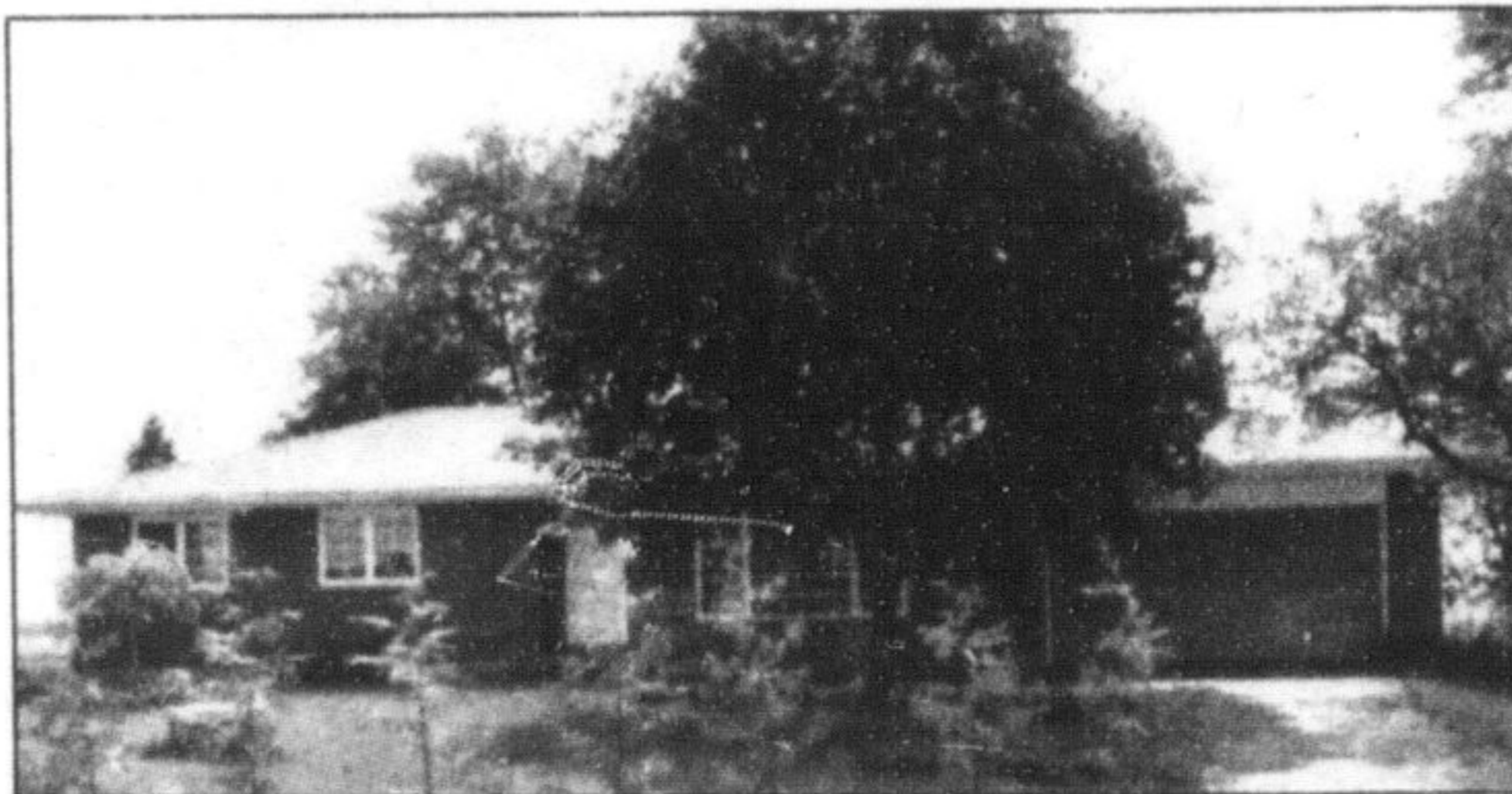
"It is the biggest one (seizure) this year in all of Halton," said Det. Anthony Odoardi of Halton Regional Police's Drug and Morality Bureau.

A total of 2,164 marijuana plants in various stages of growth were seized with a street value of \$1.5 million.

In addition, police seized 10 pounds of dry cannabis marijuana — with an estimated street value of \$20,000 — and a quantity of hydroponics equipment.

The raid took place at a house on Britannia Road West, just east of Regional Road 25, at 2 p.m. and was executed by Halton Regional Police's Drug and Morality Bureau, along with members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police's Milton drug section.

Police allegedly located a sophisticated



It's alleged this house on Britannia Road was the site of a marijuana grow operation.

cannabis marijuana lab in the basement of the house.

It's alleged a hydro-electric bypass was used to divert electricity to the lab before it was registered by the hydro-electric meter.

A 55-year-old man has been charged with production of a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance for the purpose of trafficking and theft of electricity.

## Inside Today's Champion

OPINION	A6
CHAMPION COUNTRY	A10
DATELINE	A11
SPORTS	A13
CLASSIFIED	A16

www.miltoncanadianchampion.com

MILTON TOYOTA  
www.milfontoyota.com

GORRUD'S  
AUTO  
GROUP  
www.gorrudsautogroup.com

National Car Rental

**Scott's Car Care**  
Your Complete Automotive Detailing Centre

**Vacation Spruce Up SPECIAL!**  
\$54<sup>95</sup> WASH-VAC-DUST-WINDOWS  
DOOR JAMS- DRESS TIRES

WE ARE HERE

410 Industrial Drive, Milton • 905-875-3367

7429 Fifth Line, Milton, Right at the east end of Main St.

**Taylor Nursery**  
Enhance  
Your Garden!  
Weekly Specials Throughout August

For 33 years... Your Town & Country Gardening Centre \* 905.876.4100