



FUN DAY: The Muslim Association of Milton held its annual Community BBQ at the Milton Fair Grounds Saturday. More than 1,000 people attended the event, and the association donated \$5,000 to the Milton District Hospital Foundation. Clockwise from top left, Aariz Inamdar fights a losing battle trying to eat his ice cream before it melts. Areeba Minhaj loses her hat on one of the giant air slides. Ayaan Hamid enjoys some cotton candy. Hafsa Rana (left) and sister Marya show their painted faces. Zoha Siddiqui looks at some colourful Ramadan decorations in the vendor area.



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Overcrowded raft on pond leads to drowning of 13-year-old boy

'Time Capsules' are gems of information extracted from past issues of the *Champion* and other publications in order to provide a window into Milton's past. Explanatory comment is sometimes provided to place the situation in context.

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There was a sad drowning accident in Milton last Friday afternoon. Since the beginning of the bathing season a number of small boys wearing bathing suits, had bathed in the pond almost daily. For the safety of those unable to swim they used a small raft, on which they played. When the accident took place nine of them were on the raft, too many for its size. They were well up the pond, not far from the east bank and in water only five feet deep, but deep enough to submerge them. The raft upset and some of the boys were thrown out of reach of it, among them Clarence, aged 13, one of Samuel Brush's twin sons. He had not learned to swim. In his struggles he seized Joseph Andrews, a good swimmer, in such a way as to nearly drown him, but Joseph broke loose and, regaining his breath, dived after Clarence, who had sunk by that time, but could not find him. The boys' screams were heard by Miss Dice at her home on James Street. Looking across to the pond, she saw them in the water and telephoned to J.J. Martin, who rushed from his home to the lower end of the pond, got into his canoe, paddled to the scene, dived, found Clarence's body and brought it to shore, but too late. Resuscitation was found impossible. Clarence was a bright boy, known throughout the town for his good behaviour, politeness and obliging disposition. He had been a member of Grace Church choir.

The county council has decided to repair the old bridge (highway 5) at an expense of perhaps \$3,000 rather than build a new Tansley

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Bridge, a high level one at an estimated cost of about \$60,000.

W.H. Kerr and family of Toronto, who for many years were connected with Boston Presbyterian Church, Mansewood, presented the congregation with an individual communion set, which was used for the first time at the sacrament service last Sabbath.

The seventh Hamilton Conference Summer School of the Epworth League and young people will be held in Milton June 30 to July 6 at the Methodist Church. Between one and two hundred visitors are expected. They spend from 9 a.m. to 12:30 in study, evenings to popular addresses and afternoons wholly to recreation and sport. The studies are in charge of professors and other experts while the recreation activities are in charge of two Y.M.C.A. physical directors. Meals are provided at reasonable rates at the town hall that has been presented by the town council for the purpose. People are asked to provide the delegates beds since Milton has no other accommodation.

W.J. Agar has recently installed an electric lighting plant in the home of Sam Harrop (Harrop House).

Jasper Martin has turned over his planning mill to David Menzies for a year, with a sale conditional, and will go back to Hillsdale.

This material is assembled on behalf of the Milton Historical Society by Jim Dills, who can be reached through the society at (905) 875-4156.

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Not sure I'll ever become a full-fledged Twitter-holic. I mean this is the same guy who still doesn't own a cell phone and can't bring myself to actually utter the term social media. But I can certainly understand how people get caught up in their Twitter postings and seeing how many peo-

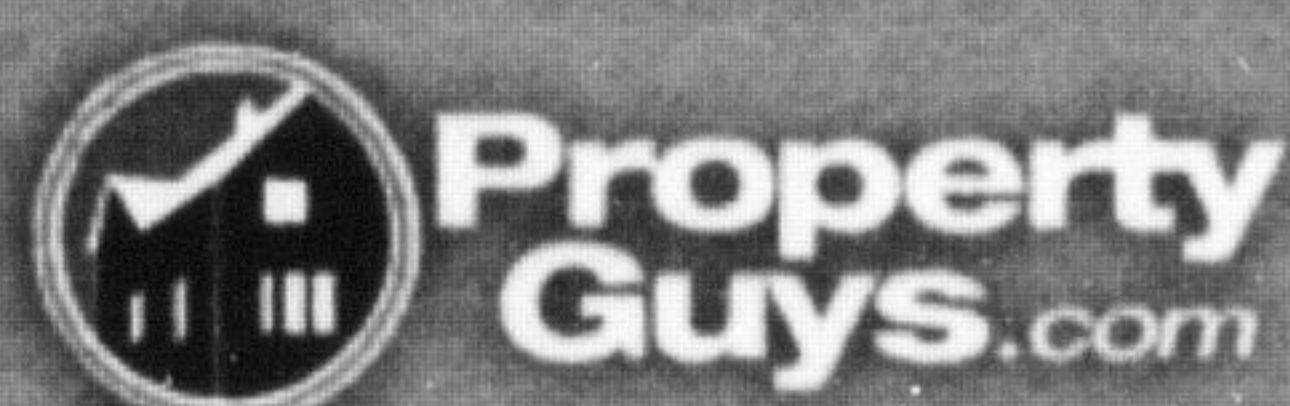
ple are following them. Right now my numbers are a little too paltry to get excited about.

Anyway, I welcome Miltonians to follow me @MiltonOnSports. I can't promise to be as Tweet-happy as some other reporters around here, but the local sports scene definitely provides enough material for regular postings.

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