

Royal wedding celebrated here in royal style

by Linda Kirby
When Jan Kerr of Milton decides to throw a party, she does it in style.
One of many area residents who rose in the early morning hours of Wednesday to watch the royal wedding on television, Mrs. Kerr held a very special champagne breakfast for approximately 20 neighbors and friends, ladies only.
Pouring rain did nothing to dampen the enthusiasm of the women who, clad in pyjamas and dressing gowns, made their way over to the home of Mrs. Kerr at 269 Ridge Dr. at 4.30 a.m.

Several hours of work on the part of Mrs. Kerr and her husband Bob went into the decoration of their living room for the festive occasion.
In addition to a very large Union Jack flag, pictures of the royal family and their ancestry graced all possible shelf space and photographs of the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh were placed on the fireplace mantle.
The guests watched the wedding proceedings on two large color television sets.
All the best china, silverware and crystal were brought out for the occasion.
The ladies were served pink champagne, wedding cake and assorted pastries.
The wedding cake, made by family friend Shirley Caughill, was suitably wrapped in red, blue and white ruffled paper.
"It was more craziness than anything else that

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made me do it," said Mrs. Kerr, although she admitted a special feeling for the royal family.
The party was a last minute decision. On Sunday evening she began calling friends, asking them if they would like to attend a wedding reception.
"Are you serious?" was the frequent response she received.
But come Wednesday morning, all the invited guests were in attendance.
Richard and Betty Copley of 100 Main St. also played host to approximately a dozen people invited for a champagne breakfast.
Champagne and Chelsea buns were the order of the morning at the Copley residence.
"We had planned Eggs Benedict, but we were all so busy watching the wedding, we didn't do it," said Mrs. Copley.
While the hour was early, there were certainly no regrets from those who watched the ceremony on television.
"It is the wedding of the decade, history in the making and something like that will not happen again in our lifetime," said Mrs. Copley.

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It was worth the long drive

The Martin Brothers of Haliburton saw a documentary on Milton's Dr. Bill Gregg and the collection of Second World War fighting vehicles he keeps on his farm. Last week the brothers, who collect a few vehicles as well, came all the way from their homes to

get a look inside. The Champion also offers its readers a look inside with a profile on Pg. D1. Shown in the photo from left are: Dr. Gregg, Gord Martin, Harry Martin, and Ken Martin with just a portion of the Gregg collection.

Town back in court over garbage dump

By Jim Robinson

Milton will be back before the Supreme Court of Ontario Oct. 14 at 10.30 a.m. following official notification last week the Tremaine-Britannia Citizen's Group has launched an action to quash the two bylaws creating a garbage dump out of 246 acres of land.
Notice of the motion and the affixing of a court date came on Tuesday afternoon, only hours after Milton Councillors had passed the two bylaws on the order of Ontario Supreme Court Justice Mr. John Osler.

The action now disrupts the previously expected smooth flow of the Ontario Municipal Board approving the bylaws immediately on receipt.

In compliance with Mr. Justice Osler's July 3 order to pass the bylaws and register them before the end of July, Clerk-Co-ordinator Roy Main lodged the bylaws as required by the order so councillors could "purge" themselves of the threat of dismissal from office had the order not been obeyed.

Even though the council has complied, they must still appear before Mr. Justice Osler at the Supreme Court to prove the action has been completed. Mr. Justice Osler is expected to, therefore, not enact sentence.

On July 27 councillors voted to pass the bylaws which now officially redesignated agriculturally zoned lands near the intersection of Tremaine and Britannia Rds. as a garbage dump.

Also known as Site F, the lands have caused controversy since they were selected in 1977 by regional council as the next Halton landfill site.

When Milton council passed the bylaws it was not unanimous, but the necessary six of the council needed for passage voted in favor thus averting sentencing which could have included immediate dismissal from public office and a ban on seeking reelection for seven years.

It was during passage that David Katz, speaking on behalf of the Tremaine-Britannia Citizen's Group, said he and the others had been told by their own solicitor, David Estrin, the bylaws were "illegal" and must be opposed.

Although Mr. Katz took pains to point out his group feels it is taking action against a regional decision to create the dump, the bylaws were passed by the Town of Milton, therefore, it is Milton which the group will be squaring off against on Oct. 14.

The action marks the end of a close relationship between the group and the town which had pooled resources in the fight to stave off passage of the bylaws since an order was officially handed down March 5, 1980 by the Ontario Supreme Court.

In a private memo to Milton Mayor Gord Krantz from Clerk Co-ordinator Roy Main, it is confirmed the town has been "served with a notice of motion to quash Bylaws Nos. 61-81 and 62-81 pursuant to the Municipal Act (Section 283) to be heard in the Supreme Court of Ontario on October 14, 1981, at Osgoode Hall commencing at 10.30 a.m."

Bylaws 61-81 and 62-81 are the two creating the garbage dump and the same two the OMB ordered Milton to enact.

The notice of motion is between Robert Johnson, Mary Johnson, David Katz, Ann Katz, Warren Blakelock and Sherry Blakelock as the applicants and the Town of Milton as the respondents.

"The basis of the quashing motion is on the opinion that the two bylaws are in contravention of Sections Five and Six of the Environmental Assessment Act.

"Sections Five and Six concern themselves with approval being granted prior to an Environmental Assessment being completed," Mr. Main said in the memo.
The notice of motion was sworn by Mr. Katz and has 19 exhibits attached summarizing the background involving the lands to date.

"The position of the applicants is not unlike that which was presented to Justice Osler and the Ontario Municipal Board by Mr. Fred Leitch and by Mr. Larry Gangbar," Mr. Main said.
Mr. Leitch and Mr. Gangbar, representing the town, had argued the two sections in question had precluded Milton from enacting the garbage dump bylaws as one was in contravention of the other.

Basically when the OMB, at Halton Regional urging, gave its order March 5, 1980 to pass the bylaws, Milton started to act.
Just three months later the Environmental Assessment Act came into being and it was contended by Milton that the two sections state there can be no redesignation of lands, such as with a by-law, until after there has been an Environmental Assessment Board hearing.

Mr. Main said if it acted on the OMB order it would be in violation of the Environmental Assessment Act. Acting on the Environmental Assessment Act would be in contravention of the OMB.



—Jane Muller, Milton Champion

Top Mister and Miss

An entertaining evening led to the crowning of Mr. and Miss Playground Thursday night at Lions Hall. Laura Barrett, 7 and Scott Chadwick, 9 were crowned as the dignitaries of the five playgrounds operated by Milton Parks and Recreation Department. See story inside.

Make vandals go away with tow away—Watson

If anyone stops his or her car near Crawford Lake and goes into the conservation area at night for whatever reason, there could be a nasty surprise waiting if Milton Councillor Jim Watson has his way.
Mr. Watson said he wants the town to put in "No Stopping" signs along Steeles Ave. to Guelph Line so the police can have cars towed away on the spot.

is so simple, I wonder why it has not been tried before."

Vandalism has reached serious proportion at the lake area. Boardwalks around the lake have been torn up and burned. And recently, it is alleged a security guard was held against his will for several hours by a group of rowdies.

According to Mr. Watson the officer said that when he is called to quell rowdies and vandals he tries to take after them on foot but they just run around the lake and jump into their cars and take off.

The detention of the security guard was confirmed by Milton Mayor Gord Krantz who is also a member of the Halton Region Conservation Authority which has control of the lake and surrounding woodlots.

The officer said if the cars were stopped on Steeles Ave. at night (the parking lot is closed at night) the officer could ticket the cars and have them towed to an impounding yard.

Mr. Watson said he has been talking with an unnamed Halton Regional Police Officer who "has suggested some thing that

Two weeks ago at an HRCRA committee meeting, it was suggested the authority would like to have municipalities deputize its personnel as bylaw enforcement officers so they can do relatively the same thing.

The Watson suggestion is expected to be brought up for discussion at the next regular meeting of the Halton Region Conservation Authority in August.

Town talks with . . .

Meeting today on gravel pits

A meeting of major significance to Milton with regard to the continuing number of applications for gravel pits in the town will be held today at Queen's Park.

A Milton delegation consisting of Mayor Gord Krantz, Clerk Roy Main, and possibly Councillor Bill Johnson will meet with Minister of Transportation and Communications Jim Snow, and Minister of Natural Resources Alan Pope.

Milton has sent repeated protests to both ministers over the system of gravel and pit operators getting licences to extract granular road building materials from lands within the town without Milton having any method to stop it or appeal.

In one case Milton tried to exercise a one-foot site plan control around a pit which was licensed by both Ministries despite Milton's official objection, and the firm then used an exit on an adjacent property.

Recently Mr. Main said only a delegation direct to the two Ministers involved would do any good because appeals to civil servants within the ministries had proved fruitless.

Although letters of protest have been sent to both Ministers of the Crown only Mr. Pope has responded.

In a letter dated June 23, Mr. Pope said "I agree with the Town of Milton there should be a limitation on the number of permits issued on these sites."

"However, I believe it would be appropriate to consider these properties for the Ministry of Transportation and Communications. . . a Highway 403 contract."

Mr. Pope went on to say he could "appreciate your request for the early rehabilitation of the Longstar Holdings property," adding his staff would "ensure that rehabilitation is carried out in an expeditious manner."

In closing he said "I hope that your council considers this a reasonable response."

The meeting comes at a time when Halton Hills is also trying to stop a major extension of a gravel pit along Highway 25 near Speyside.

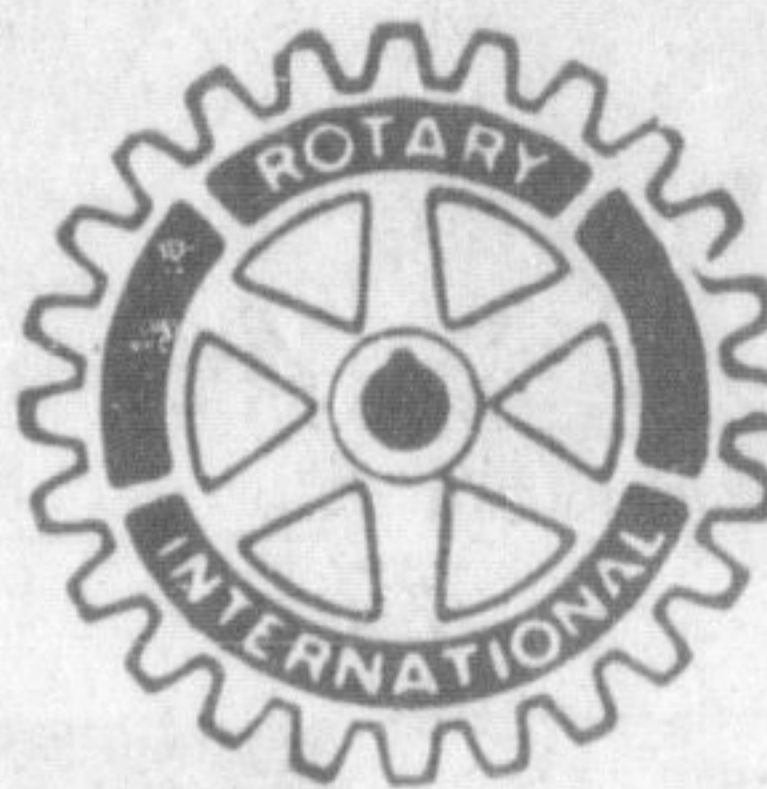
The Ministry of Transportation and Communication has already started surveying work on the creation of a truck passing lane up the escarpment to the Speyside area which will be used for gravel trucks coming and going to the site.

. . . Ministers in charge

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Milton Safari Day

The weather was perfect for Milton Day at the African Lion Safari on Saturday. Story and pictures Pg. 2.



Goodbye to Milton

After one year here, a West German Rotary exchange student is saying farewell to all the friends he made. Story and picture Pg. 3.

Stopped con men

Halton's Police Officer of the Month foiled a confidence game which resulted in the arrest and sentencing of two wanted men. Story Pg. 5.

Learning to swim

The Milton Parks and Recreation swim program isn't just for fun. It is designed to teach youngsters to enjoy the water. Story and picture Pg. 8

Few differences

Halton has taken part in the Ontario-Quebec student exchange program for the fourth year, and those involved find their only differences are language. Story and picture Pg. 10

School still in

For some Milton youngsters, school didn't end in June but has continued so they can crush up and get ready for September though remedial classes. Story and picture Pg. B7.

Employees fight back

Doug Black, Halton federal NDP hopeful in the last federal election, is now turning his energies to working with employees trying to get settlements after being "unfairly" dismissed. Story Pg. D2.

More work than ever

Canada Manpower says there are more people finding summer jobs in this area than ever before. Story Pg. D4.

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Fire guts brickyard building

A fire of unknown cause gutted the abandoned Milton Brick Co. building on Steeles Ave. late Friday afternoon.

Halton Region Police and Milton fire officials are examining the possibility of arson.

The blaze was the third in two months at the brick yard site.

No damage figure has been set, but according to fire officials, extensive damage was done to the roof and interior of the building.

Brick yard operations ceased there almost three years ago.
Milton firemen spent close to three hours putting out the fire, first detected by a police officer.