



OUR READERS WRITE

THE CANADIAN CHAMPION

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Remembering Roy Downs

Dear Editor:

I would like to take a moment to reflect on that celebration of life that was Roy Downs.

Roy always made me feel welcome, as a relative newcomer to this town, and by his example showed me how to get the most out of this community by his level of service and commitment. Others would be better able to chronicle all that Roy gave to his community, but it was uncommon not to see Roy participate at local events and functions.

Roy was the quintessential small business person. An entrepreneur who really cared about his associates and clients, he worked hard without a complaint.

After the recent Showcase Milton event that our Chamber of Commerce sponsored, Roy took the time to visit me and share his positive suggestions for the future of the event. His previous experience in the town brought a blend of wisdom and vision to the table.

I know that we will miss this vision, but having been inspired by his spirit of unselfish giving, will pick up the torch and carry his love of this community forward.

Michael Bourgon,
Milton

Down on rodeo

Dear Editor:

The Agricultural Fair Board is allowing a rodeo to take place in Milton on September 16-18 at the Fair Grounds. Some of the 'attractions' are bronco busting, bull riding, calf roping etc. — spectator sports which we believe are abusive to the animals used in them.

Any type of bucking event involves straps around the animal's genitals in order to make it buck. Calf-roping

involves forcibly throwing a calf to the ground at fast speeds. Both of these activities incur pain and fright to the animal concerned.

Society is increasingly turning away from these types of spectacles, and I'm disappointed that this event is coming to our town. I hope the residents will show their disapproval by staying away in droves.

Do we really want this in Milton? If it does go on, take the bucking straps off and see if the animals then buck!

Dennis and Anne Taylor
Campbellville

Editor's note: This issue was addressed, with commentary from both the pro and anti-rodeo factions, in the Wed, Aug. 24 issue.

Bum rap for carp

Dear Editor:

With reference to the article on pg. 4 of The Champion on Friday, Aug. 12, I must say how pleased I am to hear that we're finally getting something done to improve our local Mill Pond.

Kids and dads and moms alike must be very excited about the prospect of fishing for little bass in the near future, and on our own doorstep, so to speak. When that happy time arrives we'll no longer have to travel to Burns Conservation Area or Hilton Falls to catch our little bass.

With an average depth in the two to three foot range, and only one small deeper area which plumbs in at just under five and a half feet, it is difficult to imagine our little pond supporting larger bass in any quantity.

However we can't complain about sizes, because after all, everyone knows that any bass of half a pound is vastly superior to those hardy despicable common carp of five to 10 pounds that are infesting our pond at the moment.

Who cares if they're the fastest or strongest freshwater fish that swim,

they're scum and it's a good thing they're being removed as part of the restocking program.

Furthermore, carp are totally useless as a food fish unless you live in Europe or the Far East, or some such place where lunatics actually catch them for the table.

Speaking of lunatics, would you believe that English angling nuts by the thousands are forking over large sums of money for day-permits to fish carp waters?

If you think that is bonkers, these same guys fish for hours and often all night without a bite, and when they do finally catch one, (usually 10 to 25 pounds) they just slide it back into the water again.

Clubs and syndicates control most English carp waters and members who don't return their catch alive become hunted fugitives. Oh well, to each his own. I guess they've never heard of half-pound bass over there.

I'm so glad I live in Milton, where we have more pride and manage our waterways much more sensibly, much to the everlasting delight of contented tax payers like myself.

Don Anderson
Milton

Never too late

Dear Editor:

The Milton unit of the Canadian Cancer Society wishes to thank all volunteers, captains, canvassers, and contributors for their support during the April fundraising campaign. Another excellent result from Daffodil Days was credited to a dedicated effort by the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. They raised \$10,000 with pre-sales and day sales.

Without the public's generosity we would be unable to continue helping people living with cancer or our programs of patient services, education

and research.

Unfortunately, donations were down, presumably because of the recession. But it's never too late to help the Canadian Cancer Society. If our canvassers missed your household, consider making your donation now. Call 878-5228 or mail to 751 Main St. E., Milton L9T 3Z3

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