

NEWS

# Weekend grass fires keep Milton fire crews busy

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In what's almost become a rite of spring along railway tracks in Milton, another series of grass fires kept fire crews busy this past weekend. Last Friday's fire, which started at 3:30 p.m., and took up approximately 10 kilometres along the west side of the CN tracks, from

Lower Base Line to Market Drive took up the most manpower hours — 92, according to Milton Fire Department (MFD) Deputy Chief Dave Pratt. Some 39 staff attended, along with 12 trucks. Rail traffic was also halted for more than an hour to allow crews the chance to safely battle the blaze.

It extended beyond Milton's borders as well, all the way from Dundas Street East in Bur-



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