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Beach Spirit Beats Weather as Annual Sports Day Success

by Ron Pratt

Despite continually threatening skies (but no rain) the Annual Sports Day was held Saturday, July 21st at Memorial Park with a record number of entrants. Under the administrative care of Past President Maurice Thompson and with the technical assistance of Recreational Director Gord Tully, all events progressed smoothly to the climax of the morning—the serving of refreshments to the children. Mrs. Mary Lyons, who spent a very busy two hours recording winners, reports as follows:

As in past years, the day's success depended largely on the assistance of parents and club supporters who helped to run the events. Our very sincere thanks goes to Dave Grant, Lorne Campbell, Tom Scott, Len Lyons, Tom Wolfenden, Jack Beech, Bert Trainor, Jackie, Mary and Lynn Scott, Barbara Suderman, Cece Grover, John Robinson, Dave Guest, Glen Anderson, and all others who worked anonymously.

We wish to acknowledge assistance from the municipal council in preparing the field, setting up ropes, and in loaning the loud-hailer. The ice cream was donated by Modern and Crescent Dairies, and the lemonade was given compliments of Silverwood Dairies. These people received a very worthy vote of thanks from all present.

Sprint—Boys 2-3: Jeff Scott, Jimmy Mann, Reid Anderson. Girls 2-3: Jennifer Westbury, Karen Simonsen, Laura Jean Saunders. Boys 4-5: Lennie Suderman, Danny Little, Jamie Burr. Girls 4-5: Marcia Pollock, Louise Edwards, Janice Martin. Boys 6: Braden Beer, David Quinton, Tommy Schioler. Girls 6: Alison Cummings, Mardi Scott, Andrea Little. Boys 7: Rickie Riess, Hugh Cooper, Carl Lindgren. Girls 7: Janie Ebbert, Barbara McKenzie, Margaret Clare MacDonald. Boys 8: Chris Erving, John Edwards, David Summers. Girls 8: Donna Dunsmore, Lorna Scott, Janice McMaster. Boys 9: Kenneth Parisian, David Gartrell, David Hall. Girls 9: Catherine Burns, Catherine Cummings, Corinne Horne. Boys 10: Bruce Boyd, Jeff Moon, Steven Ebbert. Girls 10: Jane Jessiman, Janice Young, Sheila Grover. Boys 11: Andy Wiswell, Jamie Horne, John Mercer. Girls 11: Pat Campbell, Jennifer Campbell, Kristina Goral. Boys 12: Walter Beer, Paul Bowman, Jeff Nagle. Girls 12: Judy Glenn, Margaret Kaye, Helen Noll. Boys 13: Clint Harvey, John Jessiman, Bruce Burns. Girls 13: Penny Jones, Ruth Barker, Alison Benning. Boys 14: Doug Salmons, Roy Greengrass, Brian Clapham. Boys 15 and over: Jamie Boyd, Dave Milne, Blair Bingham.

Sack—Boys 5-6: Curtis Booth, David Quinton, Tommy Schioler. Girls 5-6: Andrea Little, Patty Lou McClean, Alison Cummings. Boys 7: Bobbie Menkin, Hugh Cooper, Carl Lindgren. Girls 7: Andrea Pollock, Patty Moon, Susan Morrison. Boys 8: Peter Robinson, Chris Erving, John Edwards. Girls 8: Donna Dunsmore, Alex McLean, Julie Swanson. Boys 9: Michael Ateah, David Gartrell, David Nutter. Girls 9: Wendy O'Malley, Corinne Horne, Kim Glenn. Boys 10: Jeff Moon, Ricky Johnson, Steven Ebbert. Girls 10: Jane Jessiman, Sheila Grover, Kim Glenn. Boys 11-12: Tommy Hebert, John Mercer, Lyle Wilson. Girls 11-12: Judy Glenn, Andrea Guest, Margaret Kaye. Boys 13-14: Brian Clapham, Ken Clapham, Doug Crookshanks. Girls 13-14: Judy Mikolasek, Ruth Barker, Alison Benning. Boys 15 and over: Dave Milne, Blair Bingham, Jamie Boyd. Girls 15 and over: Mary Dawn Swanson, Sheila Quinton, Heather Smith.

Wheel Barrow—Boys and Girls 7 & 8: Gaylen Scott, John Edwards, Marion Carmichel. Paula Dangerfield, David Thomas. Boys and Girls 9-10: Ricky Johnson, Susan Brice, Doug Harvey, Deb Campbell, David Hall, Mary Wiswell. Boys and Girls 11-12: Judy Glen, Steven Toothill, Margaret Kaye, Billy McLandress, Alison Benning, Tim Nosworthy. Boys and Girls 13-14: Ken Clapham, Janice McMaster, Penny Jones, Brian Clapham, Alison Carmichael, J. D. Boyd.

Slow Bike—Boys: Ken Clapham, Peter Robinson, John Mercer. Girls: Susan Brayshay, Debra Campbell, Maureen White.

Broad Jump—Boys 9-10-11: Ian Kerr, Jamie Horne, Ray Parisian. Boys 12-13-14: Doug Sammons, Clint Harvey, John Jessiman. Boys 15 and over: Ken Tully, Jamie Boyd, Blair Bingham.

High Jump—Boys 9-10-11: Lyle Wilson, Paul Nagle, Ken Einfeld. Boys 12-13-14: Jeff Nagle, Clint Harvey, Johnny Hume. Boys 15 and over: Ken Tully, Jamie Boyd, Dennis Houston.

Ball Throw—Girls 9-10: Jane Jessiman, Catherine Cummings, Kathy Burns. Girls 11-12: Susan Brayshay, Andrea Guest, Jennifer Campbell. Girls 13-14: Jennifer Campbell, Alison Benning, none. Girls 15 and over: Heather Smith, Arlene Heidrick, Beth Anderson.

One Mile: Al Spence, Bruce Gee, Doug Sammons.
Men's Open Sprint. Winner of finals to be declared by acclamation next year.

ENJOY THE ANNUAL REGATTA AT THE GOVERNMENT PIER SATURDAY, JULY 28.
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DOGS ON BEACH BRING COMPLAINTS

By-Law No. 384—R. M. of Victoria Beach, says dogs must not be allowed to run at large, and must never be taken on the beach except on a leash.

It has been brought to my attention, and I have observed on several occasions, dogs unleashed and unattended on the swimming beaches, in the Victoria Beach area.

The dogs, of course, are not familiar with this by-law and they will have to rely on us for guidance, and at the same time would not have to pay the fine if they commit this infraction. It is in the interest of every one who uses the beaches to either leave the dogs at home, or keep them on a leash. This is an age old and bothersome complaint, and only we can do something about it by co-operating with one another. In a sense it shows selfishness and disregard on our part to take the family dog down and let it roam about, and mistake someone's lunch basket or beach towel for the fire hydrant, which is most usually the recipient of this sort of treatment.

Council is bringing pressure to bear on our Police Officer to enforce this rule. He no doubt is hoping that people will co-operate before it becomes necessary to clamp down, which would be embarrassing to both himself and the dog owner. Council has mentioned bringing back the old dog pound in the very near future in an effort to put a stop to this complaint, but I think, if we all realize the situation, we won't need a dog pound here. Heaven knows our Policeman has enough to do with about 3500 cottagers at the beach, without having to tell us to keep our dogs under control when we all know the rule as well as he does. We are all grown people and should get behind our council in helping to make the beaches thoroughly enjoyable for everyone.

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MEET A GOOD POLICEMAN

Our constable this year is Mr. Elmer Spalding, a police officer of 10 years' experience with the Winnipeg police force, who left them with excellent recommendations. He has been thoroughly trained in police work, and is determined that this beach be kept as a place where everyone can enjoy a splendid summer without fear of molestation or vandalism.

Mr. Spalding was born and raised in the Nelson area of British Columbia, and served in the R.C.A.F. during the war. He is married and has two small daughters, Glenda, aged 5, and Holly aged 2, down here to keep Mrs. Spalding busy. You will find our policeman most co-operative in any circumstance that involves reasonable enjoyment of a holiday. Malicious trouble makers however will find him a pretty efficient fellow, judging by his present record of law enforcement.

THE STORIES OF THE LOST ONES

Rev. Wm. Conklin told the children how our clocks are set and regulated by a star in the heavens created by God. He said we come to Church to regulate our conscience by Jesus Christ the perfect regulator.

Then in his sermon (Luke 15) he described the father in the Prodigal Son as one whose love was lavish and boundless for he had patience and love for the other son as well. He also noted that the other son was outside, just as the Pharisees.

They had a correct way of living but didn't forgive and show kindness to others. If the prodigal son had met his brother before he met his father he may have given up and not come home at all. So Christians must regulate their lives according to the words of Jesus.

The soloist today by Stan Paton. He sang "Just for Today". The flowers to beautify the church were from the garden of J. G. Conklin.

Next Sunday's service will be conducted by the Very Rev. W. E. Harrison, St. John's Cathedral.

Community Church Service

Club House, Victoria Beach
 SUNDAY, JULY 29th, 1962
 at 11:00 a.m.

PREACHER: THE VERY REV. W. E. HARRISON,
 St. John's Cathedral (Anglican) Winnipeg
 President Church Board: A. H. Conklin
 Music: Mrs. J. G. Tully

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OUR REC. DIRECTOR NEEDS HELP

Gordon Tully is a very efficient man, but he has an awful lot of ballplayers down at Memorial Park every evening, and he can't subdivide himself. Will some of the Dads of these young athletes come down and give Gordon some help either as umpires or coaches? Both are needed, for there are usually three games going simultaneously and the youngsters deserve proper help and supervision.

While on the subject of his activities, which are many and varied, he asked that we announce the new time of his Wednesday hikes as being 10:30 a.m. not 10:00 a.m. as before. All children, boys or girls, 9 years old and over who enjoy seeing the interesting parts of the peninsula are welcome on these very instructive trips. The youngsters must bring their own lunches and are usually home by 3:30 p.m.

OUR BEACH DOCTOR

Our beach doctor this year is I. M. Morrow, M.D., who is staying at 124 Birch, with Mrs. Morrow and their two sons Geoff and David. Dr. Morrow is Winnipeg born and graduated from the University of Manitoba in 1957. He has since been engaged in general practice on Vancouver Island.

Dr. Morrow can be reached by phone if an emergency arises. His number is 754-2247.

TEEN AGE MASQUERADE

The Saturday night masquerade of teen-agers brought out the largest crowd so far this season. There were many colorful costumes and more people dancing than in past weeks.

The prize winners were as follows: Girls: Original—Nancy Auld, Fancy—Sue Ferguson, Comic—Margie Isbister, Boys: Original—Tie: Bill Cummings, Bob Milne, Fancy—Dave Milne, Comic—Jim Dawson.

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BEACH PEOPLE

Prof. and Mrs. Chester Duncan are holidaying at 320 Fifth Ave. with their children Alexe, Mark and Laurie.

Rev. and Mrs. W. G. Onions are spending weekends at their Sixth Ave. cottage. They will be going to Montreal later in the season to visit their daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Fricker are down for the season at their cottage 301 Fifth Ave. with their daughters Wendy and Mary. Mrs. F. G. Fricker from England is vacationing with them.

Mrs. L. R. Fennell is holidaying at 304 Fourth Ave. Visiting with her is her daughter Mrs. D. L. Hadden of Toronto, with her children Lyell, Gray and Kelly. Other guests have been Mr. L. B. Mackay and his daughter Jeannie.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wiswell are at their cottage Sunset and King Edward with Andy, Mary and Jimmie. Amongst their many guests have been Mr. and Mrs. Stan Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Robertson and Mrs. Gordon Hall with David and baby Douglas.

Dr. and Mrs. John Hughes are holidaying at their cottage 325 Second Ave with David, Deborah, Michael, Susan, Margaret and Jennifer. Also visiting them have been Canon and Mrs. Frederick Hughes and Miss Mary Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. Herb Harvey with Bill and Joan are enjoying their holidays at 134 Centre Ave.

Dr. and Mrs. Dave Chappell are holidaying at 309 Third Ave. for three weeks with Barbara and Craig. Guests have been Ruth Gregory, Pat Miller and Dr. and Mrs. R. C. McGinnis with Kathy and Kelly.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Reid are down for the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. Dunsmore on Fifth Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Schioler with their four children Tommy, Davey, Kim and Kae are staying at 302 Third Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Tooley will be down for the first two weeks in August at the cottage of Mrs. J. Irving on Sunset Blvd.

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More About Beach People —

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Lawrence with their two children spent a few days as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. Guest.

Mrs. B. Bain spent last week with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. MacGillivray at their cottage on 317 First Ave.

Mrs. R. N. Smith has been the guest of Mrs. R. J. Quinton for the past week at 335 First Ave.

Mrs. Shenton has been staying the past week with her daughter, Mrs. D. Irving.

Mrs. A. Hall has been spending a few days with Mrs. G. Wiswell on Sunset Blvd.

Dr. and Mrs. Harold Swanson (from Calgary) are enjoying a month's holiday with their four children on Centre Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Grover, 319 First Ave. have been down since late June with Kathleen, Sheila and Paul, and Jane joining them when she can. Last week-end Messrs. Harry DeLeeuw and Brian Ayotte were their guests.

Mr. and Mrs. James Graham, their daughter Barbara Jane, and her friend Pat Sanderson are enjoying a holiday at 339 Sunset.

Dr. and Mrs. A. K. Roy of Regina with son Len and daughter Janet are enjoying the month of July at their cottage, 435 Sunset.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Warner with family Lynda and Karen from Toronto are visiting for two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Ateah. Mrs. Warner is a sister of Mrs. Ateah. They make daily visits to Beausejour Hospital to see their sick father, Mr. A. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken McElna have been vacationing at their cottage at 401 Fifth Ave. Their mother, Mrs. G. Smith of Toronto visited for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Bergman and their daughters Norma and Karen are now occupying their cottage at 211 Fourth Ave. for the remainder of the season. They will have as their guests their parents, Mrs. H. Eric Bergman, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hooley, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. Lewis of Toledo, Ohio, and Miss M. J. Kern, of Victoria, B.C. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Richmond and Mr. and Mrs. M. Chornoboy will also be visiting with their children.

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POISON IVY

Editor's Note: The following valuable information is an extract from a Can. Dept. of Agriculture folder, prepared by E. C. Anderson of the Scientific Information Centre, Ottawa. It was very thoughtfully forwarded to me by Mr. D. F. O'Connell, himself a beach resident.

Of all Canadian plants responsible for skin irritation, poison ivy is the most important. It grows in all provinces except Newfoundland, on almost any type of soil.

Poison ivy dermatitis is caused by contact with a toxic substance produced by the plant. It is released by crushing, bruising or breaking any part. People differ greatly in susceptibility. Mild attacks of poison may cause no more than shiny pimple-like spots. Serious cases may result in acute discomfort and upset your health completely. Your doctor is best qualified to diagnose your rash and prescribe a cure. Products containing calamine are very helpful in treating mild attacks.

HOW TO IDENTIFY IT

Poison ivy is the only Canadian plant that has both a three-part leaf and a hard fruit that ranges in color from yellowish green to dull white. It is seldom found as a single plant but grows in patches as a dwarf, shrubby plant from 1 to 3 feet high. Sometimes it grows as a creeping vine and may climb a tree or pole to a considerable height. Because poison ivy varies so much in size and in habit of growth, people sometimes think that some types of poison ivy are poison oak. The name poison oak correctly applies to a closely related shrubby plant that grows in the southern United States and to the western poison oak, which grows on Vancouver Island and the west coast of the United States.

The almost-smooth, sometimes glossy and firm leaves of poison ivy are arranged alternately on a woody stem. Each leaf has three leaflets; this is the only consistent character. The center leaflet has a longer stalk than the leaflet on each side. These leaflets vary greatly in shape and lobing. They also vary in size, texture and color. The edges may be entire (smooth) or toothed.

Strawberry, raspberry and some other plants have three-part leaves, but the fruits are not whitish. Three-part leaves are also found on young plants of Manitoba maple, particularly on regrowth, but the more mature plants usually have five-part leaves. Virginia creeper, which is often confused with climbing poison ivy, has five-part leaves and blue fruit.

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POISON IVY — Continued

The leaves and fruits of poison ivy change their appearance with the seasons.

Spring: In the spring the unfolding, crinkly leaves are noticeably reddish. As they develop they gradually become green with a smooth, glossy surface. Often some of the yellowish to brown fruits from the previous year persist below the early leaves.

Summer: In early summer, sprays of small, inconspicuous whitish flowers appear in the axils of the leaves on some plants. These flowers are usually followed by clusters of greenish-yellow fruits about the size and hardness of peas. New leaves that continue to develop hide these fruits.

Fall: In the fall the leaves of plants growing on poor, shallow soil turn yellow to brown, and drop. In most locations, however, at least some of the leaves have a pleasing array of colors. Orange, red and scarlet leaves, singly or in clumps, mingle with the browns and yellows. Cool, frosty nights cause them to curl and turn brown. As the leaves drop, the fruit clusters become more noticeable. They have lost their greenish-yellow color and are now white and waxy in appearance.

Winter: During the winter the fruits shrink somewhat and gradually become yellowish to brownish. The lines deepen, forming segments similar in appearance to those of a peeled orange.

HOW TO GET RID OF THE PLANTS

Poison ivy can be eradicated with either chemicals or implements. The method you choose will depend on the size of the area infested, its location, and the equipment

PLEASE LET US KNOW!

If you have guests, and wish to have it printed in this column or if you are new to the Beach, let's have the details:

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Article IV

The Sturgeon—A Freshwater Monster

by George Heffelfinger.

"ON THE WHITE SAND OF THE BOTTOM LAY THE MONSTER, MISHE-NAHMA LAY THE STURGEON, KING OF FISHES".
—Longfellow—Hiawatha.

A scant 21 years ago in the summer of 1941, fisheries history on Lake Winnipeg established a new record with the capture of a Lake Sturgeon that weighed 275 pounds. This happened at Rabbit Point less than 100 miles north of Victoria Beach during a commercial fishing operation. Rumors persist of a 400 pound sturgeon that was taken from the Rousseau River near Dominion City in the early days and a picture is sometimes produced to prove it, but officially the Rabbit Point fish holds the Manitoba record. Most texts on the subject reports 300 pounds as just about maximum for this species making Lake Sturgeon by far and away the largest freshwater fish to be found in this province.

Squashish swimmers at our beach will not be pleased to know that even today large sturgeon are occasionally caught right along our shoreline. Walter Thomas reports that within the last ten years he and his son took a 95 pound sturgeon early in June off Scott Park Point between Patricia and Alexander beaches. However, in spite of the fact that sturgeon can be caught at certain times of the year at Victoria Beach, they are much more frequently found in Traverse Bay and along the boulder strewn shore line of the east side of Lake Winnipeg. Walter refers to the area near the mouth of the Winnipeg River as "the home of the sturgeon" and he frequently buys large carcasses from the Indians who fish them in this locality.

In their book *Northern Fishes*, Surber and Eddy say, "The sturgeons are the remnants of an ancient and primitive group of fishes in which the primitive cartilaginous skeleton is retained and bony plates have appeared in the skin. Sturgeon are found throughout northern Europe, Asia and North America. Some species are marine, others ascend rivers periodically to spawn and others are landlocked." Here in Manitoba there is but one species and that is the Lake Sturgeon.

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The advent of modern civilization has not dealt kindly with the Lake Sturgeon. It was once found in considerable abundance throughout its natural range. All writers on the subject refer to the fact that in the early days this fish was considered by commercial fishermen a nuisance of little value and many were uselessly destroyed. A demand for sturgeon products developed in the final decades of the last century and since then the species has been overfished and in many areas the population drastically reduced. While the demand for sturgeon flesh and caviar even today continues to be substantial, local regulations have curtailed the fishery and it is hoped that the species will make a comeback. Commercial fishing is allowed in Lake Winnipeg at present and sports fishermen may catch one per day.

Perhaps one of the reasons for the difficulty in maintaining large numbers of sturgeon is the fact that this fish matures very slowly and does not spawn until reaching about 20 years of age. A large female may deposit as many as a million eggs in the spring of the year most frequently in the swift water of a river. As in the case of most fish only a very small fraction of these eggs survive to produce an adult. Locally the rivers emptying into the eastern side of Lake Winnipeg are utilized and migration to gravelly bottom near rapids and falls may be expected in May and June. Undoubtedly the fish reported by Walter Thomas off Victoria Beach in June are sturgeon on their way to or from the spawning riffles.

Lief Sunde, a Provincial Fisheries Biologist who has done a great deal of work on the sturgeon here in Manitoba, offers some interesting facts on growth rate and age in an article which appeared recently in a Fisheries Branch publication. "Our sturgeon is a slow-maturing as well as a slow-growing fish. Very few females spawn before the age of 20 years, about 20 lbs. round weight, and two-thirds have not spawned for the first time at age 25 at about 25 lbs. The male sturgeon matures at a much earlier age, at 15 to 20 years. Besides maturing slowly, sturgeon also spawn infrequently. The best data available suggests that the interval between spawnings of the female is from three to five years. The male, on the other hand, is believed to spawn twice as often." (Continued Next Page)

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THE STURGEON—A Freshwater Monster—Continued

often as the female, sometimes every year. These peculiarities in the biology of the lake sturgeon render it particularly vulnerable to depletion by a commercial fishery.

Sturgeon are bottom feeders. David Hinks, author of the *Fishes of Manitoba*, reports that the diet of our local sturgeon is principally composed of the aquatic larvae of "Fish Flies" but that they also consume large quantities of crayfish, clam and snails. It is not likely that you will catch a sturgeon while fishing off Government Pier. In the first place, the sturgeon is found only seasonally around Victoria Beach, also since it feeds with a sucker-like mouth it is not ordinarily taken by conventional angling methods. Sturgeon meat can usually be bought, however, at any good fish market in Winnipeg. Eaton's often carry smoked sturgeon and less frequently the fresh product. The Independent Fish Co. almost always has either fresh or fresh-frozen caviar for sale. Neither product is cheap but by world price standards not, in the case of the caviar at least, particularly extravagant. Caviar currently sells on the Winnipeg market for \$8.00 for a one pound jar and \$3.00 for a ½ pound. It is a great deal more expensive elsewhere.

NEXT ARTICLE: MORE ABOUT STURGEON

NEAR TRAGEDY AT KING EDWARD BEACH

Prompt and effective action by two brave teen-agers saved a life at King Edward Beach on Saturday, July 21, shortly after two in the afternoon.

John Platts and Miss Pat Cathcart pulled a man out in an unconscious condition, and young Platts performed instant artificial respiration on the spot. Dr. Murray McLandress arrived shortly after and assisted in the victim's recovery. After breathing had become more or less normal, Mr. Burton, of 335 Fourth Ave. was placed on a stretcher and carried to his cottage by Dr. McLandress, Messrs. Gordon Wiswell, Chas. McKelvie, Gordon Hall, Rev. Roy Gartrell, and one helpful volunteer whose name we have been unable to obtain. There he was shortly after attended by Dr. Ian Morrow, and we understand he is now fully recovered.

The windy day and that particularly deadly location was not a good one for swimming as Mr. Burton found out, and he and all of us can be thankful to the brave and alert young people who saved him. Let it be a warning to all of us. As the sign on the beach there plainly says "No swimming when water is rough."

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More About Beach People —

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Johanson of Palos Hills, Illinois are spending a two week vacation at Victoria Beach with their daughters, Karen and Dawn.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Clark of Vancouver, B.C. are spending a two week vacation at Victoria Beach after a ten year absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Don MacKay, Mr. Chas. Hunt, Diane Campbell and Allison MacKay spent the long week-end at MacKay's cottage "Devonia".

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GARDEN CLUB NOTES

Garden Club plans are all lined up for judging Wednesday August 1st. There are 6 classes, as well as the Grand Aggregate! A prize will be given with each trophy, as well as second prizes for each class. Many of this year's prizes have been contributed by the gardeners themselves. Presentation of trophies will be made at the lovely garden of President and Mrs. J. H. Spinks, 327 Fifth Ave., on Saturday, August 18th, between 2.30 and 5 p.m. Do come and encourage resorters who do so much to beautify the beach. You do not have to be invited. You do not have to be a member. Reeve Henry Gibson, who is also a gardener, will be invited to present the trophies.

Garden Club membership grows. Its many non-gardeners strengthen our adult fellowship at this fast-growing resort. The stimulating questions asked the lecturer, at the Free Press Board room meeting, last March 29th, in Winnipeg, was evidence of the value of the club. Some 30 members attended.

The new President, an authority on gardening, has now retired and spends much time at the lake. This is almost necessary. It is too much for the week-end gardener! Mrs. Alice Spinks, the Community Club's capable secretary for years, is his able Secretary for the balance of the season. Miss Evelyn Pratt, whom the club wishes to thank—and heartily—has had to resign. Other active executive workers this summer are: Vice-President—Mrs. Stan Milne, Treasurer—Miss Jessie Kerr.

The Social Chairmen, Mr. and Mrs. Verity, Eighth and Arthur Rd., held the meeting for final plans for judging. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. H. Bennett, Eighth Ave., chair the Garden Selection Committee. Mrs. Muriel Lapraik chairs the Membership. The club is not a money-raising group. The token annual fee of \$1.00 assures you of notice of meetings and all membership privileges. The Community Club Executive, who so ably managed the Garden Festival for many years, have again voted the club its annual helpful grant. Funds pay for prizes, trophy-engraving, (this year they are to be lacquered). Then there are the judge's expenses, his transportation all over the resort, the stationery, postage, etc. And under the new by-laws expenses for social functions are to be paid by the club, with careful rules on simplicity. We all miss Board Member A. H. Conklin and do hope he will soon be well enough to again write the club's publicity. J. J. Smith has charge of the trophies. Final plans for their presentation will be made at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Conklin, Sunset Blvd., on Saturday, August 11th, at 2.30 p.m.

—HARRIET SMITH

THRILLS OF MILE SWIM

The revival of the Beach Club 1 mile swim (16 lengths of the pier) Sunday, July 22nd, will probably prove to be the most exciting event of the regatta. An unusually large and enthusiastic audience was on hand to encourage the swimmers.

The results were: Girls: 1. Alison Carmichael; 2. Cathy Williams, 3. Alison Bennington, 4. Gloria Little. Boys: 1. Jamie Horne, 2. Ken Strachan, 3. George Boshko.

Ewart Smith and Bob Ridd also entered the race but failed to finish. Bob pulled up with a cramped leg and Ewart simply ran out of gas.

The race stirred up so much enthusiasm among the spectators that I feel some words of praise are due these swimmers. The winners of each of the boys and girls races; Jamie Horne and Alison Carmichael are only 11 years old. Victoria Beach is a wonderful training ground for these youngsters.

Gloria Little accepted the challenge on behalf of motherhood. As she stroked strongly to the finish line she was hailed excitedly by many of the older girls as their champion.

A special word of credit should be given to George Boshko. George has a handicap but with sheer courage and stamina he finished the race strongly and certainly won the hearts of every spectator. I am sure that if a swimming coach could refine George's stroke somewhat he would be well rewarded.

Glenn Anderson
REGATTA COMMITTEE

Letter to the Editor

8250 Argyle St.
Vancouver 15, B.C.
Canada
July 23, 1962

Editor
Victoria Beach Herald
Box 1000
Victoria Beach, Man.

Dear Sir:

My wife and I returned to Victoria Beach after an absence of ten years having moved to Vancouver, B.C. After seeing numerous vacation spots throughout Canada, none can compare with the serenity and beauty of Victoria Beach.

We have noticed some great changes and namely the advantage of electric power and the great disadvantage of the train service.

As one of the engineers of the Canadian National who made this run for many years I particularly miss so many familiar faces that one would see at the station. These no doubt are the sentiments of many of the summer residents.

Sincerely,
P. A. CLARK

More About Beach People —

Mrs. D. MacKay has opened up her cottage for the summer on sixth Ave. Her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. D. Weller and their two children from Syracuse, N.Y. are spending their holidays with her. The Wellers arrived in time to attend the wedding of George MacKay, brother of Mrs. Weller.

Mrs. R. J. Crookshanks and two children from Stonewall spent a week-end with her sister at 305 Sixth Ave.

Mrs. E. H. Houston, 210 Sixth Ave. had as her guest this week-end Mrs. M. Watters; also daughter Kathy who has a summer job and is only coming week-ends this summer.

Mrs. E. H. Houston and family have been occupying their cottage at 210 Sixth Ave. for the month of July. Mr. Dennis Houston had as his guests Mr. Bob Sharpe and Ricky Ibbott.