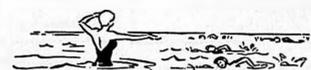


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Results of Annual Water Sports Day

With a near perfect day in our favour — with the exception of a shower in the late afternoon — our young people in particular enjoyed the Annual Regatta with stiff competition in canoeing and swimming races. It is thought that next year the present program will be revised so that the younger group could participate more freely.

We would like to thank all those who assisted in making this day a real success, and a special thanks to Barry Boychuk for starting all canoe racing — John Gibson for providing a P.A. system and Nector Swystun for announcing.

Ladies' One Mile Swim—Orchid Trophy: (1) Carol Guest, (2) Marlee Abel, (3) Alison Carmichael.

Ladies' Half-Mile Swim—Peter Reeves Trophy: (1) Carol Guest, (2) Alison Carmichael.

Men's One Mile Swim: (1) Jamie Horne, (2) Allan Windgate, (3) John Borrowman.

Men's Half Mile Swim—C. L. Anderson Trophy: (1) Jamie Horne, (2) John Steeve, (3) Andy Wiswell.

Mixed Tandem Canoe Race: (1) John Kaye and Margaret Kaye, (2) Don Rice and Barbara Reeve, (3) Lawson Hay and Penny Jones.

Ladies' Single: (1) Alison Benningen, (2) Pat Reeve, (3) Deborah Campbell.

Men's Single: (1) Fred David, (2) Lawson Hay, (3) Carl Ateah.

Ladies' Tandem: (1) Barbara Reeve, Alison Benningen, (2) Pam Welch, Margaret Kay, (3) Jane Harrison, Claire Roulston.

Men's Tandem: (1) Fred David, Carl Ateah, Lorne Anderson, Bill Mildren; (2) Richard Grover, Jamie Isbister, Don Rice, Bob Alsip; (3) Lorne Campbell, Ernie Oades, Bob Toothill, Jim Irving.

Ladies' War Canoe: (1) Sue Jones, Pat Reeve, Marilyn Henderson, Rolanda Henderson; (2) Alison Benningen, Marg Isbister, Barbara Reeve, Penny Jones; (3) Marg Kaye, Barbara Guest, Pam Welch, Pam Kaiser.

Men's War Canoe — Derrington Trophy: (1) Karl Ateah, Fred David, Lorne Anderson, Bill Muldrew; (2) Bob Alsip, Grant Benningen, Clint Harvey, Don Rice; (3) Clifton Trainor, Michael Ateah, Gary Harpenan, John Barnes.

SWIMMING RACES —

Girls' 25 Yd. Swim (13-14 yrs.): (1) Alison Carmichael, (2) Carol Guest, (3) Marion Carmichael.

Boys' 25 Yd. Swim (13-14 yrs.): (1) Jamie Horne, (2) Bruce Boyd, (3) Tommy Rathwell.

Girls' 40 Yd. (15-16 yrs.): (1) Alison Carmichael, (2) Carol Guest, (3) Marion Carmichael.

Boys' 40 Yd. (15-16 yrs.): (1) Jamie Horne, (2) Bruce Boyd, (3) Tommy Rathwell.

Girls' 220 Yd. (17-under) Vincent Trophy: (1) Carol Guest, (2) Marion Carmichael, (3) Alison Carmichael.

Boys' 220 Yd. (17-under) Hignell Trophy: (1) Jamie Horne, (2) Ian Kerr, (3) Bill Ramsay.

Ladies' Underwater Swim: (1) Pam Kayser, (2) Patricia Reeves, (3) Rolanda Henderson.

Boys' Underwater Swim: (1) David Le Maistre, (2) Jamie Horne, (3) Rick Jonsson.

Ladies' Open 50 Yds.: (1) Alison Carmichael, (2) Carol Guest, (3) Denise Roulston.

Men's Open 50 Yds.: (1) Bruce Boyd, (2) Jamie Horne, (3) Ed Thompson.

Ladies' Medley: (1) Alison Carmichael, (2) Andrea Guest, (3) Gaylen Scott.

Men's Medley (75 yds.): (1) Bruce Boyd, (2) Jamie Horne, (3) Jamie Grant.

Winner of the Grand Aggregate Victoria Beach Club Trophy went to Carol Guest.

Grand Aggregate—Victoria Beach Co. Trophy went to Alison Carmichael.

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Beach People —

Mrs. Garth M. Armstrong, Jim and Cathy, of Calgary are spending a few weeks' holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Ross MacKenzie on Sunset Blvd.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou Bradley of High River, Alberta, and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Forrest of Calgary were week-end visitors at Maurice Thompson's, 411 Sunset.

Mrs. L. R. Cameron (nee Jean McAllister) of Toronto, with sons Bill and Jim are spending a holiday with her mother, Mrs. J. McAllister, 303 Second.

The Mayor and members and officials of the local council will officially attend the Victoria Beach Community Church service next Sunday morning. Guest preacher will be Rev. Harry Atkinson, of Carman, Man. Soloist will be Mr. Stanley Patton.

Mr. Aidan Conklin was re-elected President of the Victoria Beach (Summer) Community Church Executive Committee at the recent annual meeting.

Miss Krystyna Baranowski will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd, 329 Eighth Avenue, from August 6th to 16th.

Mrs. Anne Spafford, 404 Fifth Avenue, who is holidaying at her cottage, had as week-end guests: Mrs. P. Brownrigg, Beausejour; Mrs. A. T. Stedman, Montreal; Miss Anne Mulligan and Mrs. M. MacInnes of Winnipeg.

Miss Gertrude Kohn of Dearborn, Michigan and Misses Dorothy and Joyce Shappi of Chicago, Illinois, were guests recently of The Blakesleys at 419 - 1st Avenue.

The Rev. M. David Reece with Mrs. Reece and family are guests at Kerr's Cottage, 207 Sunset, for the first two weeks in August.

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Mr. and Mrs. Alf Collins and daughters Jackie and Joyce of 318-8th Avenue, have returned to the Beach after motoring to Port Arthur to spend a week's vacation with Mrs. Collins' brother, Mr. H. B. Peppard and family, and have as their guests for the week end, Miss Marlene Geddie and Mr. Ken Little.

Mr. Vernon Hunter of Red Deer, Alberta spent a few days at Victoria Beach visiting his aunt, Mrs. H. J. Benning—304-5th Avenue. Miss Helen MacGregor week-ended with the Benningens.

Memorial Cup for Sailing Races

In memory of their father, the late Mr. Frank Sprague, one of the founders of the Victoria Beach Company, Miss Peggy Sprague and Mrs. Jacqueline Darwin have donated a cup for annual competition in the Sailing Races.

This will be much appreciated by the fast-growing number of devotees to this colorful sport.

ANNUAL DOG SHOW

The Annual Dog Show will be held Saturday, August 14th at 7 p.m. on the baseball diamond. All dogs are formally invited. Prizes galore!

ADIEU

We would like to take this opportunity to say a fond "farewell" to our many friends and acquaintances at this little bit of Paradise, Victoria Beach. After many, many summers of renting, and finally taking the big step of ownership last year, we now spend our last week-end at "Aloha Villa", 315 Third Avenue, before our transfer to Montreal. We would like to thank all those who have made our many summers so enjoyable, particularly those at Hugh Stewart's store and the Bake Shop. It is not possible to name everyone but we wish good luck, good health to all, and maybe some time in the future we might be able to visit you all once again.

—Les, Dorothy, Diane and David Garrett.

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More Helpful Hints To Weekday Widows — SKUNKS —

Last Monday morning about 1:00 a.m., the very friends of Hades were clashing the cymbals and rolling out the drums at the back of the cottage. Bewused by sleep, I leaped to the back door, flung it wide and switched on the searchlight—(error number 1). Among the garbage cans with tail erect was one of our four-footed friends, black furry coat with distinctive white markings. Hastily I turned off the searchlight, but a swift passage of air by my legs told me that, lacking my natural help-mate, that noble friend of man, our mongrel dog, had rushed to my aid—(error number 2). I switched on the light again, as that peculiar odour rose among the scent of the pines, and saw the poor dog reeling across the grass. I secured him to a tree with a strong rope, this is my next helpful hint, as he might have vanished into the lake in his bewilderment. I surveyed my garbage; chicken bones, water melon peel, all was gone except ribbons of paper everywhere. There was a strong wind that night, and, as spouseless, I surveyed the beauties of nature, lights came on in the cottages around, and windows slammed tight. At 8:30 a.m. I was pedalling furiously to Stewart's for a 32-oz. can of tomato juice. I must say that the dog lost all his odours but his hair was nicely matted; and on a forlorn and rocky beach, with scrubbing brush and household cleaner, I then had to repair the damage, and restore his coat to its natural lustre.

Thus my next helpful hint is: tomato juice and a strong detergent—have always on hand.

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Finally, the next night I ringed my garbage cans with mothballs. The fiends came, brought their friends, kept me awake two hours and gave me four hours work the next morning. The next night, with an incantation, three times round the garbage can I sprinkled Mistovan. The skunks came, and the leafy foliage that hid the cans turned purple and withered. (This might be a helpful hint for Poison Ivy). The next day with rope and wire I secured the lids; the skunks did not come, but neither myself nor the garbage men can open them either. While a kindly neighbor has rented me room in her cans I await my beloved tonight, and I must confess that I have no very helpful hint as to how to explain the present situation and our state of seige to him.

EDHA

Tennis and How to Play It

A good crowd of tennis enthusiasts poured into the enclosure last Monday morning to see how the basic strokes of tennis should be employed.

They certainly had an eyefull. Our visiting professional, Roger Jones, not only demonstrated the strokes, but explained the techniques involved in putting them into practice. Mr. Jones is a very talented player himself, as he demonstrated in a series of matches against some of our own players. The Beach will probably never see a more convincing display of accuracy and power.

But, essentially, the benefit to us all was his ability to impart his knowledge. We expect to see tennis improve considerably as a result.

P.S. Mr. Jones enjoyed the beach so much that we may conceivably see him again before too long.

Mr. Fred Porter, a summer resident at 211 - 7th Avenue for thirty-eight years, passed away suddenly in Winnipeg on April 9th. Our sympathy to Mrs. Porter and daughters Kay Johnston and Marguerite Justin.

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Can You Walk 40 Miles in a Day?

By Richard J. Needham

The swiftest traveller, Thorau decided, is the one who goes on foot. His argument (made when railways were first coming into existence) was that if you go by train, you must wait and work till you have the fare; if you walk, you can start out immediately.

People used to walk in the olden times, they had no other means of getting around, and let's not feel sorry for them. The highways must have been interesting places with the comings and goings of strolling players, wandering scholars, begging friars, tinkers, peddlers and parties of pilgrims on their way to some holy place or another.

"Nobody walks any more", one is told; but over in Holland, some 150 officers and men of the Canadian Army are walking — more precisely, marching — the respectable total of 40 miles a day. Along with detachments from other armies in Western Europe, they are taking part in the annual four-day Nijmegen walking tour — 20 miles out of the city each morning, 20 miles back into it each afternoon. Drummers accompany them to keep the step lively, and all sorts of other people come along — policemen, firemen, and ordinary citizens who happen to feel like going for a nice, long walk.

Doctors and such tell us we should walk more; and here's still another part of the substantial argument against the private car — today's sacred cow, golden

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calf or, as John Keats calls it, insolent chariot. This expensive, bothersome and highly dangerous chunk of metal seems to me more of a curse than a blessing — a view in which I'm not totally alone.

Robert Syrett, a public relations man who lives in Leaside, writes to say he can't be bothered having a car either; he gets everywhere on foot or by TTC. He lists these advantages:

"(1) I use my time in transit for reading and for composing first drafts in my head. (2) At 49, I am told by my doctor that I have the heart of a youngster; the amount of walking I do is said to be one of the main reasons for it. (3) My kids have consistently done better in school than the kids who spend all their spare time on wheels, and despite the fact that they are not athletically inclined, they are not flabby. (4) I have more money to spend on things that I am really interested in."

Mr. Syrett adds: "So far I have been able to perceive only two drawbacks, both involving the kids. One is that many family-type vacations involving long distance travel are too expensive, because for a large family, it is definitely cheaper to cross the continent in one car than by public transportation involving five or six full fares. The other is that four of my five children are boys, and in Metro at least it is an enormous social handicap for a teenage boy not to have access to a car. On the plus side again, there is some truth in the tenet of Oriental philosophy that the more things you own the more worries and trouble you invite. Maybe I lack an essential status symbol, but mine is a life free of parking tickets, repair and insurance bills and the chore of driving on Toronto's snow-filled streets."

Very good, but what's all this about the car being "an essential status symbol?" The kind of people you can impress by an automobile (or any other material possession) simply are not worth impressing. Status is something a man makes for himself, within himself. If he's walking smartly along with his head up, going where his feet will take him, interested in everything he sees, hears and smells, feeling like a free man in a free country — if that's his condition, he has status; he has the real thing, and he doesn't need any symbols.

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More Helpful Hints To Weekday Widows — TIME —

Dozing through the long, warm days at the Beach, sometimes one finds it rather difficult to discover not only the time of day but also the day of the week; hence some more helpful hints.

If, for some emergency, and it only could be for such an emergency as the dog getting skunked, you happen to be in the lanes in the early morning and see only seniors carrying golf-clubs and juniors with tennis racquets, it is before 10 o'clock. If you can smell coffee and bacon on Fifth Avenue it is 9:00 o'clock—10 o'clock on First. If you see hordes of youngsters converging on the store it is 1:45 p.m. and the mail is in. At 4:30 p.m. the first sun-bather leaves Patricia Beach; at 5:00 p.m. most people are leaving and at 6:00 the beach is empty. If the store is full of children buying candy and pop, it is 7:30 p.m. on a Tuesday or Thursday; if deserted it is 8:30 p.m. and the movie has begun. If the stillness of the night is broken by flashing lights and children's laughter, it is 11:30 and the movie is over; by lights and hushed whispers it is 2:00 a.m. and the bridge party is departing.

The week-end is not difficult to recognize with its influx of pallid males in the lanes and on the beach, but Saturday and Sunday are more difficult. Sunday morning is distinguished however by the church-goers and the fishermen; the afternoon by the smells of barbecues and the evening by the streams of people and wagons making for the Parking Lot. Monday is a day of somnolence and total inactivity; in contrast, Friday is characterized by hanging brooms, vacuum cleaner drones, odours of baking and shrill commands to the youngsters "to go out and stay out". Friday is also notable for the numbers of ladies in curlers and the numbers of children soaping themselves in the lake. Thursday can be recognized by the women and children along the lanes and scattered in the bush collecting berries for hubby's visitation tomorrow. But Tuesday and Wednesday are quite unremarkable except as that glorious hiatus when TIME stands still.

—EDHA

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More Helpful Hints To Weekday Widows CHARACTERISTICS OF VICTORIA BEACH

It is not often that one confuses Victoria Beach with its sandy lanes, absence of cars, red ensigns and ecclesiastical legs with other beaches but for the fortunate newcomers who have discovered this haven of happiness, here are a few more helpful hints.

Victoria Beach is the last asylum for the eccentric and the non-conformist. Along its lanes, the cyclist at last comes into his glory. You may meet the cycling artist with canvases strapped on back and front; the long-distance runner puffing by in singlet and shorts; or talk to the gourmand on the relative flavours of the choke-cherry, pin-cherry or sand-cherry jellies; or meet the connoisseur of the chanterelle edible boletus, novel and armillaria mellea or honey mushroom. On the pier are your true amateur fishermen, who, with simple line and hook angle for the lowly fish without the mechanical aids of spin reels, radar devices and high-powered boats. Few even possess a net so that their stories of "the one that got away" are even more remarkable. The ladies too shun the leopard skin bikini, the gold lamé slacks and bird-nest hairdos of such

fashionable resorts as Falcon Lake. One of the oddest characteristics of the inhabitants of this beach is their love of walking, and the masculine limbs, which have atrophied all winter, start to grow again and resume their youthful form. The bird-watcher, the naturalist, the lover of orioles and chipmunks, of free frogs and night-moths are the most respected members of the community. The mechanical and raucous amusements of other resorts are banned, the owners of television sets somewhat despised. Horse-shoe pitching, croquet, Rumoli and scrabble are still the favoured recreations. The children actually go on hikes and still build sand-castles here. The teen-agers play tennis or go canoeing and the fearful drones of speed-boats and the yells of water-skiers are seldom heard. The cottages are cottages—not imitation city houses—with stone-lined paths, hammocks, bird-houses, rustic garden seats and many wild flower beds lost among towering pines and branching birches.

It is not difficult to recognize Victoria Beach among the other resorts of Manitoba. —EDHA

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