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NEW TENNIS TROPHY Awaits Tournament Winners

Mrs. W. J. T. Kerr has kindly donated a cup for the winners of the Men's Open Doubles tournament that will be played this week-end, weather permitting.

We hope the trophy will still further stimulate the interest in tennis that now is one of our major attractions for young (and not so young) enthusiasts.

The cup, which will be known as the Leaholm Trophy is in memory of her late husband, and named after his family home in Scotland. It will be presented by Mrs. Kerr to the winners of the above event, play in which will commence at 2 o'clock Saturday, August 14, and continue on Sunday, August 15.

Entries must be in the hands of Mr. C. B. Grover, 319 First Ave.; or Mr. M. Kachmar, 336 Eighth Ave.; or Clint Harvey, 129 Sunset not later than 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 14.

All matches will be decided in one set, except the finals, which involves two out of three sets.

We also announce a boys' singles tournament, and, simultaneously a girls' singles tournament, both to start play on Monday, August 16th at 11:00 a.m.

This is for boys and girls from 11 to 15 years old and entries must be turned in to one of the addresses above by 8:00 p.m. Sunday evening.

There will also be a singles tournament for boys and girls 16 to 18 starting Saturday, August 21. Entries in these events must be turned in by 11:00 a.m. to one of the above addresses.

Play will commence at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, August 21 for both boys and girls, and continue on until Sunday.

Further tournaments may be arranged for open men's singles, open ladies' singles, and mixed doubles over the week-end of August 28 and 29.

Please bring your membership cards when you make your entry.

The FRANK E. SPRAGUE MEMORIAL TROPHY

The annual handicap sailing race was held on Sunday, August 1, 1965. Ten boats competed for the Frank E. Sprague Memorial Trophy, which was presented by Mrs. Jacqueline Darwin and Miss Peggy Sprague to Dr. Sam McMorris and crew. Dick Quinton was second and Tamms Scott, Jr., was third. This year the number of sail boats has increased and most days the colorful sails are seen on the lake near the pier and the clubhouse. A junior sailing instruction class conducted by the Manitoba Sailing Association is presently instructing over 20 youngsters in the Clubhouse Bay.

The Victoria Beach Yacht Club sails the Lazy E and Enterprise Class Dinghies.

THE LAST ROSE OF SUMMER

The fortieth annual wind-up dance of the Victoria Beach Club is to be held at the Clubhouse on Saturday, August 21, 1965. The theme will be "The Last Rose of Summer". The Don Shannon orchestra from the Royal Alexandra Hotel will play from 9.00 to 12.30.

Roses will be given to the ladies. Plan to attend this final gala event of the beach season.

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Beach People —

The Mennonite Brethren Choir of Winnipeg have been invited to sing at the Victoria Beach (Summer) Community Church next Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Len Townsend were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Stagg at their summer home at Wanising Beach.

Miss Laurie Ching, 311-3rd Ave., has as her guest for two weeks, Miss Sharon Harman from Winnipeg.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson 402-5th had as weekend guests Mayor Roy Skelton and Mrs. Skelton of Carman, Man. Mr. and Mrs. Earl Skelton and Douglas of Winnipeg, Don Foster of Winnipeg, Mrs. Ruby Curtis of Vancouver is spending the month of August.

Mrs. F. H. Hadley of Black River, New York, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. W. Culbertson, 343 Sunset.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Dunn, 453 Sunset, have had as their guests for the past three weeks, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Munroe of Vancouver.

Mrs. Ralph Hall of Port Credit, Ontario and her small son Iain will be the guests of Mrs. Hall's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hanson, 401 Sunset Blvd.

Dr. and Mrs. D. R. Rayner of Mississippi, with their three children are the guests of Mrs. Rayner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hanson, 401 Sunset Blvd., for the next fortnight.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Clapham are down for a two week vacation. With them are Ken and Brian, Dave and Barb Clapham. Visiting from Toronto are Bev. and Barry Cundall. Mr. Sam Clapham is missing his first season at V.B. since 1919, 46 years. He is visiting relatives in Calgary and Toronto this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Peel and family of West Vancouver, B.C. spent the August long weekend at her grandmother's cottage, Mrs. Harry England, 306-7th Ave.,

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Mrs. Harry England is presently vacationing at her cottage and has as her guests her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lewis also Mrs. Theresa Willday.

Thank You

On behalf of the ladies of the Merry Makers Club I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who made our annual tea and sale a success. Our sale netted a total sum of \$260.90. A special thanks to Mrs. J. Kerr and Mrs. Niesler for their kind donations. The following were the winners of the Lucky Draws:

Quilt—Lesley Nixdorf, Beaconia, Man.
Salad Bowls—William Niesler, 215 Harvard, Transcona.
Pillow Cases—Mrs. Dawson, Lot 8, Victoria Beach.
Fancy Cake—Mrs. G. H. Martin, 310-4th Ave.
Chocolate Bars—Glen Halgren, Victoria Beach.

Our heartfelt thanks to all who contributed and worked so hard for this sale.

Officers: President, Mrs. Pat Martin, Vice-President, Mrs. Ingrid David, Sec.-Treasurer, Mrs. Joy Anderson.

Last Sunday, Mr. Ed Tuckett kindly returned to 310-7th Ave. my wallet which I left in a phone booth. Not being able to find his address I take this opportunity to express my thanks.

If Mr. Tuckett is at the Beach, I would appreciate it if he would call on me.

Louise Strathin

GOLF

Mr. Hillhouse, hole in one on No. 5 Green.
Mr. J. Parker, hole in one on No. 6 Green.
This makes the third hole in one this year.

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TENNIS

CAN A TENNIS COURT BE MOVED?
WHAT DOES IT COST TO BUILD A NEW ONE?

I have been a resident and cottage owner at Victoria Beach for 45 years. For 18 of these years I was Accountant of the Victoria Beach Company, during which time the present Tennis Courts were constructed. What it would cost to construct three comparable Courts to-day I do not know. The present Courts were constructed some 35 years ago, at a cost of over \$4,000.00.

When Mr. Frank Sprague, the Manager of The Victoria Beach Company at that time, decided to provide Tennis Courts for the pleasure of the residents, before starting to construct them, spent two years studying construction procedures; consulting with people who had constructed Tennis Courts; with people who had the care and maintenance of them; not only in Winnipeg, but in other places; studying what was needed for a foundation for various types of ground, and particularly to find what was best for our own type of terrain.

Realizing that approximately every 12 to 15 years there would be an almost complete turn over in the people using the Courts; he wanted to provide not only for that period of users; but Courts which would continue to serve Victoria Beach for several "Turn over periods."

Our terrain is a composition of sand—sand and clay—he discovered it was necessary to go down 15 feet before coming to solid clay, which was the only satisfactory foundation to build the lasting Courts he intended to do. Rocks were encountered which had to be dynamited out. With excavation completed—hard clay leveled off over the total area for the Courts; carloads (I have forgotten how many) of crushed stone and cinders were purchased from the Canadian National Railway Company. This formed the base foundation which was built up for the final shale topping.

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The Coasts of Clyde

Bernard Braden, Canadian-born star of British Stage and television, sets out to explore the Firth of Clyde.

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If you have guests, and wish to have it printed in the Herald, let's have the details.

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Tennis—(Continued from Page 5)

When the Courts were officially opened, the Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba, The Mayor of Winnipeg and the Winnipeg Press Club came down to the Beach to watch professional Tennis Champions play the first games, after which they pronounced them the equal of any Courts in Canada.

If these Tennis Courts are "moved", or more accurately speaking are abandoned for new Courts the Council is proposing to place in the contemplated Recreational Center on the former Railway property will the new Courts serve only for the present group of people playing to-day, or will they be so constructed as to serve for 3 or 4 approximately 15 year turn over periods—and—who is going to pay the cost?

Louise Straith,
 310 7th Avenue.

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'Twas the night before last
 When all through the house
 Not a creature was stirring—
 Not even a mouse.
 I had wound up the clock
 And brought in the cat
 And just settled down
 For an eight-hour nap.
 From out on the road came
 A blood curdling scream,
 I jumped to the rescue,
 But being light-clad
 I turned up the porch light
 To see what we had.
 When down the path strolling
 With a disgusted air,
 Came an innocent skunk
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—Grandma

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More Helpful Hints To Weekday Widows

**MORE CHARACTERISTICS OF VICTORIA BEACH
 AND A POSSIBLE HELPFUL HINT**

My suffering yet persistent readers may remember that last week I was outlining the characteristics of this "haven of happiness", "the last asylum for the eccentric and non-conformist." Since then, I noted one important characteristic which I had omitted—MUSIC.

One could dwell lyrically on the bird-songs of this beach, on that heavenly chorus at daybreak which arouses the newcomer from his sleep, on the Liver-puddian squawks of the Blue Jays greedy for the chipmunk's pea-nuts, and the dive-bombing shriek of the gull as he snatches the minnow from your hook. However I was thinking of man-made noise.

Apart from the gentlemen shaving under the rain-water barrel, who warble nostalgically of the dirty thirties in the late morning, there was in July near Connaught Beach, a baritone who laboured around his cottage all morning and filled the dew-fresh air with operatic arias. On Patricia Beach, from the geometric rows of teen size bodies, transistors vie with a rather inexperienced guitarist. The inhabitants of Eighth are regaled with violin, viola, saxophone and a singing dog. On Seventh there is keen competition between the bagpipes and a trumpet. Finally, as the sun sets, there are the disharmonies of the family bandfire, where the admirers of the Liverpool sound, of the barber-shop, of the imitation folk-song and of the genuine songs of the old country, compete and can only attain unison with the help of the Manitoba School song-book.

With such a wealth of music at Victoria Beach, one wonders if it might not be possible to organize 'something'. Would the instrumentalists combine with the songsters to produce a hootenanny of a peculiar Victoria Beach kind? One fine evening, on the Sports Ground, with our charming new lady councillor as conductress, the high-brows and the low-brows might join together—the bagpipes accompanying the mass singing of 'Loch-Lomond', the violin leading 'Black

Eyes' and the saxophone introducing the songs of the era of the Great Bands—to bring forth a variety so unique that we could invent a new term and call it a Victootenanny. —EDHA

HIGH WATER — 1943

The water in the lake is getting higher. It is not as high as 1927 when it surrounded the Clubhouse and rendered the roadway to the Inn impassable so that people had to walk on top of the sand dunes to reach the Inn or the dock. The Clubhouse had to be protected by sand bags and the water was almost up to the top of the bank between Arthur Road and the Inn. The government engineer predicts the water will go still higher this summer and fall, due to the large volume of water coming down the Saskatchewan river.

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VICTORIA BEACH KEPT NEAR TO NATURE

Reprint of an article appearing in the Victoria Beach Herald, July, 1942

It is twenty-six years since the first train came into Victoria Beach bringing in the first rush of cottage builders, and in that intervening time this summer resort has been maintained as the most inviting place. Many Winnipeg citizens have had a hand in maintaining Victoria Beach just as Nature presented itself to the first pioneers of cottage residents. All those who have been placed in authority appear to agree that Victoria Beach should be a contrast to other summer resorts in Western Canada—that it should be left to grow up and develop with rustic simplicity so that quiet restfulness should be the portion that every resident may have, unruined by modern improvements. The streets and avenues have almost the same rural environment as they had in 1916. Even the lanes have not been opened and while this may have caused inconvenience to many cottage occupants getting in supplies, it is generally recognized that the outline of the Beach as a whole has been kept inviolate from the woodman's axe, and in place of looking down lanes with rows of outhouses and refuse cans poisoning the eye, the vista is one of pleasantness and wholesome verdure. The authorities are unanimous of the opinion that the wholesale opening of lanes would spoil the ideas of the original planners of the Beach. Let everyone preserve the trees which are such a glorious heritage here. With-

out its trees Victoria Beach would be a sorry spot. No sidewalks have been laid, no electric plant to furnish light to cottages has been installed, no public picnics are allowed to assemble here, and the auto as a pleasure car has been banned by both the legislature of Manitoba and successive councils of this municipality from the cottage area of Victoria Beach, without a dissenting voice. We have organized a community club in harmony with this groundwork; we have encouraged the holding of morning church services and we have tried to see that the councillors elected from year to year embody these achievements. We are not narrow-minded, or think ourselves superior to other summer communities; we do not aspire to be "those millionaires" as Senator John T. Haig said when he was in the legislature. "They seem to get anything they want from this legislature", he declared; Victoria Beach cottage owners and occupant wish to carry-on just as we have been doing for 26 years within our seventy-five feet wide little estates untrammelled by the shouts of the outside world, for a few weeks each summer. We know that this stand opens itself to criticism but many are thankful that each successive council in charge of our public affairs has recognized these principles and have legislated accordingly.

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