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REMEMBER THE MEMBERSHIP BLITZ—SUNDAY, JULY 4th FLEA MARKET at the Club House —Saturday, July 3rd, 1:00 p.m.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE FOR THE HERALD

The programme of events at Victoria Beach this summer is all arranged, thanks to the efforts of a small army of volunteers who are willing to give up some of their summer so that everyone can have an opportunity to participate. Details of all these events will be found in each edition of the Herald. Volunteers are always needed; if you would like to get involved, please don't wait to be asked!

We would like to apologize to all those who did not receive an invitation to the Annual General Meeting, or received it too late to attend. We will do our utmost to get the announcements out in plenty of time next February. The financial statement of the Victoria Beach Club will be printed in one of the issues of the Herald this summer. There has been no increase in membership fees this year, and we still hope to break even, even though, as one would expect, many of our expenses have gone up. The success of the Club's financial operations depends in very large measure on the success of the membership campaign this week end. The advantages of belonging to the Club are too numerous to mention; the summer recreation programme is one of the important factors in the uniqueness of Victoria Beach. Please support our programme with your membership.

If you feel that there is nothing in our programme for you, please let us know, and let us know what you would like to see organized, and we will do what we can. We are hoping to organize a monster Bingo night on the 22nd of August; someone to take charge of this venture is needed. Any volunteers?

With best wishes for a warm, sunny and enjoyable summer.

BRIAN BENDOR-SAMUEL,
President, Victoria Beach Club, 1976.

LIBRARY

Any young person, 12 years or older who would like to work in the Victoria Beach Library, please meet me at the library at 11 a.m., Monday, 5th July.

The library will open Tuesday, 6th July, 11-12 a.m., and 7-8 p.m. Dorothy Sharp - 328-3rd Ave.

COMMUNITY CHURCH SERVICES

The Community Church Services will begin this Sunday - July 4th at 11 a.m. in the Clubhouse.

The first service to be conducted by the Rev. Leslie Taylor - Honorary Chaplain of the Victoria Beach Community Church.

The services in July will be conducted as follows:

July 11 - Rev. Dr. D. B. Johnson of Saskatoon (United Church).

July 18 - Rev. W. J. Moore of Harrow United, Winnipeg.

July 25 - Rev. Fraser Muldrew of Greenwood United, Winnipeg.

FLEA MARKET - Saturday, July 3rd, 1:00 p.m.

Spring cleaning? Save any of your unwanted articles for the Flea Market at the Clubhouse. For pick-up, have them on the avenue in front of your cottage by 9:30 a.m. the day of the sale. Then come along to the Clubhouse at 1:00 p.m. and pick-up some treasures at economical prices. No major appliances or beds please!

VICTORIA BEACH SUMMER OLYMPICS (Sports Day)

For those of us unable to attend the Olympics in Montreal this summer, we will have our own V.B. Mini-Olympics - Saturday, July 10, 1976 at 10:30 a.m. - Sports Field. Fun for the entire family. Races, relays, sacks and show bikes. Best of all, free ice-cream for the kiddies.

7:30 p.m. baseball games. Father and Son; Mother and Daughter - Sports Field

If rained out, same time and place on Sunday, July 11, 1976.

RON STORUZUK, Convenor

FISHING DERBY at the Pier —Saturday, July 3rd, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 a.m.
SPORTS DAY at the sports ground—Saturday, July 10th, 10:30 a.m.
ADULT DANCE—Club House —Saturday, July 17th

COUNCIL CORNER (Each week the Reeve will submit an article on Municipal affairs. Suggested topics are welcomed. EDITOR)

THE CATERPILLAR SAGA

Last winter your Municipal Council took preliminary steps to protect against a possible infestation of destructive and most unpleasant Forest Tent Caterpillars. The most practical approach was decided to be aerial spraying with Malathion of the entire Municipality at general expense. After investigating the record of several aerial applicators, a tentative contract was negotiated with Mr. Norm McCrae of Norm's Flying Service, and also an order was placed for necessary supplies of Malathion.

Then came an application to the Clean Environment Commission, the publication of Notices re a Public Hearing, the Hearing, and eventually a Commission Order permitting our undertaking subject to certain prerequisites. Also necessary was an application to the Federal Air Control Board, allowing us to fly at tree-top level in order to obtain a successful spray.

A meeting of area residents was held early April, at which Mr. Dave Smith, Senior Provincial Entomologist, was guest speaker. He allayed fears of danger that might possibly arise from the application of Malathion, a subject of particular interest to local ranchers, especially as the time for application of the chemical coincided with the annual arrival of young mink.

Also in April, at our request, a Provincial agriculturist accompanied myself and Robert Jonsson on a caterpillar-egg count which took us to all corners of the Municipality. This survey resulted in Council approving a \$4,500 budgetary expense for use in the event subsequent weather conditions failed to eliminate or substantially reduce the threat of a major infestation. As a further precaution the Municipal truck was dispatched to pick-up a load of previously ordered Malathion, and arrangements were made to prepare a local landing strip for Mr. McCrae's aircraft.

Then came a series of media advertisements, compliments of the Province, encouraging ratepayers to contact their local Municipal authorities should they desire to have their individual properties sprayed for the extermination of caterpillars. This tied-up our Municipal phone and my own personal phone for several days, and all for no reason whatsoever.

Unfortunately weather conditions, though extremely dry, failed to deter the awakening of millions of caterpillars, resulting in not too difficult a decision as whether to spray, or not. A more difficult decision was in determining just when to spray, for one to two days too early could result in negative results, an experience suffered by other areas. A further important decision concerned the amount

of chemical to mix with each gallon of water, for the recommended "mix" had been found unsuccessful by some users.

Then followed a period of telephone conversations between myself, the Provincial Entomologist, and our aerial applicator, as to the proper timing of the spray program. Throughout this period the caterpillars were on-the-move, which resulted in many more phone calls from concerned taxpayers, some of which unfortunately were quite abusive. When it was finally decided that local foliage was sufficiently advanced to catch, and hold, the chemical (a primary ingredient for a successful spray), the weather turned against us, both wind and rain.

Then very early Saturday morning, May 29, the aerial applicator phoned me from Silver Falls to inform that he had just flown over our Municipality though was unable to put-down as the landing strip prepared for him was too short and soft for his needs. However with the excellent co-operation of Municipal staff (one of whom willingly removed himself from bed having been up half the night fulfilling Municipal duties), the problem was solved within half-an-hour. A one-mile strip of highway was blocked-off and traffic sent on a two-mile detour. Before 10 a.m., spraying was under-way, with the highway serving as an airstrip.

Norm McCrae and his ground crew proved super efficient. Flying a specially designed Cessna, Norm sprayed close to 2,000 gallons of 'mixed' chemical (10 tons) over our Municipality, in record time. On each of nine set-downs, his ground crew replenished the chemical and water, plus aircraft fuel, in less than 10 minutes. Each replenishment was sufficient for Mr. McCrae to spend 30 minutes in the air spraying at tree-top level. The operation was completed by 4 p.m.

I must take this opportunity of complimenting Mr. McCrae, for though not knowing him personally, his expert performance that Saturday places him Number One on my list of Super Stars. The thrill of watching him maneuver his aircraft over, and in many instances what appeared to be through, our forests, will not be forgotten.

Was the operation successful? By all accounts it was the most successful in the Province. Hundreds of thousands of hungry caterpillars dropped from the trees. From reports received, only a few properties, primarily those close-by mink ranches, were not totally blanketed with spray and to these owners our staff provided some assistance through pressurized hand-spraying. Also successful was the fact that the operation was completed under-budget, the total cost amounting to approximately 75 cents for each person to whom the Municipality supplies services. This is a far cry from the \$25 per cottage-lot that residents of some municipalities have paid for less successful results.

MOVIES FOR 1976

July 6	The Three Musketeers.
8	The Further Perils of Laurel and Hardy
13	Pollyanna.
15	In like Flint
20	Robin Hood
22	The Apple Dumpling Gang
27	Big Red
29	Love me Tender
Aug. 1	Towering Inferno
3	The King of the Grizzlies
5	The Fantastic Voyage
10	Davy Crockett and the Wild Frontier
12	David Copperfield
17	The Yearling
19	Tora Tora Tora!
24	20,000 Leagues under the Sea
26	Beneath the Planet of the Apes
31	Tom Thumb

PHIL NUTTER, Reeve.

NEXT WEEK: — "Water, water everywhere, and not a drop..."

WANTED

Water boy for part time work at golf course. Should be able to drive a tractor and turn pump on. Please apply at Golf Course.

BRIDGE

Monday, July 5th at 8:00 p.m. will once again start a new season for those who enjoy a game of bridge. We are looking forward to meeting old friends and to making new ones. Remember, you don't have to be an expert to join us, everyone is welcome. Keep Mondays, YOUR Bridge Night.

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Proceeds are used for local church work. The group was formed in 1941 to aid the war effort through knitting for the Red Cross and sending parcels overseas. At the end of the war the group carried on and it was their effort and their contributions that built the Anglican Church at the corner of 8th and Pine. St. Michael's Church was named after Michael Ateah. Mrs. C. David has been President of the group for 35 years.

Souvenir copies of the 50 Year History of Victoria Beach are now available. The book consists of excerpts from the Herald dating back to 1926, including pictures of the Air Base, C.N. Station and Pinehurst Inn. These will be available at Stuarts Store, Brian Bendor-Samuel — 309 2nd, Rudy Isaak — 310-3rd, Bill Mitchell — 409 Sunset, Jack Sorenson — 427-6th, Doreen Langdon — 322-4th.

All profit from the sale of the book will go to the Club.

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- Recreational Director..... Mr. Norman Carriere

SWIM PROGRAM '76

It is a delight to be back at Victoria Beach again this summer. Working with me this summer are two new instructors Christine Donovan and Tammy Bezte, both of whom have experience in swimming instruction and look forward to working at V.B. this summer. We encourage anyone from 3 years and up (including you adults!) to join the program this summer and those of you familiar to the program we hope to see you back again for another year. Anyone registering in the Red Cross Program a fee of 25 cents is required which can be paid at registration, which will take place FOR ALL on SATURDAY, JULY 4, FROM 1:30-3 P.M. AT THE CLUB-HOUSE. A new lifesaving level is being introduced this year and any questions by those interested will be answered at registration.

In closing, we would like to welcome everyone back and we all hope to see you in the Swim Program at V.B.!

LORNA SWERHONE
CHRISTINE DONOVAN
TAMMY BEZTE

This is the Program as follows and is subject to change pending registration.

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930	Survival	Junior (Pier)	
1000	Beginner	Junior (Beach)	Life Saving I
1030	Pre-Beginner	Minnow	Life Saving II
1100	Minnow	Pre-Beginner	Life Saving III
1130	Junior (Beach)	Beginner	Adult
130	Beginner	Minnow	Bronze (1 hr.)
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(Bus goes in on Friday nights)
Lv. Victoria Beach Jct. 5:30 A.M. — Ar. Wpg. 8:00 A.M.
Lv. Victoria Beach 5:35 P.M. — Ar. Wpg. 7:15 P.M.

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RECREATION PROGRAM — VICTORIA BEACH CLUB

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
8:30 to 9:30 a.m.	FITNESS CLUB	FITNESS CLUB	FITNESS CLUB	FITNESS CLUB	FITNESS CLUB		
9:45 to 11:30 a.m.	RECREATION*	RECREATION	RECREATION	RECREATION	RECREATION	SPECIAL EVENTS	11:00 a.m. CHURCH
		TENNIS INSTRUCTION 10:00-11:00	10:00-2:00 HIKES	TENNIS INSTRUCTION 10:00-11:00	NURSERY 10:00 to 12:00		
1:00-2:00 p.m.	OFFICE HOURS	OFFICE HOURS		OFFICE HOURS	OFFICE HOURS		SPECIAL EVENTS
2:00-4:00 p.m.							
6:30-8:30 p.m.	RECREATION	RECREATION	RECREATION	RECREATION	RECREATION		
SPECIAL EVENING EVENTS	BRIDGE 8:00 p.m.	MOVIE NIGHT 8:00 p.m.		MOVIE NIGHT 8:00	TEEN CENTRE 8:30 p.m.	TEEN DANCE	

For your leisure time, a program of fun activities is being provided. This first weekend, a dance for the teens is being held at the Clubhouse from 9:00 to 12:00 p.m. LION'S SHARE, a popular band from the pub circuit will supply the music.

Fitness Club members and potential candidates register at the Clubhouse, July 5 at 8:30 a.m.

Tennis instruction for children under 14 years begins on Tuesday July 6 at 10:00 a.m. On Thursday, instruction will be offered to adults and those over 15 years of age.

Evening recreation will be up to you. We have equipment for many activities such as baseball, volleyball, soccer, basketball and badminton. Rainy days are not all lost. Come to the Clubhouse, wipe your feet and join in a rip-roaring floor hockey game or play ping-pong.

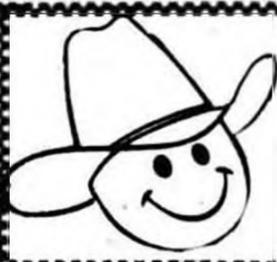
Don't forget the hikes which take place on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. Be sure to bring a lunch and swim suit!

Your recreation director wants to provide programs of interest to you. Often this means asking people or people to offer to display their special talents. One of these programs is an art and craft program which had been offered in previous years and has had renewed interest. Names available for such a program would be helpful to me.

Are there kids interested in camping at Grand Beach? Come see me. We may even have our own large tent to use this year as well!

Finally, I would like to thank those volunteers that help in the weekly program. Mrs. Donna Plante deserves a special pat on the back for the Yoga Club program. Others help on occasion with hikes and pitching during evening recreation.

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SAFETY LIFE LINE (King Edward Beach)

Over the years there have been many near drownings and unfortunately deaths from accidental drownings at Victoria Beach. A large percentage of these accidents have occurred at King Edward Beach where the shoreline forms a corner of the Victoria Beach Isthmus. For years there has been a large sign warning bathers not to enter the water when it is rough. Nevertheless bathers have found themselves in difficulty and would be rescuers have exhausted themselves battling with the undertow when a combination of circumstances have conspired to make this beach unsafe. These circumstances usually begin with a prevailing North or Northwest wind which, playing on the surface of 400 miles of water stretching to the north, raises the level of the lake at this southern location. Elk Island breaks the wind and protects the channel which separates it from Victoria Beach and provides an escape for the build-up of water and a current running north-east is created flowing out into the mouth of Traverse Bay. This current is fed by an undertow which swirls around the King Edward corner. The Safety Life Line is placed on the point to provide a means of coping with this current for those who venture in despite warnings on these exceptional days. Children should be taught not to tamper with the Nylon Safety Line.

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WATER SAFETY WISDOM FOR PARENTS

1. Watch children whenever they are near water. Bathtubs, wells and cesspools have caused fatalities when small children have been left alone for a few minutes.
2. Arrange for your children to enroll in classes to learn safe swimming. Make sure that you also know water safety procedures. Remember... young folk move quickly — watch them at all times!
3. Plastic toys are fun but HAZARDOUS in the water. The slightest breeze can carry them into deep water.
4. Don't allow non-swimmers to use inner tubes or inflatable supports, false confidence in these supports may cost their lives.
5. Remember... raft building, rock climbing and "show-off" activities bring many risks.
6. Even after small children learn to swim — they must still be supervised at all times.
7. Do not permit swimming in unfamiliar waters. A responsible adult should check a new area for drop-offs, currents, a safe firm bottom and water purity. Remember too, tidal waters can cut off your retreat.
8. Don't swim in the dark... it's VERY dangerous.
9. To go boating or swimming alone is risky. A child or adult may panic when no help is near. Always have a "buddy" with you.
10. Never over-estimate swimming skills — your own or others.
11. Know and teach the use of simple and safe "reaching assists." Helping someone in trouble in the water is easy... lie flat, extend and arm, leg, paddle or clothing to reach the person in difficulty. Learn how to throw a buoyant support or rescue line.
12. Plan ahead to prevent boat accidents. Don't overload a boat... it's dangerous and unnecessary. If the boat capsizes, stay with the boat and "hang-on." A boat can be seen more easily than a swimmer.
13. Life jackets can only be effective in the water if they are securely tied in advance.
14. When overheated from excessive activity, stay out of the water. Cool down before you go in.
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