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## 200 METRE OPEN SWIM — Saturday, August 11 1:00 p.m. at the Pier ADULT TENNIS DANCE — Saturday, August 11

### SLOWPITCH TOURNAMENT '84

The Great Annual Victoria Beach Club Mixed Slowpitch Softball Tournament is all set for the weekend of August 25 and 26. This year will see the introduction of the BIG PLATE, a feature becoming popular in slowpitch tournaments and which makes life easier for beleaguered amateur umpires.

Get your teams together along with enough band-aids for five girls and five fellows, then hustle round and register with the undersigned or with Craig or Carla at the Recreation Director's cottage. Entries will be accepted until Sunday evening, August 19, and the draw will be posted at the ballfield no later than suppertime Friday evening. Fees have been kept at a modest ten dollars per team, and you'll never have more fun at the price!

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### MIXED VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

Get your teams ready for the Victoria Beach Annual Mixed Volleyball Tournament which will be held August 18 at 9:30 a.m. The alternate date in case of rain will be August 19th. Teams must consist of a maximum 10 people and there must be 3 guys and 3 girls on the court at all times.

Entry fee is \$10 per team and should be submitted along with team list to Jamie Whitlaw at 5 Bayview, Ken Beckett at 124-6th or Joanne Jaeger at 453 Sunset before August 17th, 9:00 p.m. Maximum 10 teams. All games played in V.B. sportsfield. Get out and have fun!

JAMIE WHITLAW & KEN BECKETT

### BIKE RACE

The Victoria Beach Cross Country Bike Race will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 18, 1984, starting from the Sports Grounds.

Now is the time to tune up and make sure the brakes are operating on your bikes. For safety reasons, only **one-speed** bikes are allowed. If you do not have one, try to borrow one. These bikes are plentiful around the beach.

The roads to be used are 1st, King Edward, 8th, Gibson, Bay View and Victoria. Pedestrians and motor vehicle operators are asked to be cautious until after 11:00 a.m.

There are 3 courses. Mens, ladies and a shorter one for younger riders.

To collect aggregate points and be eligible for the annual trophies, riders must ride the 13 and over course. Safe riding is essential at all times.

If bad weather causes postponement, the event will be held the following day at 1:00 p.m.

DAVE CLAPHAM

### THANK YOU

On behalf of the Mackenzie family at 210 Fifth Avenue I extend my heart felt thanks and appreciation to Mr. Johnson and the volunteer fire fighters of Victoria Beach. Their prompt and efficient efforts saved our cottage from a lightning fire July 12th, and resulted in only minimal damage.

Many thanks for a job well done. And special thanks to our neighbour at 209 Fourth Avenue for spotting and reporting the fire so promptly.

E. ROSS MACKENZIE

**BIKE RACE — Saturday, August 18, 10:00 a.m.**  
**VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT MIXED — August 18, 19**  
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**BRIDGE**

There was another fine night of Bridge last Monday, July 31st with 7 tables of players. That's one of the nice things about Bridge, it does not depend on the weather.

We were happy to see that the Beginners are still joining us, and it should not be long before they can join us in regular play.

High scorers for the evening were (and I'll have to give you the actual scores next week) 1st Jean Hushuk, and 2nd Sheila Burland.

Only a few more weeks left, so I'll see you next Monday at 8:00.

GLADYS MILLEREN

**RESULTS OF THE DUPLICATE BRIDGE TOURNAMENT**

The powerful team of Wiswell and Wiswell (Gordon and Noral) swept to victory in the first Victoria Beach Annual Duplicate Bridge Tournament. As this year's champions, they have earned custodianship of the coveted V. H. A. D. B. I. Trophy. As for the other competitors (which included first-time duplicate players as well as "pros") we say "congratulations, Wiswells!" and "Just wait 'til next year!"

**SQUARE DANCING PROGRESS REPORT**

My thanks to those who honor me with their attendance and attention. Their ability to catch on has been amazing. Though we missed the fourth night we made up for it on the fifth with a fresh beginner. Let us prove it's still not too late to start. It has been suggested we switch to Fridays starting 8:00 p.m. August 10, and I have invited some "angels" (experienced dancers who dance with beginners to assure adequate numbers to form the set and help the beginners learn) to join us then. I hope there's still time for you to get there, if not, perhaps we'll see you there on the 12th or 13th.

A guest caller has been invited to come sometime this month to call a dance. I know you will enjoy. Don't miss it!

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**DEAR EDITOR**

I am appalled at the apparent need to kill a bear whose only crime to date is to hide in the bushes and to eat garbage. I phoned the police and I was told that a conservation officer would try to shoot the bear. Pardon me, but under conservation I had hoped to hear trapping, as I realize it is being tried, and shooting to tranquilize. Shooting to kill should be reserved as the last option if the bear becomes violent, which probably would occur rarely if we were bear-educated by conservationists. Or am I being naive? Is tranquilizing or trapping followed by transporting a bear far away not as straight forward an operation as I think? I do know tranquilizing takes time to act, I am very aware that a bear has powerful claws and jaws. The bear was also very close to me and my family for it was eating garbage in my backyard Sunday night. But I do not believe that we should kill a bear today which may do harm tomorrow. Maybe I do not understand the severity of the situation. To remedy that experts should try to educate people like me, perhaps through pamphlets or an article in the Victoria Beach Herald, on the pros and cons of the options available under different circumstances. Furthermore, I suggest the R.M. of Victoria Beach should consider educating people how to live among bears and to emphasize trapping to remove bears.

H. HUNTER

**"THE 200 CLUB"**

The Victoria Beach Sports Club is selling memberships for the "200" club. This will be our 1st annual fund-raising drive. Only 200 memberships are sold at \$50.00 each. There will be a draw every Wednesday night for \$100.00 for 53 consecutive weeks. There will be extra draws making a total of 55 draws commencing September 1st, 1984 at our annual Corn Roast and Dance at the Sports Club. The project takes in \$10,000.00 with \$5,500.00 in prizes and the Club realizes a \$4,200.00 profit which helps to pay out fire and liability insurance plus hydro which amounted to \$6,400.00 this past year. There are still five draws to be made for the 83 membership, so if you haven't won yet you still have a chance. The odds are good. 55 winners out of 200. Here are this years lucky \$100.00 winners to date: Jack O'Malley, Wpg. (two times), Peter Meach, Victoria Beach, Mary Monkman, V.B., Walter Thomas, V.B., Don Hunter,

Wpg., Paul Uhan, Wpg. (two times), George Hook, Wpg., White, Carlson, Wpg. (two times), Marie Joseph, V.B., John Jonsson, Wpg., Brian Moran, Selkirk, Rene Desmet, Wpg., Bud Doo, Pine Falls, Don McMillan, Wpg., Maurice and Betty Chubaty, Wpg., Jony Chapel, Traverse Bay, Ken and Betty Danwich, Traverse Bay (three times), Sheila Sinclair, Calgary, Neida Beckett and Sylvia Thomas, V.B. (two times), The H. J. Martin Clan, Traverse Bay, Judith Johnson, Pine Falls, Raymond David, V.B., Candace Tramon, Traverse Bay, Ted Martin, V.B., Marlene Larrell, Thompson, Jack Olafson, V.B. (two times), George Neville, Wpg., Jack Jonsson, V.B., Jim Ballendine, V.B., Crystal Unifed, Wpg., Trudy La Pratt, Selkirk (two times), Pat Olafson, Wpg., Jeff Hughes, Wpg., Jenny Olafson, V.B., Harold Sutherland, Hillside, Sophia David, V.B., George McKay, Wpg., Joan and Don Gallic, Wpg., George Fuller, Wpg., Harold Martin, Traverse Bay, and Wayne Thomas, V.B.

If you haven't as yet renewed your membership or would like to join the club, see Bernice at the Parking lot or stop Robert Jonsson on patrol. There are about 30 memberships available and the deadline is 25th of August. You can't win if you are not a member!

ROBERT JONSSON  
Chairman, Fund Raising Committee

**SPRATGE CUP**

The Saturday sailing races had to be postponed until Sunday through lack of wind. Sunday (August 12) two races were held and Monday there were two more. Winners were 1st Ron Ralsma, 2nd Rick McKee and crew, and 3rd Tam Scott, Sr. and crew (left Newstar).

CHRIS ALDRIDGE

**HIGHWAY 59**

Clayton Jackson construction engineer for the province says "I am pleased to advise that a contract has been awarded to Mulder Construction for the gravel base and asphalt surfacing of the southbound lanes from P.R. 508 to the southern boundary of the Scatteredbury Indian Reserve."

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The Victoria Beach Masquerade through the eyes of a photographer

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**AROUND AND ABOUT WITH THE EDITOR**

Last March I wrote to our Club President, Roman Wengel, to say I would not edit the Herald in 1985. Three years is enough. It is time for someone else to have a turn. Please get in touch with Roman Wengel, 221-1/2 rd or Barbara Duke, 202-5th.

Had callers regarding the bear. Mothers with children are concerned, particularly those families whose fathers are in the city every for weekends. What advice can anyone give? Well, it is foolish to give advice. I'm told, because the advice might turn out to be wrong for a given situation. Instead everyone is invited to pick up the provincial brochure on bears, available at the police office, at the stores, post office, and parking lot. Our chief constable, Robert Tomson, has been out on many night calls from cottagers but the bear has eluded the hunters. Besides it is dangerous to shoot and only wound the bear and difficult here in the Kennedy Area to trap it. There is too much garbage available to attract the bear and no sure place for the trap where the odour of the food within would lure the bear from the garbage. The two traps that were at Mr. Tomson's disposal were retrieved for use elsewhere when several days passed with no sightings of the bear. The conservation officer at Grand Beach says all the beaches are having similar problems because there are few berries in the bush.

Called at the parking lot office to ask John Ateah about his long weekend on duty. John says in his 32 years at the parking lot Saturday was the worst day. Some 200 (rounds) were turned away. Friday evening a survey of the lot showed about 40 parking spaces empty. Some billy on Saturday even parked along 8th. Those who parked on the highway received violation tickets.

The rumour had it that officials at the Grand Beach gate were sending carloads of people to Victoria Beach but one official at Grand Beach denies his staff were doing this. Some of the arrivals thought this was a provincial park and wanted in on the basis of their provincial stickers on their windshields. Question is it worth the while for us ratepayers to invest money into expanding the parking lot. The council gets so much per-car or should 'tull' be enough with no overload on 8th? Come to the council meeting on August 21 and express yourself.

Was reading in "Looking Back 50 Years" I learned that King William was the earlier name for Alexandra Beach.

Sat in the Parking lot Office I listened to the discussions. I use that word deliberately. I learned that even at Victoria Beach there are people out to con others. Imagine drivers working out schemes to get their cars into the parking lot without paying.

Have had no word as yet regarding our feeding the humming birds. Did have a response to the Mystics of Charles Yokes. Dorothy J. Funnell of 3rd Avenue dropped in to tell us her mother was sister in law to Charles Yokes. She had no information about this partner to Charles Kennedy, but offered the names and addresses of cousins who might know. Perhaps we'll strike it lucky.

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

A canine 1st Birthday Bash was held at the home of his mistress, Heather lot "Victor" (named after Victoria Beach). Among those in attendance with his mistress, including "Arthur" (of Arthur Road), who was last seen being carried home in a state of total exhaustion.

Regrets to those uninvited dogs in their cottage, who never could have kept up the pace! (But your heart out Zina Cherris!)

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Mrs. D. R. Rayner and her three sons, Chris, Donald and Timothy have been the guests of Mrs. Herald S. Hansen, 401 Sunset Blvd. for the past fortnight.

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I do — Do you?  
Who, in the early morning light  
Sees rabbits nip a tender bite  
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