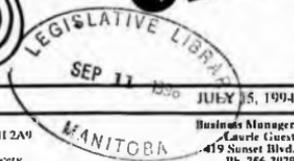




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A few more words of thanks for assisting in the membership drive: Ron Pratt and Al Stevens for canvassing some missed areas over the past week. Mary McIntosh also deserves a round of applause for keeping me organized in the days after the blitz. In all, there were 56 out of 67 areas canvassed. Again, a big thank you to our legion of volunteer canvassers.

Despite the overall success of the campaign, there were several areas in which we had no volunteers. If you would like to help the community club by canvassing one of these areas next year, please give me a call at 756-8872.

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Pam Borutski - 339 - 6th Ave.

PAMELA BORUTSKI

P.S. Don't forget memberships are available for 1 or 2 weeks, or by the month.

## Bridge

It was a pleasure to welcome back seven tables of regular players and three tables of social players to our first bridge session of the season on Monday, July 3rd. Among the latter, there were several teenaged enthusiasts to whom we extend a special welcome. Before going further, it is with sadness we note the passing of one of our original and most faithful attendees, Elsie Dewar. Also two past supporters, namely Dick Bellhouse and Art Fletcher. We extend our deepest sympathy to their families.

Due to current economic pressures, there has been an increase in fees to \$5.00 for V.B. club members and \$1.00 for non-members. Coffee remains the same at \$2.25 a cup. It is still the cheapest night out in the province. Thanks to Dodie Dennehy for all her work in making our lovely new bridge table covers.

The top scorer for the evening was Ruth Lillie with 5180 and Rene Strachan runner up with 4800. For those keeping records, the top scorers for the last season last year on August 23rd were Bob Lawler with 4680 and Marg Firby with 3660.

See you Monday at 8:00 p.m.

GLADYS MILDREN

## Recycling News

A huge thank you goes to Diana Pennington and the other volunteers who come out faithfully to recycle all winter after the cottagers have gone home. Our program would not be as successful or as profitable as it is without them.

Also, a few reminders to all those who have left their recyclables in the collection bins:

- PLEASE remove lids from glass liquor bottles and plastic pop bottles.
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Thank you to all our volunteers who came out last week. We'd love to see you all again next Monday at 1:00 p.m. - bring your friends.

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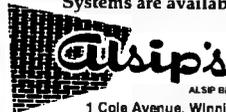
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Instructors: Signe LaPorte and Karen Walters

(students at the Royal Canada Conservatory)

Registration: At the V.B. Library or phone Signe at 756-2538

Enrollment is limited to 12 students.

This is a first-time attempt to add performing arts to our beach activities. If this activity proves to be popular, we'll try a more ambitious program in the future.

SIGNE LAPORTE AND KAREN WALTERS

To the Saunders - 301 - 3rd Avenue

Actually, Piglet arrived in the middle of the afternoon, not in the dark of night.

## Adult Dance - July 9/94

Well, again another successful July dance featuring Glenn McCrae and "Get Back". Although our guest artist had last minute alternate plans, the dance was well attended and received. Thanks to the many volunteers, "the bartenders" and all concerned who helped out. We may be able to book the surprise "guest" next year, so stay tuned.

MIKE SAMBORK

## V.B. Sailing Club News

It's been a busy season down at the sailing club. In June, we hosted the Hobie Cat Provincial Regatta which Paul Nagle, a local V.B. sailor won. Our local season began on the Canada Day long weekend with the "Redeye Cup" (named for the state of some of the sailors so early in the morning). The Redeye was won by Orest Dackow in the monohulls and Paul Nagle in the multihulls. Regular racing continues for the rest of the summer every weekend at 10:30 a.m., so feel free to come down to the pier for the best view.

The Sailing Club will be busy again starting July 18th with the sailing schools, which Harry Wall has done such a terrific job of organizing. If you want to sign up, there are still a few openings but you'd better hurry - they're going fast.

Keep in mind on Saturday, July 23rd, we're having another fun race where anyone who would like to learn more about sailboat racing can come sail a race as "extra crew" on one of the boats. Sign up at the Yacht Club early to book the boat of your choice.

DOUG POLLARD

## Swimming

There are still four more weeks of swimming lessons. Come out and join us! Meet with Noelle at the swim dock at 10:00 a.m., Monday to Friday, to register for lessons. The water exercise classes at 11:00 a.m. are free and open to anyone on a drop-in basis from Monday to Friday.

Don't forget the 800 Meter Swim on Saturday, July 16th, at 10:00 a.m. Participants should meet at the pier at 9:45 a.m. Let's get out and cheer on the swimmers.

BETTY LODEWYKS

## Teen Dance

Date: Friday, July 15th, 9:00 p.m. - 12:30 a.m.

Place: Clubhouse

This week's theme "Crazy Beach Hats". Bring your own cassette or CD that you want to dance to.

Next week's theme, "Hawaiian", Friday, July 22nd.

Prizes to be won.

Admission \$2.00.

## V.B. Trivia Challenge

Thanks to those people who submitted answers to last week's questions. Sonia Osadchy correctly answered five questions and is entitled to two ice cream cones from the courteous staff at the Moonlight Inn. Answers for the challenge can be submitted to Herb or CD that you want to dance to.

ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S QUESTIONS:

1. Sam Ateah owns the oldest operable bike in Victoria Beach, which dates back to the year 1900.
2. The furthest direct route travelled by cabs from the parking lot within the "restricted area" is to the end of Pelican Point Road.
3. Two helicopters landed in Victoria Beach on the past long weekend enabling Captain Steven Williams to visit his grandparents, Bob and Helen Williams.
4. Captain Williams was in Manitoba for Armed Forces Day in Shilo and made an enroute stop in V.B. during a training flight.
5. The Einfield family has operated the V.B. Bakery for 57 years. What excellent bakery products!
6. Seventeen boats race on a regular basis in the Victoria Beach sailboat races each weekend.
7. The important meeting last Sunday at 1:00 p.m. was an open discussion to hear opinions as to whether our Police constable should carry a gun.
8. Approximately 69 mm of rain fell on the Sunday of the 1994 July long weekend.
9. As stated in the past weekend Herald "The Elk Island Society" was incorporated by citizens of Victoria Beach to enhance, maintain and preserve the natural wilderness ecosystem, restore and protect the fish, ... and prevent further damage, exploitation or commercial development.

Rob Stewart, the designated spokesperson for the society, has stated that to enhance the beauty of Elk Island many trees require to be cut down.

QUESTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

1. Who won the triple crown last summer in the Victoria Beach tennis tournament; triple crown being defined as singles, doubles and mixed titles?
2. Which resident of the Beach is a member of the 1994 Commonwealth Games?
3. How many spiffy biffy holes has Cramp and Cramp Biffy Relocation constructed since the introduction of their business service offering?
4. Which summer residents were part of the Cast for the T.V. Show "Let's Go" in the late 1970's and early 1980's?
5. Name the lifesize cardboard cut out characters in the Moonlight Inn?
6. Who is Trevor Robb and what poems did he submit for publication in the 1993 V.B. Herald?
7. Which great music band is rumoured to be performing for the August long weekend dance?

SCOTT THAIN

And where are you Harvey Cramp Jr.?

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THE SAUNDERS

## 50+ Dinner & Dance

A convenor is still needed to run this fun event on August 20th. A former convenor of this event has graciously agreed to help someone out, so all we need is a volunteer or two to step up to the plate. Please contact me at 303 - 4th or call 756-6159. Thanks.  
PENNY McMORRIS

## Superstars Of The Week

We owe Jeff Quinton and Rob Johnson a carton of new tennis balls for organizing the Masters Tennis Tournament this weekend. The tennis enthusiasts appreciate your time and effort and we look forward to seeing some great rallies during the tournament. Thank you, Jeff and Rob, for convening this event.

The swimming instructors will be supervising the pier for the 800 M Open Swim Saturday morning. Noelle, Tara, Andrika, Heather and Megan deserve our thanks for working on their day off in order for us to show how swift and strong our swim strokes can be. Thank you ladies and we hope the weatherman is on side with warm water, warm air and gentle breezes.

Thank you to JoAnn Gibson for once again volunteering to run the Children's Masquerade. It is always enjoyable seeing how creative and imaginative the costumes are from year to year and we appreciate your finding the time to coordinate this fun activity.

Hats off to Dan Suderman for volunteering to organize and host the first teen dance of the season. The youth of the beach, and their parents, thank you for shedding some extra moonlight on the teen scene.

A bouquet of wildflowers go to Ann and Frank Manning for running the Junior Tennis Tournament on July 19th and 20th. This is the second year in a row the Mannings have organized this popular tournament and we appreciate your terrific beach spirit - thanks!  
PENNY McMORRIS

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The great contributions that we received from area merchants show the sharing and caring with the V.B. Club PLEASE BE A SUPPORTER OF OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES AS WELL AS THOSE IN WINNIPEG AND PINE FALLS. Their generosity contributed almost \$500.00 towards the Flea Market.

Winners walked away with some interesting prizes. Our big ticket items were donated by Blinds are Beautiful - a bedspread and matching headboard. Our highest bidder was Helen MacIntosh. Thank you to Liz Alsip for her gorgeously decorated hat won by Pat Rivera.

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TAMMY MACINTOSH

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As time unfolds another year,  
Always in our lives to share,  
In our heart you'll always be there.

Always remembered and sadly missed by loving wife Fran and family of 321 - 7th Ave.

## Fishing Derby

Dig out your rods and reels and get ready for the Fishing Derby on Sunday, July 24th at 9:00 a.m. to noon. See you at the pier!



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## They Came – They Conquered – They Bought

The Saunders from Ottawa, the Macleans from Calgary – WHY? – the Flea Market, of course.

In trying to put my feelings on paper, I finally came up with a comparison to the Annual Flea Market – "A wedding". You plan, you PANIC and then it's over in one hour. The honeymoon comes in the form of \$3400.00 raised for the cause. It's Sunday night and I'm still trying to figure out what happened! My planning came together pretty well due to the generous people who cleaned out cupboards and tool sheds of V.B. and of course the wonderful, wonderful volunteers that prepared the articles for sale – FROM PICK UP TO PACK UP – we didn't stop except for the occasional pondering "where does this STUFF come from"! At times I felt I was multiplying STUFF with my thoughts.

To the pick up crew, your generosity, TRUCK, TIME and MUSCLE is the key to the Flea Market success. Without your efforts this event is not possible. Thank you to:

John Ateah	Dan Sudermann	Bill Jennings
Garry Danwich	David Saunders	Kevin Ateah
Harry Bennett	Geoff Kirbyson	Ron Pratt
Paul Thorvaldson	Ron Monkman	David Borutski
Scott Thain	Fred Buffi	Cam Maclean
Ron MacIntosh		

Directions that everything must be picked up were followed to a "T". Dan's truck had the prestigious 5th Avenue run and I had a funny feeling that came true. The fridge I bought previously ended up back at the Flea Market. My need for an extra step ladder brought me face to face pricing my own ladder that I used to paint the cottage the previous week (luckily my son wasn't standing on it painting the rest of the cottage). The ultimate pickup episode took place when Mark Tooley arrived at his cottage Saturday morning, unloaded a taxi and our efficient pickup crew whisked it away before he could make it back from the cottage with his first load. YES, he found the truck unloading at the Clubhouse and pitched in until his articles were found. Thank you to Wayne Aisp for unloading the trucks when he got bored waiting in line.

Thank you to all the wonderful people who came out to SORT, PRICE, CASH and CLEAN UP. Many experienced, dedicated to the CAUSE, came out to show the way to many newcomers. Your efforts are appreciated.

Carol Craig	Laurie Bennett	Ruby Garden
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Susan Gibbs	Ann Manning	Susan Millican
Kathleen Murray	Sheila Down	Betty Lodewyks
Hank Lodewyks	Angie Maclean	
Heather S...?	Jeannette Charbonneau	

A BIG THANK YOU TO THE "NO NAMES"! If I omitted anyone, my apologies.

When STUFF was still arriving at 12:30 p.m., we sold right off the truck. My appreciation to our wonderful customers who

were very patient when we had to postpone opening for 20 minutes. This gave Barb Sudermann and her crew more time to sell before the market opened.

To Helen MacIntosh for making those great sandwiches – your patience in working in an unconventional kitchen (storage room) – I guess when you're GOOD, you're even BETTER when you have to challenge yourself. Your efforts were appreciated by our workers who were starting to weaken.

Thank you to the Merry-makers who took away seven truckloads of good STUFF for their fundraiser and, in turn, anything they can't sell will go to Fort Alexander. So you see, your contributions get recycled over and over! A big thank you to Marina Chapel for hauling the odds and ends to the nuisance grounds. There were five truckloads. To my wonderful friends Cam and Angie Maclean, thank you for staying and putting the last article onto the garbage truck at 6:30 p.m.

To Kathy Brydon, thank you for volunteering when I called AT PANIC TIME, and sticking it out to the bitter end. You are very dedicated to the Club. To Pat LeClair, you also volunteered at my PANIC TIME and you switched jobs as fast as I could call them out to you on Saturday. I can't thank you enough, but I'll try. To the taxi crew, you made many shoppers very happy – you did a great job:

Kerry MacIntosh	Michael Saunders	Blake Tokarchuk
Lynn Brydon	Garth Woolison	James Woolison
Tom Aldridge	Ron Pratt	

Heather Brydon – she set up on Friday until late, worked very hard at clean up on Saturday, and worked at her regular job in between. Thank you!

To my cashiers, Dodie Denchey, Shelley Saunders and Sylvia Saunders – a great job. I bet Dodie never thought she'd be using the new bathrooms to cash up.

To my husband Ron and son Kerry, thank you for understanding and not pushing the wrong buttons when I was at PANIC TIME. This event was definitely a character builder for me and when I left at 6:30, because I had company coming for dinner at 8:00, I knew I would do this again, because now I KNOW HOW! Some people never learn, I guess. Thank you to all for your contributions.

TAMMY MACINTOSH

P.S. Two sad notes:

1. The person seen perusing and picking up items at 6:00 a.m. This is called down-right stealing. These items are put out for the CLUB - SHAME ON YOU!

2. My large blue ladies bike with a pink bell on the handle bars was taken from the side of the Clubhouse. I know it was a mistake and you will return it to 221 - 5th. If you ended up buying it, I'll buy it back.

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## Beach People

On Saturday, July 9th, the Laycocks of 117 Birch joyfully welcomed their kin from Kingston, ON, Bryan and Mary Downie (of the original Downies that go back five generations at V.B.) who arrived at 11:00 Saturday morning. This was Bryan's first time to V.B. in over 20 years and Mary's first introduction to the beauty of V.B. The sun made its presence known throughout the day and Mary got a chance to plunge into the waves on the shores of Patricia Beach. Viola Downie (of Winnipeg) also accompanied her son (Bryan) and daughter-in-law (Mary) to the cottage. It was a time of much reminiscing and many laughs were heard coming from the windows of 117 Birch that day.

### Champions Return

The clan at Culroy are awaiting the arrival of Alan and Ella Carmichael from Denver, Colorado. They have just returned, flushed with victory, from the World Masters Swim Meet in Montreal. This competition, held at the Olympic pool brought together 3,400 swimmers from 41 countries. Swimmers ranged in age from 21 to 100 and the spirit of competition flourished. Both Alan and Ella achieved personal best times with the highlight being two gold and one bronze medal.

JANET SIMPSON  
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## Correction

JUNIOR GOLF TOURNAMENTS are to be held on AUGUST 2nd and 3rd (not August 8th & 9th). Twelve and under boys and girls will be on Tuesday, August 2nd, starting at 9:00 a.m. Thirteen and under boys and girls will be on Wednesday, August 3rd, also starting at 9:00 a.m. The Tournaments will be restricted to Victoria Beach Club members and/or Golf Club members. Sign up sheets are located at the Golf Course.

Last year we had over 100 participants who each received a prize through the generosity of many individuals and businesses. Anyone interested in donating a prize, big or small, please leave it with the Golf Course or contact Pat Hastings - 334-4493. Chaperones will again be needed to accompany each group, so if you can help out, please sign up at the Golf Course. Thank you for your consideration.

PAT HASTINGS

## Junior Tennis Tournament

This year's Junior Tennis Tournament will be held on Tuesday, July 19th and Wednesday, July 20th.

The sign up sheets will be at the tennis courts on Friday, July 15th, and removed at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 17th. We are sorry that this year late entrants cannot be accepted.

The events this year will be:

Boys 12 & under	Girls 12 & under
Boys 14 & under	Girls 14 & under
Boys 16 & under	Girls 16 & under
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## Victoria Beach Taxpayers

I would first like to thank those concerned who held a meeting on Sunday the 10th and could not see their way clear to invite the one individual that it seems this meeting was about. I was told that this was to be an information meeting regarding the merits of arming the Constable as was advertised in the Herald. I did not think that its organizers would allow all the derogatory comments that were put forward to stand without giving me a chance to submit the other side to the story. I do not appreciate comments that I have personally heard such as: "He might shoot a drunken teenager on the beach." Please try to open your minds. How many youths have ever been shot by a few Police Dept. anywhere, on any beach? It would seem that a few people can say whatever they want and some people will buy it. We have carried nightsticks here for 2 1/2 years and I am surprised that there are no stories of teenagers being beaten with these. The reason being that they fall into the same category as a gun, for defensive use only, as outlined in the Manitoba Provincial Police Act. Maybe if your Council had hired "Andy of Mayberry" you might have had these problems, but they did not. The Council of this R.M. took the time and patience to hire a professional Police Officer who has tried to make this Beach a safe place for you and your families. To hold a meeting and to have never spoken to the principal player is to say the least, a non democratic approach.

I take my job very seriously and I had hoped that this was what the Community had wanted: a proper Police presence. For some of you this was too much. A lot of people were at this information meeting but it was noticed that quite a few were of the same mind. Let's discipline the Police, not the people who cause problems in the Beach area. In the heat of the moment decisions have to be made that we can later reflect on and say that maybe we could have done something differently. We will next time! It must be very nice to have a power that allows you to only make the perfect decision everytime as some of you do. I have not seen anyone in this area hurt in any way by any decision that your Police have made, except maybe their feelings for doing something illegal and being caught at it, then telling their parents that they were singled out by Police and were being "picked on". The strange part to all of this is that the parents involved never seem to call to confirm what, if anything, really happened. Instead, the malicious rumors spread that the Police are "Storm Troopers".

We have assisted a large sector of this Community but when some stood to speak at this meeting they were budged. This was a meeting that they were invited to. What kind of democratic system is that work when ladies who came to speak are so intimidated that they will not stand up? Who runs this Municipality anyway the Elected Officials or a mob that will not listen? And we are called "Storm Troopers"! Some of you should look in a mirror.

Everything that we as Police have done here is well within the parameters of the Law as dictated by the Provincial Police Act, as well as the Laws that govern our land.

Yes, we painted the old Police car and you paid for it and now it conforms to the standards in this Province that all Police cars are now white. The rationale behind this is that these cars are now more visible to the public and white cars are involved in fewer accidents. Not so we can look like the Louisiana State Highway Patrol. I wonder what states the Winnipeg Police and the R.M.C.P. are considered by this individual.

With the summer months comes a large influx of people to the Community and along with some of them come very serious problems which could affect your Police. Restraining Orders from Courts are one of our main concerns. If a woman who is afraid of her spouse and has a Court Order calls the Police, should

she be told to hang on while your local Police call the Police (R.C.M.P.) for her and she can wait until they arrive? How would you like to be in this position, and don't say that it does not happen here, it does.

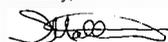
We have been queried as to why we work so late and stop cars. We are paid by the taxpayers of this Community to protect it. If the crime in the area only occurred during the day you would not see us out at night. We, on the other hand, are on the highway at night stopping cars with who knows who or what inside.

In reality, we are placing ourselves at risk for you. Yes, it sounds serious and sometimes it is. And yes, once in a while we stop some of your children and he/she feels picked on. Let us see you identify a car at 3:00 a.m. on the highway by its headlights only. Or, should I try harder not to upset some of you by memorizing every car driven by every young adult in the Community? When we stop what we refer to as a normal Taxpayer late at night the comment we usually get is "Glad to see you out doing your job", but if we stop other certain people on the highway with open liquor and give them a ticket: the Storm Troopers are back. The comment we usually get from these young people is "My Dad's a lawyer and you cops have no right". If we knowingly let someone go, who has been drinking, and they have an accident or are otherwise hurt, how fast would certain parents then say "They weren't doing their job"?

This job is thankless enough without being harassed by people who do not have the ability to call and get the facts. I love my work because 90% of the people we deal with have both feet on the ground and they live on this planet; not in some imaginary world where little Johnny or Jane are perfect. This is not a perfect world, or Police would not be needed. We try, to the best of our ability, to be fair and impartial and if this is not good enough then I will leave it to you. For those who are not affected by violence and crime, please let the rest of us know so that we might share this place with you.

This letter is not being written to offend anyone but to try and open some people's eyes to the real world which they like to escape from once in awhile and come to Victoria Beach where it still is peaceful and serene and we, the Police, plan to keep it just this way for those who care.

Sincerely;



Daniel Matheson  
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Victoria Beach Police

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