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Fishing Derby - Back row: Adele Karalyk, Bruce Woodward; middle row: Jillian Wind, John Forest; front row: Paul Woodward, Dorian Dehen, Brittany Bauman, Karen Bachynski

Beach Events - Clubhouse Beach

Don't forget to mark Saturday, July 27th at 10:00 a.m. on your calendars! Children ages 11 and under are invited to participate in the annual and ever popular Beach Events which include sponge relay, beach ball toss, beach wear relay, toilet paper toss, face painting, panning for treasure, fishing pond, swim events and noisemaker parade. So, grab your membership cards (one loonie per non members), silly beach hats and noisemakers, sunscreen and water bottle, and we'll see you there! Rain date: Sunday, July 28 - 10:00 a.m.

Lauren Johnstone and Lisa Hastings



The Canadian Pest Control Society

Sand Castle Building Contest

Gather your pails, shovels and imaginations because the 1996 Annual Sand Castle Building Contest will be held Saturday, July 27, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Clubhouse Beach in conjunction with Beach Events. Rain date: Sunday, July 28 - 10:00 a.m. This year's categories include Traditional, Original, Artistic Expression, Structural, Super Structure and Disney Inspired. There will also be a special category Strictly for Kids. See you there!

Don and Pat Spangelo

COMING EVENTS

Masters Tennis 40+ Tournament

Saturday, July 27, 9:00 a.m.

Due to inclement weather on weekend of July 20/21, the tournament will continue

Beach Events

Saturday, July 27 - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon - Clubhouse Beach

Sandcastle Building

Saturday, July 27 - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon - Clubhouse Beach

Rescheduled - 800 Metre Open Swim

Sunday, July 28, 1:00 p.m. - Pier

Open Tennis Tournament

Saturday, Sunday, Monday, August 3, 4 & 5 - Tennis Courts

Adult Dance Saturday

August 3, 9:00 p.m. - Clubhouse

Bike Race Sunday

August 4, 10:00 a.m. - Sports Field

Dog Show

Monday, August 5, 10:00 a.m. - Sports Field

Junior Golf Tournament

Tuesday, August 6 - Golf Course



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800 Meter Open Swim (Rescheduled)



OOOPS! It appears that Betty's assurances of "a beautiful day for the race" last Saturday were...premature...overly optimistic???...just plain wrong??? At any rate, the weather definitely not having cooperated, the 800 Metre Open Swim event has been rescheduled. We have placed a new order for fine weather, and the new date is SUNDAY, JULY 28. Official start 1:00 p.m. at the pier, please arrive at 12:45 p.m. for registration; please bring your membership card or loonie guest fee; and encourage your fan club to attend! (Again) see you there!

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Letters to the Editor



Back at the beginning of time when glaciers were carving out Lake bottoms, not much thought was going into the creation of one of the earth's uncommon masterpieces. One never realises how much we're blessed with until exposed to what others received on the planet's other side, then travel back here to be richly reminded that Lake Winnipeg produced an extraordinary bounty for those of us who hug our shoreline.

I was on the shores of Lake Victoria last week, that other great body of water in the heart of Africa, which Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania encircle. The mountains of Kilimanjaro, Kenya and Ruwenzori stand as pinnacles of snow capped beauty surrounding the lake. But in spite of the breathtaking beauty of the landscape, or the profusion of wildlife to be found in the national game parks with magical names like Masai Mara, Serengeti, Kidepo and Khabalega, the people who inhabit these lands have suffered horrors which children from Victoria Beach have never witnessed.

Civil wars in Uganda, Somalia, Rwanda, Burundi and Sudan have destroyed the lives of three generations. AIDS has wiped out more people than half the people of Canada. Government corruption, mismanagement and the legacy of colonial exploitation continue to keep one hundred million children in rags, barefoot and without much hope for the future. (To get back to the beach this year, I flew from the middle of the "continent without hope" to Lake Winnipeg.)

En route home, neither the Sahara, nor the azure waters of the Mediterranean, nor the alpine majesty of our home in Switzerland, nor the other half of North America would stop me from returning to this humble, peaceful village on the shore of my birthplace, the roots of my existence. The cheerful chirping of the birds in the morning, a round of golf and a few laughs with friends at sunrise, a sail over to Elk Island for fresh blueberries, a fresh loaf of Irish brown, watching the next generation of kids leap into the waves or negotiate their bikes through the puddles down the leafy paths — all this restores a weary traveller like no other place on earth. Returning every summer since 1947 to see old friends, is the real tonic, what it's all about.

Watching Bill Langdon birdie the third hole, meeting Bailie the reincarnated Goldie, seeing all the Batmen and Pocahontas' at the masquerade, having a chat with Carl or hearing Nancy-Lou's soothing compositions, listening to Susan tackling City Hall, reading the Herald, hearing the melancholy refrains from Keith's pipes through the forest, watching Gerhard jump the waves with a new sail, or tackling a mountain of Moonlight Inn ice cream.

When I reread the July 20, 1926, Herald editorial chronicling my Great Grandfather Gill's sermons, I realise that "plus ça change, plus c'est la meme chose." Old friends pass into another dimension acting as guardian angels over us all. We'll miss Sam, Olive and Paul Bauman, the pillars of our past. The Earth offers some remarkable hideaways but none better than the magic of ours.

Beaverbrook

To the Editor:

WE have many things for which to be thankful here at Victoria Beach, and not the least is being fortunate to have St. Michael's Church in which to worship. I wish to pay tribute to the many individuals who give of their time to serve us — those who keep the building readied for the various services each Sunday: the many different residents, permanent and summer, who devote their time during the services to serve the congregations — lay people and ministry working together. IN addition, we have the enjoyment of beautiful garden flowers in abundance. Joanne Johnson generously provides many arrangements as do others at various times. AT the 11 a.m. service, we have the pleasure of the music of Mark and Nancy Zeilstra and added to that, the talented group of residents who form a choir of superb voices to enrich the service. THERE are many others who deserve mention for their contributions and to all, we thank you most sincerely. It would be a long list to name each one but our thanks are all encompassing!

Madeline and Russell Garret

Showing at the Clubhouse



Tuesday, July 30 — *The Man From Button Willow*
Starts 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 1 — *Dunston Check In*
Starts 7:30 p.m.



Rodeo Returns

Grab your cowboy hat and boots because the rodeo returns to the Beaches! Something for everyone.



Date: Friday, July 26 & Saturday, July 27.
Place: Victoria Beach Sports Field, Hwy. 59

Admission: Family rate (2 adults & 3 children) \$18.00
Adults & Seniors - \$6.00
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Junior Tennis Tourney



This year's tennis tournament was held on July 16 and 17 and for the first time in many years, rain stopped play for several hours on Tuesday afternoon. However, as soon as the rain stopped, everyone rallied around to "squeeze" the courts and the matches continued until it was getting dark at 9:30 p.m. Wednesday was a scorching day and large numbers of cool drinks were consumed by the players (and me) throughout the day. There were 88 entrants including 17 brave parents for the ever popular parent and child event. Many thanks to Diane Strome for supplying lunch both days for Frank and myself. Thanks to Rob Strome, Greg Daniels, Stuart Juzda, Jason Quinton, Kevin Willoughby, Kim Willoughby and Mike Kaye for all their help especially after the rain. Special thanks to Clint Harvey for his liquid refreshments! The results were as follows:

Singles, Boys 12 and under - Jeff Strome
 Patrick Millican, runner up
 Girls 12 and under - Laura Erikson
 Amy Quinton, runner up
 Boys 14 and under - Stephen Dubienski
 Brian Walker, runner up
 Girls 14 and under - Deborah Hill
 Sara Manning, runner up
 Boys 16 and under - Stephen Dubienski
 Paul Lodewyck, runner up
 Girls 16 and under - Nastasia Osipov
 Deborah Hill, runner up
 Doubles, Girls Open - Katie Cibinet/Kate Daniels
 Sara Manning/Tamara Anson, runners up
 Boys Open - Stephen Dubienski/Matthew Cibinet
 Nick Minus/Kevin Willoughby, runners up
 Mixed Open - Anders Strome/Nastasia Osipov
 Jeff Strome/Kate Daniels, runners up
 Parent and Child - Brian and Tim Walker
 Natasha and Earl Osipov, runners up
 Ann Manning

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Superstars of the Week

Our thighs, abs and hearts thank Gail Johnstone for the first two great weeks of beach aerobics. As the temperature and humidity climbed, the intensity and energy of your classes seemed to follow suit. Also, thanks for taking us to the limit. Gail, Ken and Michelle Rowson have once again sliced up some of their precious holiday time to help us tee off the mens and ladies golf tournaments. An incredible amount of work goes into ironing out all of the details of these very popular events and the "VBGA" members and guests appreciate you two chipping in one more time to convene these tourneys. Thank you, thank you. Laureen Johnstone and Lisa Hastings are once again our Beach Events convenors and advisors extraordinaire this weekend. Clubhouse Beach will be transformed into non stop beach events for a couple of hours, Saturday (or Sunday) and we thank you both for entertaining us all. Pat and Don Spangelo will be bringing you the Sandcastle Building event at Clubhouse Beach this weekend. They will be putting their architectural and engineering expertise to the supreme test as they judge the numerous entries offered up. Thanks for taking over this fun event, Pat and Don. Mike Klachefski deserves our thanks for leading us through aerobics the past two weeks. His great music was a treat as we worked our way through the routines. Thanks a lot, Mike.

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COMING EVENTS



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- Cooler Tasting
- Pocket Book Sale



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Dog Show '96



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Barbara Riess

Membership

Thanks for the continued support through the purchase of memberships and generous donations. Memberships are required at all events so please have them ready to present at aerobics, golf lessons, swim lessons etc. They will be required at the Beach Events and a \$1 fee will be requested of guests who also wish to participate. Memberships for the remainder of July and August are available at V.B. Grocery between 2:00-4:00 p.m., 303-4th Ave, 347 Sunset Blvd, 339-6th Ave.

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We've got some new volunteers at the library who are learning how our system works and helping our service run more smoothly. Thanks to Sasha, Helene, Lisa, Jillian, Victoria, Chloe, Sarah B., Kathleen, Mike, Cathy, Rebecca and Jenna. We now have a record number of volunteers (24 in total). It's a challenge keeping everybody busy, but great that so many young people see the library as a good place to be. Book donations are coming in by the boxful. This week donations have come from the Rathwell, Lewis, Care, Wind, Kaye, Tooley, Drybrough, O'Malley, Gilmour, Cox, Johnston, Anderson, and Adamson families. Thanks! We now have all kinds of new titles for circulation plus a lot of good books for sale. Drop by and see if there is anything you want to add to your cottage collection. We really appreciate it when books are returned before the due date. Overdue books give us a lot more work to process. The due date is stamped on the due date slip on the inside cover of all books.

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Victoria Beach Sailing Club

Have you been down to the Pier to watch the races on Saturday and Sundays or even down to Yacht Club Beach to watch the new sailing enthusiasts participating in the sailing schools? Come rain, too little or too much wind, the sailing lessons and races must go on! Sailing lessons are tightly scheduled and more class time is allocated or more sailing time in the next session. "All time slots are filled and no openings are available for new participants." With much delay, despite adverse weather conditions, we finally completed the Redeye Regatta, our long weekend series. The results follow:

Multi Hull Division

- 1st Paul Nagle - Hobie 17
2nd Tam Scott and Chris Warrack - Hobie 18
3rd Bruce and Doug Guest - Hobie 18

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Beach People



Newlyweds Wendi (nee Brown) and Kevin Duke of Toronto will be vacationing in our glorious Victoria Beach sun. They have strategically planned their holiday around one of our infamous V.B. dances so we'll be shakin' er down with them. Congratulations and welcome back. From all your V.B. buddies.

Marie Simmons of Birmingham, Alabama, was the guest of Ruth Beenkin who is staying at 355 Sunset. Marie was here from June 30 to July 16 and was overwhelmed by the beauty and friendliness of V.B. folks. Marie enjoyed the "courts" and bridge and enjoyed Victoria Beach hospitality at its best. She was honoured at a candlelight dinner given by Sheila and Dick Quinton. The dinner of English roast beef, stuffed potatoes, cauliflower and salad was scrumptious, topped only by the extravagant Lemon Ice-box Cake. It was complete with music and candies. Marie was also honoured at a Coffee given by Mrs. Rae Donovan for all the tennis women. It was a beautifully appointed Coffee, complete with plates of dainties, lemon squares, brownies, and hot coffee and tea. Marie was also entertained by a delicious Lunch by Mrs. Anita Buller of Sandy Bay, a Coffee given by Mrs. Marlene Janzen of Victoria Blvd, and also one by Mrs. Irene Enns of Victoria Blvd. Marie left V.B. with many fond memories, many new-found friends, loads of Empress Jam, Red Rose Tea, and a Canadian flag. Many thanks to Rae Donovan and Sheila Quinton for introducing Marie to the tennis crowd. Marie says her visit was "smashing" and plans to return soon.

The weekend of July 12-14 was a special one for Mr. and Mrs. George Bourget of Gibson Drive as they celebrated their Fifth Wedding Anniversary with a gathering of family and friends in Selkirk, Manitoba. A great time was had by all at a family barbecue, Sunday July 14, 1996.

During the month of July, the Bells have been host to Jane and Bert Friesen from Brandon and grandchildren: Kyle, Christopher and Kaitlyn with visits from Portage la Prairie grandson, Jeffrey Chapman. Joyce and Dale Shurvell from Calgary, with children Alison and Amy will be at 327 - 3rd as of July 27th to spend three weeks at "The Beach." The gardens are in fine shape to be enjoyed by all and we look forward to the visits.

Bobbie and Dave Grant's cottage at 100 Arthur Road is the scene of a happy family reunion. Son Jamie with his wife Sheila and daughter Tori, age three, are here from Calgary for three weeks. Daughter Susan and son Callum, age three, are here from Auchland, New Zealand for a month.

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A Gardening Open House

Please come to an "Open House" at #23 McCord Drive, Sandy Bay, on Sunday, July 28, from 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. See a lovely garden of Lilies and Delphiniums at my lakefront cottage. Walk or ride over via the lakeside path to Sandy Bay, which begins at the bottom of 8th Ave, behind the pump house. It is only a few minutes from there. Looking forward to seeing you whenever you may wish to visit my gardens.

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Bridge



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Dance Party Dance



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- Betty and Al Hansford, 306 - 8th Ave., Victoria Beach
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Senior Open Tennis Tournament



The 1996 "open" tennis tournament is scheduled for August 3 -5. Deadline for entries is Thursday, August 1 at noon. Entry sheets will be posted at the courts on Saturday, July 27th. Minimum age for all events is seventeen as of the date of the tournament. All participants must be Victoria Beach Club members. Players arriving for the tournament without prior membership may purchase individual memberships at the courts for \$20.00. Fees will be \$3.00 per event, payable prior to commencement of play. The draw will be posted the evening of August 2nd (Friday). Some qualifying rounds, like last year, are being planned to encourage people to enter. Play begins Saturday, August 3, 8:00 a.m. sharp. Please observe rules posted on notice board at the courts. We are trying to locate the two families who donated the C.J. Wingate trophy for mixed doubles and the Leaholm trophy for men's doubles. Members of these families and/or anyone knowing their whereabouts are invited to contact the tournament organizers.

Geoff Kirbyson (756-2879)
Jean and Rick Riess (756-8382)

Beach People (continued from page 7)

Visiting Frank and Ann Manning at Far Pavilion are Bob and Betty Briggs from Auckland, New Zealand. They are on a seven week tour of Canada and have fallen in love with Victoria Beach.

Lordy Lordy look who's forty. Beach hunks then and beach hunks now. Happy Birthday Regan and Leonard.



L-R: Paul Grover, Regan Dennehy, Leonard Sudermann, Arthur Fast, Bill Mitchell, Gerald Vincent

1996 marks the first time in at least twenty years that the whole Reid family, 423 - 6th will have made it to V.B. from Toronto. Dave and Noreen kicked off the summer at the end of June by hosting grandchildren Reid, Brenden and Jaclyn Black. Mother Laura joined the kids on July 13th at Granny's cottage for the last week of their stay, and of course has thoroughly enjoyed the near perfect weather. The departure day of July 20th for the Black clan, has Laura pining for a longer visit next time. Ian and Dale Reid with children Erin and Kathleen have been very fortunate to rent 411 Sunset, July 13th to August 5th. An enchanting log cabin with all the comforts of home, complementary sun and sand with songbirds as an added bonus. After a ten year absence, Ian came back to Victoria Beach with Dale for their honeymoon in 1989 and have been back every summer since. The travel agent's reaction: "an incredulous 'you're going to Winnipeg for your honeymoon!'" is a reaction gotten used to whenever people are told that Lake Winnipeg is the holiday destination. Manitoba is known for about three things in T.O.: wheat, weather (cold) and mosquitoes. Fortunately, they don't know what we all know! Very good friend John Crabtree of Toronto visited during the first week and is a complete convert to the ways of V.B. Colin Reid arrives with girlfriend Beverly Craik August 3rd for one week and is looking forward to renewing old friendships. Many thanks to our V.B. friends: Karen Mitchell, Jamie, Scott, Jevian Haywood, Allison, Doug, Sarah and John Guest, Lisa, Lucia and Eleanor Heffelfinger who prearranged the social calendar, and have always made the stay here so special! In the immortal words of 5 year old daughter Erin Reid, "Daddy, this is my most favourite place in the whole world!" - Here's to V.B. News Flash: Lisa Heffelfinger and daughters Lucia and Eleanor were recently joined by Amanda Heffelfinger and her two sons Sidney and Hector.



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Thanks to all of you who came out to our recent council meeting. It was great to see you and hear your concerns. Thanks also to the ladies who served such great refreshments. Our next meeting is Tuesday, August 20 at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there. WELCOME to our new MEDICAL STAFF at 124 Birch Avenue. RNs Cheryl Boisvert and Laurie Plon come to us with a combined 51 years of nursing, hospital and emergency experience. They are very excited to be part of a new PILOT OUTREACH program run by the Pine Falls Health Complex. We, too, are lucky to have their services Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (but they won't leave until the waiting room is empty). At all other times, you can call the POLICE (756-2322), especially in emergency situations. We have an excellent network of emergency first aid and CPR trained people available right here at the beach. Contacting the police is the fastest way to network the appropriate help, save valuable time and even begin a transport "leap frog" with the RCMP to Pine Falls. This system has been used this summer already and has been credited with saving lives. Even if you don't need medical assistance, why not drop into the clinic one day and say a friendly Victoria Beach hello to Cheryl and Laurie. Just for interest sake, your Council did try very hard to secure the services of a Doctor this summer. It was not until early June that we learned that the Doctor from last year would not be returning. We advertised and spoke with many people we knew within the medical community. Time was against us. When we heard of the Pilot Program from Pine Falls, we chose to give it a try. The rest they say, is history. I've heard from several people so far with questions, comments and even kind words — thank you — keep the calls coming. REMINDER — Please DO NOT put brush, leaves, old furniture or any unwanted items out on the front (side) street. Pick-up for such items is only done by the RM in June (after gate closes) and October (after Thanksgiving). During the summer, it is your responsibility to arrange for the removal of these items or keep them on your property until the appropriate time. Please help us keep V.B. uncluttered and beautiful as ever. YES, we are a very approachable Council and appreciate hearing from you. DO talk to your friends about your concerns but please share them with us, too. We can't solve a problem until we know there is one. I now have an answering machine so I won't miss your call. Enjoy the summer.

Kathy Brydon

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Victoria Beach Flea Market

The success of the V.B. Flea Market has to be attributed to the devoted efforts of our community and especially the ninety or so workers — pick-up crews, pricers, truck drivers, sandwich makers, silent auction helpers and cashiers. These wonderful people gave up their time on a magnificent Saturday in order to provide our club with additional funding for our Club's activities. Many thanks to each and every one of you. Special thanks to my wife, Marjorie, for her support and for organising the silent auction, soliciting contributions from friends and merchants as well as managing the advertising. Thanks again everybody.

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Kate Daniels

The Lottery Winner — Mary Higgins Clark

"I just finished reading it. It was a really good book. I spent a lot of time reading it, especially during the last rainy days. It was hard to put down and I would really recommend it."

ATTENTION:

Special Events Activities Convenors

Not only did I call and harass you about convening an event this summer, now I'm asking for one more thing. Could you please write up a summary of how it's and the where for's of running your particular event? If you already have a file, please update it, if you don't have a file, please start one. If you are thinking of retiring from your event, names and phone numbers of possible replacements would be greatly appreciated. I would be very grateful if I could receive your summaries/files by summers end at 301 - 4th. Thank you.

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Kids' Corner

The Storm

We lay in the darkness, peering through the opened window, barely breathing. Suddenly the tent was illuminated by a bolt of lightning. In that split second, I looked over at my cousin who bore an expression of fear. I was petrified. The hard rain pelted down on the roof of the tent. The rain began to let up and I looked outside to see if any lights were still on in our cottage. I told my cousin that I would return shortly. Then I darted out and dashed across the lawn. When I was almost at the steps, Thor crashed his hammer down on a cloud so hard that I could have sworn that the ground moved. The sky rumbled and I tried not to scream and I bolted into the main room where I found my mother reading. She looked up startled and asked if we were okay. I pretended to get a blanket, but instead grabbed our jackets and went back to the tent. I told my cousin my plan. He reluctantly agreed. We put on the jackets and our shoes and we made our way - mission impossible style — past my mother at the open window. My cousin bravely led the way with the dying flashlight down towards Patricia Beach. We were going to get a better view of the storm! A path we had taken since toddlers seemed very different in the darkness of midnight. Finally, at the water, we were dazed by the most amazing light show that I've ever seen. Lightning forked down over the water, sometimes just reflecting off clouds. It seemed that four storms were involved and at one point they linked up creating one huge blast of electricity that could rival the most exciting pyrotechnic effects. The lightning danced from cloud to cloud ripping up the sky. The thunder roared as fiercely as the crashing waves below. The display put on by this natural phenomenon was awesome. We sat speechless, motionless as we took in this fire in the sky. A cloud burst above us and we were drenched by the sudden downpour. We raced up Patricia Road until we saw two lights ahead of us. We dodged into the bushes all too familiar with interrogations from police officers who felt that youths, like ourselves had no business being up at this time of night. We crouched down until the vehicle passed then we raced home giddy and excited. We fell asleep in our tent with broad grins on our faces. The following night we played the family tradition — Trivial Pursuit. The first question was "What natural phenomena is responsible for the most deaths each year"? I paled as I heard the answer — Lightning!

Fishing Derby



A record of 86 enthusiastic boys and girls reeled in a record number of 65 fish at the pier last weekend.

Congratulations to the following prize winners who had top catches of the day:

Biggest Fish Caught: 1st place - Brittany Bauman, 16" Bass; 2nd place - Karen Bachynski, 15" Silver Bass

Most Fish Caught: Tie: - Dorian Deben, 6 Silver Bass, John Forrest, 6 Bass including a 14" Silver Bass

First Fish Caught: Jillian Wind, 12" Silver Bass

Honorable Mentions Were:

Dan Fair - 1 Perch; Paul Woodward - 2 Perch and 1 Bass; Danny Finkbeiner - 2 Perch; Kyle Bauman - 1 Bass and 1 Perch; Rob Morin - 1 Perch; Jordan Moreau - 1 Pickerel; Amber Olafson - 1 Perch; K. Wilkinson - 1 Bass; Amanda Bauman - 1 Bass and 1 Pickerel; Karen Bachynski - 1 Bass and 2 Perch; Melissa Pilz - 1 Silver Bass; Ryan Wind - 1 Bass; Graham Barr - 3 Bass; Grant Barr - 1 Bass; L. Letailleur - 1 Bass; Billy Krestanowich - 2 Bass; Troy Ross - 1 Perch; J.J. Weins - 3 Bass and 1 Pickerel; Jess Adam - 1 Perch; Jason Ballou - 1 Bass; Michael Bilenki - 1 Bass; Taryn Wilkinson - 1 Pickerel; Morgan Campbell - 1 Bass; John Forrest - 4 Bass; Brittany Bauman - 2 Bass

Other Participants in this year's Derby were:

Kavien Fortin, Heather Fortin, Don Finkbeiner, Max Cawker, Kate Kawker, Rachel Neufeld, Alaina Moreau, Jordan Moreau, Candace Bauman, Kyle Bauman, Dean Richert, Matthew Ross, Shane Ross, Rob Morin, Jayme Schofield, Raymond Morin, Mark Fair, Cathy Butler, Peter Woodward, Colin Russell, Graham Phillips, Tyler Phillips, Michael Bilenki, Aaron Goddert, Sam Geddert, Mike Johnston, Christine Johnston, Keegan Slijker, Riley Home, Taylor Home, David Fox, Joshua Rowson, Tess Rowson, Julian Stewart, Christina Stewart, Alexander Obed, Melissa Pilz, Aaron Smaluk, Adam Smaluk, Katie French, Thomas Saunders, Ben Saunders, Adam Brethauer, Curtis Brethauer, Caitlin Albi-Zigarlick, Tod Poirier, Sasha Hastings, Robin Woodward, Ashley Pilz, Dylan Welch

See you at the Pier next July!

Adele Korolyk and Bruce Woodward

Explorers' Club Expands Horizon to Include Family Croquet Contest

The Elk Island Exploratory Investigation Organisation — better known to its members as 'EIEIO' has expanded its activities from an annual hike to the Island to include a croquet tournament and pot luck dinner. Hosts for the first 'Croquet dinner' were Lyn and Gerry Butler, who organised the tournament into family teams — the Butlers, the Kayes, the Hansons, the Taylors, and the Welshes. The players showed great inventiveness in adapting to the vagaries of the Butler side-lawn croquet pitch, and following the tortuous course engineered by John Kaye which allowed for gullies, potholes, and the bird bath. The Hanson team played aggressively, using croquet shots to send several opponents into the bushes. The teams were evenly matched until Gerry Butler landed a lucky 'slap shot' to win the day. A special provision of the Club to restrict membership to those who had spent childhood holidays on King Edward Beach was endorsed to prevent a 'take-over' by the younger generation. The Club also passed a rule outlawing croquet 'slap shots'.

Kathie Cantin



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Children's Masquerade



Even though the weather was off... the show went on! Hats off to all the dedicated V.B.ers who spent their rainy afternoon creating some stage fabulous costumes. The move to the clubhouse prompted some stage fright, so thanks to the moms and dads who shared centre stage with the kids. Thanks to all who helped make this event a success, they are as follows: Herb and Jan at store for supplying drinks; Bill Henry at Nestle's for supplying the chocolate bars; Derek Sokalski for supplying the background music; and special thanks to Sean Covert and friend Lisa Brydon for organising us! The following is a list of participants and costume titles. Thanks again to all who came.

Barb and Andy Humphrys

Under Two Years

Jack Riess, 11 months, "Cave Baby"; Quinn Whitlaw, 10.5 months, "Olympic Gold Medalist, 100 m crawl!"; Kyle Bauman, 1.75 years, "Pair-a-dice"; Kiera Garagan, 1 year, "V.B. Pumpkin"; Bryn Hughes Koehn, 13 months, "The Littlest Emperor"; Sarah Kennedy, 17 months, "Tennis Ball"; Jenna Obed, 1 1/2 years, "Mouse"; Sawyer Flaio, 1 year, "Friar Tuck"; Jayd Finkbeiner, 20 months, "Pirate"

Two Years

Andrew Garbutt, "Modern Day Weatherman"; Dane Carlson, "Sailor Boy"; Nicky Raffey, "Winnie the Pooh"; Matt Wilson, "Future V.B. Baker"

Three Years

Daniel Russell, "Festus"; Emma Beley, "Leopard"; Laura Friesen, "Butterfly"; Haley Hughes Koehn, "Baby Bop"; Hector Heffelfinger, "Batman"; Eleanor Heffelfinger-Orser, "Sunshine"; Alexander Hawley, "Cheeah"; David Isbister, "The Great Pumpkin"; Kendra Mahon, "Frog"; Jacqueline Pollard, "Ballerina"; Kathleen Reid, "The Belle of the Ball"; Tom Saunders, "Robin Hood"; Julie Sisler, "Pippi Longstocking"; Mark Vadeboncoeur, "Dinosaur"; Sam, "Dinosaur"

Age Four

Sean Bailey, "A Tribute to Sam Aitah - Wood and Ice Truck"; DeeDee Beck, "Country Dancer"; Natalie Constable, "Carman Miranda"; Katherine Dubinski, "Bunny Rabbit"; Scott Entz, "Tiger"; Brady Fainstein, "Tennis Clown"; Kendra Garagan, "Cinderella"; Lexie Giesbrecht, "(One of the) Three Little Pigs"; Michael Hall, "Hugo"; Kevin Humphreys, "Raphael"; Alexander Obed, "Batman"; Jared "Plato"; Robin Peter Stoykewych, "Dracula"; Jordan Sudermann, "Fairy Princess"; Colin Wiens, "Genie from Aladdin"; Carlee Wilson, "Happy Face Cookie"; Madilyn, "Masked Girl"

Five Years

Rika Beck, "Dancer"; Tessia Beley, "Tiger"; Matthew Careless, "The Scarecrow from the Wizard of Oz"; Mackenzie Carlson, "GoGo Girl"; Rachel Hamman, "Sailor"; Jevian Haywood, "Red Oak Owl - Burchy"; Derek Hawley, "Pirate"; Sidney Heffelfinger Dillon, "Turtle"; Lucia Heffelfinger Orser, "Angel"; Dylan

McMorris, "Scuba Diver"; Erin Reid, "Endangered Animal Activist"; Colin Russell, "Cowboy"; Christopher Thomas, "Punk"; Katie Wilson, "Happy Face Cookie"; Harry, "Wizard"; Caitlin Zigarlick, "Pocahontas"

Six Years

Andrew Ruban, "V.B. Olympic Flag Bearer"; Timothy Ruban, "V.B. Fireman"; Britany Bauman, "Pair-a-dice"; Curtis Brethauer, "Fisherman"; Erica Entz, "Pumpkin"; Jessica Fainstein, "Tennis Player"; Jordan Fletcher (Ridd), "Pirate"; Jared Finkbeiner, "Pirate"; Jonah Finkelstein, "Canadian Olympian"; Bruni Surin "100 m Sprint"; Maeghan Garbutt, "V.B. Gardener"; Catrina Henderson, "Genie"; Mark Humphreys, "Karate Kid"; Norah Isbister, "Princess Jasmine"; Hannah Parisian, "Butterfly"; Ashleigh Pilz, "Witch"; Ethan Plato, "Batman"; Michael Pollard, "Superman"; Christopher Riess, "Three Amigos"; Daniel Riess, "Three Amigos"; Ben Saunders, "Street Shark"; Julian Stewart, "Batman"; Adam Stoykewych, "Batman"; Nicole Vadeboncoeur, "Pocahontas"; Dylan Welch, "V.B. Pup"; Kristine Wilson, "Jasmine"; Stephen, "Colour Wizard"

Seven Years

Nicelle Isbister, "Pocahontas"; Rory McMorris, "Birdwatcher"; Maeghan Parisian, "Black Cat"; Steven Rathwell, "Karate Ninja"; Ben Russell, "Country Singer"; Rebecca Sisler, "Pippi Longstocking"; Luke Sudermann, "Three Amigos"; Kate Thomas, "Belle from Beauty and the Beast"; Corey Wilson, "Mask"; Jaclyn, "Masked Girl"; Stephanie Friesen, "Pocahontas"

Eight Years

Amanda Bauman, "Pair-a-dice"; Maggie Careless, "Dorothy from The Wizard of Oz"; Johanna Sheila Chipman, "Hawaiian Princess"; Meghan Tooley, "Messy Mosquito"; Danny Finkbeiner, "Pirate"; Dan Finkelstein, "Canadian Olympian Donovan Bailey 100 m Sprint"; Georgia Harvey, "Flower Girl"; Lana Hastings, "Gypsy"; Cara Kennedy, "Clown"; Christina Stewart, "Gypsy"; Colleen Thorvaldson, "Hawaiian Princess"; Aaron, "Saboureg"



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Ten Years

Sasha Hastings, "A Good Fortune Teller"; Vanessa Johnson, "Mexican Bandit"; Nicholas, "Fisherman"

Eleven Years

Isaiah Morrisseau, "Fur Trapper"

Twelve Years

Candace Bauman, "Pair-a-dice"; Catherine Holmen, "The Phantom of Victoria Beach"; Ben and Ian, "Ben Screw and Ian Huey - Mexican Bandits"

Groups

Wendy V.B. "Twin Barbies" - Kelly Knight (12), Kathleen Buchok (12), Cecilia Buchok (10)

"Siamese Hoola Twins" - Camille Kennedy (13), Natasha Peterson (12)

"V.B. Family, Going to the Beach" - Sheila Johnson - The Dad, Kaitlyn Sciberras - The Mom, Rachel Cappello - The Daughter, Kate Sveinsson - The Daughter, Lauren Johnson - The Baby Daughter (9)

"Mexican Men" - Jay (11) and Joey (9)



Maeghan Parisian (7) "Black Cat"



Natalie Constable (4) "Carman Miranda"



Sara (9), Lisa (8), Whitney (4) Spangelo "A Bevy of Beach Butterflies"



Mark Ruban (9) Andrew Ruban (6) "VB Summer Olympians"

"Overweight, Out-of-shape, Olympic Losers" - Jamie Peterson (6) - Torch Runner, "Alex Manning (10), Jenny Sudermann (9)

"Busy Victoria Beach Taxi" - Kaija Bailey (6), Kelsey Trochimchuk (7)

"The Big Bad Wolf and the 2 Little Pigs" - Elizabeth Giesbrecht (7), Jane Ripley (6), Lexi Giesbrecht (4)

"A bevy of Beach Butterflies" - Sara Spangelo (9), Lisa Spangelo (8), Whitney Spangelo (4)

"V.B. Mosquitos Keep OFF! Meghan Tooley (8) - Messy Mosquito, Katie Woolison (9) - Can of OFF"

"Early Morning Flea Market Thieves" - Joshua Rowson (7), Tess Rowson (4) Knights, Princess and Dragons Spencer Guest (8) - Knight, Sarah Guest (3) - Princess, Mitchell Guest (6) - Knight, Jane Ducek (10) - Dragon King, Alex Johnson (6) - Dragon Prince

"Victoria Beach Mosquitos" - Caitlin and Lindsay Neal; Brody, Murphy and Reilly O'Connor

"Bird Watchers" - Kelsey (11), and Stefan (6)

"Cover Girls" - Britt Harvey (12), Bridget Savage (11)

"Two Little Fishermen" - Matthew Deleau (3), and Jaimi Deleau (1/2)

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Victoria Beach Summer "Truisms"!

If ever there was a place that has stood the test of time and change and has been able to maintain it's traditions (and idiosyncrasies) — THIS must be the place! The locations and events on this peninsula are deeply ingrained in our collective psyches. They range from the glory of the sunsets to the agony of the sun-burns! Let's ponder a few of the "Truisms" of Victoria Beach. Those of the "poetic" variety I'll leave to a more gifted writer — I specialise in the mundane. Things like:

- The cottage needs painting
- If you lock a bike at the parking lot and will be returning there AFTER dark — bring a flashlight to decipher the combination and write the combination down because you may forget it amid the stress of fighting off swarms of gnats and mosquitoes!
- Always bring more money to the bakery than you think you'll need — the food temptation there exceeds the money in your pocket by about 150%.
- Propane tanks are possessed by an evil force and intrinsically know when you're having company for a gourmet meal and that's the moment that the tank will run out of fuel!
- Every Friday night this exchange will be heard in many a cottage — "Did you pick up 'The Herald'?" — "Oh... I went by the Parking lot... but I forgot to pick up the paper. I'll get it tomorrow..."
- The cottage still need painting.
- Thunderstorms to the south will go by and miss you... sometimes.
- The fish are really biting at the pier — when you are playing tennis or golf, lying on the beach, sleeping late or entertaining guests — anytime except when you are fishing at the pier with your impatient kids!
- You will not be able to remember which row you parked the car in at the parking lot.
- Sunflower seeds taste best at Victoria Beach.
- Every summer you bring 15 board games to the cottage, but the kids always end up playing Monopoly.
- One lone mosquito is hiding in your cottage bedroom. It sleeps all day, but as soon as you go to bed, it springs into life and buzzes around your head all night!

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- The cottage needs painting even more now.
- One particular window in the cottage has always been difficult to open and close and there's absolutely nothing you can do that will fix it (even if you were to — which you don't).
- When there's a choice between playing golf and cutting the lawn — the lawn will have to wait!
- In early June, when you see all your "summer" friends again — one of you will undoubtedly say: "How was your winter?" ... "My, how your kids have grown!" or ... "So, are you out here for a while now?"
- If Herb doesn't have it at the store — he'll get it for you! (Way to go, Herb!)
- There will always be potholes, puddles, rocks and loose sand on the avenues. (It's a bicyclist's nightmare — but it's traditional!)
- One of the cottage bikes needs fixing.
- "Dream cookies" will eventually cost a dollar each! (That's when we'll only be able to dream about having them.)
- There's a tree in your yard leaning in the direction of your shed. Don't go visiting at night without a flashlight — Victoria Beach is darker than any known place on earth and the streetlights are on roads you won't be using!
- The ninth hole at the golf course will always be the ruin of your best round of the summer — as in: "Well, I was doing great until I came to the ninth tee and then..."
- One of the cottage bikes still needs fixing.
- Every year at "Sports Day" you will have a nice conversation with someone you're sure you know but haven't got a clue what their name is!
- You are sure that you will eventually run out of costume ideas for the "Kid's Masquerade" — but so far so good!
- Eighth Avenue on an old bike seems like the longest road in the world!
- "Spritizers" taste best at Victoria Beach.
- You can have a "Spritzer" — after that bike is fixed!

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Fond Memories...

In each edition of this year's *Herald*, we will be publishing articles from days gone by. We hope you will enjoy reading them as much as we did researching them.

A Ruling in Pyjamas — Wearing at the Club-House

July 25, 1931

At the last meeting of the executive of the Victoria Beach Club, the question of allowing the wearers of pyjamas on the floor at the Saturday night dance in the club-house was brought up, and the action of the house committee in not allowing it in the past was endorsed as the future policy. On the other week nights the rule will be lifted.

Many were willing to concede considerable liberty to the dancers, but had to draw the line somewhere, and there it is.

Financially, it is a loss to the club, as many of the young people decline to come to the club-house Saturdays unless they are allowed to wear the new togs of this season. The editor of the "Herald" has received the following letter on the situation which speaks for itself, and may encourage others to write on the subject:

Another of the girls says she is going to be a "new woman," but she can hardly do that without reminding us of the first woman before the spring leaves were on the fig trees; so we ruled her out. But the rest of us are just girls out for a good time, and are rather worried, for there are two questions to be answered: What does the club committee think about it? And, again what do the boys think about it?

Of course, it's the boys after all who really matter.

But we've been told the club president, in spite of appearance, is really an old, old man, and anyone in his second childhood should be sympathetic to us girls in our first; and we hate to shock his Victoria prejudices by being too modern. But the first vice-president is a youth; at least, he looks youthful; and the second vice-president is a woman, whom we know has a woman's kindness of heart. That should help us girls.

IS "IT" HERE TO STAY?

Sober-minded citizens are wondering where the full dress pyjama craze is going to stop, if it is going to stop at all. Is it a brief interlude or is it here to stay? Will pyjamas become as common in official functions or in banks as N.S.F. cheques, or will they pass like a young man's fancy or last year's frozzy for miniature golf? Some say emphatically that they should. Others hope they won't. They may be foolish, but a little foolishness adds a gleam to the drabness of existence.

Have a Great V.B. Summer and don't forget to Drop Your Pants off, at any one of our 18 Winnipeg Locations

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News from Recycling

We now have nine large bins at the parking lot and beach people are saving our landfill by using them. Thank you all. BUT you can do more. We can now recycle every type of beer can and bottle. Please do not put them in the big bins. Instead please place them in the white box next to the bins that was built for beer bottles. I will empty it two or three times a week and move it to the recycling shed. We can make 10 cents a can/bottle for the club. Don't throw it away, please. A small, but faithful group continue to meet each Monday at the recycling shed. There, the beer bottles, and the goods from the golf club and outlying areas are sorted for recycling. Join us and help. Although the main portion of our recyclables are sent directly to Steinbach, we still have the opportunity to make money for the club through this volunteer activity. Wine makers take note. We have a good collection of bottles for sale. Come to the shed at one o'clock on Mondays to purchase your bottling needs — \$1.25 per dozen. Far less than buying in the city and ours are matched sets. (You can put clean wine bottles in the white box and we'll resell them.) Two final thoughts. Please do not put garbage with the recycling. It is dreadful having to move your garbage around. And would the person who picked up the beer cans and cashed them in last week, please bring the cash that they received to the recycling shed on Monday. We appreciate your help and I'm sure you wouldn't want to steal from the club. Come on Monday and help us. We need your help.

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