

# Victoria Beach Herald

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## President's Message

With so many fun things to do at the beach the summer seems to fly by like a wink of an eye. We have been blessed with hot, sunny days and very few cancellations of regular or special activities.

We are once again extremely fortunate to have Derek running our recreation program. He is an inspiration to the teens who work for him and the children and adults who take part in his lessons. He consistently strives to improve his program by making the best use of staff, introducing new activities and taking on responsibilities above and beyond his job description. I am always very impressed when I meet with Derek at the end of the season and see all the time and effort he has put into rethinking and planning to make his program next summer even better. The introduction this summer of the youth soccer clinic was a big hit. Each lesson had a skills component plus a scrimmage which the kids really enjoyed. Nets for soccer are very expensive so Derek is looking into making them this winter.

Golf has become extremely popular and the children have really enjoyed using the junior clubs we invested in this summer. Next season we will put more emphasis on the kid's program. Student teacher ratio is very important in order to run a safe program so we are looking into reducing the adult lessons by one and dividing the 7 and 8 year olds and the 9 year olds. It is impossible to teach 33 kids at once although Derek has come up with some effective strategies to keep every one occupied. He is also exploring a new golf program called *Future Links* which caters to children only. Another goal is to take the kids onto the golf course to learn the rules and etiquette that go along with the game.

The new projector and sound system have made movies much more enjoyable. Derek and his staff have worked very hard selling popcorn and drinks and making a very lovely profit for the club. On movie nights Derek gets to the clubhouse at 6:30 and usually doesn't make it home until 11 o'clock. Now that's dedication!

Tennis has had another very successful year with terrific turnouts for the round robins and tennis lessons. Derek recommended the purchase of a ball machine. This would be extremely useful for teaching the older kids and could be rented out during non primetime for \$5.00 for 15 minutes. We were given one which is impossible to fix as it is so outdated. We also need a battery operated one as our power source is too far away and then we can use it on any court. The cost would be approximately \$2,000. This is too much for the club to put out but if anyone would be interested in doing a fund-raiser we could cost-share such a project.

Once again on behalf of all the boys and girls, teens and adults I would like to thank Derek for making our summer one in which we learn new skills and good sportsmanship and have a lot of fun doing it. Thank you to Lara for all the ways she supports the club and Raina for sharing her dad with us. By the way, I see a great future for Raina teaching aerobics at the beach.

I would like to invite you all to lunch at the clubhouse, Saturday, August 30 at 12 noon. Take time out from doing cottage repairs and join us for a light lunch. Following lunch we will have a quick meeting including executive reports and open discussions on topics of interest to you. Hope to see you there!

Trish Rathwell

## Coming Events

### Novelty Tennis Tournament

Saturday and Sunday, August 16, 17 - Tennis Courts

### Council Meeting

Tuesday, August 19 at 7:00 p.m.

Alex Anderson Memorial Sports Club (Pine Road)

Everyone Welcome

### Cancer Nite-Lite Golf Tournament

Saturday, August 23, 5:30 p.m. - Senior Scene/Golf Course

### Cottagers' Association Annual Meeting

Sunday, August 24, 1:30 p.m. - Clubhouse



Sarah Wilkinson and Derek McPetrie  
200 Metre Swim Winners

## ★ Superstars of the Week ★

Bravo to Kim Willoughby for getting into the swing of things by running the Novelty Tennis Tournament this weekend. Thanks for putting your own spin on the ball, Kim.

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Thanks very much to Jane Carroll for the Karmic relief provided by her soothing, stretching yoga classes every Tuesday. She and Dorothy Gregory have bent and shaped us in a gentle manner for another beach season and we appreciate your time and experience.

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Merci to Carol Brunette for moonlighting as our aerobic instructor this week. She not only prepared our meals but she also helped us work them off.

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It is always a treat to have Linda Nelson lead an aerobic class and we thank you for giving us our just desserts. We appreciate you fitting us into your summer holiday, Linda.

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Another youthful crew of tennis attendants are finishing up their shift at the courts this weekend. Thanks very much to Paul Ruban, Jamie Ball, John Holland and Matthew Legge for doing a great job of maintaining our ever-popular tennis courts.

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A huge thank you to Dan Sudermann for helping us stock the canteen in the spring and fall. Each year before the season starts Dan brings the popcorn machine to the clubhouse, opens it for the Pepsi man and does it all with his beautiful Elvis smile.

Penny McMorris

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## Cottagers' Association Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Victoria Beach Cottagers' Association will be held on Sunday, August 24th at 1:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse. This is your Association, dedicated to preserving and protecting the quality of life at Victoria Beach and, in particular, the restricted area of Victoria Beach.

Although we are not aware of any significant concerns with respect to our beach, this is your opportunity to voice any concerns you may have. If you have any questions or suggestions prior to the meeting, please call Lawrie Pollard at 756-2814.



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## 60+ Golf Tournament

Tickets went on sale for this annual event on August 2nd. Yours is waiting for you at the golf course for just \$9.00. Get your tickets early so that you can reserve your tee time, your starting spot and your place at the banquet table.

Last year's popular Granny's Turkey Shoot-out on the third hole will be repeated and Canadian Airlines Hole-In-One Challenge will also be featured.

Time: Monday, September 8th, 1997; shotgun start at 9:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Cocktails at 5:30 and dinner at 6:30. Don't miss this fun-filled day with prizes galore for golfers and lucky ticket holders, a great dinner and entertainment for all.

Barb McLeod

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## Fun Run '97



On Sunday, August 10th, 52 runners participated in the Victoria Beach annual cross-country "fun run."

With our capable Reeve, Bill McDonald as the official starter, the run began at 9:30. The results are as follows:

### Women's Short Course:

10 and under 1st - Emily Birley  
11-15 1st - Sasha Hastings, 2nd - Jeanette Dyck  
16-19 1st - Mary Birley  
20-29 1st - Kristi Willoughby  
30-39 1st - Michelle Rowson  
Masters 1st - Lisa Hastings, 2nd - Pam Bonutski

Overall Trophy Winner: Mary Birley

### Women's Long Course:

11-15 1st - Alison Shurvell  
16-19 1st - Heather Dawson  
20-29 1st - Amy McCaig  
30-39 1st - Debb Brethauer, 2nd - Norma Sweetland  
Masters 1st - Heather Willoughby, 2nd - Bev Cundall, 3rd - Joan Dawson

Overall Trophy Winner: Debb Brethauer

### Men's Short Course:

10 and under 1st - Adam Brethauer, 2nd - Matthew Kloucek, 3rd - Skyler Borutski  
10-15 1st - Graham Birt, 2nd - Danny Birley, 3rd - Paul Ruban  
16-20 1st - Paul Hesse, 2nd - James Woolison  
30-39 1st - Paul Dorval, 2nd - Ken Rowson, 3rd - Gary Brethauer

Overall Trophy Winner: Paul Hesse

### Men's Long Course:

11 - 15 1st - Brian Walker  
20 - 29 1st - Walker Kemp, 2nd - Jamie Dawson, 3rd - Harvey Cramp  
30 - 39 1st - Bob Sudermann  
Masters 1st - Bruce Gelhorn, 2nd - Bryan Flynn, 3rd - Grant Nazarko

Overall Trophy Winner: Paul Kemp

Family Relay: 1st - Walker Family: Judy, Tim, Jeremy, Aynsley  
2nd - Pollard Family: Michael, Fran, Susan, Jacqueline

Thank you to Sandy McCaig and Deanne McDonald for keeping the runners on course. Thanks to Elaine Archer and Shannon Johnson for their registration duties and result tabulations, and to Derek Sokolski for setting up the finish line.

As well thank you to the Moonlight Inn for the donation of a T-shirt, Chris Trainor for the donation of water, the Victoria Beach Grocery Store for the oranges, and Kevin Ateah for providing transport.

A special thanks to Dick and Joan Dawson who donated the addition to the Men's long course trophy. We now have space for many more future winners.

Congratulations to all the participants — keep your runners in action and we'll see you next August.

Bob and Grace Johnson

## 200 Metre Swim Results



Once again we needed our rain/rough water date. On Saturday, the waves were crashing clear over the pier, so the race was swam on Sunday at 1:00. Sunday was generally a lovely day, except for about 45 minutes starting at precisely 1:00, when howling winds and a few dark clouds began to whip up the water to a challenging level, and certainly kept anyone from "warming up." Nevertheless, our intrepid competitors pressed on, and perhaps swam faster than they might have otherwise, just in order to be able to get out!

Results were as follows:

### Women's Open (McInnes Trophy):

1st - Sarah Wilkinson (2:30)  
2nd - Lisa Flanders (2:36)  
3rd - Krystle McPetrie (2:48)

### Men's Open (Ullberg Trophy):

1st - Derek McPetrie (2:33)  
2nd - Joe Bailey (2:58)  
3rd - Ben Johnson (3:42)

### Women's Over 18: - Diane Bailey

### Men's Over 18: - Joe Bailey

### Women's Masters: - Glennis Wilkinson

### Boys 8 & Under: - Alexander Johnson

### Girls 11 & 12:

1st - Krystle McPetrie  
2nd - Vanessa Johnson

### Boys 11 & 12:

1st - Jay Wiens  
2nd - Peter Brock

### Girls 13 & 14:

1st - Petra Tittenberger

### Boys 13 & 14:

1st - Derek McPetrie  
2nd - Ben Johnson

### Girls 15-17:

1st - Sarah Wilkinson  
2nd - Lisa Flanders

Congratulations to all participants. You are survivors!

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## Letters to the Editor



Where is the spirit of sportsmanship at the tennis courts these days? We need people like George Greengrass and Freda Bjarnson, who, in their prime, nurtured all of us as we were struggling to learn. It used to be that whoever arrived at the courts in the early morning could get a game. If there was an extra, he or she would always be included. Perhaps we should remember what a great feeling it was to be included, no matter what our ability to play. There is a place for competitiveness, but there's also a place for graciousness and good sportsmanship.

Elsie Hughes

To the Editor

The time has come to say goodbye to beautiful VB. I have spent 41 consecutive summers (9 years as a renter and 32 years as an owner) at this unique resort.

I still remember the times when there was no water and no electricity and we had to come by train. But the beauty of this place has not changed at all.

I am very attached and have cherished this place, with its geographical and topographical location surrounded by water, beautiful sandy beaches, gorgeous sunsets (sunrise - I have never seen), full moon, bright stars, northern lights, violent thunderstorms, big waves and calm water. VB is also rich with fauna and flora: wildberries, mushrooms, wild and cultivated flowers, variety of birds, tame chipmunks, occasional skunks, bears and deer, dragonflies, fishflies (unique to this lake), and last but not least, swarms of mosquitoes (in wet periods only). What a beautiful place it is in the autumn when leaves change colours, the majestic view in the winter with white-clean snow, and spring when everything slowly wakes up after a harsh and long winter. In my observation, the great majority of the people in VB (local and summer residents) do appreciate the place. I will always remember them, especially all my neighbours at Connaught Beach, the present ones and the ones gone into the latter world.

As I always say, nothing lasts forever, and there is always an end to everything. But as long as one has health and strength, it is time to move forward. I do hope it is not a good-bye but only au revoir. We'll be back. Preserve this place and good luck.

Dimitri (Dima) Ivanoff

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To the Editor

As one who believes that VB is truly a gift of recreation (i.e. re creation) where the beauty of nature, people and silence begs to be respected, I wish to make a serious statement against the infernal "sea-do." Where is the place we can refer them to that does not mind these "mindless fun at any cost" people?

Jane Gooding

To the Editor

After a long cold winter, everyone looked forward to the hot and sunny days we've been having at our wonderful Victoria Beach. However...for those of us on Sunset Blvd, each summer weekend is spoiled by those thoughtless people, mostly teen-aged, who are noisy beyond reason, consume beer on the beach (against the law), leave the mess from their groups (broken beer bottles etc.) and to top it off, set fires (against the law without permit), leave charred remains sometimes still smouldering the next day. Of late, it has been reported to the Police, that some of this same wood is stolen from these properties, presumably for the fires. We hope that the Council and the Police will get together and make it clear that there will be fines imposed for:

1. fires without permit
2. drinking on the beach
3. unreasonable noise

So, if your child causes a problem, don't complain if a police officer wakes you up and wants a fine paid in the middle of the night.

Regarding setting of fires, ignorance is no excuse. There is a large sign at the Parking Lot: NO OPEN FIRES. There are supposed to be signs at each path to the beach saying No Fires. No Dogs, etc., but, as of last weekend, both Arthur and Patricia signs had been broken off. Adults especially, should note conditions. Some people were reported in howling winds and dangerously dry conditions, to have set a fire and were fined as they hadn't a permit. All it takes is a spark in the wrong place. Think about it, the result could be a disaster for all of us.

J. Jessiman

Note to the Victoria Beach Club

Whereas the Club has performed excellently for so many years solely on and explicitly by volunteer efforts!!!

The July 1st Club Membership drive is great, but throughout the season, many cottagers abuse the membership program by passing the cards along to renters or other family members who use the cottage infrequently. I can't think of a sure solution to the abuse, but notice of it in the *Herald* would eliminate the cheating.

Pooh Corner

## Teen and Adult Co-ed Volleyball Tournament



1997 Co-ed Volleyball Tournament - Recreational Winners  
"Beyond the A's"

The day was wet and wild! But nothing could dampen the spirit of the seventy plus avid volleyball players who participated in the Teen and Adult Volleyball Tournament on Saturday, August 9th.

After an exciting 6-team Recreational Round Robin event the "Sun Jammers" surrendered to "Beyond the A's" in the final. In the competitive final "Nord Lite" did not step lightly on the "Hung Over" team. Congratulations to the winners:

Nord Lite - Bryan Foskett, Cadence Hays, Kathy Holmes, Brian Hyska, Dan (Ite) Nord, Mike Peacock.  
Beyond the A's - Larry and Justin Falk, Kevin and Gord Gooding, Lisa, Pat and Sasha Hastings, Keith and Louis McMurray, Rhonda and Bernie Plett, and Ken and Michelle Rowson.

Thank you to all the teams for their great sportsmanship and co-operation in providing referees and scorekeepers.



"1997 Co-ed Volleyball Tournament - Competitive Winners  
"Nord Lite"

Competitive - Nord Lite, Hung Over, Beach Bums, Crushers, Recreational - Beyond the A's, Sun Jammers, Coffin Dodgers, Sandy Bay Side-Outs, TBTBG, Court Jesters.

We hope to see everyone back next summer!  
Pat Peacock and Greg Daniels

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## Beach People



**William Allen (Al) Stewart**, long-time Victoria Beach store-keeper, passed away on December 30, 1996. Al was born August 23, 1912, and spent his entire life in the Norwood area, receiving his education in the Norwood schools and Provencher Collegiate.

Al was very active in sports as a young man playing baseball and hockey, enjoying hunting and fishing, canoeing on the Winnipeg River, and golfing at Victoria Beach.

Al joined the Royal Canadian Navy in World War II and served his country in the North Atlantic theatre of operations. After the war he remained with the Navy reserve.

Al married Marion Matheson in 1941 and daughter Lynn was born in 1944.

In 1958, Al and Marion purchased Sutherland's Grocery Store at Victoria Beach, changing the name to VB Grocery. The following year a butcher shop was added upon closure of Kilpatrick's. The store became a family affair after Lynn's marriage to Bob Kulack. During the 1970s Bob helped Al and butcher Paul Marples operate the store while Lynn kept busy at the family cottage on 6th, raising Al's three grandchildren - Mark, Chris and Katie. The glue behind the whole operation, however, was beloved wife Marion who toiled long hours in the back of the store. Marion died August 12, 1994.

VB Grocery reached its heyday in the late '60s and '70s as butchers Al and Paul provided cottagers with choice steaks and roasts and home-made sausages and corned beef. Al was rightfully proud of his store and the first-class service he provided to all of his customers.

Al and Marion retired in 1978 and spent a good part of each summer after that at the family cottage on 6th Avenue.

**Duncan and Judy Jessiman** have been delighted this summer to have their daughter Heather here from Toronto for quite a few weekends, often with her friend Chris Partridge. They very ably made it to the tennis semi-finals in the Mixed Doubles and Chris in the Men's.

Also enjoying their visits are son Peter and Dana, Alexandra (2½) and baby Cady, (10 months), who are just across the road at 305-1st.

Visitors abound at 321-1st Ave. The Dennehy's have had their niece Eden, husband Dr. John Frank and children, Nathaniel, Carlisle and Lachlan en route to San Francisco from Toronto, granddaughter Riley from Whistler, BC, (daughter of #2 son Kerry and Ginny), son #3 Timothy, Liz and children Kate and Connor from Vancouver, and await the arrival of Susan (wife of #1 son Shaun) and children, Quinn and Keenan from Whitehorse next week. Long time friend Jean Cruikshank is here to garner

Saskatoons, pin cherries, blueberries etc. and loving every minute of picking our bountiful crops.

Flying over VB on August 9th you might have seen an unusual set of twinkling lights, heard Christmas music and seen Santa Don and many elves. The Wilkinsons, 207-6th Ave celebrated Christmas in August with forty-two friends and relatives. A feast of salmon, followed by a reading of *Twas the Night before Christmas* led by Santa Don with phrases being completed by the guests when prompted. The gift exchange saw lots of bartering among guests. Gifts were \$1 or less encouraging creativity and deceptive gift wrapping to entice guests! Ask about the weather rock!

The Vancouver migration to VB began July 7th when Glennis, Taryn and friend Dana Fischer arrived at the cottage. Following within days were Jason, Jennifer and Briar Balloy of North Vancouver, who enjoyed beautiful weather, fun adventures including the fishy season and "water snakes." The Fishers of Vancouver arrived to pick up daughter Dana on their way to Hamilton, Ont. Blair enjoyed the golf course. Lindsay and Rene went pier jumping, biking, and swimming. In the meantime, mother Pat made many trips to the parking lot to pack and repack their car for the trip east. Pat needs to write an operator's manual - "Packing for a 9000 mile journey and surviving"! Another Victoria Beach summer has sped by in a blink! See you at the beach now or in 1998!

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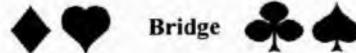
## Swim Convenor's Final Update

The 1997 Victoria Beach Club Swim Program is now a part of history. Overall, it has been a successful year, with approximately 300 swimmers participating. As well, although the lake was slower than usual to warm up, we had fewer rainy days than we do most years (the swim instructors are always pretty happy about that!). We were also very fortunate to have a very strong staff this year in Jen, Andrika, Martha, Jenny and Mary. As a rookie convenor, I appreciated the fact that at least they always knew what was going on, and what we should be doing next. Thanks, girls!

Anybody wishing to be a part of this fabulous swim staff next year, I'd love to hear from you. We'll need at least two instructor-guards, and two other instructors. An instructor-guard is someone who is at least 17 years old, has his/her Bronze Cross (preferably NLS), and both Red Cross and Royal Lifesaving Society Instructor Awards. Minimum qualification for junior instructor is Red Cross Instructor. If you wish to apply, please send a résumé to me at 209 Yale Avenue in Winnipeg. I'm hoping to do next year's hiring in April of '98, so it will be best to send it before then. (If your courses are not yet completed by April, but will be by the end of June, please apply anyway.)

In closing, I'd like to thank all the swimmers who participated, and their parents, for their enthusiasm, co-operation, and for their patience in bearing with a few of our trying times this year (dock!; transition to new program!; etc.) I would especially like to thank all those of you who took the time to give us encouraging comments. It's always nice to know when something is going well! All the best in your winter swim programs. See you next year!

Pat MacRae, Swim Convenor



Monday was a memorable night at the Clubhouse Bridge with a driving rainstorm, the dripping roof, and shooting stars on the way home.

The cards for most of us were not so memorable. However, we congratulate Shelley Saunders who topped the Beard with 3840 and Betty MacRae as runner-up with 3550.

Ken and Dolores Jardine

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## Donna Thain and Barbara Lillie Win Coveted Victoria Beach Duplicate Bridge Trophy

A well-deserved win for this couple who were 5½ points ahead of their closest opponents. Donna has been a valued organizer since the inception of this tournament and is a fine player. Barb, probably the youngest player present, is an avid enthusiast and has only been playing duplicate bridge for a year or two.

Former Cup winners, Jean and Walter Bushuk, came second. Nancy Mitchell (who took her turn running the VB Bridge Club in the early years) and her partner Avonnie Trainor (mother of our VB Swimming Program Convenor, Patsy MacRae) came third. There was a 35-point span between the top score and the bottom but like golf, who can resist the challenge of the next game?

The Committee was delighted with the turnout — 8 tables — all the old faithful plus some first-timers. The clubhouse was cold and breezy owing to three upper windows which would not close! Help! Could we have a new pulley or two to correct this situation? Coffee and cookies were heartily welcomed.

Noreen and Dave Reid (Cup winners too) were again pressed into service to do the scoring. Thank you for your time, effort and fast service on Saturday and we hope you got a full night's sleep on Sunday.

As always, it was a fun evening for all who like Bridge. Never tired duplicate? Try it, you'll never regret it. See you next year, same time, same place. Another great Victoria Beach Club happening.

Dodie Dennehy

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## Kid's Corner

I am 8 years old and I am at the Beach kid that cleans Clubhouse Beach. One day last week I saw some teenagers cleaning up their garbage and someone else's garbage. Thank you for your help!

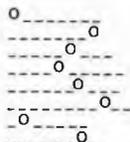
Joshua Rowson

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This week Jocelyn Duncan welcomes a best friend of hers, Sharon Reinhardt, down to Victoria Beach. This is Sharon's first visit to VB. We're looking forward to introducing her to our fun-filled beach.

## Word Jumble

1. NIIITVVG
2. RALMELUB
3. CEILPPOSS
4. NNNUSATGI
5. MIOSTIEQSU
6. RAGDOLINEFS
7. LFGONGI
8. INIWGSM



Solution: \_\_\_\_\_

Hint: All the words are related to the beach.

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It's Saturday August 23rd at 5:30 p.m. with the fun starting at the Senior Scene. Please bring two irons, a putter and a flashlight. We'll have a silent auction and a putting contest. You can enter by calling McKibbin at 756-8605, Marshall at 756-8255 or Dalrymple at 756-3859. Come and join in.

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1. Always transport, store and use your propane cylinders in an upright position. Never use a cylinder larger than a 20 lb. cylinder with your barbecue.
2. When hooking up a cylinder to your barbecue, always check for leaks. Prior to igniting your propane gas burner, check all connections for tightness using a soap and water solution. Do not use a match or other source of ignition to check for leaks. With all the valves turned off on the grill, slowly open the cylinder valve by turning the handle counter clockwise. Apply leak detector solution to the connections being tested (hose connections, service valve, base and stem of the service valve and regulator). If bubbles appear, become larger in size, or increase in number at any connection, the connection is not gas tight. Any leaks must be corrected before the barbecue is used.

### Lighting Procedures:

If there are no leaks at any of the connections and if the grill is not provided with a push button or rotary ignition system, proceed as follows:

1. Always open the grill body cover (hood) before attempting to light a gas grill.
2. Open the valve on the propane cylinder slowly. Make sure that the valves on the barbecue are in the off position.
3. Light a match or ignitor, then insert into the lighting hole close to the burner.
5. Turn on the gas valve in line with the corresponding burner to be lit to the position recommended by the barbecue manufacturer.
6. If the burner(s) does not ignite within 5 seconds, turn the valve(s) off. The burner tubes may be plugged by dirt or other foreign materials such as spider webs.
7. When you have finished cooking, always shut off the service valve on the propane cylinder and allow the gas to burn out of the line. When the burner goes out, shut the valve(s) on the barbecue.

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## Catching a Wave at Connaught Beach

Again this summer the beach crowd have been royally entertained by the training runs of the internationally acclaimed, talented, windsurfing McCaig family. The junior crowd have also gotten into the spirit and have been dazzling the rest of us "beach bums" with their own windsurfing shows.

But no one could possibly top the recent exhibition by Amy McCaig. In her own words it was "totally awesome." Amy was out in the middle of the lake, catching the air when disaster struck, her bikini top broke! With the dexterity and alertness of a true champion, she deftly covered the situation with her left arm. She then manoeuvred her sail the entire homeward run with one arm. What a gal! What an athlete! She quickly jumped off the board and was clocked doing a 9.7 second 100 yard dash to her cottage. With that dazzling smile, she politely told a group of startled onlookers "Don't mind me, I have to do a quick change, I will be right back."

When she returned, smartly regaled in new swim attire she excitedly told the beach crowd about her other weird experience that day. She had been surfing that morning enjoying the strong breeze when a huge "thing" jumped out at her, was it the VB Monster or a Beluga from Churchill? No, just a large unfortunate fish. Her board decapitated the poor creature and spewed blood and guts all over Amy's equipment. (Just a regular training day at Victoria Beach - eh, Amy?). That's a warning to us common folk to stay out of Amy's way when she is training. She is one determined lady.

Good Luck to the McCaig crew and entourage in all their competitions this year.

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## Another Good Swim Year

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I would like to thank Pat MacRae, whose hard work and dedication make teaching a pleasure. I would also like to thank the other instructors Jenny Butler, Andrika Tittenberger and Martha Balicki.

I have been teaching at Victoria Beach for 3 summer and it has always been a great experience.

Head Instructor  
Jen McInnes

## Council Corner

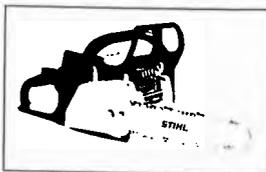
Please do not water lawns and gardens this week! During hot, dry spells the supply of water to some areas of Victoria Beach is weak because of overuse in other areas. If we all refrain from watering lawns and gardens this week then everyone will have enough water for everyday use.

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Victoria Beach, Man. August 3, 1926

### Looking into the future

The preservation of Victoria Beach as it stands today, with its great area of magnificent trees, giving shade and freshness to the cottage owners, adding to their health and happiness in visions of supreme beauty, should be the first responsibility of every owner, tenant and, in fact, every member of a family.

The first hazard is fire. Every movement which tends to avoid such a danger should be encouraged, and nothing should be countenanced which in any way might start a fire amongst the dry leaves, twigs and moss which are spread over the ground beneath the trees to the depth of several inches.

Careless throwing of matches or of lighted cigarettes or cigar stubs should be watched, and those with whom such action has become a habit, made to see the error of their ways.

Throwing out hot ashes or starting fires in camp style should be forbidden. Recently picnickers resting along Sunset Boulevard, have started fires to heat water and then have gone away and left them to the tender care of the Police Service.

There is no beach in Manitoba which has been blessed with such abundance of foliage as has Victoria Beach, and this adds to the value of every individual's holdings. If by any neglect of the warnings which are given by signs and other means, a fire should start on this beach, and should extend in its area, the destruction wrought would be irremediable, and the beauty of Nature which calls forth the admiration of all visitors would be marred beyond repair.

The Municipality and the Officers of the Beach Company

would do well to impress on the people who wander through the leafy lanes of this beach what not to do in order that this beach should be preserved for all times in its glorious covering. The time is not far distant when the Municipality must take up seriously a better supply of water to every section of the beach which has cottages. Pumping engines or large reservoir tanks must someday be placed within easy reach of those who are prepared to fight the elements of danger. It may seem to many a rather large expenditure to secure this protection when the beach is only inhabited by cottage owners for two or at the most three months of the year, and when it is known that an extra \$1,000 dollars added to the expenditure of the Manitoba Council will also add several mills to the taxation. But the matter should be faced. Expert advice should be secured to arrive at the wisest plan, one that can command itself to all those who live at the Beach for a short or long period in the year. That should be the first step to secure expert opinion and an outline of what is best to be done.

Much credit should go to the Victoria Beach Company's staff and to the Municipal Council's officers for the freedom which has been enjoyed for many untoward outbreak of fire. From time-to-time, small fires have been discovered and prompt measures taken to quell any outbreak. But there should be at hand every modern facility to fight such an intruder. Insurance companies are in receipt of a large revenue from premiums paid for the protection of cottages, and their advice should be considered when the subject is taken up in a practical way.



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