

Victoria Beach Herald

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The VB Golf Course has all kinds of members!



Photos by Earl Orpou

Even if your golf game is poor... at least you get the bonus of some wonderful VB wildlife scenery, compliments of Mother Nature!

Coming Events!

- **VB Club Membership Drive**
Fri to Sun - June 30-July 2 - Door to Door
- **Swimming Registration**
Sunday, July 2 - 1-3 p.m. - Clubhouse
Swimming Lessons start - Monday, July 3
Lesson Inquiries - Mon - Fri - 9:30 - 10 a.m.
Swim Dock
- **Teen Movie Night**
Friday, July 7 - 9 p.m. - Clubhouse
- **Flea Market ?????**
[CONVENOR NEEDED! See item, page 7]
- **VB Police Bike Auction**
Sunday, July 9 - 11 a.m.
Information Office at the VB Gate
- **Book Sale**
Sunday, July 9 - 1 - 3 p.m. - Clubhouse
- **Beach Events**
Sunday, July 9 - 10 a.m. - Noon - Clubhouse Beach
- **Teen Cliff-Climb & Wiener Roast**
Fri. July 14 - 8-11:30 p.m. - Parking Lot
- **200 Meter Open Swim**
Sat. July 15 - 11 a.m. - Pier
- **Children's Masquerade**
Sat. July 15 - 6 - 7 p.m. - Sports Ground
- **Fishing Derby**
Sun. July 16 - 10 a.m. to Noon - Pier

President's Message!

Welcome to another fun filled summer at Victoria Beach. Your club Executive and a long slate of volunteers have our usual calendar of events ready for your enjoyment. Summer programs begin July 3rd.

We have two new members on our executive this year: **Carol Leader** is our new Events Convener and **Sally Lawler** is our Tennis Convener. Thanks to outgoing convenors **Dianne Cameron** (Special Events); **Boris Bachynski** (Tennis); and **Lloyd Schmidt** (Director-at-Large) for all their time and effort. If you pass Carol or Sally, please let them know how grateful we all are that they stepped up to the plate to help to make sure our programs continue.

By now many of you will have noticed the wonderful new roof on our Clubhouse. We are confident that this roof will help to keep our Clubhouse dry and well preserved for decades to come. We are grateful for the generosity of those club members who made donations last year to offset the rather large capital cost of this project. The project cost \$26,500 and \$1250 was covered by donations specifically earmarked for the roof. If you still wish to make donations to help reduce the impact this project has had on our finances, please call me at 756-2736.

We are thrilled to have **Michelle Reimer** back as our Recreation Director again this summer. She is as anxious to get started on all the programs as the members are, so it should be another great summer. Again, representatives from the executive made some very difficult decisions in selecting this year's employees. There are very few positions for so many great applicants. We have selected a great group of young people to work in our Recreation, Tennis, and Swimming programs. For a list of their names, please check your Events Calendar.

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President's Message - continued from page 1

Our membership drive is on the long weekend at the beginning of July. Please be sure to purchase your membership and wear your wristband to all activities. If you miss the membership drive you can purchase a membership at the tennis courts or at the Library, beginning July 3rd.

We will be asking you to show your wristband at all Club activities. People wishing to participate in an activity who do not have their wristband will be asked to pay a surcharge. This will be enforced at both children's and adults' activities. So if you come to any of our programs, including yoga and aerobics, please be prepared to show or pay!

One of our first events is Swim registration on Sunday, July 2nd, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse. Be sure to get there to ensure that your child can be placed in the appropriate class for his or her summer lessons. Remember, swimming is an important life skill that is made all the more crucial by the fact that our children are spending all or a portion of their summer on a peninsula! A child who takes his swimming lessons in the lake can easily transfer the skills he learns to a pool setting. However, if your child only takes swimming lessons in a pool, those skills may not transfer quite as easily to a lake setting where there are waves, currents, and no visible bottom.

In an effort to show leadership in the area of reducing the number of vehicles that are allowed into the restricted area with special passes for special activities, we are again asking convenors of all of our activities to use either bikes or taxis when setting up activities. Let's all do our part in respecting this unique aspect of Victoria Beach.

Come on summer!

Marj Birley

PS - Below, you'll find a listing of your Club Executive for 2006. When you see them, pass along your thanks for all the hard work they put into your VB Club summer activities!

VICTORIA BEACH CLUB EXECUTIVE

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FROM KEVIN, SANDRA AND PARKING LOT STAFF

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"Bits and Pieces" from the Editor



So, that wasn't a bad winter, was it? In fact, it was so painless, it doesn't even seem like 10 months since we last fired up the Herald.

Amazingly, this will be the 80th year that this little newspaper has covered everything you need to know about a VB summer.

The Herald is a non-profit, volunteer venture of the Victoria Beach Club, in which the ad revenues will hopefully cover the considerable printing cost. So, if you're a merchant or individual who would like to support this ongoing summer-community-project, please call Joanne at 756-3523 and buy an ad. Our thanks to all of you who have supported us in the past and to those who will be kind enough to do so in the future!

When you buy a VB Club membership, you are also financially supporting this publication. Even though you may not participate in any VB Club summer activities — you probably do enjoy your weekly Herald. Your membership purchase (or donation) helps keep this newspaper alive, and the VB Club says "Thanks!"

If you have thoughts, funny stories, jokes, historical memories, or constructive comments relating to our community — they're always welcome. We try to publish as many contributions as possible, but please keep in mind that editing is often necessary for reasons of clarity, space, [and occasionally ... taste].

"Thanks!"

Because the VB Club is operated by volunteers, we thank a lot of people for their help every summer! In the case of the Herald, thanks go out to —

- Joanne Johnson, the ever-enterprising and efficient Herald Advertising Manager; and to our speedy typists — Kim Willoughby, and Kristi York.

- Special thanks to Lloyd Schmidt, who once again has kindly volunteered to pick up the newly-printed Heralds in the city and deliver them out to the lake.

- We're grateful to Kevin and Sandra Ateah [and the VB taxi staff] for their unflinching help with the Friday-night Herald distribution.

- We also appreciate the work of: our Herald layout-ladies; Unigraphics Printing; and John Heppenstall, whose communications company co-ordinates the printing.

Assorted reminders!

- If you're submitting something to the Herald, the ideal method is: e-mail —

[ahwilloughby@shaw.ca]

Of course, traditional hand-written material is always accepted. [We also try to decipher the occasional illegible chicken scratches ... but make no guarantees on those!]

Drop your submission in the Herald mailbox by the corner window in the VB Grocery or in the Editor's mailbox at 30 Bayview Blvd. All submissions must include your name, beach address, and beach phone number [if available]. The deadline is Sunday at 4 PM for the next week's issue. [Please note: the last Herald issue of the season will be on Friday, August 18th, making the deadline for that one — Sunday, August 13th.]

- Herald CLASSIFIED AD forms are always available at the VB Grocery, near the Herald mailbox. Classified Ads MUST be accompanied by payment!

- If you're an event convenor this summer and have access to a digital camera, you can:

- e-mail a picture of your event to the Herald;
- loan us your camera-memory-card with the pic on it; or, borrow the Club's digital camera.

Just arrange any of these options with the Editor at 756-8264. [We can't guarantee that your photo will make it into the paper, but we'll do our best to find room.]

- We ask that you please take only ONE copy of the Herald. This helps keep our printing costs down and ensures that there are enough copies for everyone at the beach. If there are any extra copies, they will be available, as always, at the Parking Lot office.

Enjoy another wonderful summer at the lake!

Allen Willoughby



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Victoria Beach Club Membership Drive: June 30 – July 2

Welcome back to Victoria Beach for another fun-filled, activity-packed summer! The Victoria Beach Club, an organization of volunteers, sponsors many of the recreational programs and events held during the summer.

The recreational programs offered include: swimming, tennis and golf lessons, yoga, aerobics, mixed bridge, movies, arts and crafts for children, supervised hikes and bicycle rides, teen nights and family recreation nights... just to name a few.

Some of the special events include the dog show, sports day, beach events, the cross country run, the masquerade, tennis tournaments, open swims, and the fishing derby. The Club is responsible for the publication of the Herald; the maintenance of the swimming dock, the clubhouse and the tennis courts; as well as the salaries of the recreation director, the recreation and tennis court assistants and the librarians.

The major source of revenue to provide all these programs and services is through the sale of memberships and club donations. We need your support to continue the traditions that have made Victoria Beach so special. If you feel that you would like to help us out even more than by simply buying your membership, you can also make a tax-deductible donation to the Club. (Canvassers will provide a tax-receipt.) If you feel that you do not need a membership, we also ask you to consider making a donation to maintain the traditions of VB.

The membership rates for 2006 are as follows:

	Season	Month	3 Weeks	2 Weeks	1 Week
Family	\$45.00	\$40.00	\$35.00	\$30.00	\$25.00
Couple	\$35.00	\$30.00	\$27.50	\$25.00	\$20.00
Single	\$30.00	\$25.00	\$22.50	\$20.00	\$15.00

Family is defined as mother, father and/or guardian and their children only. Payment by cheque is preferred. Cheques should be payable to the 'Victoria Beach Club'.

Wristbands are back again this year in a purple colour. Please remember that you MUST wear your wristband to all VB Club activities in order to participate in any club event. Each family member will receive a wristband upon the purchase of a membership. All members must wear their wristbands when attending Club-sponsored events. Parents — it would be a good idea to write your child's name on the wristband in the event that it gets lost. Replacements for lost wristbands are available for \$2.00. Wristbands will be checked at events.

If you miss the membership drive, you can buy your membership during the swimming lesson registration on Sunday, July 2nd at the Clubhouse, or throughout the summer at the Library (during regular hours) and at the Tennis Courts.

The Membership Drive for the Victoria Beach Club is planned for Friday, June 30th to Sunday, July 2nd. Volunteer canvassers will be going door to door to assist you in the purchase of memberships for your family. Once again canvassers will also take payment for your tennis shoe tags (\$7.00 per person). To obtain your shoe tag you will need to take your membership application receipt to the tennis court.

Volunteers are always needed! If you would like to be added to our list of canvassers please let us know. It's a great way to get re-acquainted with your beach neighbours after a long winter and it provides a valuable service to the Club.

The membership kits for the canvassers can be picked up after 4pm on Friday, June 30th at 316 - 2nd Ave.

Allison Guest and Carol Ducek

VB Club Membership Drive Volunteers Needed!

The following routes need volunteer canvassers to sell VB Club memberships on July 1st and 2nd.

- Elm, Balsam, Thomas Drive
- Birch
- Centre
- Victoria Blvd, Sports Field to 8th
- Gibson
- Mike Bay/Sprague Crescent
- 8th, Alexander to King Edward
- 6th, King Edward to 1st
- 5th, Arthur to Patricia
- 3rd, Patricia to Alexander
- 1st & 3rd, Arthur-Patricia

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VB Things You Need To Know!

■ VB Police Department

- Chief: Stewart MacPherson
- The Police Office is located at the north-east corner of the VB Firehall.
- Phone- 756-2322
- Cell: 754-7166
- Emergency: 911

— Summer Officers: Blair Boucher, Lindsey Stevens, Chris Flook, Logan Binda, Noel Shaw.

■ VB Doctor Information

We welcome the doctors who will be in residence through the summer at the Doctor's cottage at 124 Birch Ave.

Doctor's Hours

Tuesday to Saturday - 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.; and 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Sunday and Monday - 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Please bring your Health Insurance Number and pay for all medications at the time of service.

VB Doctor's Office: 756-2247

Emergency/Ambulance number: 911

Pine Falls Hospital: 367-5400

■ VB Library Hours

Tuesday-Saturday 11-noon

Tuesday-Thursday 7-8 p.m.

Closed Sunday & Monday

■ Moonlight Inn

Summer Hours — 10 a.m. - 10 p.m.

■ VB Grocery

July and August — Open Daily.

■ VB Bakery — Summer Hours

Monday - Friday — 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. [Closed from 2-4]

Saturday — 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. [NOT closed from 2-4]

Sunday — 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. [Closed from 2-4]

Open on all holidays

■ Post Office Location and Hours

The Victoria Beach Post Office operates year-round from Lot 19 — Ateah Road.

[Pine Greenhouses & Grandma's Craft Cabin.] [756-2689]

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and 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Please note:

● Outgoing mail is now picked up every evening and must be received at least 15 minutes before closing to be included in that day's mail pickup.

● No mail is received at the Post Office on Saturday, Sunday or Holidays.

● Every summer, there's a large volume of unclaimed mail at the Post Office. Unclaimed mail is returned to the sender after 15 business days. Please stop by and see if there's mail waiting for you.

■ Miscellaneous

— Information Office [at the VB Gate]: 756-2725

— VB Taxi / Parking Lot / Messenger Service: 756-2383

— VB Public Works: 756-2286

— VB Municipality Office [Wpg]: 1-800-513-3839

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Manager: John Evans

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	Seasonal	Monthly	Two Weeks
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Single Adult	215.00	130.00	90.00
Juniors 13-17	130.00	85.00	60.00
Child 12 & under	95.00	62.00	56.00
2 or more children, same family (12 & under)	140.00	95.00	65.00

Green Fees

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Children - \$1	Offround 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. on Tuesdays only	

Lockers

	Lower Locked	Upper Locked	Lower Open	Upper Open
Seasonal Monthly	\$30.00	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$20.00
Daily	\$2.00		\$20.00	\$15.00

* All above memberships include GST - Children 12 & under may not be off Saturdays, Sunday or holidays until after 10:00 a.m. and must be accompanied by an adult.

Summer Movies at the Clubhouse! Starting July 4!

July
Tuesday, July 4 - **The Wild Thornberries**
Thursday, July 6 - **Spymate** [G]
Friday, July 7 - **Teen Movie - 9 p.m.**
Tuesday, July 11 - **Thunderbirds** [PG]
Thursday, July 13 - **Woodwinked** [G]
Tuesday, July 18 - **Adventures of Shark Bay and Lava Girl** [G]
Wednesday, July 19 - **Ladies Movie Night** [8 p.m.]
Thursday, July 20 - **Nanny McPhee** [PG]
Friday, July 21 - **Teen Movie - 9 p.m.**
Tuesday, July 25 - **Balley's Billion** [G]
Thursday, July 27 - **Kicking and Screaming** [PG]

August

Tuesday, August 1 - **Peter Pan** [G]
Thursday, August 3 - **Doogal** [G]
Friday, August 4 - **Teen Film Festival - 9-11 p.m.**
Tuesday, August 8 - **Two Brothers** [PG]
Thursday, August 10 - **Yours, Mine, and Ours** [PG]
Friday, August 11 - **Teen Movie - 9 p.m.**
Tuesday, August 15 - **Whale Rider** [G]
Thursday, August 17 - **Babe** [G]

Please note:

- July and August movies will all start at 7:30 p.m.
- The movies are approximately 2 hours in length.
- All Tuesday and Thursday movies are rated **G** [General] or **PG** [Parental Guidance] according to the Canadian Home Video Classifications.

Beach Banter!

[Editors note] - Constructive submissions for this column are always welcome. If you have a "beach" story, beef, bouquet, or suggestion - share it with the rest of us. Please note - ONLY signed submissions will be published.

Remember - It's not fair to complain about things in the community if you haven't at least made some small effort to change things for the better. Thoughtful suggestions are welcome.

More importantly - A kind word of support or thanks is all too rare these days and should be expressed more often. It costs nothing, but it pays big dividends to the "receiver" in goodwill, renewed effort and satisfaction. As a bonus - it makes the "sender" feel good, too.

■ I thought this might be of some interest to people who rent [or are considering renting] their cottages. I discovered this while talking with my insurance company on another matter. The point is that if you rent your cottage you may not be covered in the event of a property or liability claim. Much to my surprise I would not be covered in this case.

My policy states that it does not include "Business Property".

It further states that "Business Property" means "property on which business is conducted, property rented in whole or in part to others, or held for rental".

Those who rent or are considering renting should verify that they are covered by their existing insurance to avoid what could be a considerable financial burden in the event that a person or persons sustained an injury or worse while renting and chose to launch a lawsuit against the owner.

I expect you can buy a rider to provide this coverage. In my case, I was told that I would have to go to another company for this coverage as my insurance company does not provide this insurance. Based on this, I would not consider renting without the proper coverage.

Bruce Down

■ Many thanks to the person who found my wife's golf-club head-cover on the road and turned it in to the golf course. I appreciate it because it was me who lost it!

It may not seem like a big deal that we got this back, but I have discovered that a big part of women's golf seems to be the importance of colour-matching everything! So, having lost it, I'd have to buy another MATCHING set of head-covers... and would they be just the right shade to match the rest of the bag, clubs, accessories and golf-foutfit!

I lost the head-cover while towing my wife's golf cart behind my bike, back to the cottage... so she could play in the city.

So, thanks again! It's great that the colour co-ordination is kept intact - at least until the next change of golf-colour-scheme!

Allen Willoughby

■ In response to the "News Flash, New and Improved Flea Market for 2006!" in the August 19, 2005 Herald, I am writing to express my family's disappointment with the proposed elimination of the 'small electricals' department at the 2006 VB Flea Market.

I have volunteered at the Flea Market for the past 15 years and have been a regular customer in my favorite section, the small electricals. Over the years, the Flea Market has supplied our 6th Avenue cottage with many working items, including 6 pin-up lamps, a bridge style floor lamp (since rewired), a microwave oven, 2 coffee makers and a replacement carafe, a hand mixer, an electric frying pan, an electric "whipper-snipper", a genuine Cuisinart with accessories (requiring \$65 worth of repairs), a blender for a young friend on a shoestring budget, and a small hot water tank used in a neighbor's bunkhouse.

In addition, my husband's place of business has acquired another microwave oven, and multiple electric irons used to apply edge banding. As young teenagers, my sons were thrilled to acquire a power amp, a VCR, and an older, small TV. Last year I donated an unneeded large box fan, now used in the VB library, and bought a wonderful small walkman style radio.

Now young adults, my kids are setting up apartments, and were looking forward this year to shopping for small electricals at the VB Flea Market. Yes, we have bought the occasional "dud", or recognized the need for rewiring an item, but at Flea Market prices, have not been upset, but happy to contribute a few dollars to a worthy cause, our Beach Club.

I would like to suggest that as an alternative to discontinuing the electrical department, that pick-ups be limited to those small electricals which are clearly labeled as to their working condition.

"Oldies" can still be "goodies"!

Frances Woolston

[Editor's note: As you'll see in the next item, the question is not whether there will be a 'small electricals' section, but whether the Flea Market will occur at all.]

Victoria Beach Flea Market at risk!

One of the most anticipated events at Victoria Beach is currently without a Coordinator for this upcoming season.

The Flea Market is the largest fundraising event of the VB Club. It also serves as a great convenience for those wishing to dispose of their treasures and a great thrill for those searching for some.

While convening the Flea Market takes a fair degree of organization, the past convenors have generously committed to training and guiding the new convenor through the process. Also, a very nice lady has volunteered to facilitate the clean-up of the aftermath of the Flea Market, thus lightening the coordination load.

Perhaps you are a pair of siblings, or a group of neighbors or a single individual that feels you cannot let the tradition of the Flea Market die.

The future of the Flea Market of Victoria Beach?

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Please call me if you can help.

Carol Loader, Special Events Coordinator

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Tennis Report

Summer is upon us and with it comes another tennis year. My name is Sally Lawler and I am the new tennis convenor. I'd like to thank Boris Bachynski for three years of hard work - his improvements to the courts and surroundings are visible to all.

A tennis committee composed of Boris, Ken Capelle, Doug Hancock, and myself oversees tennis at VB. All aspects of the VB tennis program are discussed and decided upon by this committee. I chair this committee; represent tennis at VB club meetings and liaise with the senior court attendant. Aynsley Walker has returned as senior court attendant and will oversee the court attendants, tennis lessons and round robins. Concerns at the tennis courts or programming can be addressed to Aynsley or myself. Please respect the court attendants - they do not set the rules but only administer them - any concerns regarding rules or conduct should be directed to Aynsley or myself.

Copies of all the VB Tennis rules will be available at the kiosk. In order to use the courts you must either be a club member with a shoe-tag or pay a daily rate. Club memberships will be enforced on the July long weekend through cottage canvassers and following that at the tennis courts and other published locations. Shoe-tags are \$7.00 and must be worn on proper-soled court shoes - no exceptions.

The following rules will be enforced. They were designed to promote fair and equitable access for all players and to shorten the wait times. Please accept these rules in the spirit of fair play and good sportsmanship. Thank you.

All players must be present to sign in for court time. A player wishing to sign in cannot be currently involved in another match on the courts.

Court times will not be extended - i.e. players cannot leave the court and request a new time slot; prior to or as their court time expires. However you can stay on the court if no one is waiting - the court attendant will call you off when a new group signs in.

On Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, doubles play will be assigned to courts 1, 2 & 3 at 8:00-8:45. On Monday and Friday, doubles play will be assigned to courts 1, 2 & 3 at 9:45-10:30. This accommodates lessons and round robins and ensures maximum use of these courts.

Tennis tournaments are set for the summer. The convenors will be listed in the club calendar. Hopefully the dates work for all. The August long weekend is later this year so all dates appear later.

Master Tennis tournament - July 22-23
Junior Tennis tournament - July 26-27
Senior Tennis tournament - August 5, 6, 7
Novelty Tennis tournament - August 19-20

Please note that the Robert Kennedy tennis lessons will not be offered this summer. The Club will continue with the tennis lessons Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings.

Sally Lawler
Tennis Convenor

Golf Course News!



Once again I would like to welcome back all our golfers for another golf season.

The course opened on April 29th. We started work on April 18th, with no snow around. The tee boxes, fairways and greens did not winter well, but have improved considerably since April.

This year, the golf course will be looked after by Roger Pearson and Mel Rawluk (full-time) and John Forrest (part-time). The clubhouse staff consists of Rhett Thomas (full-time) along Anna Evans (part-time).

The dates for the summer's golf tournaments are as follows:

Men's Open - July 28th Tee-offs at 8 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.]
Ladies Open - Aug 2nd Tee-offs at 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.]
Juniors - August 9th
55 Plus - September 11th

Ken Rowson will once again be the chairperson for the Men's; Sherrill Zellis for the Ladies; Pat Hastings for the Junior's; Dawn and Ron Kirbyson for the 55 +.

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SIGN UP sheets will be available at the Clubhouse as follows:

Men's - July 1st
Ladies' - July 1st
Junior's - July 8th
55 Plus - August 5th

The future of golf is with the children, and on Tuesdays during July and August, they can play for \$1.00 between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Parents - don't send your children to the golf course - bring them!

The only restriction on children is that they cannot tee off Saturday, Sundays, and Holidays until after 10:00 a.m. and must be accompanied by an adult. This is a condition of membership, and also applies to green-fee players. (For golf course purposes, an adult is 18 or over).

I am of the view that the entire membership should marshal the golf course by speaking to those who are not respecting the course; not repairing their ball marks; or not replacing their divots. Anything of a serious nature should be reported to the golf course staff. We also welcome constructive complaints, suggestions, and compliments regarding VB golf course improvements and maintenance.

A tee should be placed under the ball on all tee boxes to prevent divots. When needed, Tee-Box-Mix is supplied at all tees to repair divots - please use it. There are signs directing golfers from greens to tees, and the paths must be followed for your safety.

The golf course will open daily at 7:00 a.m. giving greens-keepers a chance to prepare the course for play. Play before opening interferes with their work, and is also confusing to the Clubhouse Staff, who control the order of play. They will not recognize second round privileges if you tee off before the opening hour.

We will keep the rough cut to a standard height - exposing the golf balls and making the course more playable.

The management and staff are committed to providing the best possible conditions for golf. Have a great season.

John Evans
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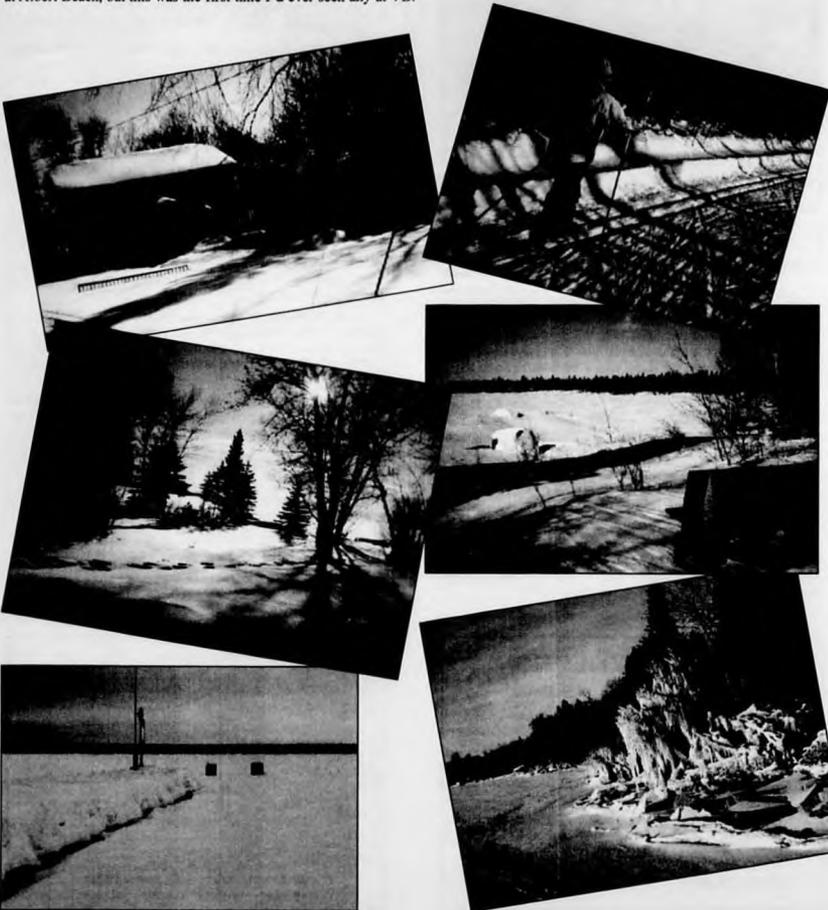
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Winter at the Lake!

If you don't spend any winter weekends at your cottage, here's a little sample of what you miss during the off-season winter months at VB. The pics are self-explanatory except for two -

- lower right, the shot of the ice-covered shore-line bushes where, just before lake-freeze-up, waves have splashed up and frozen.
- and, lower left, the two fishing-shacks just out from the end of the ice-covered pier. Each winter, there are a couple of shacks over at Albert Beach, but this was the first time I'd ever seen any at VB.





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Teen News!

Calling All VB TEENS!
The traditional CLIFF CLIMB will take place on Friday, July 14.

This event entails riding your bike to the sand cliffs, off Hwy. 59, hiking in, competing in the pail-filling contest, a leisurely swim afterwards, followed by a wiener roast.

You can register the evening of the event at the parking lot at 7:45 pm. The cost is free with your wristband and you must have it with you. Otherwise, the cost is \$5. We will leave at approximately 8:15 and should return by 11:00.

Be sure to wear your bathing suit and bring a towel. Bike helmets are recommended as are bike locks and a flashlight for the ride home. For the contest you should bring any plastic container but it can't exceed the size of a 1 litre ice cream pail.

Teens must be 12 years of age or older (no exceptions). This is a really fun event! ... so don't miss it. Adult volunteers are needed to help with: registration; preparation of the fire; and distribution of drinks and food. Please contact me at 756-2263 if you're available.

A note to parents: VB certified lifeguards will also be in attendance so our kids are safe.

Melanie Charbonneau

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It's time for another wonderful summer of reading! The Library will be open on Tuesday July 4th. The library is filled with a variety of books to choose from. From old classics to a large selection of new releases and bestsellers, the library is bound to have something for you!

And be sure to come and check out our brand new children's section! Every Wednesday we will be holding story time for children of all ages. There will always be a volunteer waiting outside to read away.

Volunteers are greatly appreciated at the library, although we are asking that all volunteers MUST be 10 years or older to help out.

Please check your cottages for any outstanding books from the past years. We have a large number of overdue books. We would like these to be returned as soon as possible.

Victoria Beach Club memberships will be required to take out books. Please have your wristband with you. We will again be selling memberships during library hours.

Just a reminder, children's books are 25 cents, and adult books are 50 cents.

The library hours are:

Tuesday-Saturday 11-noon

Tuesday-Thursday 7-8 pm

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Thank you, and happy reading!

Meaghan Proulx and Laura Neuworff
Librarians

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Rec Director's Report

A big hello to the Victoria Beach community! My husband Dave and I are thrilled to be back here, and we are really looking forward to our second summer out at the beach! We are also looking forward to an entire summer out in the Sports Field, unlike last year where most activities took place on the (often wet) Village Green!

I am pleased to introduce Sarah Schmidt, Dana McMurray, and Michael Bilecki as our new Recreation Assistants, and am very excited to welcome back Beth Gelsbrecht and Mark Lloyd as our returning Recreation Assistants. Look for the recreation staff wearing green shirts this summer while leading numerous activities out on the Sports Field. The Recreation Program will start on Monday, July 3rd, and will run for 7 weeks, ending on Friday, August 18th.

There are a few changes to this year's recreation schedule, including some time changes for our avid golfers! Please note the time and age changes on both Tuesdays and Thursdays. Also, our tennis times on Wednesday have also changed and will now end at 9:30am.

Another change that needed to occur this summer involves canteen prices at the movies. I am afraid the days of buying popcorn and a drink for less than 2 dollars has sadly come to an end. Now you can expect to pay (gasp) an extra fifty cents! Here are the new prices for the summer:

Drink-\$1.50
Small Popcom- 1.00
Large Popcom- 1.50

A quick reminder to all program participants to always wear your wristbands to the recreation activities throughout the ENTIRE summer! These activities include all Sports Programs, Aerobics, Movies, and Arts and Crafts. By wearing your wristband to all events, you are assured of paying only membership prices, if there is any cost at all.

On behalf of the staff, I look forward to seeing you and your families out in great numbers this summer to the many activities that we will be offering.

Michelle Reimer
Recreation Director

2006 Victoria Beach Weekly Summer Activities

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
AM	Tennis Lessons 8:45-9:45 Ages 7-9	Yoga 10:00-12:00 Adults and Teens	Tennis Lessons 8:45-9:30 Ages 5-6		Tennis Lessons 8:45-9:45 Ages 10 and Up
	Adult Tennis 10:00-12:00 Round Robin Play	Golf Lessons 10:00-11:00 Ages 7-11		Golf Lessons 10:00-11:00 Ages 7-11	Adult Tennis 10:00-12:00 Round Robin Play
	Aerobics 10:00-11:00	Adult Golf 11:00-12:00	Aerobics 10:00-11:00	Golf Lessons 10:00-11:00 Ages 12-16	Aerobics 10:00-11:00
	Youth Sport 10:00-11:00 Ages 10-14		Bike Hikes 10:00-12:00 Ages 7-12		Youth Sport 10:00-11:00 Ages 10-14
	Childrens Games 10:00-11:00 Ages 4-10	Arts and Crafts 12:30-1:30pm Ages 4-8		Arts and Crafts 12:30-1:30pm Ages 8-12	Childrens Games 10:00-11:00 Ages 4-10
PM	Family Sport Night 7:30-8:30	Tennis Ages 11-18 5:00-7:00 Round Robin Play	Family Sport Night 7:30-8:30	Tennis Ages 11-18 5:00-7:00 Round Robin Play	Family Sport Night 7:30-8:30 Parents Vs Kids
		Movies 7:30- 9:30pm	Teen Sport Night 8:30-Dusk Ages 12-19	Movies 7:30- 9:30pm	Teen Night 9:00- 11:30pm Ages 12-19



Beach People!



■ The VB and area picnic was held in Mesa, Arizona, in February. We had a great turnout this year — it was fun having some of the younger crowd down there for their spring break.

A pot-luck lunch was enjoyed by all. As usual, there was great rivalry playing the games with Scott and Koben MacFarlane claiming the bean bag championship for 2006. A new game was introduced and Dawn McPetric and Jean Axtays are the champs of the 3-ring-toss.

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Welcome back to all seasonal cottagers. VB Police had a little unrequited excitement over the winter with more than a few break-ins.

The "perps" were caught one night standing in the living room of a year-round resident at around midnight. Awakened from a deep sleep and angered by the audacity of the intruders, he took off after the offenders who were surprised at being chased by a naked man running through the snow with only a camera to keep him warm. The perps made good their escape on stolen snow machines but returned for the booty a few weeks later only to be caught by myself and my excellent super sleuth assistant . . . Kevin Ateah.

For those of you who were the unfortunate ones to be "hit", I still have some recovered property in my office, so if you notice something missing, please call me as we may have it.

■ Theft

Theft is often a crime of opportunity. Please remember to lock bicycles and buy stickers for them from the information office at the gate. They will be reduced to \$1.00 per sticker so log your valuables so that we can return them if we find them. And, it wouldn't hurt to put things away if they are not in use . . . out of sight, out of mind.

■ New By-Law

In an effort to reduce the likelihood of bear encounters, we have enacted a by-law prohibiting the feeding of birds in the summer. Seeing as bears love to eat bird seed, if that food is taken away, our hope is that they will not come by for a visit. Also prohibited are fridges and freezers on outside decks and screened in porches. Same thing. No food = no bears.

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■ Medical Fund – New Defibrillator

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Council wishes to acknowledge the volunteer efforts of everyone involved in fundraising (Best Spot on the Lot lotto) as proceeds from each years sales have been deposited in the Medical Trust Fund for future acquisitions of medical equipment such as our new Zoll defibrillator.

■ Wildlife/Bird Feeding – Food Storage

Council has passed a By-Law (1486) that prohibits the feeding of wildlife, including birds, and the placement of bird feeders on private and/or public property from April 1 – October 31 in each year. The feeding of birds and placement of bird feeders is permitted during the other months of the year. The feeding of all other wildlife is prohibited year-round. We have received a number of complaints from property owners over the past few years with respect to individuals feeding wild animals. This is a very dangerous practice which increases the risk to public safety and encourages these wild animals to return and can lead to very aggressive behaviour if the food they have grown accustomed to is not provided.

There are also provisions in this By-Law for the storage of food and feed to reduce the bear/human encounters that have become far too frequent in our Municipality. Food, feed, refuse and any other attractants should be kept in a secure building or container that is inaccessible to wildlife. This By-Law is an initial step in council's plan to significantly improve our garbage management and to protect our citizens and wildlife. We are also looking at measures that could be implemented, in the near future, to improve our garbage pick-up system, reduce bear/human encounters, garbage proliferation, truck traffic, etc.

There are significant fines (up to \$1,000 per day) that may be assessed by the municipal police for contraventions to By-Law No. 1486, if necessary. The voluntary compliance of all property owners is appreciated – the safety of our residents (especially children) is at stake.

■ Education Taxes

The provincial education levy (\$127,611 in 2005) has been removed from property taxes for 2006, however, the Lord Selkirk School Division levy has increased by \$274,006 from \$1,161,523 (in 2005) to \$1,435,529 (in 2006). This prompted council to write a letter to the Ministers of Education and Intergovernmental Affairs to express its displeasure with the tax increase and to point out the inequitable allocation of grant monies. The letter that was written to the Ministers follows:

March 21, 2006

Honourable Scott Smith
Minister of
Intergovernmental Affairs
301-450 Broadway Ave
Winnipeg, MB
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Honourable Peter Bjornson
Minister of Education
168-450 Broadway Ave
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Dear Minister Smith & Minister Bjornson:

Re: 2006 Education Levy
Council is pleased with the Provincial Government decision to remove the Education Support Levy on residential property for 2006. The ESL, in 2005, was \$127,611 and we believe that elimination of this levy is a significant and positive step in reducing the education tax burden on property owners.

We are, however, concerned and disappointed that the Special School Levy imposed by the Lord Selkirk School Division has increased dramatically for 2006 from \$15,557,504 in 2005 to \$17,320,573 in 2006; an increase of \$1,763,069 or 11.3%. The percent increase for our Municipality is even greater, partly due to the 2006 reassessment, as our share of the Special Levy has gone from \$1,161,523 in 2005 to \$1,435,529 in 2006, an increase of \$274,006 or 23.6%. The elimination of the ESL and increase to the Special Levy results in a net increase of \$146,395 in education taxes for our ratepayers. We note that in the previous two years the increase has also been substantial – 2004 – from \$992,244 to \$1,071,582 (7.3%); 2005 – from \$1,071,582 to \$1,161,523 (8.4%). This level of increase in one budget year to another is unacceptable, places an untenable burden on our ratepayers and should be addressed by the Government of Manitoba.

Council has indicated its concern with the level of education taxes levied, on several occasions, to the Ministers of Education and Intergovernmental Affairs. We have also expressed our dissatisfaction with the nominal grants received with respect to VLT revenue, Tax Sharing and the Canada-Manitoba Infrastructure program. The Municipality's major water system is presently under a Provincial "Boil Order" due to the total (fire) loss of our water plant in April 2005 and is facing a capital expenditure of approximately \$3,000,000 to build a new plant to provincial standards. In February 2005 we submitted a grant application (to build a new water treatment plant) under the Canada-Manitoba Infrastructure Program and are hopeful that financial assistance will be forthcoming to reduce the cost that will be borne by our taxpayers. We note that we have submitted a grant application for this purpose under previous CMI programs, without success.

Our municipal council is faced with increasing operation costs and major capital expenditures for 2006. It is our opinion that elected officials (municipal & school division) must exercise due diligence when setting their annual operating expenditures with the goal of limiting the mill rate increase to a nominal amount. It is very disconcerting to continually deal with taxpayer criticism of large education tax increases from the Lord Selkirk School Division, especially since the Municipality has no control over the level of education taxes.

Council would appreciate your comments regarding our concerns and what action the Provincial Government plans to undertake to address this matter in future years.

Sincerely,
Raymond J. Morvai, CAO

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Whimsy!

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■ Did you ever get the feeling that vacations were actually invented by the Kodak company to boost film sales?

■ Philosophy from the open road: "If you're travelling with young children in the back seat, it isn't so much a vacation as World War III with colouring books!"

■ Two husbands are talking about their vacation plans, and one of them says: "Well, my wife is very good about planning vacations. Each year she says we can go anywhere I like. Then, she hands me a list of all the places I'd like!"

Allen Willoughby

[Editor's note: Whimsical submissions are always welcome. If you have some 'tasteful' humour you'd like to share with the rest of us — drop it in the Herald mailbox at the VB store.]



The VB Club "Plus 30" Dance – "Sunset Sizzle"

Saturday, July 22nd

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VB Slow Pitch Champs – 2005



A flashback to last summer! – The Slow Pitch champions "Coal Delite"

Back row [left-right]: Brit Harvey, Cathy Butler, Jill Laxdal, Kris Garant, Andrew Neill, and Mike Kay.

Front row [left-right]: Betty Lodewyks, Ike Ullberg, Sara Manning, and Mike Lodewyks.

Start getting your team ready for this year's fun tournament on August 19th.

Aerobics INSTRUCTORS needed!

We are in need of volunteer aerobic instructors for various days in July and August.

Aerobics is on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays from 10:00 till 11:00 a.m.

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Bridge News



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VB Council Meetings - Highlights

■ January - 2006

- Delegation: **Brad Patzer / Chris Leskiw / Debbie Dyck Re: Alex Anderson Sports Club**

A written submission had been provided to council regarding the Club's proposal to rebuild and relocate its existing facilities on Pine Road. The delegates were present to discuss various aspects of the Club's proposal, including the following: Details of proposed new facility - relocated to PTH59 with other Club amenities

Local government generating facility - employment opportunity for local individuals Government funding will be sought, including RM support - in principle & financial Facility will probably be constructed in phases

The project was discussed with council members and several questions and comments were addressed to the delegates. Council thanked the attendees and advised that council was supportive of the Club members' proposal to rebuild and relocate the facility.

■ March - 2006

- Delegation: **Robert Belanger - MB Conservation - Grand Beach**

Mr. Belanger was present to discuss concerns related to garbage, bears and public safety from a Manitoba Conservation perspective. Highlights of his presentation included:

RM should consider a By-Law re: food/feed storage & wildlife feeding

Province is considering implementation of a scientific study relating to bears

RM should consider participating in a "working committee" to address issues relative to bears - garbage - food & feed storage - waste management

RM should consider use of "bear-proof" containers - cost \$189,000 - possibility of lease-to-own program

RM should look at the possibility of partnering with other RMs - specifically R. M. of Alexander

Council thanked Mr. Belanger for attending the meeting and advised that it was considering ways of improving garbage management and reducing the risk of bear/human encounters

■ April - 2006

- Res. #2006/01 - Ateah/Kaye

That the R. M. of Victoria Beach council agree to suspend operation of the municipal gravel pit, except for purposes of the Municipality, effective May 18, 2006 and that said decision to suspend activity be reviewed in 2007. Carried

■ May - 2006

- Delegation: **Jennifer Campbell - Village Green Play Structure**

Ms. Campbell presented a letter to council regarding her Committee's plan to rebuild and/or add to the Village Green playstructure. Highlights of the discussion included:

Small committee organized to raise funds for new equipment

Has RM council set aside monies for a new playstructure?

RM not opposed to Ms. Campbell's / Committee's plan

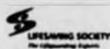
Council advised Ms. Campbell to discuss her Committee's plan with the VB Club

Council thanked Ms. Campbell for attending the meeting and informing it of the Committee's proposal.

[Editor's note: The two summer VB Council meetings held at the beach will be Tues, July 18 and Tues, Aug. 15, both at the Sports Club on Pine Rd at 7 p.m.]



Swim Program 2006



Welcome VB'ers to Swim Safe 2006!

Your team this year is myself, Alice Russell - Swim Program Convener; Emily Birley, Swim Program Supervisor; Laura Johnson, Lisa Spangelo and Patrick Beech - Instructors. The Victoria Beach Club is an affiliate member of the Red Cross and the Lifeguarding Society. All instructors are employed by The Victoria Beach Club and hold valid Red Cross and Lifeguarding Society certification.

You executive is proud to continue its support of this longstanding, proud and vital VB tradition. At the root of our swim program is the desire to keep our families safe.

"Fun, Family and freedom" are words we often associate with the cottage. But living without a care in the world could, in fact, prove deadly. Water is a silent killer. Drownings are the third leading cause of preventable death for children under 10 years of age. They can happen in less than a minute and in just centimetres of water. [Source: Lifeguarding Society website]

As I was reading my June 2006 edition of Today's Parent, the article, "Why Children Drown" really hit home with me both as a mom, and as your swim convener. The author of the article, John Hoffmann, references a study by the US-based National Safe Kids Campaign which found that 83 percent of children who drowned were being supervised by an adult at the time! Four key supervision pitfalls were found.

- **Distraction:** Parents admitted to doing other things while supervising swimming children: talking to other adults, supervising other kids, reading, eating, etc.

- **False security in numbers:** When there are many adults around, people often wrongly assume that someone else is watching the kids.

- **Distance:** Water safety experts say that young swimmers should always be within arm's reach, even in shallow water. When toddlers fall face forward in waist-deep water, their feet go up and their head goes down. They are heavier on the upper part of their bodies and therefore may not be able to right themselves.

- **Silence:** Many of us have a cartoon image of a drowning victim - thrashing, head up, calling for help. In reality, drowning is usually silent because the victim is unable to call for help.

Deadly serious? Yes. What can you do? Well, you may be interested in enrolling your family members in our swim program this summer. Here's what you need to know:

Swim lessons will start on Monday, July 3rd, Registration Day will be on Sunday, July 2nd, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse. As usual, all registration will be first-come, first-served. Payment is due upon registration. Please also note that people in default of payment from last year will not be allowed to register this year until their account is cleared by cash payment. The fees and session dates for the 2006 season are:

Red Cross Swim Kids (Formerly Aquaquets) levels 1 - 10: two three-week sessions at a fee of \$15.00 per session. Lessons are 1/2 hour. Students may be registered for both sessions on registration day. Aqualaders: two three-week sessions, 1 hour per day, at a fee of \$65.00 per session. Session dates are:

Session 1: July 3 - July 21 Session 2: July 24 - Aug 11

Private and semi-private lessons for Red Cross Swim Kids levels 1 - 10 will also be available upon request, time permitting. Lessons are 1/2 hour. The fee for private lessons is \$50.00 per week and for semi-private lessons (maximum two students at the same level), \$35.00 per week. We will make every effort to accommodate your request.

Lifeguarding Society programs will also be offered: Swim Patrol (Rookie/Ranger/Star), Bronze Star, Bronze Medallion and Bronze Cross, in one six week session from July 3 - Aug. 11. Lesson length varies from 1/2 to 1 hour depending on the course. The fees are as follows: Swim Patrol - \$35.00; Bronze Star - \$50.00; Bronze Medallion/Bronze Cross - \$80.00. Bronze-level lifeguarding classes may have additional fees of between \$10 and \$50, depending on level and need for textbooks. These fees will be paid directly to instructors when due.

All swimmers must be at least three years old when they start attending classes. No exceptions will be made. Red Cross Swim

Preschool (Formerly Aquatos) classes for younger children and their parent/caregiver will be scheduled if there is enough interest shown on Registration Day.

There is a brand new swimming class called "Swim to Hillside" which will take place daily in the afternoon at the pier (time TBA on registration day).

Swimmers must be age 15 or older and know how to swim. Our lifeguards (at least two, depending on the number of registrants) will be present to supervise and offer stroke correction. Laps will be logged daily and the goal will be to swim the distance from VB to Hillside. Thanks to cottager Rudy Von Massow for initiating this special class!

In an effort to reduce the chaos of Registration Day, PLEASE note the following procedure:

- **BRING/KNOW:**
- YOUR copy of VB Club membership form (memberships available on-site)
- ***medical insurance #'s for each registrant
- cash or chequebook
- relevant medical conditions of each registrant (asthma, allergies, etc.)
- expected date of arrival/departure (see below)
- your own pen (highly recommended)
- **STEP ONE/AREA ONE - Choose Your Classes**
- pick up a registration form and a swim program policy sheet from the first table as you enter
- Check out the big program schedule poster to find your preferred classes.
- Fill in your registration form; read the policy document
- **STEP TWO/TABLE TWO - Buy a Membership, if you haven't already got one.**
- **STEP THREE/TABLE THREE - Get Signed Up/Fees Calculated**
- There will be four lines at this area, each ending in one of the four instructors, who will assign students to classes. Any instructor can register you for any class. Just pick the shortest line.
- **STEP FOUR/TABLE FOUR - Pay**
- Payment is by cash or cheque (payable in Victoria Beach Club).
- Please use line-up time to have your cheques ready, if possible.

As usual, we will do our best to have the various areas/tables well labeled, but we rely on our experienced VB'ers to help anyone looking overwhelmed. Thank you in advance.

Again, we are asking you to "know" your expected date of departure - too often we have found that suddenly a child will greet the instructor with "This is my last day today." Of course, the instructor, not having known this, has not prepared a progress report, and cannot stop to do so now. The child is disappointed. We hope that asking for this date in advance will minimize the problem. The date is not intended to be binding. You are free to change your mind, though we will still require two or three days notice if you decide to leave earlier than your stated date. As well, if you decide to stay longer, some notice would be appreciated as it will prevent the wasted time and expense of preparing documents prematurely.

If you cannot attend Registration Day, Emily will be at the Swim Dock every weekday morning from 9:30 to 10:00 a.m. to take new registrations (She will be at the Clubhouse if it is raining). The above fees apply. The base rate for Red Cross Swim Kids is \$15.00 for three weeks or any part thereof. Please ensure that you have your copy of the VB Club membership form and medical insurance numbers and either cash or cheque payment.

Finally, a special thank you to Bruce Morrison for the new signage at the swim docks which clearly states that only instructors and swim students are allowed beyond the gate. This enables our instructors to remain focused on teaching their classes and keeping their students safe.

Looking forward to seeing you on Registration Day and wishing you a most enjoyable and safe summer!

Alice Russell, Swim Convener



VB Yacht Club 2006 Sailing Program

Optimist Sailing Program

SIX ONE-WEEK SESSIONS FOR YOUTH AGES 7 TO 13

July 3 - Aug. 11, 2006

The Optimist GYBE program of the Canadian Yachting Association (CYA) for junior sailors (ages 7 - 13) holds morning classes for those who have had previous sailing instruction or experience, and afternoons for beginners. This program is conducted in one-person Optimist sailboats by a MSA/CYA certified instructor. Tuition is \$80 per 5 day session. Enrollment is limited to 6 participants per session.

ALL STUDENTS MUST BRING A CSA-APPROVED PFD (LIFE JACKET) TO PARTICIPATE.

Please complete the following release:

In consideration of acceptance of this entry of my being permitted to take part in this event, I agree to save harmless and keep indemnified the Canadian Yachting Association, the Manitoba Sailing Association, the Victoria Beach Yacht Club, its organizers and its respected agents, officials, servants and representatives from and against all claims, actions, cost, expenses and demands in respect to death, injury, loss to my person or property, however caused, arising out of or in connection with my taking part in this event notwithstanding the same may be caused or occasioned by the neglect of the same bodies, or any of their agents, officials, servants or representatives I further understand that this release of binding upon myself, my heirs, executors and assigns.

I hereby agree that the information on this application will be forwarded to the Manitoba Sailing Association.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____

RETURN TO: Pat Dorval, 207 Wildwood Park, Winnipeg, MB R3T 0E3

APPLICATION FORM FOR OPTIMIST SAILING PROGRAM

Name _____

Age _____ Phone (City) _____

Address (City) _____

Postal Code _____

E-Mail _____

Address (Lake) _____

Phone (Lake) _____

In appropriate areas below, please indicate your first (1) and second (2) choices. NOTE: Morning classes are for advanced and afternoon are for beginners.

DATES	9:00-11:30	12:00-2:30	2:30-5:00
July 3 - July 7			
July 10 - 14			
July 17 - 21			
July 24 - 28		GIRLS CAMP	
July 31 - Aug 4	OPTIMIST ADVANCED		
Aug 7 - 11			

*1) During days of poor weather, students may be dismissed early.

Full payment is required with this application.

COST OF THIS IS \$80 PER SESSION PLUS A ONE-TIME \$10 MSA FEE.

OPTIMIST ADVANCED CLASS IS \$100. CHEQUES PAYABLE TO VBVC.

CYA (White Sail) Learn to Sail Program SIX ONE-WEEK SESSIONS FOR TEENAGERS AND ADULTS

July 3 - Aug. 11, 2006

The CYA Learn to Sail for teenagers and adults of any sailing ability holds morning classes for those who have had previous sailing instruction or experience, afternoons for beginners. This program is conducted in two person Laser II and Laser sailboats by CYA/MSA certified instructors. The \$120 per student tuition covers 5 half-day sessions. Enrollment is limited to 6 participants per session.

ALL STUDENTS MUST BRING A CSA-APPROVED PFD (LIFE JACKET) TO PARTICIPATE.

Please complete the following release:

In consideration of acceptance of this entry of my being permitted to take part in this event, I agree to save harmless and keep indemnified the Canadian Yachting Association, the Manitoba Sailing Association, the Victoria Beach Yacht Club, its organizers and its respected agents, officials, servants and representatives from and against all claims, actions, cost, expenses and demands in respect to death, injury, loss to my person or property, however caused, arising out of or in connection with my taking part in this event notwithstanding the same may be caused or occasioned by the neglect of the same bodies, or any of their agents, officials, servants or representatives I further understand that this release of binding upon myself, my heirs, executors and assigns.

I hereby agree that the information on this application will be forwarded to the Manitoba Sailing Association.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____

RETURN TO: Pat Dorval, 207 Wildwood Park, Winnipeg, MB R3T 0E3

APPLICATION FORM FOR CYA (WHITE SAIL) LEARN TO SAIL PROGRAM

Name _____

Age _____ Phone (City) _____

Address (City) _____

Postal Code _____

E-Mail _____

Address (Lake) _____

Phone (Lake) _____

In appropriate areas below, please indicate your first (1) and second (2) choices. NOTE: Morning classes are for advanced and afternoon are for beginners. The cost is \$120 per session plus a one time MSA fee of \$10.

DATES	9:00-12:30	1:30-4:30
July 3 - July 7		
July 10 - 14		
July 17 - 21		
July 24 - 28		
July 31 - Aug 4		
Aug 7 - 11		

Sailing lessons are offered for young people in Optimist dinghies as well as White Sail levels for both youth and adults in Lasers and Lasers+. Private sailing lessons are offered by request. Optimist students are encouraged to attend Saturday races for fun and practice. The meeting time is 1:00 p.m. at the yacht club. We will spend 2 hours racing. The only requirement is that the sailors feel comfortable sailing in an Optimist by themselves. Boats will be supplied. Check the date(s) that you child will attend July 15 _____ July 22 _____ July 29 _____ Aug 5 _____ Aug 12 _____ The cost for the entire racing session is \$25.

PRIVACY Your name and address including e-mail address will be used to correspond with you regarding the sailing school, and to send you information about the Yacht Club. The Yacht Club may contact you to conduct market research and surveys in an effort to continually improve the school. The above information will also be sent to the Manitoba Sailing Association and the Canadian Yachting Association for their records and distribution of material. You may withdraw your consent to any further collection, use or disclosure of information about you at any time by giving reasonable notice.