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## Coming Events!

- **Swimming Lesson Inquiries**  
Mon - Fri — 9:30 - 10 a.m. — Swim Dock
- **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
- **RM/VB Council Meeting**  
Tues, July 18 — Sports Club [Pine Rd] — 7 p.m.
- **Ladies Movie Night**  
Wed. July 19 — 7 p.m. — Clubhouse
- **Teen Movie Night**  
Friday, July 21 — 9 p.m. — Clubhouse
- **Masters Tennis Tournament**  
Sat. & Sun. July 22 & 23 — Tennis Courts
- **Sports Day**  
Sat. July 22 — 10 a.m. to Noon — Sports Ground
- **30+ Dinner & Dance**  
Sat. July 22 — Evening — Clubhouse
- **Junior Tennis Tournament**  
Wed & Thurs, July 26 & 27 — Tennis Courts  
Friday, July 28
- **VB Municipal Election Day!**  
Friday, July 28 — [See info inside]

## President's Message

Our summer programs are now in full swing. It is great to see so many club members participating enthusiastically in the various events. It is also great to have a dry, mowed sports field on which to conduct our sports! Remember last year?

It's not too late to sign up your precious young ones in swimming lessons. Remember, Lake Winnipeg is beautiful but dangerous. Protect your children by watching them closely and also be enrolling them in our swim lessons. They will learn both swimming skills and water safety. See Emily at the swim dock at 9:30 am Mon-Fri for registration.

Thanks to the dedicated VB volunteers who rescued our Flea Market. It has been on the "endangered species list" as it is a large undertaking for volunteers. However, spreading the responsibility over two teams of volunteers, one for set up and one for clean-up, made a huge difference. The other major difference was that there was far less "junk" that was left unsold. All the unsold items were out of the Clubhouse by 3:30 pm this year! Thank you to those of you who refrained from putting out items destined for the dump. All of this cooperation will ensure the continuance of this traditional social gathering, recycling effort, and fundraiser!

Thanks to all the club members who are remembering to wear their wristbands to the various adult and children's events. This makes club membership fees fair for all, and helps us keep the fees as low as possible. Please continue to wear your wristbands as the summer progresses.

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Now that we have replaced the roof of the Clubhouse, upgraded the wiring, and purchased new tables, the ceiling fans felt left out and consequently seized up and refused to work. New fans are in the works and will be installed as soon as possible. By the way, that is our invaluable and ever cheerful maintenance man, Bruce Morrison, who is keeping the clubhouse in good repair. Thanks Bruce.

Dust off your dancing shoes! The 30+ dance is on July 22nd and promises to be spectacular! We have a very organized team of volunteers running this dance. From the details that I have gleaned from the dance convenor, Pam Lloyd, it will really be a night to remember. Remember, you must be "over the hill", i.e. age 30+ to attend. [Check the ad in this issue for information on tickets sales.]

Have you thanked a volunteer today? Better yet, join them and lend a hand in their activity!

Marj Birley

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The Library, during regular hours . . . and at the Tennis Courts.

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The many VB Club activities cost a great deal of money to operate. Through your membership, you are contributing to the continuation of these programs. Even if you don't participate in any of the activities, your financial support also helps fund the publication of this community newspaper - The Herald.

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### In Memoriam

#### Lloyd Smith Remembered

Zel Smith and family (222-7th) wish to let people know that Lloyd Smith passed away June 21, at the age of ninety. Lloyd enjoyed a full and active life in all the communities where he lived and worked: Treherne, Winnipeg, Montreal, Florida, and Victoria Beach.

Lloyd and Zel have been long time members of the Victoria Beach community, and were especially known locally at the VB Golf course, which they tended from 1975 to 1981.

Lloyd loved music and played with dance bands during the big band era. He even converted his barn into a dance hall, where he booked bands from coast to coast, and where he met the love of his life, Zel Wray of Treherne. They had been married almost 62 years. Lloyd also enjoyed sports of all kinds, and in his later years was an avid curler and golfer.

Lloyd is sadly missed and is dearly celebrated by Zel, and daughters Myrna and Joan-Dianne, and their families.

### VB Municipal Election Candidates Please Note!

The VB Municipal Election is coming up on Friday, July 28.

As mentioned in the previous Herald, all candidates are invited to submit a short blurb to the Herald about themselves and their concerns plans for the community.

These brief articles should be about 300 words and will be included in the July 21 issue only. [They will be published free of charge.]

Candidates wishing to place PAID advertising in the Herald can contact the Herald Advertising Manager, Joanne Johnson, at 756-3523. [Please note that political ads will NOT be accepted for the election-day-issue of the Herald on Friday, July 28.]

Reminder to voters — The Advance Poll [for those unable to vote on Election Day] will be held on Tuesday, July 25th from 8 am - 8 pm at the Senior's Scene [corner of Ateah Rd. and Hwy. 59] and the VB municipal office in Winnipeg [303-960 Portage Ave.]

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## Flea Market Report



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It was a new and improved Flea Market last Saturday at the Clubhouse, and we really want to thank the Victoria Beach community for making it so successful. Good quality "fleas" made for less waste and a better event overall. Sincere thanks to all who heeded the call and helped us offer only good stuff. This fine tradition brought in over \$2,000 for the VB Club.

A reminder that the Silent Auction has been scheduled for the August long weekend, and donations are very much appreciated. Please contact Peggy Ansons and Sharon Kreutzer.

On very short notice, a dedicated army of volunteers came forward to make the 2006 Flea Market happen. It was an early morning for the pick-up crew, not as stifling hot as the previous few days for the day crew, and a model of efficiency in the clean up. Many, many thanks to all the wonderful workers (and our apologies to those we missed):

Kevin Ateah of the VB Parking Lot; Bruce Morrison of the RMVB Council; Dan Schott of Shooter's Painting; Ron Monkman; Chris Trainor of Trainor Water; Elaine and David Allwright of Allwright Construction; Cassidy Quinton of the RMVB; Dan Suderman of the Moonlight Inn; Lauren Johnstone; Connie Sarchuk; Mary Lloyd; Pam Lloyd; Jeff Lloyd; Diane Carlson; Sawyer Anderson; Doug Guest; John Guest; Melanie Tooley; Michelle Brownell; Sheila Grover; Maureen Neuenndorff; Rae Donovan; Alex Forsythe; Christopher Thomas; Jamie Thomas; Greg Thomas; Mackie Quinton; Hedy Heppenstall; Lisa Hastings; Darcie Reimer; Doug Stewart; Faye Morrison; Aynsley Walker; Quinton Anderson; Joan Dawson; Barney Bars; Anne Bars; Barbara Reiss; Diane Gendron; Michelle Rowson; Lillian Hancock; Marlene Boyds; Stuart Juzda; Sandy McCall; Doug Hancock; Dianne Cameron; Lisa Yagi; Jane Yagi; Leah Heppenstall;

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Clean-up crew: we don't have your names, but we owe you a lot!

Many thanks to Dan at the Moonlight Inn for his generous support of supplies and labour, and to Finfeld's Bakery for the delicious bread.

If anyone found a black cotton bag with some \$5 and earplugs, could you please contact Mar Desmet at 7 Pine (756-8896). Reward offered.

Great job, crew. Volunteerism lives!

*Maureen Neuenndorff, Melanie Tooley, Sheila Grover, Rae Donovan, and Dawn Garvie  
Flea Market Organizers*

## Rec Director's Report

At this point in the summer, I would like to take the opportunity to thank some people who always seem to be going out of their way for others. These special individuals include the **Rec Leaders and Tennis Court Attendants** who all volunteered their time last weekend at the Flea Market, Book Sale and Beach Events, despite working busy and long hours during the week. I think it is worth pointing out that should you happen to see Rec Staff or Tennis staff working at any weekend event, this is done on their own time, and is strictly voluntary. Their willingness to contribute their time to better the VB community is certainly admirable, and very much appreciated!

A big THANKS also goes out to all of the wonderful helpers who stay after movies and Arts and Crafts, to help the Rec Staff clean and tidy up. In particular—Gracie, Lauren and Fallon are always eager to help out with whatever needs doing and their help is much appreciated, as well.

We also had a great turn out for our first teen movie, and I would like to thank Herb, and all of the teens who stayed after a late movie to help set up for the Flea Market the next morning. It was a big job that no doubt would have taken the Rec staff much longer had we not had such generous people helping out.

And finally, another thank you needs to be extended to our ever so busy maintenance-man, **Bruce Morrison**. Whether he is fixing docks, maintaining the clubhouse, getting rid of wasp nests, or keeping up the grounds, Bruce does it all with a smile, and we all benefit from his tireless efforts. Thank you, Bruce!!

Whew... now on to business as usual...

This week's Arts and Crafts project is the ever-popular Wooden Address Signs. Again, wood will be provided to all participants. Feel free to bring along any personal items that you may want to attach to your signs. Again, please keep in mind that it is the same craft for both days of the week, and we do only have a certain amount of wood blocks. This craft was possible due to the donation of wood from ALL-FAB Building Components, and with the help of Garry Roerh and all of his family and friends (who I understand made excellent helpers!).

A reminder also that Arts and Crafts costs \$2 for non-members, and one dollar for members. In the upcoming weeks, we will be making a craft that requires a toilet paper roll! Please start saving them and bringing them over to the clubhouse whenever possible!

Our Bike Hike this week will be out to the Sandcliffs! This is a fun hike, that does require some biking on the highway, so as usual a helmet is a must! Don't forget to pack a lunch, swimsuit and towel!

Also, we leave our bikes at the start of the trail and walk into the cliffs, as such, a bike lock is probably a good idea, since the bikes are visible from the highway.

And finally, a few more little tidbits worth mentioning...

We are noticing that more and more VB'ers are showing up at activities (especially movies) with large bills. If we could ask that VB'ers try to pay with the smallest change possible that would be great, as it is sometimes difficult to constantly give back change for 20's with our small floats!!

One last thing (I promise). It has come to my attention that because of the beautiful new roof that has been put on the clubhouse, some people are finding old construction materials, (ie- nails) and some newer metal materials lying around in the sand. A warning to all who use the clubhouse beach to watch your step, as these materials can be tough to see and would certainly be painful to walk on!

Thanks again to all the participants who came out to programming this week!

Michelle Reimer  
Rec Director

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## Beach Banter!

### ■ Attention All Dog Owners!

I was riding my old beach bike down Sunset the other day and was about to overtake an older lady on her bike when she stopped for a breather. As I passed, a jogger coming toward me called out, whereupon a large bouncy dog came hurtling out of the bush at break-neck speed. It actually knocked my leg as it passed. Now, I am middle-aged and still steady on both my bike and my feet so I didn't fall, but if I had been that older lady who was riding by when the dog came out of the bush, there is a good chance that she would have gone down.

My mother-in-law fell off her bike last summer and hurt herself badly when a thoughtless little boy started her as he raced by yelling "Get out of my way, old lady!" She hasn't ridden her bike since. A fall is not something to be taken lightly.

The Beach is precious to all of us, including the older generation, and getting around it without using a Taxi is important. We should take care to make sure that the roads are safe for everyone, especially those among us whose balance and strength aren't what they once was. If you are out with a dog, use a leash. If you are riding a bike, be aware that when they are startled or crowded, some riders might have difficulty maintaining their balance. Just think about the prospect of having to stop riding a bike at the Beach because of fear that you may be knocked down. It is not fair that because of the thoughtlessness of some, we have older members of our community who may become more isolated than they should be.

Rob Giesbrecht

## GARDEN TOUR FUNDRAISER

Saturday, July 15 - 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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**Special Events**

In less than a week, a great group of ladies planned our Victoria Beach Flea Market, which was held last Saturday. This team of Maureen Neueadorff, Melanie Tooley, Sheila Grover, Rae Donovan, and Dawn Garvie inspired a tremendous group of volunteers to help out and the result was a very smooth event.

I hope everyone at the Beach is inspired by these ladies, and as well by all our volunteers who continue to assist with our great line-up of special events. As a volunteer myself, I can attest that being involved with our community club is a lot of fun and a fabulous way to meet people.

There are some convensors retiring after this summer, so please call me if you are interested in getting involved with organizing our Special Events during the 2007 season. Also I would like to remind all VBers that a purple wrist band must be worn to participate in any of our Victoria Beach Club activities or a small fee will be charged.

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Here's what you need to know -

DATE: Wednesday, July 19

START TIME: 7 PM.

LOCATION: Clubhouse

ADMISSION: \$5.00 for all you can drink beverages and all you can eat popcorn

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This year, the Silent Auction will be held for two days in the Village Green on the August long weekend. This event is a chance for everyone to help raise money for our beach club to use to sponsor many of our beach activities.

You can help in two ways: You or your company that you work for can offer a donation or make a point of coming to the village and buying tickets. You can distribute your tickets to any of the prizes.

This event has always been called a silent auction, but really it is a wonderful multi-prize raffle. There will be awesome things to win and all the money will go to our beach club.

No donation is too small and we will make sure your company or family is duly recognized for its contribution.

If you can donate something please call Peggy Ansons 756-8251 or Sharon Kreutzer 756-8496 or you can drop off your donation at the Home Cottage, 433 7th.

Thanks so much and see you at the auction.

*Sharon Kreutzer and Peggy Ansons  
Silent Auction Coordinators*




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**Tennis News**

Due to popular demand, I am going to try running a beginner adult group tennis lesson. It will take place from 4-5 pm on Tuesday, July 18. This may be continued through-out the summer depending on the turn-out. You will need a wristband to participate. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 756-3101 or speak to me at the courts.

Last week's Round Robin results are:

**Adult — Monday July 3**

- 1st - Rosemary Scurfield/ Ruby Garden
- 2nd - Stuart Juzda/ Janet Smith
- 3rd - Cathy Finnbogason/ Ah Hansford

**Teen — Thursday July 4**

- 1st - Stephen Stone/ Davis Hirsch
- 2nd - Evan Pollard/ Janna Mitchell
- 3rd - Sawyer Anderson/ John Guest

**Teen — July 6****A-side [singles]**

- 1st - Evan Pollard
- 2nd - [tie] Nick Raffey
- Jane Yagi
- 3rd - [tie] Brian Forsythe
- Sawyer Anderson

**B-side [doubles]**

- 1st - [tie] - Matt Deleau/ Cam Fair
- Daniel Russell/ Alessandro de Sordi
- 2nd - Sam MacRae/ Claire Finnbogason
- 3rd - John Guest/ Derck Finnbogason

**Adult — Friday July 7**

- 1st - [tie] Huydar Obed/ Carol Wright
- Brenda Constable/ Marj Birley
- 2nd - Mike Bru/ Ellie Black
- 3rd - [tie] Bill Steele/ Donna Plant
- Jane Turk/ Alison Guest
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### VB Children's Masquerade - July 15

The Annual Victoria Beach Children's Masquerade is Saturday July 15th starting at 6:00PM on the Sports Field (Clubhouse, if Raining).

For those new to VB — this event is one of the most popular spectacles of the Summer. All Children are welcome and Parents are encouraged to create their own "VB — Home Grown" costume ideas.

Some of last year's favourite costume ideas were the Dream Cookie, VB Picnic, VB Taxi, Bayview Wedding Party, and the list goes on and on.

Everyone gets a prize. Bring a piece of paper with your child's name, costume name, and age on it. Then, present that to the Master of Ceremonies for the runway announcement and placement in the VB Herald. Most importantly — don't forget your camera!

See you all there!

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#### ■ Accidents

I am so surprised that there are no accidents on the streets of Vic Beach. Whether I am driving the Police truck or riding the Police bicycle, those uncontrolled intersections are a nightmare. I implore you, who can read these words to instill in your young children who cannot read these words the habit of slowing down at a 4 way intersection, looking in all directions, and proceeding when safe to do so.

The part-deux to this is the VB split - people walking or riding towards me, half go left and half go right and then I have to dodge people on both sides. Please walk facing oncoming traffic and move to the same side when a vehicle is attempting to pass.

The bottom line is that we all have a safe summer.

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### Fun Run/Walk Series!

#### Grand Beach/Lester Beach Hillside Beach/Victoria Beach

The East Beaches Recreation and Wellness Coalition is holding a series of fundraising Fun Run/Walks throughout the summer.

#### Event Dates:

Grand Beach/Grand Marais — July 29  
Lester Beach/Beair — August 5  
Hillside Beach — August 12  
Victoria Beach — August 26  
Events are \$10.00 each. Runs are approximately 5 K and start at 10:00 a.m. Enter all four events and get a free T-Shirt. Run with a friend or bring your kids or grandkids and make it a family outing!

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### Whimsy!

■ Question: What do you get after two days of incessant summer rain?  
Answer: Monday.

■ Veteran horticulturalist Peat Moss had this line: "Man is the only creature dumb enough to cut the grass and then put stuff on it to make it grow faster!"

■ A summer prediction: Absolutely no one will be watching when you do a perfect reverse-double-somersault off the pier. But, EVERYONE will be watching if it's a belly-flop!

■ A large sign in a department store window: "Buy your girl a bikini — it's the least you can do for her!"

Allen Willoughby

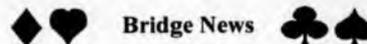
[Editor's note: Whimsical submissions are always welcome. If you have some 'tasteful' humour you'd like to share with the rest of us — drop it in the Herald mailbox at the VB store.]

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### Bridge News

Our first night of bridge was enjoyable, especially for the winners. Congratulations to the top place winner Dodie Dennehy with a score of 4170 and second place won by Fran Pollard with a score of 4100.

It is always nice to see our summer bridge friends, the "regulars" and also some new ones.

We all enjoyed the new lighting which was part of the upgrade of the Clubhouse. The extended light fixtures allow the bridge tables to be spread out more.

It is not too soon to be lining up a bridge partner for the annual Duplicate Bridge tournament on Aug 12.

Hope to see you all next week.

Fran Pollard and Donna Thain

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## Council Corner

### Victoria Beach Water Treatment Plant

There is a lot of controversy and misinformation relative to the proposed new water treatment plant. The following information may help to address some of the taxpayer concerns:

Replacement Cost of "old" water plant was discussed with our insurance brokers - Hayhurst Elias Dudek. The following information was provided:

The term "replacement cost" can be defined, in simple terms, as follows - the current cost to replace the item(s) that was lost.

The insurance proceeds (~\$450,000) represent the 2005 cost to replace all items that were destroyed in the fire. Separate estimates were provided by our engineer & an independent engineering firm (selected by the insurer) and the two estimates differed by about \$10,000.

The cost to build the present "interim" water supply system (~\$178,000) was paid for by the insurer, in addition to the \$450,000 for the "old" plant.

It is impossible to purchase (from our insurers or any other insurer) insurance to cover the future replacement value of an asset - regardless of the amount of insurance that may be purchased by a client the cost to replace what was lost will be calculated at the time of loss & that is what will be paid out by the insurer.

The estimated project cost includes such items as a new additional reservoir (~\$425,000), a much larger Plant building (~\$175,000), a new lake intake (~\$150,000) and a project contingency (~\$265,500) - the estimated cost of these 4 items exceeds \$1,000,000. The only item out of these four items that was a "loss" is the old plant building & it had a replacement value in 2005 of \$25,000. In addition, many components in the new water treatment plant are far more complex (electrical, mechanical & treatment plant) and cost hundreds of thousands of dollars more than the replacement cost of components that were insured.

Chlorination (the present treatment to the raw water) does not eliminate all of the bacteria and/or organisms that are a risk to public health.

The Province will not accept any long-term liability associated with operating a water system that is under a "Bull Advisory" - why should the Municipality?

We have been applying for Canada-Manitoba Infrastructure Program grants for the water system since 2001 - no grants have been awarded to date.

The proposed water treatment plant project could affect all municipal taxpayers directly or indirectly, not just those whose properties are situated within the Local Improvement District (service area). Discontinuing operation of the Victoria Beach water system would result in lower property values and property assessments - most of these properties are in the Restricted Area (95% out of 1,193). This decrease in Restricted Area property values would cause a shift in apportionment of the municipal taxes with a greater share being paid by non-restricted area property owners. For example, land on 7th Avenue is assessed at \$45,900 while a similar-sized lot on Anderson Bay is assessed at \$11,000 (approximately 1/4 of the value) - in addition to the shift in apportionment of property taxes it is our belief that there would be a general reduction in market value of properties.

The proposed water treatment plant includes plans to provide year-round outdoor access to potable water.

We note that the Municipality has been operating a public water system for at least 70 years - By-Law No. 192 passed in 1937 stipulated the water rates for that year.

The Municipality (Council) has an obligation to do what it can to protect the safety and health of its taxpayers and to take any reasonable action that is in the best interest of the majority of the Municipality's taxpayers including issues that directly affect the value of property.

### 2006 Election

There will be a municipal election to elect four Councillors on Friday, July 28, 2006. The voting stations will be located at: Seniors Scene, VB Community Club - Clubhouse and Municipal Office. An Advance voting opportunity will be provided on Tuesday, July 25, 2006 at the Seniors Scene and Municipal Office for those voters who will not be able to vote on July 28, 2006. Voting hours for all dates and locations is 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.

The Municipal Councils and School Boards Election Act, which is a provincial statute, restricts the number of non-resident property owners per property who may vote at municipal elections to a maximum of two. In addition to this voter restriction, in order to be eligible to vote, the person must be:

A Canadian citizen

At least 18 years of age on Election Day (July 28/06)

A registered owner of land in the municipality for at least 6 months (on or before January 28/06) on Election Day.

In circumstances where one property is owned by three or more people a Non-Resident Voter Consent Form must be completed and signed by a majority of the registered property owners appointing and authorizing a maximum of two voters to vote at the municipal election. The completed and signed consent forms must be returned to the Senior Election Official (303-960 Portage Ave. - Winnipeg - R3G 0R4 - phone - 774-4263) before Election Day - July 28, 2006. If the consent forms is not returned before Election Day, a completed form signed by the required majority of property owners must be presented to the election official at the poll.

Please note that non-resident property owners will not be permitted to vote where a property is owned by three or more people and the consent forms has not been completed and signed by the majority of the registered owners. When voting, you may also be required to present photo ID and proof of ownership to the election official; please ensure that you bring this documentation with you. A NEW CONSENT FORM MUST BE COMPLETED/FILED FOR EACH ELECTION (The 2002 Consent Form is not valid/in force for the 2006 election).

An information letter and Consent Form was mailed out to 245 affected property owners and as of July 5, 2006 only 4 Consent Forms had been completed and returned to the Senior Election Official.

RMVB Council

### 2006 Victoria Beach Golf Course Rates

Manager John Evans

#### Memberships

|  | Seasonal | Monthly  | Two Weeks |
|--|----------|----------|-----------|
| Family Adult Couple                          | \$310.00 | \$185.00 | \$130.00  |
| Single Adult                                 | 215.00   | 130.00   | 90.00     |
| Junior 13-17                                 | 130.00   | 85.00    | 60.00     |
| Child 12 & under                             | 95.00    | 60.00    | 50.00     |
| 2 or more children, same family (12 & under) | 140.00   | 95.00    | 85.00     |

#### Green Fees

|   |                   |                   |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| 9 holes   | Weekdays - \$9.00 | Weekends - \$9.50 |
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| Seasonal       | \$30.00      | \$25.00      | \$25.00     | \$20.00     |
| Monthly        |              |              | \$2.00      | \$1.50      |
| Daily - \$2.00 |              |              |             |             |

\*All senior memberships include GST - Children 12 & under may not tee-off Saturday, Sunday or holiday and after 10:00 a.m. and must be accompanied by an adult.



## Sports Day - July 22

It's time to stretch out your muscles, practice your running, and tune up the beach bike — Sports Day is coming! [10 am, Saturday, July 22]

Bring the whole family out for some fun in the sun! Everyone is welcome to participate in running races, the family relay, potato sack race, egg toss, and the Victoria Beach original Slow Bike Race! Sports Day will finish with the ever popular, team spirited, water cooling: Bum-Balloon-Break Relay — be prepared to get wet!

Please remember to wear your wrist band. [There will be a \$2.00 fee for non members.]

Looking forward to seeing you there!

*Dale and Ian Reid*

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## Fishing Derby – Sunday, July 16th

The annual VB Fishing Derby is Sunday July 16th 10:00 till Noon.

Perch have been plentiful and there have been lots of Silver and White bass, even the odd pickerel has been caught as well.

So, all Young Fishing Enthusiasts — bring your rods and reels down to the VB pier. Please note the time change for this year. The derby will be from 10:00 till noon.

Also, this year we will be changing the format for the prizes. There will be ribbons for 1st, 2nd, 3rd in each of the three categories: Most fish, Biggest fish, and Smallest fish. However, the prizes will be drawn out of the hat for all the participants. So come down and catch yourself some of fun.

See you at the pier. And, remember to wear your wristbands.

*Gerry and Michelle Hagglund*  
Fishing Derby coordinators



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### Tickets - \$45

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327 Sunset; 205- 7th Ave.; 33 Bayview; 210- 4th Ave.

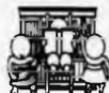
Be sure to get your raffle tickets at the Sizzle for incredible one of a kind prizes!

*"Kick back and enjoy the sand between your toes!"*

## Library News/Book Sale



Photo by Barbara Pritchard and Ken in Duke



This year's book sale was a huge success! We raised \$1200.20! A huge 'thank you' goes to all the volunteers:

Melissa Mauthe, Lauren and Erin Petrey, Leslie Gowatlock, Hannah Guttormson, Cleo Syverson, Louise and Dana McMurray, Faye Morrison, Karen, Cole, and Dana Moreau, Tracy Capello, Dawn Garvie, Hedy and Leah Heppenstall, Stuart Juzda, Lisa Yagi, Mark Lloyd, Scott, Maureen, and Rex Neuendorf, Pam, Marc, Corey, and Brendan Proulx.

A big thank you to Cassidy Quinton and Ansley Walker for pick-up of the books. There were over 300 book shoppers. Our volunteers were awesome. We could not have done it without you!

Make sure you drop by for Storytime on Wednesdays from 11 am to noon. Also make sure that you have your wristbands.

We only need 1-2 volunteers per day, so we are sorry if we turn you away.

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## Midnight Bike Ride Heralds New Scrabble Era

Aboard a closely-guarded bicycle, surrounded by elite members of the Victoria Beach Scrabble Club, under cover of darkness, near midnight Friday July 7, the Elk Island trophy, coveted emblem of Scrabble supremacy, was conveyed from the cottage roost of the perennial champion, **Cameron Kaye**, to the Sandy Beach redoubt of the new champion, **Arthur Adamson**. Thus was a new era of VB Scrabble inaugurated. And so, with muted applause, a wily veteran bested a youthful rival.

In a special outdoor setting, the Scrabble match took shape amid a host of supporters and a cloud of fish flies, 'til finally the upset outcome was officially confirmed. Other contenders relegated to the sidelines included, **Liz and John Kaye, Diane and Terry Boyce and Mike Elliot**.

Many thanks to **Kathie's Catering** for providing refreshments.

*K. Chorney*

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## "Summer Hummer" Dance Report

The Summer Hummer dance was a blast last Saturday night at the VB Sports Hall. The band, "Shaken 'n Stirred", put on an excellent show and the dance floor was packed with Vbers all night long!

Thanks to everyone who helped out and we hope to see you at the next VB dance in August.

The Ullberg and Des Anderson

## VICTORIA BEACH COMMUNITY CHURCH - 2006

St. Michael's Church, Corner 8th and Pine  
Interdenominational Services 11:00 a.m. Sunday

|         |               |                        |
|---------|---------------|------------------------|
| July 16 | Paul Boge     | Mennonite              |
| July 23 | Alex Cross    | Wesleyan Gospel Chapel |
| July 30 | Ian MacDonald | United                 |

Chair Practice 10.20 a.m. - EveryBody Welcome!

## Movie summaries for this week —

• **Adventures of Shark Boy and Lava Girl**  
Another family adventure from the hit making director of Spy Kids, The Adventures of Shark Boy and Lava Girl is nonstop fun and stars Hollywood favorites David Arquette, Kristin Davis and George Lopez. Everyone always knew that Max had a wild imagination...but no one believed that his wildest creations - a boy raised by watchful great white sharks and a girl with the force of a volcano - were real! Now, these two pint sizes action masters will show Max that even an ordinary kid has what it takes to be extraordinary! Bursting with cool, eye popping 3-D special effects - even the smallest dreamers can become the biggest heroes in this entertaining motion picture! (\*\*3D glasses not included!!\*\*)

• **Nanny McPhee**  
Nanny McPhee (Emma Thompson), a person of unsettling appearance and magical powers, enters the household of the recently widowed Mr. Brown (Colin Firth) and attempts to tame his seven exceedingly ill-behaved children. The children, led by the oldest boy Simon (Thomas Sangster), have managed to drive away 17 previous nannies and are certain that they will have no trouble with this one. But as Nanny McPhee takes control, they begin to notice that their vile behavior now leads swiftly and magically to rather startling consequences.

Her influence also extends to the family's deeper problems, including Mr. Brown's sudden and seemingly inexplicable attempts to find a new wife; an announcement by the domineering Aunt Adelaide (Angela Lansbury) that she intends to take one of the children away; and the sad and secret longings of their scullery maid, Evangeline (Kelly Macdonald). As the children's behavior begins to change, Nanny McPhee's arresting face and frame appear to change as well, creating even more questions about this mysterious stranger whom the children and their father have come to love.

## Now Showing at the Clubhouse

Tuesday, July 18  
Adventures of Shark Boy  
and Lava Girl [G]  
Wednesday, July 19  
Ladies Movie Night [7 p.m.]  
Thursday, July 20  
Nanny McPhee [PG]  
Friday, July 21  
Teen Movie - 9 p.m.

### Please note:

- July and August movies will all start at 7:30 p.m.
- [Teen movies at 9]
- 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.

## Classified Ads

Classified Ad forms are available next to the Herald mail box, in the VB Store, near the corner window. Just fill out and drop the form AND your payment in the box before Sunday at 4 p.m. [Classified Ads MUST be accompanied by payment!] [Rate: \$6 for the first 20 words, \$1 additional for each group of up to 10 words.]

**Sun Country Arts & Crafts Inc. Exhibition & Sale.** Sat., July 15, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Senior Scene, 3 Ateah Rd. Sat., Aug. 12, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Victoria Beach Sports Club, Pine Road.

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**Northern Lights Craft Sales - Change of weekends -** Victoria Beach Sports Club - Pine Rd., Sat. July 15 and Sun. July 16; Sat. Aug. 19 and Sun. Aug. 20. Info: Nancy 756-3447 or Merrilee 756-3398.

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Recreation Assistant, Tennis Court Attendant and Librarians: mail to Mrs. Marj Birley, 29 Tunis Bay, Winnipeg, R3T 2X2. These applicants need to have certification in Emergency First Aid and Level B CPR. Certification in Bronze Cross is a definite asset in applying for a Rec Assistant position. Librarian positions require involvement on the part of family members of the employees. Obviously, past participation in recreation/tennis programs at Victoria Beach stands you in good stead when applying for any of these jobs.

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### Teen News!

#### Cliff Climb and Wiener Roast

Tonight's the night (Friday July 14) and you don't want to miss this fun event. Wear your bathing suit and bring a towel. We bike to the sand cliff area and hike in. On arrival we'll run the pail-filling contest followed by a group swim and then comes the wiener roast. Registration begins at 8 pm at the parking lot and we return by 11.

Wear your wristband. Otherwise, be prepared to pay \$5. Bike helmets, locks, bug spray and a plastic container (margarine, ice-cream) are other essentials for this event. Parent volunteers are needed in order for this event to run smoothly. Please call me at 756-2263.

Just a reminder that 'teens' must be 12 years old. If this is your first time out for a teen event, you may be asked for proof of age. Your Manitoba Medical card will do and once we familiarize ourselves with all the new teens, this won't be necessary. This event is open to all 12-18 year olds. Sending children younger than 12 is not appropriate and the integrity of this program is lost in the eyes of our older teens. Age counts. Therefore, please respect these boundaries.

I'd like to thank **Michelle and her crew**, along with parent volunteer (**Herb**) for their organization and supervision at our first teen movie. After two short seasons as the teen convener, I am stepping down at the end of the summer. It is a great program and I have thoroughly enjoyed my involvement with VB teens. I look forward to returning actively to this program once my son becomes an active participant. Anyone wishing to become the teen convener for the next few years, please give me or any VB board member a call. The program is really solid, requires minimal planning and is really fun. Perhaps it's your turn to volunteer a few hours to the VB community?

Please note that the Annual Teen Scavenger Hunt date has been changed to Saturday, July 29th due to the municipal election on the Friday.

#### About the TEEN FILM FESTIVAL/COFFEE HOUSE

This will be your opportunity to explore and to showcase your opportunity to explore your creative, artistic and musical talents. The short film must have a beach theme and be five minutes in length and also must be formatted to DVD. We welcome those willing to do a poetry reading or to perform a song (acoustic guitars only). More information to follow.

McLanie Charbonneau

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