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6th Annual Wooden Boat Festival

around Granville Island — August 26 to 29 — 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Wooden Boat Festival is a gathering of wooden boat enthusiasts. Approximately 50 wooden vessels of all sizes and shapes will be moored at Granville Island and open to the public when their owners are in attendance.

Afloat and ashore there will be displays and hands-on craft demonstrations.

You can also take your place at one of ten rowing stations on *T'sou-ke*, the historic replica longboat from Sooke. She'll be taking all comers out on the water, hoisting sail if there is enough wind.

Saturday, August 28 features a rowing race for the Alder Bay Cup - open to anyone in a hand-powered wooden vessel under 20 ft. in length.

Sunday afternoon Parade -- all vessels, large and small, leave the docks for a sailpast of Granville Island, viewable from the many vantage points of the Island. All comers in wooden boats are welcome, and to the **Spruce Cup** sailing race being held in English Bay after the parade.

Living in the Vancouver area it is easy to overlook the fact that Vancouver is a major port. Our literature fails to tell us much about our harbours or boatyards.

To remedy this on **Saturday, August 28** starting at 10:30 a.m. there will be readings dockside and deckside.

(Pick up a Festival program from Granville Island Information Centre for details about times and place).

David Conn spent four years building ships on Burrard Inlet and Fraser River. He will read from his *Harbour Lights* and *Ticket Stubs for the Bullgang*, both about Vancouver's industrial waterfront.



Terry Ridings' knot tying and rope making demonstrations are always a great show and always include hands-on participation.

He will happily guide you through the intricate process of tying a particular kind of knot while explaining its history and use.

If you want to get into knot-tying in a big way, bring your worn out halyards and learn to re-work them into an Ocean Plait mat which, when you've finished under his expert instructions will look good enough for the deck or doorstep.

A FREE WORKSHOP (for adults) will be on held on **Saturday, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30.** Pre-registration is essential by calling 873-6100. Bring approx. 100 ft. of 5/8" dia. rope, or something similar.

Alan Haig-Brown, a former commercial fisher, knows many of the coast's commercial boats and skippers. He will read about his experiences touring local and upcoast communities, from his new book to be released this fall.

For more information about Festival events call **Jill King** at the Wooden Boat Society number at **873-6100** or drop into the Festival Office on the Island nearer the time -- the Information Centre staff will know where it's located.

Kids' Boat Building

At the barbecue area next to Isadora's Restaurant
Thur./Fri./Sat./Sun.
Rain or Shine
11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For kids of all ages this is the best part of the Wooden Boat Festival.

Hundreds of kids flock to the work shed where great mounds of pre-cut shapes, masts, funnels, sails, drills, hammers, nails, glue -- all the what-have-you needed to build a boat, are provided

FREE FOR KIDS

Last year there was a \$2.00 charge for "ADULT HELP." Did that stop them interfering? Nooooo. And the increased charge to \$3.00 is not likely to discourage them this year either. It is a marvellous licence to play. Perhaps grownups would feel ill at ease being seen making simple little boats at an Adult Workshed out in public -- if you squeeze in amongst the littler kids no-one knows you are not really helping one of them.

And then, mere steps away, is the pond to conduct sea trials.



Croquet in the Creek making a comeback

Croquet for the fun loving novice, we should note -- crack croqueters we already have.

Many of us bewail **John McBride's** retirement as Annual False Creek Croquet Tournament organiser after only two tourneys (1986 & '87 - great fun and highly successful they were too).

The Creek Editor winning a handsome croquet set (donated by Isadora's) was due only to the cunning and sly strategy of partner Carey Linde, also a complete novice but possessed of a killer instinct.

For five subsequent summers the croquet set has languished in the

closets of its owner or neighbour **Oksana Mazur**.

Sidelined from softball by a knee injury, but reluctant to forgo 'hanging around the park', Oksana has dusted off the Official Tournament Creek Croquet Set and, with daughter Marisa and the Kowbells, has started regular play in the park Sundays evenings at 7 o'clock.

Perhaps other croquet sets and players will join them and ... who knows? We may be inspired to organise a not-too-competitive Croquet Tournament next spring.



Photographed at the first Isadora's sponsored croquet tournament Oksana Mazur (lt.) and Blue Thaddeus in the proper attire specially bought for the occasion. The nattily outfitted chap in the middle is John McBride, championship player, coach and tournament organiser.

(Oksana hastens to add 'whites' are not currently *de rigueur* for casual Sunday night play).

News from the Championship Circuit

Browsing through the Gulf Islands newspaper on a recent

visit to Galiano, Oksana spotted an item reporting that our own champion **John McBride** recently came tops in a **Victoria Croquet Tournament**, winning a 'purse' of \$150. Not the big time stuff of golf, but at least it would pay the ferry fare. The item further reported John would be off to Nanaimo to bring home more laurels from the **WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP CROQUET TOURNAMENT**.

The 'World' bit may be a trifle pretentious; we have no information about the number of countries represented. Nevertheless we shall welcome our hero home with great pomp.

EDITOR



Beryl Wilson

Y'all hear tell about the 'Lost Wagon Train of Cattle Drive '93'? Well folks, your worthy Editor was on it.

There are two reactions to the announcement you're going on a Cattle Drive: Congratulations "How marvellous; I'd love to do that" or Consternation. "On a WHAT? Better you than me pal."

But before we get to the tale (which barely does justice to the Drive event and the people who made it happen) the truth must out. I rode a wagon, not a horse.

On three occasions in my life I have attempted to ride a horse. Three times the horse quickly assessed who was boss and after a polite period of tolerance, unceremoniously tipped me off. Slow learner I am, but I know I cannot ride a horse.

Somewhat faster I have learned the best and highest use for a nailbrush is not cleaning fingernails; it's scrubbing horse and cow dung from runners.

We're used to big events around Vancouver - with scores of performances, in several scattered venues. The 3-day outdoor Folk Festival, at the mercy of the weather god, needs over a week for set-up and as long again to take down. But all the events have one thing in common. **The venues remain in the same place.**

Imagine organising to feed, water and tether 400 horses; feed, water and toilet well over 400 people, provide space for their tents and a corral for about 80 head of cattle - in four different sites, aiming to leave each one with nary a sign they were there, except for what the cows and horses leave. (Imagine pooper-scooping for that lot.)

That's what the the Kamloops based Cattle Drive Committee does. They spend a year doing it, as volunteers, with only two paid staff in the office. Then they all pay \$500 to go on the Drive and work some more for the week they are on it. And a more cheerful, good natured, ever-helpful bunch it would be hard to find.

There were No Free Rides on Cattle Drive '93. Not for committee members; not for the wranglers, drovers, wagon drivers, truck drivers, beer tent folk, or the site crew

There were 60 - 80 volunteers keeping the 'show on the road' for the rest of us, including five paramedics riding and five mobile St. John Ambulance people.

Many of them have done the same jobs on the Drive for three years.



All so folks from all over the map can have a good time.

Like the mid-50s chap from the Maritimes who'd never been on a horse in his life.

"The Dream of a Lifetime"

was how he described it after the second day on the trail. Prostrate on the grass, so sore all over he doubted ever rising to an upright position, he wore a blissful smile and proclaimed it was "the best time of his life."

The local paper reported this year's Drive included people from all 10 provinces, the Yukon, 25 States of the Union and 9 countries.

They were all shapes, sizes and ages; more men than women; about a dozen kids under 12, more 'young people' (late teens and 20s) this year according to one Kamloops woman, scores of people well beyond 50 & 60 -- so many men looking as though they were 'born in the saddle.'

Logan Lake to Kamloops

the hardy ones to dip in the lake, some to take horses in for a bath -- and begin to be glad again, after a cold day, that you're here.

But nicely into a pre-dinner nap in a dry tent, the sky lit up, cracked open and all the rain in the universe poured down on Paska Lake. It let up long enough for us to slosh through a now-muddy field to the chow tent for stand-up supper -- no point in hauling bales of now-wet hay to sit on.

Then the whole show started again -- thunder, lightning, torrential rain. Were people downhearted? Apparently not. The beer tent was lively; the campfire was lit and a crowd gathered to sing - in the drizzle.

The Van Tongerens from Mile High Lodge up the road apiece (who were 'hosting' the cattle that night) came and took a truckload of kids to warm them up in bathtubs while their clothes were in the drier.

Meantime, back at the Command Post the Cattle Drive Committee were contending with arranging an alternate site for Wednesday, Twin Lakes being too waterlogged to be usable. **Jacque Ciancone**, of **Sugar Loaf Ranch** was a member of the committee. Maybe she shrugged her shoulders and said "No problem, you can all stay at our place tomorrow". 80 cattle, 400 horses, over 400 people, a couple of hundred tents, a half-block long water truck, cook wagon, luggage trailers, about 40 trucks and vehicles, banks of portable Johns and the massive mess tents.

When we arrived at Sugar Loaf the next night, under sunny skies at last, picket lines for the horses were all up and there was even a huge tent equipped with a dozen drying lines and two massive hot air blowers. These Cattle Drive folk sure can mobilise resources.

Somebody even asked Corp. Glen Beattie (RCMP) for permission to transfer the beer tent licence! (I wouldn't have bothered.)

An eventful Thursday and it was almost over.

The panoramic view of the lovely Okanagan hills, winding down the Rose Hill road into Kamloops, is glorious and it was good fun to see 1/4 mile of traffic held up behind our little wagon train! From a mile or two out of town knots of people wait to greet the Ride and by the time it reaches town centre it seems half the town is out to clap, wave and yippee. The next best thing to being among 400 horses is being on the buggy that makes kids shout "Look, there's a REAL wagon".

Looked after to the last, as we poured into the Exhibition grounds there was hay and water for the horses, box lunches for the humans -- and as many free ice cones as you could eat, courtesy the City of Kamloops. Nice touch.

Five hours later, our whole bodies washed for the first time since Sunday, we'd found clean clothes and, unrecognisably spiffed up, we whooped it up at the Wind Up Banquet.

Fans of the film *City Slickers* most fondly remember the calf the city cowboy birthed and rescued from certain death in river rapids. He called him Norman.

A calf was born on the Drive of '92, ad named NORMAN of course. When riders returned this year there was Norman in a pen, to greet them. (Norman did not go on the rest of the drive).



'City Slickers' who think riding in a wagon on a Cattle Drive is pantywaist stuff, fit only for the feeble or fainthearted, should try the hardy-room-for-two buckboard of a steel rimmed, wooden wheeled wagon that's as hard to mount as any horse.

At the end of the day the body aches just as much as the groaning ones that tumble from the horses -- but you recover the ability to walk somewhat faster.

Larry Salm didn't intend to have a passenger. He offered me a ride 'to the first stop' when my assigned wagon left without me (it had rubber wheels and patio chairs in the back).

But it was so much fun riding up front 'where the action is' with Larry and Jasper & Tim, his two handsome Clydesdale, I just stayed.

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The People

The camaraderie is extraordinary. It's hard to think where else you'd meet such a motley collection of people -- who've travelled far and paid good money to sleep in their underwear, only wash their faces for a week, and for some, to suffer. I never tired of staring, wondering "Why are YOU here?"-- and often asking.

Hilbert Deluge, still ranching at 80 years old, who got up at dawn's crack to ride with the cattle every day in '91, '92 & '93, according to Larry Salm.

The rangy, weathered guy, with unlit cigarette dangling from his lip as we shuffled round the floor at the closing banquet. A cowboy for 45 years, he comes on the Cattle Drive every year, to have a good time, teach some of us folk from 'away' a bit about ranching and to help people learn to ride better

There was **Eleanor White** a perky Kamloops widow in her 60s, with nine grown children. Her friends she declared "just said I was coming to find another man."

The Kamloops media scouted around regularly. The morning after the Big Rain the local TV reporter heard about "a poor old lady who had to sit up all night because her tent was flooded." If he was looking for a "bad news story" (as media is wont to do) he picked the wrong gal. **Eleanor** said she was quite content, star gazing by the fire, "and then this nice wrangler came along and invited me into his tent." After realising she'd given his name (a well known Kamloops businessman - and married!) she quickly explained he was up early to ride with the cattle and offered her a couple of hours rest in his dry tent provided she found someone to dismantle and pack it.

"Oh well" Eleanor chuckled, "if his wife sees the interview she won't mind when she sees how old I am."



Despite being 'away from it all' in some of the finest country to be found anywhere, we were never very far from Kamloops and many local people were only an hour or so from home.

After our ghastly first night on the trail I murmured to some Kamloops women "If it rains again aren't you tempted to hitch a ride home to a dry bed tonight?" - not too subtly implying I'd be glad to be invited along. Then **Agnes Hampel** uttered **My Favourite Quip:**

"We paid \$1000 to come on this trip; there's no way I'm going home to sleep in my own bed."

And that about says it all.

The Lost Wagon Train incident makes a good story, but it will have to wait for space in another issue.

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S.P.C.A. walkathon

Brockton Oval, Stanley Park Sunday, September 12
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Registration Starts: 10:00 a.m. **WALK:** 11:00 a.m. **Adult:** \$10.00
 Seniors/Children (12 yrs. & under) \$5.00
 No charge for pets

Pledges

The S.P.C.A. Walk-A-Thon is a fundraising event for the **Vancouver Regional S.P.C.A.** It is hoped that each pledge collector will obtain a minimum of 8 people to support them. (Tax deductible receipts will be given upon request for all donations). The pledge collector's registration fee is waived.

Program of Events Lots of booths and exhibits to entertain you before and after the walk.

- Many of the Lower Mainland's dog clubs will be performing including a special presentation from The "Monday Nighters."
- CKNW's van about town will be on location keeping you up-to-date on event activities.
- A fitness "warm Up" by Olympic Athletic Club.
- Entertainment and refreshments.



Prizes to individuals bringing the highest dollar pledges.

Prizes to "Youngest" and "Oldest" participants.

Do people choose dogs that look like them -- or do they grow to look like them (as some claim)?

An amazing number of people enter themselves and pets for the **OWNER/PET LOOK ALIKE CONTEST.**


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In case you thought the WALKATHON was just for dogs, this picture proves otherwise.

This pair of 'Pretty Pollies' (cockatoos?) were photographed at last year's event. The owners meet often at work but living far apart the birds don't usually go 'walkies' together. They evidently enjoyed it

For more information about the S.P.C.A. or the Walkathon, call **879-1725.**



No, the Walkathon has not expanded to include a paddling section

This is the white pelican that arrived in the Creek in early June.

Bob Holden, of Spruce Harbour Marina, thought it had probably lost its way as it should have been headed inland to the Chilcotin plateau, to breed during the summer.

As there have been no more reported sightings recently, perhaps its 'intended', growing impatient, sent out a search party to get the wayward one back on course.

Our geese were not very hospitable but during its visit here it was probably the most photographed and popular penguin on the west coast.





\$60,000 Raised and New King Crowned at 2nd Arts Umbrella Sandcastle Competition

Once upon a time, in the city of Vancouver, many great and distinguished builders (Architects, Developers, Engineers, Contractors, Designers and Lawyers) came with family and friends to the shores of Spanish Banks.

There they busily set to task with hand and spade, creating sandcastles rich in wit, design and promise.

Marvellous sculptures arose from the sand, rewarding those who came to see what the great builders of the land had done.

A wonderful time was had,

and when the tide came in to wash the magic away, the purpose and legacy of things to come were in place.

That's how the child in us all helped to build a future for the Children's Arts Umbrella Foundation.

Under sunny skies on Sunday, July 18, 96 companies in 36 teams, had designs on the "King of the Castle" first-place crown, and paid \$1500 to spend the afternoon developing their own 20' x 20' waterfront lot. Property revenues plus several thousand 'sand dollar' votes cast by the public, totalled more than \$60,000 for Arts Umbrella.

The Sandformers team comprised of Form One Design Architects/Seacorp Capital Developments/Citiwest Developments, stole the King of the Castle crown from last year's winners, Paul Merrick Architects/Brook Architects/Geller Group. The winning sand sculpture entitled 'Pueblos' was a multi-family cliffside pueblo village complete with wooden ladders, bridges and winding cartpaths. When not playing in the sand, the three winning companies work together designing and building real life multi-family dwellings - cliffside and otherwise.

The Sand & Deliver team of VLC Properties/Foundation Building West/Rennie & Associates, won the Public's Choice and Team Spirit Awards for their sand sculpture entitled WhaleWatching.

The Kids' Choice Award went to team Jericho comprised of Henriquez & Partners/IBI Group Architects/Smith Bros. & Wilson for their Walls of Jericho sculpture, complete with graffiti and hundreds of tiny child prints. Jericho also took home the Historical Award.

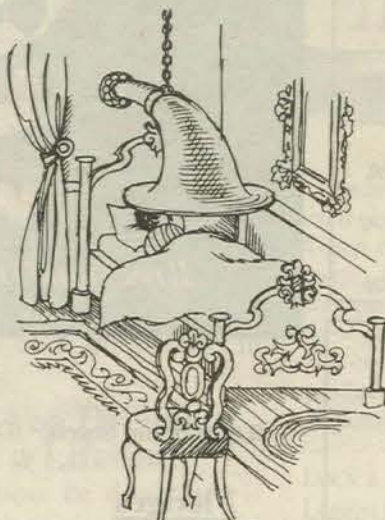
The winner of the Fantasy Award was The Sand Pirates team of United Properties/Philips Wuori Long Inc./Rockingham Engineering for their sculpture entitled Squid & Wreck.

The Slumpest Dummies team of James Hancock Architects/Mellhargy & Brown Associates/Ray Mah Design won the Anything Goes Award for their imaginative Al & Edith Vegging.

In 1993 over 20,000 will participate in Arts Umbrella programs. The (now) annual Sandcastle Competition is one of four major sources of income for the school.

Riding the wave of success of Sandcastles '93, Arts Umbrella organisers are planning the '94 competition. Competitive bids have already come in for prime properties!

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It takes a BIG towtruck to tow a big moving van

There's one Great Canadian Movers' driver who'll be slow to volunteer for an extra shift on an official holiday.

"It will be a quiet day" he thought. A short run from Richmond to False Creek and home to see his daughter for the first time in two weeks of long shifts. No such luck.

The Richmond loading went smoothly enough but after the last item was stowed and the truck stuffed full -- the engine DIED.

You don't unload and reload on another van. You call a BIG towtruck to come all the way from Burnaby, and you wait -- and wait, and wait. **THREE HOURS.**

And when you're tired from unloading at the Pennyfarthing Building you call for the BIG towtruck to come all the day from Burnaby again. And you wait, and wait -- for two hours this time. With luck you get home at 9:00 p.m., after another 14 hour day and still not seeing your daughter. (The driver didn't feel chirpy enough to pose in the photo!)

TRIVIA

Auroraphobia is the fear of northern lights

Lyssophobia is the fear of going insane. If not treated in time, it can drive you mad. (Source: forgotten. Accuracy: unconfirmed)

A fanatic is someone who can't change his mind and won't change the subject (Winston Churchill)

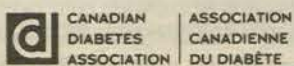
About New York Mr. Churchill pronounced: Newspaper too thick, lavatory paper too thin.

Composer Richard Wagner evidently believed a hair cut cured headaches. His barber asked permission to sell the composer's clipped locks to adoring fans. Mrs. Wagner refused but suggested he sell hair clippings of other clients of the same colour. He did and made a handsome profit.

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The annual summertime production of *Dream* is the culmination of five weeks of studying and rehearsing by students in Carousel's Performance Class. This year it's in modern dress. It has proved to be a winner for family audiences.

After the bleachers were full people stood at the sides, leaned against trees, sprawled on the surrounding mound, and the under 10 year olds, well prepared with blankets and sleeping bags, crouched at the edge of the stage, riveted to the action.

The audiences seem even more 'motley' than those at Bard on the Beach.

The Coffee Garden opens at 7 p.m.

Take a blanket and, since its FREE, all your neighbours and kids.

BARD ON THE BEACH

Under the Tent 8:00 p.m. at **Danier Park**



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1993 LONDON SHOW TOUR

The Arts Club's David Harrison and local hospitality personality Audrey Skalbania will again accompany a group to London, England, from November 20 - 29 on a fully guided tour which will feature tours to Stratford and five theatre productions, including Andrew Lloyd Webber's new musical *Sunset Boulevard*.

Final booking date coming soon

It's obviously a good time trip as some devotees sign up each year. For more information (and a detailed brochure) call David at 687-5315.

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August 27 & 27

JIM FOSTER
Sept. 3, 4 & 5

Wednesday Jam Sessions

R & B Jam with **Zero Zero**
August 11

Jazz Jam with **Soul Crib**
August 18

The Original Jam with **Little Games**
August 25

Piano Jam with **Doc Fingers**
Sept. 1

Barb Fisher at the piano for the Friday Cocktail Hour during August 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Our patio is one of the best spots on the Island for watching the world sail by

For a mere \$2.00 you could Win One of a Kind

The Federation is raising funds for its new gallery on Granville Island with the help of **Pat Quinn** and the **Vancouver Canucks 1993** team.

Quinn commissioned Federation President Jean Duffey to paint the magnificent Vancouver view from his home, to create serigraph prints for his terrific team to have as gifts from him.

Team members hand autographed the No. 1 artist's proof for the Federation raffle. This is truly one of a kind.

The lucky ticket for this 32" x 40" framed print 'Vancouver at Dusk'

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ARTISTS GALLERY
1241 Cartwright St.
Granville Island.
(opposite Granville Island Hotel)

(value approx. \$4000) will be drawn **Oct. 3rd** at the Federation Gallery where the prize can now be seen.

\$2 tickets are available at the Canucks' Winning Spirit stores, other sport shops, many art stores and at the Federation Gallery (or may be ordered by phone: 681-8534, fax 681-2740 using Visa, Mastercard, or cheque by mail.

The Federation of Canadian Artists is a non-profit national society dedicated to the promotion and enhancement of art in Canada.



IVAN the Terrible Style

russian churches
by Bill Rennie

August 5-31

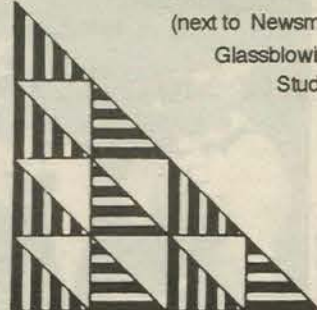
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As their contribution to the 1993 **Year of the Crafts in the Americas**, Pat Cairns and Louise Slobodan invited members of the Contemporary Quilt Group of B.C. to exhibit in their studio. These artists take this traditional textile medium a step further and use designs and techniques that reflect our times.

Since the Emily Carr big hole was dug some months ago the studio has not been the tranquil work space it usually is, but the piles of material around are evidence Pat and Louise are 'soldiering on' between the hammering and drilling of construction crews.

Not to be missed One of the current exhibitions at
THE VANCOUVER MUSEUM

ROBERT BATEMEN: Natural Visions

More than 40 Batemen originals are on display, including many works being shown for the first time.

The work of artist and naturalist Robert Batemen is widely known for its realistic treatment of wildlife around the world.

His paintings capture both the glory of natural beauty and the shame of man's destruction.

A remarkable exhibit -- showing until **September 6**.

To August 22 - recent works by Donna Baspaly and Catherine Anne Tower: "Removing the Masks"

Sept. 7 to Oct. 3 - The Federation's annual Signature Members' Exhibition

A chance to see and collect new paintings by established Canadian artists who have made their mark on the international scene.

Gold Silver and Bronze medals, as well as cash awards donated by Jim Spillbury and National Catering Ltd. will be given to paintings of exceptional merit.

Canada Day Chairman Oksana Mazur says "Thanksalot"

I would like to thank all the volunteers who helped out on July 1st. Without you we could not have done it.

Special thanks to **Wilma DeVito** and **Mary White** for their help and support. You wouldn't let me give up when we ran into some snags!

Thanks to the sponsors for all their donations in cash and kind:

False Creek Community Association (without its generous and initial contribution of \$1000 we wouldn't be able to even get started).

False Creek Recreation Association
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A local July 1st celebration should continue yearly and with all the new people in the area we should have more volunteers and new ideas. People should put their thinking caps on and start planning early. Thanks again to everyone.

Craig McDonald graciously consented to stand in for our local M.P., who customarily cuts the Canada Day cake (Ms. Campbell was busy hurtling across the country coast to coast). Standing around him (lt. to rt.) **Wilma DeVito, Pauline & Ron Kowbell, Oksana Mazur, Mary White, Nancy McWhinney** (apologies for not knowing the children's names).

Student Bloopers

(we've published some of these in years gone by -- but a second chance for a laugh is never amiss)

Ancient Egypt was inhabited by mummies, and they all wrote in hydraulics. They lived in the Sarah Dessert and traveled by Camelot. The climate in the Sarah is such that the inhabitants have to live elsewhere, so certain areas of the dessert are cultivated by imitation. Early Egyptian women wore a garment called a calasiris. It was a sheer dress that started beneath the breasts which hung to the floor.

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Then came the Middle Ages, when everyone was middle aged. King Alfred conquered the Dames. King Arthur lived in the Age of Shivery with brave Nights on prancing horses and beautiful women. King Harold mustarded his troops before the Battle of Hastings.

Joan of Ark was burnt to a steak and cannonized by Bernard Shaw. The victims of the bluebonnet plague grew boobs on their necks.

Finally, Magna Carta provided that no free man should be hanged twice for the same of fense.

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The government of England was a limited mockery. From the womb of Henry VIII Protestantism was born. He found walking difficult because he had an abness on his knee.

Queen Elizabeth was the "Virgin Queen." As a queen she was a success. When Elizabeth exposed herself before her troops they all shouted hurrah. Then her navy went out and defeated the Spanish Armadillo.

It was an age of great discoveries and inventions. Gutenber g invented the removable type and the Bible. Another important invention was the circulation of the blood.

Sir Walter Raleigh is a historical figure because he invented cigarettes and started smoking.

Sir Francis Drake circumcised the world with a 100 ft. clipper.

The great writer of the Renaissance was William Shakespeare. Shakespeare was born in the year 1664, supposedly on his birthday. He never made much money and is famous only because of his plays. He wrote tragedies, comedies and hysterectomies, all in Islamic pentameter.

One of Shakespeare's famous plays, Hamlet rations out his situation by relieving himself in a long soliloquy. His mind is filled with the filth of incestuous sheets which he pours over everytime he sees his mother. In another play, Lady Macbeth tries to convince Macbeth to kill the King by attacking his manhood.

The clown in *As You Like It* is called Touchdown, and *Romeo and Juliet* are an example of a heroic couplet. Romeo's last wish was to be laid by Juliet.

Writing at the same time as Shakespeare as Muguel Cervantes. He wrote Donkey Hote.

The next great author was John Milton. Milton wrote Paradise Lost. Then his wife died and he wrote Paradise Regained.

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During the Renaissance America began. Christopher Columbus was a great navigator who discovered America while cursing about the Atlantic. His ships were called the Nina, the Pinta and the Santa Fe.

Later the Pilgrims crossed the ocean, and this was called Pilgrim's Progress. The winter of 1620 was a hard one for the settlers. Many people died and many babies were born. Captain John Smith was responsible for all this.

One of the causes of the Revolutionary Wars was the English put tacks in their tea. Also, the colonists would send their parcels through the post without stamps. During the War, the Red Coats and Paul Revere was throwing balls over stone walls. Finally the colonists won the war and no longer had to pay for taxis.

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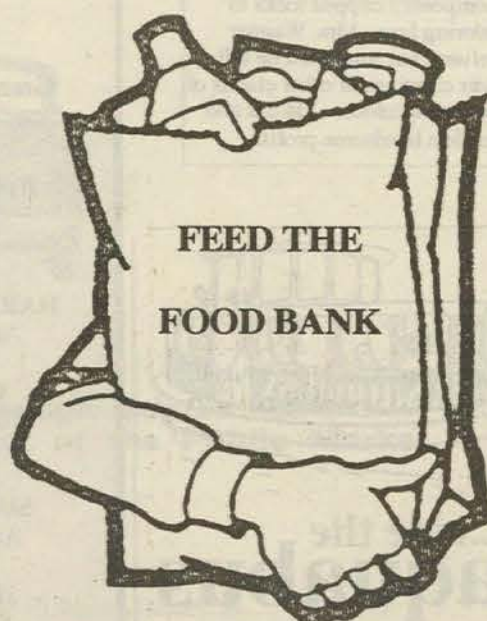
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This double adventure will include learning basic skills to enjoy horseback riding. Then, it's off for a hearty picnic lunch on the shore of Alouette Lake in Golden Ears Parks. During the afternoon, take in some of the best views in the park as you hike the easy Lower Falls Trail.

Meet at **Four Seasons Outdoor Adventures**, located at 4th Ave. & Maple St. at 8:00 a.m.
Trip will return at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 18

Sunday Afternoon Ballroom Dancing

to the best (taped)

International Dance Music

2:00 - 4:30 p.m. FREE

Regulars from the Robson Square dances have discovered there's plenty of room to sweep and twirl in the Community Centre's Big Hall.

These Sunday dances at the Centre have been happening since July 4th

Call the Centre to confirm -- and wear clean, dry, non-marking shoes. No spike heels

If Summer has finally arrivedcan Fall be far behind?

Watch for our Fall Program Guide in the Vancouver Courier on **Wednesday, August 18**

REGISTRATION for all Fall programs will take place on **Thursday, August 19**
and continue until programs are full.

For more details, please call the Centre Office at 665-3425

Diehards defy demise of local
kids' league and celebrate
another

Successful Softball Season

Early in May, a small group sat in Stamps Landing Pub lamenting the retirement of **Pauline Kowbell**, the driving force behind the **FALSECREEK YOUTH SOFTBALL LEAGUE** for the past eight years.

Lori Paton, coach of the Vancouver Optimists team in 1992 decided it wasn't too late to keep the league going.

More meetings, sponsors contacted, schedule struck, park permit and insurance obtained -- and registration began. As a result of a late start and a rainy day, the number of players registering was down, but by the time word got around the schools, four full teams were ready to learn and play.

Practices were held and games played with a few tears, bumps and scrapes, but players from one team cheered on players from opposing teams.
VanCity, Vancouver Optimists and Stamps Landing teams played against a newly sponsored team for '93 - **Riviera Cafe**.

By tournament day, a beautiful summer afternoon, all players had honed softball skills, made new friends and had a great time.

Fundraising continues for 1994 with 50/50 ticket sales at selected B.C. Lions games.

A Canada Day barbecue and raffle was held at Stamps Landing Pub, raising over \$300. In addition Friends of the late Bill Landstrom are collecting money for a fifth team next season, to be called "**Billy's Bears**."



Coach **Bob Harrison** dons his chef's apparel for the wind-up barbecue, assisted by young players **Eric Barnes & Brandon Majcher**, and **Dale Johnson**.

Thanks are due to the sponsors and the many coaches and parents who helped.

COACHES:

Marisa Lucich, Martin DeBarros (Vancity team)

Bob Harrison (Riviera team),

Lori Paton, Chris Walker and **Dale Johnson** (Vancouver Optimists)

Carl Simmins (Stamps team)

(Sports report from Lesley Waltson)

Yeah. For years the Softball Song has been "Oh Pauline does it."

She finally gave herself permission to quit. (Did she get a medal and a big fuss at the wind-up we wonder?)

The novel feature about the league's rescue team is that of the bunch who sat supping in Stamps Landing Pub, swearing support for kids' softball, **none of them have children and most of them are single.**

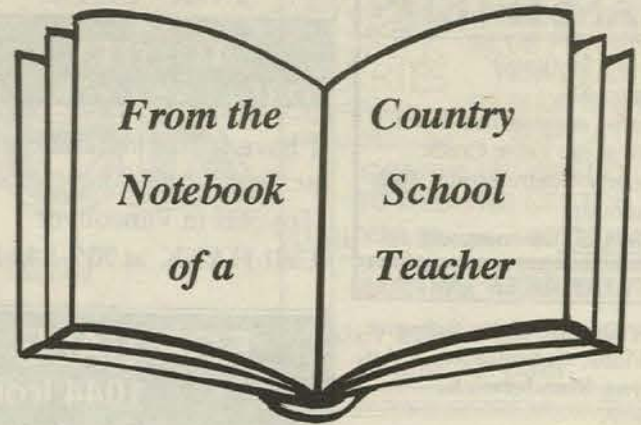
From a little book of Historic Phrases

Showing Your Metal

Today when asked to "show your mettle" you are expected to prove your worth, indicate your abilities and experience.

In earlier centuries the itinerant mill stone dresser was often asked to "show his metal" to prove his experience. Men who dressed millstones continually had the backs of their hands bombarded with stone from the millstones and metal from their picks.

Often slivers remained embedded under the skin, and proof of experience was simply a matter of "showing your metal."



A grade school child's essay on The Precise Nature of the Cow

The cow is a mamal and is tame. It has six sides, right, left, fore, back, upper and below. At the back it has a tail on which is hanging a brush. With this it sends the flies away so they do not fall in the milk.

The head is for the purpose of growing the horns and so that the mouth can be somewhere. The horns are to but with; the mouth to mo's with.

Under the cow hangs the milk; it is arranged for milking. When people milk and the milk comes and there is

never any end on the supply. How the cow does it I have not yet learned, but it makes more and more.

The cow has a fine sense of smell; one can smell it far away.

That is the reason for the fresh air in the country.

The mancow is called an ox. It is not a mamal.

The cow does not eat much, but what it eats it eats twice so it always gets enough. When it is hungry it mo'es. When it doesn't say anything it is because the stomach is full of food.

Parody of the 23rd Psalm

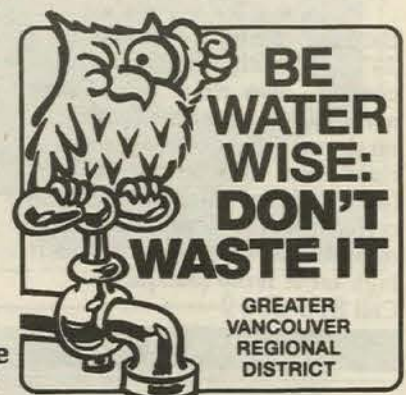
A monster is my teacher
I shall not pass,
He maketh me to face the blackboard,
He destroyeth my love notes.
He throweth my gum in the trash can,
He maketh me quiet and taketh away my candy,
He leadeth me to the office for conduct's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the halls of knowledge,
I fear great evil --
For I have forgotten my homework.
His face hardens before me,
He maketh me write one thousand lines.
He filleteth the board with homework,
My notebook runneth over,
Surely mischief and misfortune
Shall follow me all the days of my life,
And I shall dwell in the house of knowledge forever.

WATER TIPS

A dripping tap can waste up to 30 litres of water a day. Check faucets for leaks.

Wash vegetables and fruit with a brush and a basin of water, not under a running tap.

Washing machine and dishwasher half-loads waste water and energy. Only run them with full loads.



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Sleepless in Seattle

Like a bottle of wine, this film is designed to alter your mood pleasantly for a few hours. Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan provide everyone with someone beautiful just to look at, and nary an unpleasant scene to be endured ... too good to be mindless, too mindless to be great, but perfect as a mind relaxant without the hangover.

John Crawford

Still the best ****
LIKE WATER FOR CHOCOLATE ... THE CRYING GAME ...
HOWARDS END

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Another False Creek Waterfront Townhouse (The Creek Editor's) for some part of September. Off to cycle the French Dordogne Valley Sept. 20 - 28 but until this Creek is done and delivered can't apply the mind to deciding what else to do or how long to be away. So dates flexible - but I sure need the house to earn some money toward the trip. Call 734-3369.

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Greetings from the window viewed by the rich and famous

Guess which Prime Minister was seen jogging by last month? The patrons of the Riviera Cafe had a front row seat -- it's good to see that our new P.M. is doing her bit to keep our security service people in shape.

Other Creek happenings .

Paul of Ripples Salon is pleased to announce that he has taken on a new partner, **Ken Tang**. They will be having a wine and cheese

party on September 11 to introduce Ken to their clients. Do drop in.

A THANKYOU goes out to our Sanitary Engineers from the City who are keeping our seawall clear of refuse-- much appreciated by all of us who enjoy a stroll or jog along the wall. Glen Gardner's letter has achieved its purpose.

On to the next job. Goose droppings. Any suggestions?

LISTINGS UPDATE

16th floor penthouse -- only two units on this floor. Views from all rooms. 9 ft. ceilings with floor to ceiling windows and a huge private sundeck off the spacious living room which faces south and west for a spectacular view of False Creek and Point Grey. Large guest and ensuite bathrooms and a lovely kitchen with an eating nook looking out to English Bay. This unit is over 1700 sq.ft. Ideal for someone moving from a house in need of large rooms to accommodate their furniture. Asking price: \$638,000.

Ferry Row Townhouse with modern decor and wood burning fireplace; high tech kitchen with granite countertops and top of the line appliances. Easy care tile and hardwood floors on main level with separate view dining room and private courtyard facing south. Second floor has two very large bedrooms (one of which used to be two). This unit is bright and airy with skylights and windows facing all directions of the compass. It has large spacious rooms with wonderful cross ventilation for those hot summer days. All topped off with a large roofdeck for sunbathing or barbecues. This unit comes with two parking spaces. Priced at \$336,000.

We have many calls from people looking for rentals in the area. If you are looking for a tenant, please call for a list of current prospects.

Empty nesters' Penthouse Nest -- wonderful westerly views of False Creek, located on freehold with a recreation complex including a swimming pool. This lovely unit has two bedrooms and den with covered balcony and two parking spaces. The kitchen and bathrooms are bright and modern. The complex is three years old and the owners are flexible for quick possession. The unit is on one level, has a gas fireplace and skylights. If you are in the \$300,000 range don't miss this one.

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