



February 1967

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

This is the first issue of the Britannia Beach newsletter. The newsletter is offered as a Community service, for the mutual exchange of ideas, for publication of information, of general interest, as a sounding board of public opinion, and to let residents know what has been, what is, and what will be going on in the community.

Notices, announcements, reports, bulletins, etc., will be accepted for publication from any local groups, Clubs, or organization . Letters to the Editor will be printed, provided they are of general interest. All material submitted for publication must be signed; nom de plumes are not acceptable, and will not be used, subject to discretion of the Editor.

The Secretaries of all local organizations are asked to send in regular reports should show the name and title of the reporter. Social and Personal items will be run. Residents are asked to phone in such items into the Personnel Department.

We believe there is a need for a means of communication and information in the community, and the co-operation of all residents are requested. The greater the coverage, the better the interests of all will be served.

The Newsletter will be issued on a monthly basis, or as governed by the volume of new. Submissions for publication should be received by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. Regular correspondence are asked to volunteer, and will be given due recognition for their efforts.

The Personnel Department is publishing the newsletter

W.B. Montgomery,  
Publisher and Editor

## **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS**

Joint discussions between representatives of the Union and the Company covering any matter not coming under the Collective Bargaining Agreement was established last November 1967. The meetings are held monthly, and four have been held to date, with the next one scheduled for March 21<sup>st</sup>.

Ten or more representatives of both parties attend the meetings. To maintain continuity, certain individuals attend all the meetings. The balance of the attendance is on a rotation basis, so that eventually every employee will have the opportunity to attend and take part in the discussions. If you have something you wish to discuss, if an hourly rated employee, see one of your Union executives, or if a staff member, see your Department head, and arrangements will be made for you to attend an early meeting.

Many topics have been discussed, and several sub-committees have been established to handle the more important matters.

A Suggestion Committee consisting of J. Balderson, G.A. Bennett, J. Graham, J.C. Moore, W.R. Stern, and R Lovlin has been set up, the procedure for handling suggestions established, and suggestion boxes have been placed at the 4100 Dry, the Shops' lunchroom, and the Personnel office. To date, fourteen suggestions have been received and processed. Two suggestions have been paid \$10.00, one suggestion has been turned down, and eleven have been referred to the departments concerned for appraisal.

A Road Committee has been set up to deal with the problem of speeding cars in the town site, and with children playing on the main roads, the Committee, composed of Ron Baker and Ed Packer, has met and proposed several courses of action, which are now in process of being attended to.

A Medicare Committee has looked into the question of what will be entailed when Medicare is brought in, in 1968. So far, either the Federal or Provincial governments have established nothing definite, so this Medical Services Association to the B.C. Medical Plan is not set up for group participation.

A joint Job Training Committee has been set up to consult on and make recommendations for the on-the-job training of new employees, particularly underground workers. Jim Greer has been appointed full time to job training, and a complete programme are in process of being established.

Other matters discussed at the Round Table meetings have been:

Qualifications for Blasting Certificates – classes will be established.

Crowding at Community dances – this will be referred to the Club executive for action.

Questions have been asked and answered about the design of the new 4100 dry.

The question of television reception has been raised. (See separate article).

The question of vandalism has been discussed at town meetings. The problem of damage to pay- phones, with resulting inconvenience to residents has been taken up with the B.C Telephone Company.

It has been suggested that Britannia Creek be fenced, as a safeguard for young children. there was some disagreement to the proposal of a Union member that if the Company supplied the fencing, volunteer labour would install it.

There have been many other items of general employee and community interest  
If you have something to contribute, arrange to attend a meeting.

## **COMMUNITY CLUB**

**Mach 1967**

With a new year ahead it is time to look back over the year past and summarize community activities. It is regrettable that the Upper Club rooms are not larger, however, ideas are being developed to make better use of existing facilities.

Last Spring the main entrance to the Upper Club room was changed from the west side to the east side, and just prior to the New Year an inside stairway from the Lower Club to the upper Club was installed.

In the Upper Club room all cupboards were repaired, and a new counter top, stainless steel sink and taps installed in the kitchen section. An orchestra stand was built and a ventilating system installed,  
flatware and a large coffee urn were purchased.

To free the Upper Club room for evening activities, the inside of the Theatre building was remodelled making quarters for a kindergarten, Scouts and Guides.

Considerable work was done on the swimming pool and its surroundings, and two flood lights installed at the north and south ends of the pool. A swimming instructor was in charge of the pool during the summer months.

The softball field was built up with soil and last fall it was planted with grass. Britannia should be proud that they will have one of the best, if not the best, softball fields in the Howe Sound area.

The softball team showed considerable improvement over past years and this coming year should be one of the top teams in the league. The Club purchased playing equipment, other than personal.

The softball team consisted of Messrs.

L Harrop  
R. Fogarty,  
C. Harvey,  
A Pickering  
C. Fleming  
M. Tichauer

D. Garreck  
M. Radakovich  
W. Anderson  
M. Arthur  
F. Maw  
W. Patrick  
K. Erdman  
T. Locke  
P. Levesque  
R. Harris  
L. MacDonald  
A. Fors  
D. Buckmaster  
W. Bush,  
B. van Sickle  
H. Trudel  
H. Hendrickson  
W. Arsenault.  
Fogarty (coach)  
E. Leblanc (coach)

Last fall a Junior Soccer Team was organized, and at the end of the first half of the schedule was in third place in the Howe Sound Soccer League. The Club for the players purchased sweaters and socks. The following is the boy's team:

K. Kirbv (capt  
D. Horyza  
J. Essianbre  
G. Thomas  
A. Begin  
R. McIntosh  
C. Godin  
J. Andrzejczuk  
L. Rowan,  
P. Rowan  
J. Van der Ham  
D Shavela  
W. Kerr  
W. Stenbridge  
A. Husted  
W. Chisholm  
D. Hill  
C. Pickering  
R. Fogarty

D. Chisholm

Coaches were:

W. Andrezejczuk

J. Van den Hoek.

Several dances were held throughout the year. There were three major events: the Copper Queen celebrations, Miner's Day, and New Year's Dance. The Copper Queen celebration was the usual annual crowning of the Copper Queen. Miss Judy Fleming was the 1966 Copper Queen.

Miner's Day was a "first" at the Britannia Townsite (Mt Sheer).

Since the townsite camp no longer exists, it was felt that Miner's Day at the each could be a big day's Day at the Beach could be a big day, and so it was; Miner's Day, besides having sports, a barbeque. Centennial exhibits, bingo, etc., was a day of reunion for a large number of Ex-Britannia employees. The general feeling was that Miner's Day should become an annual affair.

To help promote the beautifying of the property, a contest was organized jointly by the Company and the Club, and prizes were awarded in the fall.

Another "first" for Britannia was a guided underground tour for women residents. This tour is being followed early in the year by a tour of the Mill, Shops and Plant.

A traditional Christmas party was held for the children of the community.

A semi-annual meeting was called in September but only three members plus the executive members turned out. As a result the meeting was cancelled. We wish to remind you that the Annual general Meeting will be held in the Upper Club room on March 14<sup>th</sup> at 8 p.m. and a large attendance would be appreciated.

## **PERSONALS**

**February 1967**

Mr. Hugh Chisholm is confined to the Lions Gate Hospital, North Vancouver, following a serious operation. Mrs, Chisholm, who has been staying with relatives in North Vancouver has now returned to Britannia Beach. We wish Hugh a speedy recovery.

Mr. Peter Luc and Mr. Bill McNeill hurt in a blasting accident on December 13, 1966, is coming along as well as could be hoped. Peter has lost the sight of one eye but is otherwise in good shape. Bill was badly injured by flying rock, and will be off work for some time yet, but is on the mend. Only

the fact that he was wearing prescription safety glasses saved Bill the sight of his eyes; his eyes were the only part of his face that was not peppered with flying rock.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. G. J. St. Gelais on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, at the Squamish Hospital, a son.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ramsay at Lion's Gate Hospital, North Vancouver, on January 30<sup>th</sup>, a daughter.

Mr. Doug. North, who has been a patient in the Squamish Hospital since January 28<sup>th</sup>, is reported to be on the mend.

Mrs. S. Richardson was taken to the Squamish Hospital on January 31<sup>st</sup>.

Victor Lindley, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Lindley, has had his tonsils removed.

Mr. and Mrs. L.M. Smith have recently moved into their new trailer in the Trailer Court.

Mr. and Mrs. B Stephenson and family are recent arrivals at the Beach and are residing in House 111 on the Flats.

## **CENTENNIAL PROJECT**

Following a visit for a representative of the Provincial Centennial Committee in the spring of 1965, the Britannia Beach Centennial Committee was established at a public meeting. The purpose of the Committee was to develop a suitable project for the double British Columbia – Canada Centennial years. 1966 – 1967. The Committee considered several suggestions, and selected as the Britannia Beach project to have written a history of Britannia Beach: “ Britannia – The Story of a Mine”.

A sub-committee was appointed to select an author. Several prospective authors were interviewed, and the Committee finally chose Mr. Bruce Ramsey, well known writer and author of several books on British Columbia.

The Committee worked with Mr. Ramsey, locating many old-timers, setting up interviews, and making it possible for Mr. Ramsey to get together with people who lived in Britannia Beach fifty or more years ago. Also Britco News, old Company Archives, and the Vancouver City Library and Museum, Mr. Ramsey accumulated material and the draft of his book was ready by September 1966.

However, the Committee was not too pleased with the draft; it appeared

that very little use had been made of the personal interview possibilities. The Committee is currently conducting interviews with old-timers, getting their stories and reminiscences, and it is intended to incorporate the best of these into the book.

A great number of old photographs have been assembled, and the best and most illustrative of these will be published.

The Committee members are:

- Mr. J. C. Moore,
- Mrs. Mary Smith, Secretary
- Mrs. Olive Baxter
- Mr. Hugh Chisholm
- Mr. Dave Clark
- Miss Joan Ehler
- Mrs. Alice Graney
- Mrs. Betty McNair
- Mr. W.B. Montgomery

If you have any information of historic value, would you please submit it to any member of the Committee.

### **MEMO FROM THE CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE**

Now is the time to start thinking about dressing your family in costume for the celebrations that will be coming up this summer. If you can't sew – maybe your neighbour can. You have time to look for patterns – you can buy materials at the spring sales.

Get into the mood for Centennial and let's have all our residents "dressed to kill" this year.

Betty McNair

### **DOG LICENSES**

Owners of dogs are reminded that all dogs running at large in unorganized territory, such as Britannia Beach, must have Provincial dog licenses. These licenses may be obtained from any office of the Royal Mounted Police, or from any Provincial Government office.

Fees are \$1.00 for a male and \$2.00 for a female dog.

Residents of the Beach who do not have transportation to Squamish may call at the Personnel office, leave necessary data and fee, and the license will be purchased for you in due course.

## TELEVISION

In the spring of 1965, Geoff Pickard and a number of other community minded residents undertook to rehabilitate the television cable system, which had deteriorated to the point of no reception. These residents supplied the labour, the Company bought the materials, and the system was brought back into operation.

The Company bought out the West Coast Television, who had owned the system in the summer of 1965. Arrangements were made with Geoff Pickard whereby he would operate the system, and purchase it on a lease-purchase basis.

A large part of the equipment purchased from West Coast Television, was in poor condition and obsolete; some has been replaced, and more remains to be replaced. A survey of the system was made last September by West Vancouver firm. Their estimate of the cost to completely recondition the system was \$20,000. For this money, five channels would be available, with better quality reception than anything received in the past. Part of their recommendations were carried out last fall; new antennae heads and amplifiers were installed at the Barbara camp and new co-axial cable was installed from the heads to Victoria Shaft.

The C.B.C. and CTV networks are establishing satellite stations on Bowen Island and at Watts Point, to bring their programmes to the Howe Sound area. This will, it is claimed, make it possible to pick up these network programmes on rabbits ears antennae. Until these satellites are in service, and the effect of their reception on the local cable system is determined, the expenditure of nearly \$20,000 to recondition the local system is not warranted.

Latest information is that the CTV network will be on the satellite system by the end of March, and the C.B.C. by September of this year. In the past two years, over \$12,000. has been spent on the Britannia cable system, \$3,000. to purchase it from West Coast Television, and \$9,100. on labour and supplies. Revenue, since the fees were re-started in October, 1965, has been just under \$6,000. Thus, expenditures have exceeded revenue by some \$3,100.

Of the 170 residents in Britannia who use the cable system, only 30 percent are paid up on monthly fees. Thirty-five percent are partially paid up, and 35 percent have not paid one cent for the use of the cable during the past two years. Requests and notices about payment have been made and sent out with little or no effect on some residents. It is the opinion of the writer that those who do not pay for cable television, in full, should be cut off. How about it Geoff?

Since the system was taken over and transferred to Geoff Pickard

Geoff has not taken any payment for the more than 600 hours of work he has put on the purchase price. And the Company has also not received any return on the purchase price. There have been complaints about the quality of television reception. If the delinquents paid their accounts, more could be done to improve the system. If it had not been for Geoff and the others who have been helping him; there would be no television in Britannia. The thanks of the community are due Geoff and his associates for their efforts on our behalf to give us better television.

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## OBITUARY

We record with regret the sudden passing of James Martin, one of the old -timers of Britannia Beach. Jim came to Britannia in October 1923, and worked in the mine as brakeman and motorman until 1930. From 1930 to 1933 he was self-employed in the trucking business. At the end of 1933 he returned to Britannia, and was again employed in mine transportation. Some time prior to 1942 he was promoted to Transportation Foreman, which position he held until the shutdown on March 1, 1958. He was re-employed in November 1958, as a lead hand timber man. In July 1965, he was promoted to spare shift boss, and on November 1, 1965, was made a full time shift boss, 4100 Main Haulage.

Jim had not been well in recent months, and had been off work for several weeks in December and January. returned to work on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, but was again taken ill last weekend, He was taken to the hospital on February 20<sup>th</sup>, and passed away Tuesday morning, February 21<sup>st</sup>, at the age of 63 years.

His wife, Cathleen, 2 sons, Kenneth and Russell, survives Jim, two grandchildren, one sister and two brothers.

Jim was a highly respected and esteemed member of this community, and had over a period of more than 43 years, made a large number of friends, former and present residents of the Townsite and the Beach. He will be missed.

We wish to extend to Mrs, Martin and the family the sincere heart-felt sympathy of the residents of Britannia Beach



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On March 1<sup>st</sup> Mayor Campbell of Vancouver officially declared that spring has arrived in the City 3 weeks ahead of the “frigid” East. Since then our weather has been anything but spring like. So it is hoped that our bringing the matter up will not lead to further deterioration, weather-wise.

However, the crocus is in bloom, so spring cannot be far away. Some householders have been observed out in the garden, raking up leaves and the winter's accumulation of debris. It is amazing how the rubbish collects, but it is even more amazing what improvement can be made by the judicious use of rake and shovel.

All residents are reminded that it is a condition of tenancy of Company property that householders put in and maintain a lawn and or garden on land held under lease. The Company will supply, free of charge soil, grass seed, paint and fencing material. Requests for this material should be submitted to Bill Braden.

Now is the time to check the bulbs and tuberous roots that you stored last fall, to get them ready for planting, Sweet peas may be planted now for an abundance of early blooms. It is not too early to plant garden peas, radish, lettuce, etc.

The spring run of Chinook or spring salmon will be starting in a few weeks. Fishermen are advised to ready their boats and gear, don't leave it to the last moment. The annual meeting of the Boat Club is announced elsewhere in this issue.

This is the season of little girls playing hopscotch and little boys playing marbles. Little boys bring to mind B.B, guns, slingshots, and rock throwing. A few boys, not only little boys, but some fully grown physically but not mentally, and I repeat, a few, take great delight in breaking street lights and windows. Shortly after the Karwatskis moved out of house #321, and

while the house was under repair and being painted, 46 windowpanes were broken during one weekend. The same thing happened at house # 310 after the Couturiers vacated. Last month 38 windowpanes were replaced in the Community Club, nearly all broken by B.B. pellets; an equal number had been replaced two months previously. It is almost impossible to keep streetlights in service in certain localities, particularly the path to Shayghnessy. Many areas; some are done by outsiders, but not all. It is a shame that a few parents have such little control over the actions of their offspring that the Community as a whole must suffer.

### **William Braiden Appointed Surface Foreman**

As of March 15<sup>th</sup> Bill took over the duties of Surface Foreman and Fire Chief. Bill and his family his wife Anja and son and daughter Billy and Jennifer came to Britannia December 9, 1964. He was employed as shovel operator and Assistant Surface Foreman.

Bill's experience dates back to 1947 in the pulp mill industry. During the years 1947 to 1954 he gained repair and operating experience on tugs, trucks, and heavy equipment of all types while employed for the Pulpwood Supply Co. Ltd. (a subsidiary company of Kimberley Clark of Canada) at Long Lac, Ontario. From 1954 to 1964 he gained further experience on crane, shovel and dragline operation. During two of these years (1959 to 1961) he was employed by the Anaconda Iron Ore (Ontario) Ltd. at Skibi Lake, Ontario

In the spring of 1965 Bill became Surface Foreman of the Jane Basin Project.

We wish Bill every success in his new duties.

### **DUNC MACDONAL LEAVES**

On Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, a farewell party was held for Duncan MacDonald, Surface Foreman and Fire Chief.

Dunc's supervisory experience in mines dates back to 1952 when he was employed as shift boss for Canadian Exploration Mines, Salmon, and B.C. until 1956. From there he went to the east coast and was employed by Heath Steel Mines, Newcastle, New Brunswick, as General Mine Foreman from 1956 to 1958.

In 1958 he worked for Bycroft Mines, Bancroft, and Ontario, as a Shift boss for a short while, before going to Denison Mines Ltd., Elliott Lake, Ontario. He was at Denison from 1958 to 196` and was employed as Shift boss and mine Captain.

Dunc leaves Britannia to take employment with Cameron, McCutcheon Drilling Ltd. In Vancouver. His position will be Foreman in charge of heavy duty equipment.

We are sorry to lose Dunc and his family but wish them the best in there new location.

### **EMERGENCY CALLS - ACCIDENTS OR SICKNESS**

In case of accident or sickness during the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, the following numbers may be called:

Medical Clinic 896-2340

First Aid 896-2221

In Emergency, at times other than listed above, call the stand-by First Aid Man, as follows:

- Earle Trace 896-2387 Mar. 28 Apr.4
- John Graham 896-2489 Apr. 4 Apr.11
- Pat Kirby 896-2296 Apr.11 Apr. 18
- John Dyke 896-2330 Apr. 18 Apr 25
- Al McNair 896-2277 Apr. 25 Apr. 31

If the stand –by first Aid is not available, call one of the following:

- Mrs. A. E. Critchley 896-2286
- P.E. Rowan 896-2206
- Squamish General Hospital 892-5211
- Dr. L.C. Kindree 892-5151 (Squamish office)  
892-3868 (Residence)

### **BRITANNIA BEACH COMMUNITY CLUB**

**April 1967**

The retiring Executive Members

- (President) E.R. LeBlanc
- (Vice-president) W.B. Montgomery
- (Treasurer.) J. Balash
- (Secretary) J. Ehler
- (Sports Chairman) E. R. Adam

Entertainment Chairman Bruce Goddard  
Swimming Pool Chairman, Tony Crane  
Library Chairman Lynn Evans

They all wish to the in-coming Executive every success during the coming year.

Since the first issue of the Britannia Beach Newsletter, further improvements has been made to the club building. The door to the Library has been changed, making the Library easier to heat and making it available for a reading room. A door was put in the entrance to the T.V. Room to shut out the noise from the Pool Room Area. The garbage rack was removed from the front of the building and put at the back.

The Ball Field was limed, fertilized and surfaced with top soil, and soccer goals were installed.

You may lie to know that the Junior Soccer team's standing in the Howe Sound Soccer League is third place.

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

March 14, 1967.

The meeting, held in the Upper Club Room, was called to order by the President. There were 42 members in attendance.

The minutes of the previous meeting were declared adopted as read.

The Treasure's Report was typed and distributed and Mr. Balah gave a brief resume of the financial standings. There being no questions, it was moved by Mr. Moore and seconded by Mr Fogarty that the report be adopted. Carried.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**SPORTS:** Mr. Adams gave a resume of the money spent in the various sports activities. It was reported that the Junior Soccer team has been successful, losing only one game to date.

**ENTERTAINMENT:** Mr. Goddard reported that eight adult dances had been held during the year with three of these being major events: The Copper Queen celebrations, with Miss Judy Fleming as the Queen, the Miners' Day Celebrations with costumes and a display by the Centennial Committee and various contests,

were held for the children. Tours of the Mine and Mill and Surface Shops were held for the ladies in the Community, and were considered to be very successful. There was a visit during the summer from an American naval ship. The sum of approximately \$3900. was received from recreational activities and \$4016. spent. making a deficit of approximately \$120. There is over \$100.'s Worth of liquor on hand. Mr. Goddard thanked all those who helped make the various functions successful.

**SWIMMING POOL:** Mr. Crane reported that there was considerable work done on the pool such as painting and repairs to ladder, change-rooms etc., and some landscaping was done around the area. There were purchases of a chemical tester and paddleboards. Jerry Clutterbuck was hired as a swim instructor, with help given him by Charles Harvey and Ken Meuckon. There was a lack of hot water during the summer at times. A compressor had to be run especially to heat the water. Twenty students passed the Red Cross examinations.

**LIBRARY:** Mrs. Evans reported that there 55 to 60 people are using the Library. There were 2 new books purchased by the Club and one donated by the Union. A new time for opening the Library has been set, and that is each Monday. from 7 to 8 p.m. Mrs. Evans stated that should anyone wish it she would open the Library on an afternoon a week.

**SCOUTS:** Mrs. Powell reported that the Britannia group placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in a Penticton. Various community duties were performed by the boys whenever they were requested. There are presently 19 scouts and 22 Cubs active. The First Aid competition in Nanaimo. Two boys were sent to a Jamboree in Powell thanked all those who helped by buying Christmas trees and thanks were given to Mr. Mrs. Rowan for their help.

**GUIDES:** Mrs. Hansen reported that the guides were financially independent all year. There were 3 teams entered in the First Aid competition at Nanaimo, one placing second and one 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thanks were extended to the Rowans. Seventeen girls passed a Home Nursing and Child Care course, and a tour was made of a fire hall in Vancouver. Four leaders attended a Patrol Leader's course. A Mother and Daughter banquet was presented and was thoroughly enjoyed by those participating. It was learned that Mrs. Rowan is to take a leave of absence and an appeal was made for someone to volunteer help for Mrs. Wallenborn. The First Aid course for the girls has been completed but the results are not known as of yet. It was also reported that an assessment of \$2.00 is being levied on the parents for each Guide and Brownie, thus eliminating the need for bakes sales or other means of raising money.

**CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE:** Mr. Moore reported that the Book as prepared by Mr. Ramsey was not entirely satisfactory to the Committee, and the members have been collecting anecdotal material to be incorporated. The Book should be in the hands of the publishers within the next month and it should be

printed by the end of May. Mr. Moore mentioned that Britannia would be visited by a Canadian Naval Ship, the St. Coix. in June. He expressed the opinion that should plans be carried out for another Miner's Day, it would be worth the effort, and he offered the co-operation of the Centennial Committee. Plans are in progress to establish a booth on the parking lot where the book and other things such as ore samples could be sold.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mr. Moore informed the members that his term of office on the Squamish Hospital Board is up shortly and that Mr. Polish has agreed to stand as representative for Britannia.

Mr. LeBlanc thanked his Executive for their help during the last year.

The following persons were elected to hold office for the next 12 months:

- President: Karl Niermeyer
- Vice President Frank Bruce
- Treasurer John Balash
- Secretary Doris Stern
- Sports Roy Fogerty
- Entertainment Marjorie Begin
- Swimming Pool Marcel Begin
- Library Lynn Evans

Mrs. Pickard proposed a vote of thanks to the retiring Executive members. There being no further business the meeting adjourned on the Motion of Mrs. A. T. Smith.

J. Ehler, Secretary

## **SUGGESTIONS COMMITTEE**

At the last meeting of the Suggestion Committee, the following awards were made: To Wayne MacGregor, \$10.00 for a suggestion pertaining to filtering Pyrite concentrate.

An interim\* payment of \$40.00, \$20.00 to each of O.C. Manchur and J. A. Piovesan for suggesting the use of long hole its for drilling cut holes, in Place of bits.

For his suggestion pertaining to the use of Thermalite igniters cord, \$25.00 interim payment to Raphael J. Arnold.

Arnold Fortier and Jim Wadsworth turned in separate suggestions re-handling of sludge from the settling pond. Neither suggestion was complete or acceptable individually, but combining parts of each, sludge handling and metal recovery are improved, awarded an interim payment of \$50.00, split equally between them.

To K. J. Williamson for his suggestion re bundling of rock bolts, an award of \$10.00

For suggesting the use of the theatre chairs to replace the benches (stocking snaggers) in the Upper Club, a \$10.00 award plus 3 pairs stockings to Mrs. Em Polish.

Bob Anderson, grinding operator in the mill, submitted a very good suggestion for control of feed to the ball mills. He received an award of \$100.00, the largest award to date.

Since the suggestion system was initiated in January, 26 suggestions have been received. Of these, 14 have been turned down as not being acceptable, 3 have been deferred for approval, and 9 have been paid awards ranging from \$10.00 to \$100.00.

\*Interim payment: Any suggestions which will improve efficiency and lower costs, and for which the saving can be determined, will receive an award equal to 10 per cent of the savings during the first twelve months of use, to a total award of \$5,000.00. In the case of such suggestions, interim payments are made, with the final payments to be made at the end of the first twelve months of use.

Acceptable suggestions are worth money – why don't you try for the Jackpot? Who knows, you could hit for \$5,000,00, and even this amount is not an absolute maximum. For extra-ordinary suggestions, this ceiling could be exceeded.

The suggestion system is open to all employees, however, suggestions by supervisory staff must be outside the normal jurisdiction and authority of the supervisor to be eligible for awards.

## **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS**

The last meeting of the Round Table Discussion group was held in the upper club house the evening of March 21<sup>st</sup>. This meeting was called 6 weeks after the February meeting, so that the opposite shift of shift workers could attend. This apparently caused some confusion, for although staff representation was normal, turnout of Union members was small.

These meetings are designed for discussion of any matters not covered by the Collective Bargaining Agreement. They are open to any employee. If you have something you wish to discuss, see your department superintendent, if on staff, or a Union officer, if a wage-earner, and arrangements will be

made for you to attend.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1967, starting at 7:00 p.m. sharp in the upper Club room.

### **VISITORS TOUR PROPERTY**

Tours of Company operations are very popular with the general public. Three groups have been shown around to date this month, and two are scheduled for the next month.

On March 9<sup>th</sup> the Grade X11 students of the Howe Sound Secondary School, eight girls and eighteen boys accompanied by Mrs. W.E. Coombes, grade X11 Teacher, were taken on a tour of underground and surface operations. Mr. James Greer, assisted by Messrs., George Bowering, Marshall Tshuaer and Howard Tichauer conducted the underground part of the trip. Mr. Archie Smith, with Messrs. Bill Stern, Charlie Harvey, Richard Dickinson, and Cyril Heaton took the students through the mill and surface plant.

Each student was given a brochure describing the history and operation of the Company at Britannia.

Thirty-six students of the Grade V1 and V11 class at the East view Elementary School, North Vancouver, accompanied by their teacher, Mr. D. S. Robertson, were shown the surface operations on the afternoon of March 15<sup>th</sup>. Harvey and Richard Dickinson, showed the boys and girls the Beach Copper Plant, the 4100 shops, and through the mill.

Another Grade V11 class from the Eastern school accompanied by their teacher, Mr. Jackson, were taken on the same tour on March 22<sup>nd</sup>. under the guidance of Bill Stern, Jack Dickinson, Charlie Harvey, Richard Dickinson. John Ross and Ken Meuckon.

The students were given descriptive articles, written for elementary School-age children, describing the mine, mill, copper plants, and mine finding techniques.

These tours are arranged by the Company to assist the general public in gaining a better understanding of mining and mine operations. Applications for conducted tours will be entertained from responsible groups or organization, by written application to the Company.

## **CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE REPORT**

This year Canada is celebrating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Confederation of the Provinces. In order to allow every Canadian to participate in the celebration local Centennial Committees were set up.

The Britannia Beach Centennial Committee has been meeting more or less regularly since June 1965. Most of our activity has necessarily been done by Committee.

The project chosen to mark the Centennial year is the publishing of a book "Britannia" - The Story of a Mine. This book by Bruce Ramsey, well known, B.C. author, is a well authenticated history of our Britannia mine that we're sure every local resident at least will want for his or her library. The committee member's apart from arranging the many details involved in an attempt to collect Anecdotes for inclusion in it. A contest for the cover design was held last year and won by Kathleen Malloy, granddaughter of the local doctor of 1920-1923.

We have also arranged other ways of celebrating our anniversary. We have, for instance, collected and displayed artefacts on three different occasions. A visit by 'S.S. Beaver', an authentic replica of the first steam vessel in the Northwest Pacific, was sponsored and on July 1 we co-sponsored with the community Club in extending a special welcome to old timers and former residence who visited the property on Miners' Day?

For the balance of our Centennial year we have more plans. We hope, for example, to be allowed again to participate in Miners' Day and on June 2 to June 5 we will be hosts to the H.M.C S. Coix.

Mary Smith

## **GIRL GUIDES**

### News Bulletin

The 1<sup>st</sup> Britannia Guide Company presently have 20 Guides enrolled, there Captain is Mrs. P Rowan and Lieutenant Mrs, J 'Wallenborn, 'Patrol leaders Pat Baverstock, Lisa Pollish and Carol Hansen. Meetings are held every Friday evening in the Guide Hall.

### **Recent Activities.**

#### Mother and Daughter Banquet

A mother and daughter Banquet was held in the upper club room on 'Friday evening, February 24<sup>th</sup>, with Guides and Brownies wearing uniforms of every nation.

The tables were decorated with flags made by the Guides. A delicious The Mother's Group provided buffet style dinner.

Father O'Brian opened the dinner with grace. Vickie Andrezejczuk gave the tease to the Queen. Debbie Hoodikoff the toast to Baden-Powell, Jane Niermeyer the toast to the mothers and Mrs. Niermeyer replies with a toast to the daughters.

Guests at the head table were Father O'Brian and Mrs. Brander (Diamond Commissioner) More, DI Mullen, Mrs. D Shavela Tawny Owls for the Brownies. Mrs. Rowan, Mrs. J. Wallenborn, captain and lieutenant for the Guides. Mrs. W. Hansen, president of the Mother's group, Mrs. W Andrzejczuk, treasurer. and Mrs. J.A. Price, secretary of the Group.

Mrs. Rowan with the assistance of Mrs. Brander presented the Guides with awards they had earned during the past year. Delaine Pickard, Cindy Price, Marie Begin, Rita Fogarty, Linda Niermeyer and Valerie Dyck war each awarded their Home Nurse Badge.

Jean Knippleberg received 10 badges: Cook, Home Nurse, Emergency helper, Child Care, Homemaker, Hostess, Gymnast, Keep fit, Laundress and St. John Ambulance.

Debbie Hoodikoff received 10 badges: Cook, Skier, Home Nurse, Emergency Helper, Writers, Laundress and St. John Ambulance.

Carole Hansen 6 badges: Cook, Emergency helper, Writers, Home Nurse, and St. John Ambulance.

Elizabeth Price 5 badges: Home Nurse, Cook, Emergency Helper, Writer, Laundress, and St, John Ambulance.

Pat Baverstock: 5 badges Cook, Home Nurse, Emergency helper, Child Care and St. John Ambulance.

Lisa Pollish 4 badges: Home Nurse, Emergency helper, Child care, and St. John Ambulance.

Mrs. Shavela and Mrs. Brander presented the Brownies with their awards:

Janet Dyke, Sherry Anderson, Debbie Adams, Sylvia Vukoslavceovich, Kim

Ainsley all received their Golden Ladder.

Valerie Shavela and Kathleen Greenlee received a Golden Hand award.

Mrs. Brander presented Mrs. Wallenborn with her warrant and Mrs. Rowan pinned on her warrant pin. Mrs. Mullen also received her warrant.

After the presentation of awards, Mrs. Brander spoke to the girls, She commended them on their fine achievements through the year and asked that they continue to do their best.

Thinking Day Pennies were collected and handed to Commissioner, Mrs. Brander.

Both Guides and Brownies had several skits and included their mothers in on competitive games. Guide Mothers lost to their Guides, but Brownie Mothers won against their little ones.

The evening closed with Guides and Brownies singing TAPS.

## **BROWNIES**

Brownies is a worldwide organization. Its aim is to help make the girls better citizens, through games and activities and test work they learn to get along together help each other.

The certificate for out pack was issued to Mrs. Ida Holoien about five years ago. While Mrs. Holoien was Brown Owl, Mrs. Mullen and Mrs. Shavela is Tawny Owls.

There are three leaders now, Mrs. J. Yaky, is Brown Owl, Mrs. Mullen and Mrs. Tawny are Tawny Owls.

There are 20 girls now working on their Golden Bar and Golden Hand.

In January and February the girls worked on plays to present at the Mother-Daughter Banquet.

They are working on Easter baskets in March and in April it will be Mother's Day gifts. In the very near future we hope to get them out for a nature walk and later a hike.

We meet in the Scout Hall on Tuesday afternoon from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. Any girl who is 7 years old is welcome to become a Brownie.

Mrs. Joyce M. Yaky,  
1<sup>st</sup> Britannia Pack.

## **BRITANNIA BEACH MINE SAFETY ASSOCIATION**



On January 18, 1967 a meeting was held in the beach Safety Building to re-organize the old Britannia Mine Safety Association; to promote mine Rescue and First Aid Training and to hold annual competitions at Britannia prior to the Vancouver Island Mine Safety Association Competition.

- The following executive was elected:
- (Chairman) P. Rowan
- (Vice Chairman) R. Fogarty
- (Sec. Tres.) E. Trace.

To help finance the organization, application was made to the dept. of Mines for a grant, which was awarded. It has been decided to hold the first Annual Competition in early May.

It is interesting to note that Britannia entered the most number of competing teams in the Vancouver Island Rescue and First Aid Competition held in Nanaimo on May 26, 1966. services. We would like to see two Mine Rescue Teams were entered, as follows:

2<sup>nd</sup> place winners = Jim Greer (Captain)

- Jerry Krizek
- Bill Anderson
- Wolf Bechert (Vice Capt)
- Larry Gagne
- Cal Ermoe (Base Man)
- Don Shavel (Capt.)
- Harry Yaky
- Ray Raby

- Roy Fogarty (Vice Capt.)
- Carl Blanes (Base Man)

Five First Aid Teams of which one was a Senior Mans Team, members =

- Earl Trace (Captain and Coach)
- Jack Graham
- John Price
- Al McNair (Vice Captain).
- Fred Pickering (Patient)

Junior Girls =

2<sup>nd</sup> Place winners =

- Pat Baverstock (Captain)
- Lisa Pollish
- Elizabeth Price
- Jena Knippleberg
- Deborah Niermyer (Vice Captain)
- Mrs. P Rowan (Coach)

Team #2

- Carole Hanses (Captain)
- Diane Cartwright (Vice Captain)
- Sharon Dyck
- Debra Hoodikiff
- Beverley Solowan, (Patient)
- Mrs. P. Rowan (Coach) Team #3 Janet Clark (Captain)
- Anneke Van Der Han (Vice Captain)
- Gwen Clark
- Juliette Hoeflick
- Linda Sametz (Patient)
- Mrs. Earl Trace (Coach)

Junior Boys =

2<sup>nd</sup> place winners =

- Larry Rowan (Captain)
- Bruce MacDonald (Vice Captain)
- Mark Pollish (Patient)
- Reg Fogarty
- Paul Begin
- Mrs. P Rowan (Coach)

The following have obtained Mine Rescue Certificates since the reopening of the mine in March, 1965 –

- Roy Fogerty
- Bill Anderson
- Jerry Krizek,

- Wolf Bechert
- Ron Baily
- Ray Raby
- Larry Gagne
- Larry Mairon
- Jim Martin
- James McFadden
- John Wolf
- Marcel Begin
- Yvon Essiambre
- Murray Croteau
- Ken Staven
- Walter Hansen
- Mike Denton
- Eric Philehler
- Al McNair
- Nick Ostojic
- Doug Tweed
- Paul Sametz
- Jessie Hill
- Henri LaBelle
- Grant
- McFarlene
- Fred Pickering
- Clinton Nichols
- Jack Scott
- Joe Hall
- Joe Greschuk
- Leo Valliere
- Jack Bursns
- Adolph Schaper

INSTRUCTOR Phil Kerby

The following have obtained First Aid Certificates since the re-opening of the mine in March, 1965

**INDUATRIAL COURSE =**

- Earl Trace INSTRUCTOR
- Ron Bailey
- Jim Carlin
- John Dyke
- Jerry Gagnon
- Jack Graham

- Pat Kirby
- Al McNair
- John Price
- Ray Raby
- Jean Roy

**RENEWALS =**

- Phil Rowan
- Bill White
- Roy Fogarty 1967
- Mike Denton
- Roy Fogarty
- Joe Hall
- Eddy Levesque
- Grant McFarlene
- Jim Rynn
- Harry Yaky
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**RENEWALS**

- John Dyke
- Jerry Gagnon
- Jack Graham
- Norm Hilborn
- Pat Kirby
- Al McNair
- John Price
- Earl Trace            1966 St. Johns First Aid =
- INSTRUCTOR, Phil Rowan Bill Anderson
- Wolf Bechert
- Carl Blanes
- Roy Clark
- Paul Hoodikoff
- Walter Hansen
- Lloyd Johnston
- Jerry Krizek
- Larry Mrion
- Jim Greer
- Alma Rowan

### Junior First Aid 1966

#### Instructors Phil Rowan

- Mrs. Wallenborn
- Pat Baverstock
- Elizabeth Price
- Lisa Pollish
- Deborah Niermeyer
- Carole Hansen
- Jean Knippelberg
- Diane Cartwright
- Sharon Dyck
- Beverly Solowan
- Anneke Van Der Han
- Debra Hoodikoff
- Janet Clark
- Linda Sametz
- Gwen Clark
- Juliette Hoeflick
- Darlene Smith
- Larry Rowan

#### **RENEWALS –**

- Reg Fogerty
- Bruce MacDonald
- Mark Pollish
- Paul Begin

At present a women's First Aid Class is in progress with 20 attending  
Also a class of 33 juniors have joust finished with their examine being held  
on March 7-8. Results to be announced later, these classes have been under  
the Instruction of Phil Rowan with helpers being Mrs. Rowan, Mrs, Wallenborn  
and Mrs. Frances Ferguson.

A Mine Rescue Class of 9 persons were examined on March 16, 1967 by  
Mr. A. R.C. James, Mine Inspector and Bud Childress, Mine Rescue Instructor  
of Nanaimo.

P. Rowan,  
Chairman, B.M.S. Association

#### **The Woman's Association Britannia Community Church**

The Women's Association of the Community Church has been active almost  
continuously since September 20.1926.

Its aims and objects are to assist in the social and welfare work of the Church, to realise funds for local church purposes, and to promote a spirit of goodwill and Christian fellowship throughout the congregation.

The W. A. Meets the first Thursday of every month either in the church or in the home of a member depending on the evening's program, every woman in the community is most welcome to join us.

The Messengers, a group of girls 6-8 years under the leadership of Mrs. P. Emery and Mrs. Tony Crane, is sponsored by the W.A.

Recent activities have included a Stitch and Chatter evening which provided an opportunity for newcomers to the community to get to know their neighbours and the arranging of a congregational dinner.

On April 7 from 2-7 p.m. a thrift sale will be held in the basement of the church. This will be a sale of 'new-to-you' articles – clothing of all kinds, jewellery, whit elephants etc. and bake sale. A tearoom will also be operated. Any donations for this event will be gladly picked up by any member. Phone calls to Mrs. J, Graney at 2295 or Mrs. N. Steenson at 2467 will get this service.

Mary Smith

## **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

Editor,  
Britannia Beach Newsletter

Dear Sir:

I should like to bring to the attention of the management of the Anaconda Company, and the citizens of Britannia Beach, the matter of the stray dog situation.

For the past while, Britannia Beach has been over-run by dogs roaming about on the loose. These menaces knock over garbage cans and scatter there contents over front lawns and yards, howl an bark day and night, as well as growl and "nip" at the heels of passers-by.

While there is something to be said for the right of citizens to have dogs, there is more to be said for the rights of other citizens to raise children, gardens and flower beds without having to stand constant vigil over' then against the onslaughts of their neighbours' roaming dogs.

By their very nature, dogs will run at large and cause all manners of

trouble if not properly looked after or controlled. The true dog lover will not allow his animal or pet to run with the pack along the streets. Man chose to domesticate the dog as his “best friend”. It seems, therefore, that no dog deserves the unhappy state of having a master who cannot or will not look after him.

Sometimes, a dog must be destroyed for its mis-conduct –BUT it is the owner alone who can be held morally responsible.

Yours truly,  
Maryteen F. McFarlene

### **School Patrol**

The Guys and Dolls Club has undertaken sponsorship of a School Patrol. Elementary school students will be trained to control vehicle and pedestrian traffic at the School crosswalk adjacent to the Plaza apartments, the patrol will be on duty before and after classes, morning, noon, and afternoon. Suitable distinctive uniforms and equipment will be supplied by the Guys and Dolls Club.

### **Road Patrol**

The Vindicators Car Club has volunteered to set up a Road Patrol to control traffic, both vehicular and pedestrian, on Company roads. The Car Club will be authorized to see that automotive traffic adheres to the posted speed limits, and roaring motors.

### **Clean Up**

The first week of April has been declared “Spring Clean-Up Week” Residents are requested to make a general clean-up of their yards and surrounding areas. Rubbish should be piled in a convenient and conspicuous spot, and will be picked up by Company trucks on April 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **TREES**

The cutting of trees and shrubs, of any type, on Company property, must not be done without the prior permission of the Company being obtained. Residents wishing to remove trees for landscaping purposes, or to open up the view, should apply to W.B. Montgomery, Administrative Assistant. If the trees to be cut are on adjoining lots, the proposed cutting should be discussed with the neighbours residing on such lots before the approach is made to the Company.

## **Britannia Beach Community Church**

In, our February meeting of the Official Board, it was decided to hold an evening service once per month, on the first Sunday of each month. Our first evening service was held on March 5<sup>th</sup> and it was truly a nice experience.

Our guests included a brass and wind band from the King George Secondary School Vancouver. The band was under the leadership of Mr. John Fearing, a soloist. Mr. Norman Fearing, and the children of Britannia made their first appearance as a choir, under the direction of Mr. Bill Whiteside.

The band accompanies the congregation in the singing of hymns and also played two numbers from the time of Elizabeth the First.

Refreshments were served after the service, provided by members of the Women's Association.

We would like to have a good turnout for these services. They are being held for a number of reasons: so that the residents may get better acquainted with one another, so that they will have a better chance to talk with their minister, and to provide a service that can be attended by those who find it difficult to come to morning meetings. People at morning service also.

If any one of the residents has the great gift of being able to play an organ, it would be appreciated if he or she would come forward and volunteer to play for us.

If you have any questions to ask as to what services are provided by the Church, or if you want to be visited by our minister, Rev. Fullerton, please feel free to call the undersigned for information.

The official Board  
Britannia beach Community Church  
Joan Ehler, Secretary

## **Howe Sound Curling Club**

In my first submission of the Howe Sound Curling Club news, I want to say Thanks for allowing me to extend a welcome to any prospective member who may want to curl next winter. I will be very pleased to give you any information if you care to call me at 896-2309.

## A FEW HISTORIC FACTS

The club was incorporated in 1963. Before this happened a lot of hard work was done by a handful of determined men who searched for a suitable site and also created interest in the almost unknown game. The building was financed by the sale of Debentures and the sale of membership. Since then many hours of volunteer labour have gone into the "Making of a Club". An Architect (Mr. Church) and a Contractor (Mr. Banyard) were hired to design and construct the building, which has four sheets of ice. The actual construction was started in early "64" and we began curling that same winter. As you can see our Club is still in its growing pains as we are only 3 years old. Our membership has grown larger every winter with people who have never curled before, so don't hold back from joining us if you do not know how to curl. There are always beginners mixed in with the experienced players who are more than happy to give you pointers. At the beginning of each season we have teachers who are helping new comers to the club, so come along and join in THE ROARING GAME.

The members of the Executive are elected by the membership once a year who supervise the administration and general operation of the Club. The recreational A chairman appointed by the President from arranges activities the Executive, who in turn appoints a committee from the General Membership. All committees are formed in this manner.

At present the Club has Approximately 198 membership, almost all are family memberships and makes up a total of about 354 person. with an associate membership of about 35. This is one reason why emphasis has always been placed on the name "A Family Club", because mixed curling, family curling (Sunday) and Skating lend themselves very well to family participation.

After the curling is over with around the first week in April, the dividers are lifted and flooding is done and then the young and the not so young take to the ice on Skates, and skate until either the weather gets too warm, or interest lags. You don't have to be a member of the Club to skate, and it is very inexpensive.

The members of the Executive are as follows:

- Don Dickie - President
- Len Gorsuch - Vice President
- June Phillips - Secretary
- Norm McDonald - Treasurer
- Jim Kilburn Past President
- Helen Robinson Ladies President

Directors:

- Gene Klymchuk
- Rita North
- Hugh McMillan
- Jim Schutz
- Jack Currie
- Dunc McDonald

We are having a Closing Centennial Ice Ball on Friday April 7<sup>th</sup>. This is not necessarily for members only, but it is by pre-sale of tickets. Contact me if interested. This type of party is real fun as the dancing is on ice. Food will be served on the main floor and the bar in the upstairs lounge. Presentation of Club Trophies and Weepers Bo spiel prized will be given out. Also prizes for the Best Centennial Costumes. Come and meet us.

FELLOWSHIP IN CURLING IS FELLOWSHIP AT IT'S BEST

Rita North

## **VINDICTATORS CAR CLUB**

Has anyone noticed the subtle change-taking place in the young drivers of Britannia? No more speeding tickets. weaving cars, screaming tires nor racing on the highway?

This is our way of showing off:

- Promote safe and courteous driving;
- Learn together to build and maintain cars for may and all purposes;
- To promote high standards of members in Club and Community standings;
- To take an active interest in Community affairs;
- To promote Club activities.

If you're in trouble and have nowhere else to look-call on a Vindicator Club member and see how we all support our Constitution, part of which appears above.

We hope our goodwill and courtesy reaches you personally so you will better understand why our Club is of importance to the Community.

Prospective members may write Box 98, Britannia Beach, attention of Membership Committee.

B.S. Stephenson  
Bruce  
Niermeyer.

## **Keep Fit Class**

The “KEEP FIT CLASS” consists of a group of ladies who enjoy an evening of exercise and games.

It has been functioning for a number of years, with Mrs. Baxter acting as leader and treasurer.

A weekly 10-cent fee is paid by each member to cover cost of Birds, Tea, Coffee, Sugar and milk.

Each members name is written into a notebook with her dues noted and any money left over at the end of the season, goes toward an evening on the town for all paid members.

The hours are from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m., Tuesday, in the School Gym. ½ hour of exercise and the rest of the time is taken up with volley ball and badminton. At one time we had a ping pong table up with but this was taken back to the club room.

We would very much like to have one back again, as with only one badminton court, there is a lot of sitting around waiting for turns and the Ping Pong helped alleviate this.

Mrs. F. G. Baxter.

## **BRITANNIA BEACH BOAT CLUB**

The Boat Club was started to give the residents of Britannia or employees of the Co. , a better place to tie up their pleasure boats.

Arrangements had been made with “Swells” for two or three years to provide boat rentals here but they have not been here now for about six years and there have been enough local boats to take up all the available space.

Dues in the club have been very reasonable but to make up for it, each member was to turn out to work parties to do the work necessary to keep the floats in good condition.

When the Woodfibre Ferry moved to Darrell Bay, the Highway Dept. gave their float to the Howe Sound Co. and they have loaned it to the boat club every year. The Anaconda Co. have continued with the same policy since they took over.

The boating season is again approaching and the present executive reviewed the treasurers books and found them in good order. Also some of the present executive intend to resign and there is no vice-president so those of you who wish to have mooring facilities should think of electing your officers at the annual general meeting.

This meeting is to be held in the First Aid room (Beach) on April 9<sup>th</sup>, 1967 at 7:00 p.m. Please turn out to this meeting and change or review the policies for the coming year.

Earle F. Trace  
Secretary.

## **PERSONALS**

**March 1967**

Wally Sabincz is attending a six-month course in welding at the B.C. Vocational School, under the sponsorship of the Workmen's Compensation Board and the Company.

Mr. Hugh Chisholm, who underwent serious surgery at the Lion's Gate Hospital last month is now at home. Mrs. Chisholm reports that Hugh seems to be well on the way to recovery.

Mrs. W.W. White has returned home after a two weeks' stay in the Vancouver General Hospital.

Mr. Marcel Guillemette has returned home after a three weeks' stay in the Lion's Gate Hospital.

Mrs. Frank Kulbacki was also in the Lion's Gate Hospital for a week. She is now returned home.

Mrs. J. Hodgson has been hospitalized in Lion's Gate Hospital since March 9<sup>th</sup>.

To all our people who are hospitalized or convalescing, we wish a speedy recovery to normal health.

Our sympathy to Mr. Joe Van den Hoek and Mrs. J.J. DeGlopper who lost their father March 8<sup>th</sup>, 1967.

Mr. Peter Luc, injured in a blasting accident December 13, 1966, returned to work March 6<sup>th</sup> and although not doing development work is getting back into full swing.

We welcome back to Britannia the Barlow's who left on an extended holiday

December 26<sup>th</sup>. While away they visited Tucson, Arizona, Grants, New Mexico, and Las Vegas, Nevada. Jim says it was like a grand reunion. He met all his Old cronies from Anaconda Iron Ore (Ontario) and Grants, where he spent eight years, and all the ex-Britannia employees at Tucson who were transferred during the 1965-1965 exodus. Although Jim has been away these several months it was not all holiday. He spent approximately two weeks getting acquainted with the shop operations at Tucson and then went out hiring heavy duty mechanics. Apparently heavy duty mechanics are at a premium and have to be brought in from other areas. The Tucson operation is huge and an eye-opener to anyone interested in mining. As soon as the weather permits Jim will be going back to the Jane Basin operation.

Mr. Joe Barlow of the U.S. Coast Guard is presently visiting his parents.

Mr. Bill McNeil, badly injured in a blasting accident last December is progressing as well as to be hoped. Bill says he hopes to be back on light duty work in about two weeks time

Marvin Bittman who received serious eye injuries in a blasting accident in June, 1965 has undergone a number of operations since that time. We regret that there has been little, if any, improvement in Marvin's vision. he can just discern the difference between light and dark. As of January of this year, the Workers Compensation Board transferred Marvin from lost time compensation to pension. Marvin resides at the Canadian Institute for the Blind Residence, 5200 Main Street, Vancouver, He has a private telephone in his room, the number is 327-6515

### NOTICES

There will be a meeting of the  
BRITANNIA BEACH MINE SAFETY ASSOCIATION,  
to arrange for local competitions on  
TUESDAY APRIL 4,  
at 7:00 p.m.  
in the  
BEACH SAFETY OFFICE.  
BRITANNIA BEACH SOFTBALL CLUB  
FIRST PRACTICE  
SUNDAY APRIL 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2:00 p.m.  
Ballpark  
ALL BALL PLAYERS PLEASE TURN OUT.

**JUNIOR CHOIR  
COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Bill Whiteside is organizing a Junior Choir in the community Church. Parents of children interested in the Choir should contact Mr. Whiteside, Rev. Fullerton, or any number of the Church Board.

**ENTERTAINMENT**

The Howe Sound Drama Club will be presenting 3 one-act plays at the Britannia Elementary School on Friday, April 14, at 8:00 p.m.. Admission will be 75 cents adult 50 cents for students.

**COME SEE:**

“Mr. Flannery’s Ocean” (Tragic- Comedy)

“The Rats” ) An Agatha Christie Mystery)

“A Tooth or a Shave” (a Mexican Comedy)



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### BRITANNIA BEACH CENTENNIAL PROGRAM

The main project of the local Centennial Committee is the publication of a history of Britannia Beach, The history:

“BRITANNIA THE STORY OF A MINE” by Bruce Ramsey is now in the hands of the printers, and will be, it is hoped, ready for sale by Copper Queen Day.

Although “Britannia, The Story of a Mine” has been sponsored and produced by the Centennial Committee, every resident of Britannia Beach has a direct interest and part in its publication. The Federal and Provincial governments contribute \$1.60 per head of population (1961 census) provided \$1.40 per head is raised locally to support the Centennial project. The local assessment, amounting to \$1085.00 is being put up by your Community Club; the government’ share is \$1240.00. The some \$3700.00 over and above the joint contributions must be raised. This will be in the name of the Community Club, so that any sales. The copyright of the book will be in the name of the Community Club, so that any revenue in excess of publication costs will accrue to the Club.

A lot of time an effort has gone into the production of the book. The Centennial Committee believes those residents, previous residents, and everyone connected with mining venture a financial success. Approximately 2000 copies must be sold to break even; beyond that point the Community club will arrangements.

The book is to be produced in a paperback, to retail at about \$2.95, mad a hard copy to retail at between \$5.00, and \$6.00. There may be a discount for local sales to residents; this depends on the overall marketing arrangements. So may we recommend that every resident of Britannia Beach make it his or her?

personal? Centennial project to push the sale of the book. Rather than buy socks, or stockings, or ties, or handkerchiefs, or what-have-you for your cousins, aunts, uncles, and friends or anniversaries, birthdays and at Christmas, buy each and every one a copy of the book, Even the children will enjoy it – there will be a great number of photographs and pictures. If every family in Britannia Beach buys six copies of the book, it will be a financial success.

### **SUPPORT THE BOOK BUY THE BOOK**

H.M.C.S. St. Croix (Destroyer-Escort) will visit Britannia Beach the weekend of June 2-5, 1967, as part of the Centennial Celebration. More information about the ship and the visit will be given in the next issue of the Newsletter.

### **CENTENNIAL PAGEANT**

As part of the program for Miner's Day the Centennial Committee is planning a program of sorts. In this pageant we hope to illustrate highlights and episodes of Britannia's history and some of the people who have contributed to our community. We have already been promised support from some of Norwegian, Scottish, English, American, Italian and French origin

.  
Do you know any anecdotes of long past or recent years that could be dramatized? Is there enough "ham" in you to perform? How are you at whipping up costumes or helping with staging and sound effects? If you are willing to participate in this show in any way get in touch with one of the Centennial Committee. It's going to be fun!!



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**BRITANNIA BEACH MINE SAFETY ASSOCIATION**

The first annual Mine Rescue and First Aid Competition will be held on Saturday, May 13, 1967.

The Mine Rescue event will start at 9:00 a.m. at the new Model Mine (just north of upper crescent townsite on road to 4100). Three teams are entered:

**MEN'S J.Greer (Captain)**

- J Krizek
  - W. Bechert
  - E.Piechler
  - G. Rose
  - Y. Essiambre
  - R. Fogarty
  - H. Yaky
  - J. Rynn
  - C. Blanes
  - P. Hoodikoff
  - M. Denton
  - W. Anderson
- (Captain)
- R. Baker
  - H. Millahn
  - J. Van der Ham
  - G. McFarlene Phil Rowan First Aid teams are Coach of all teams

The first Aid events start at 2:00 p.m. These will be held on the Ball field (weather permitting) or else in the School gym. Seven First entered, two ladies' two men's, two girls' and one boys'.

**LADIES:**

- Mrs. Ferguson (Captain)
- Mrs. Yaky
- Mrs. Radakovich
- Mrs. Fraser
- Mrs. Baker
- Mrs. Rowan-Coach
- Miss Clark (Captain)
- Miss Van der Ham
- Mrs. Bechert
- Mrs. C. Blanes
- Mrs. Mullen
- Mrs. Wallenborn- Coach

**MEN:**

- J. Graham (Captain)
- M Denton
- G. McFarlane
- M. Patsy
- L. Rowan
- E. Trace –coach
- A McNair (Captain)
- P Kirby
- J Price
- A Fortier
- G. McNair
- E. LeBlanc - coach

**GIRLS:**

- C Hansen (Capt)
- J Kippleberg
- D Hoodikoff
- L Niermeyere
- S Dyck
- Mrs. Ferguson – coach
- P Baverstock (Capt)
- L Polish
- E Price
- D Niermeyer
- S Sarlikettu
- Mrs. Rowan- coach

**BOYS:**

- R Fogarty (Capt)
- B MacDonald
- J Van der Ham
- D Shavela
- K Kirby
- E Trace

A banquet will be held at 6:00 p.m. in the Upper Club Room for all competitors, wives, committee members, and invited guests, at which the winners will be announced and prizes awarded. This will be followed at 9:00 p.m. by a dance, open to all senior members of the Mine Safety Association.

The Department of Mines has donated \$300.00, which will be spent \$225.00 for prizes and \$75.00 for banquet and dance. Expenses over and above Anaconda will donate the foregoing.

Phil Rowan, Chairman of the Britannia beach Mine Safety Association, is general chairman in charge of the program. Other committee chairmen are:

- J B MacDonald-----Competition
- R T Baverstock-----Prizes
- K Niermeyer-----Dance
- Mrs. G Adolphson-----Banquet

They will be assisted by a large number of members of the Community.

See you at the Mine Rescue and First Aid Competition  
SATURDAY, MAY 13<sup>th</sup>, STARTING AT 9:00 A. M.

**BRITANNIA BEACH PARENT – TEACHER ASSOCIATION**

The P.T.A. is one of several organizations which managed to survive the 1958 shutdown, and has continued with some enthusiasm to the present time. This year it has experienced a gradually lagging interest, which is evident throughout the province, due to the failure of our young parents to take over where their parents are leaving off.

The objects of the P.T.A. are numerous but the primary one is to foster co-operation between parents and teachers in the training and guidance of children and youth, and to assist in interpreting the school in all its aspects to the public

Out aims here in Britannia have been more specific. they include the 1966-67-school year:

1. Sponsorship the local Kindergarten and the children's Public Library and the Saving Plan in the School.
2. Helping the teachers in any way possible – Parents' Day, Sports Day, etc.
3. Provide Bursary for the most deserving young man or lady in the High School from Britannia, who wishes to obtain advanced education in other than a University.
4. Provide Awards for the most deserving students in our School.
5. Have Saturday afternoon films for the entertainment of all.
6. Send messages to children in hospital, and parents too.
7. Have educational and entertaining programs to encourage parents to attend the meetings and become interested in P.T.A. To the attainment of these aims we have made several attempts to raise money.
8. Our most recent ambitious was a dance which was much enjoyed by those who did attend. The refreshments, both liquid and otherwise, and the music was particularly good. Thanks are extended to the Committee for their hard work and a special thank- you to the orchestra for playing with such enthusiasm.

The P.T.A. try and help in the community as much as possible but have been hampered in their attempts by lack of workers. from time to time the executive have found it necessary to search elsewhere for assistance. One of these occasions was at Christmas when help came from the W. A. More recently at the dance several non-P.T.A. mothers were called upon. Our sincere thanks go to these people for their help.

Programs for our Meetings have included: 'Twenty years in a Mining town' by Mrs. Smith and Mrs. O. Baxter; 'High Heels in the Andes', with films by Mr. and Mrs. L Pollish, and Mr. and Mrs. Niermeyer; a film and commentary by Mr. Thomlinson, special counsellor for the Howe Sound School District; a film tour of Germany by Mr. L. Cope, former teacher at Mt. Sheer and Britannia Beach; talk on Sex Education in the Schools, by Dr. Reynolds, Director for Coast Garibaldi Health Unit. The programs have been good; and the lunch likewise; COMES TO THE NEXT PARENT TEACHER MEETING AND MEET YOUR FELLOW PARENTS AND YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER SOCIALLY YOU MAY BE SURPRISED TO FIND THAT YOU HAVE MET A FRIEND.

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT – 1965 to 1966**

Sept 1965 in bank	\$108.00	
Fund raising	\$257.00	
Membership Dues	\$15.00	
Saturday Movies	\$12.00	\$382.20

Expenses:		
School Sports Day	\$ 63.50	
Uniforms	\$40.50	
School Library	\$50.00	
Awards to Grades 1-7	\$32.00	
Conventional Expenses	\$54.00	
Kindergarten cot 1966	\$100.00	
Misc, Expenses	\$50.00	\$390.00
1966-67 to date		
Hotdog stand profit (Beaver day)	\$21.00	
Membership fees	\$15.00	
Christmas Hamper Raffle	\$172.00	\$208.00
Saturday Movies in red		
	\$11.00	
Misc. Expenses	\$25.00	\$36.00-
Bank Expenses, April 12 <sup>th</sup>		
		\$172.00
Spring Dance:		
Receipts to date	\$364.06	
Expenses	\$363.91	\$15.00
(Any profits will come from sale of unused liquor)		

## **BRITANNIA BEACH KINDERGARTEN**

The Kindergarten got away to a late start due to the conversion of the old theatre into rooms for the Pre-schoolers, and a cub and scout Hall. This conversion was done by Anaconda, at Company expense, when the district School Board was not able to help. out financially. The accommodation was well worth waiting for and real use is being made of a building which was used only occasionally before. Many of the mothers of the pre-schoolers have taken a real interest in the new room and have worked hard to paint it, equip it, and see that it is kept clean. thanks are extended to these mothers and to the company who provided the accommodations.

Thanks are in order also to the school board who have provided a record player, to the Community Club for a cash donation and the piano, to the Union and the Company for their help in several different ways, and to Mr. Montgomery for his general interest. A charge of \$6.00 per month and help from the P.T.A. keep the school in supplies and pay the teachers.

A Committee of Mothers runs the Kindergarten:

- Mrs. Conto

- Mrs. Krizek
- Mrs. Knudsen

Mrs. Conto is the Financial Secretary. Two teachers are employed by the P.T.A. They are Mrs K Pickard and Mrs. P Kirby. The school is open three mornings a week and is attended by 19 five-year-olds. Singing, handicrafts, games, dancing, story-telling, language arts, painting, science and numbers are all included in a day at Kindergarten.

Next year we are hopeful that the School Board will be running Kindergartens in all areas and that the cost to the parents will then be much less. Notification of this will probably come through the school children.

## **JANE BASIN**

There is widespread interest in the Community about the activities generally referred to as the Jane Basin Project. The Jane Basin Project is located to the Southeast of the Mt. Sheer townsite, and covers the original outcroppings, open pits, and upper mine workings of the Britannia ore bodies. Included in the area are the old Jane Barbara camps.

The Project is to explore and test the potentially large tonnages of low-grade mineralization remaining in the area, and to determine if the mineral content can be economically recovered. The Project has been divided into two parts. The first is to determine what tonnage of ore may be recovered by conventional open pit mining, and the second is to develop and expend the "leaching-in-place" process.

Some open pit mining will be carried out this year, on an experimental basis. The leaching-in-place process has produced about 600,000 pounds of copper per year in recent years. By better utilization of surface and mine water by directing it to areas of low grade copper mineralization in the old mine workings, it is anticipated that copper recovery in the leaching plants may be increased many times over present production.

The open pit mining and the leaching-in-place projects will be described in detail in future issues of the Newsletter.

## **SUGGESTION COMMITTEE**

At April 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Suggestion Committee, nine new suggestions were considered. Of these, five were turned down for various reasons, such as the initial cost being out of line with the benefits, suggestion not being an original or

new idea, etc.

Three suggestions were deferred for appraisal, and one suggestion was accepted.

Mr. K J Williamson was awarded \$10.00 for bringing to the attention of the committee shortages of boxes of rock-bolt shells. The Company was aware of the discrepancy; the award was made on the basis of the suggested being alert and having the interests of the Company in mind.

### **ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS**

The monthly Round Table meeting was held in the Upper Club Room on April 18<sup>th</sup>, with 22 employees in attendance.

A large number of suggestions and recommendations were presented, some of which were: the establishment of regional playgrounds for small children in each of the tow sites; reconstruction of the tennis court; a Safety Poster and Slogan contest for housewives; traffic control at the hospital corner, etc.

The next meeting of the Round table will be held on May 16<sup>th</sup> in the Upper Clubroom, starting at 7:00 p.m.

### **NATIONAL DRIVERS TEST**

“There’s a new and exciting opportunity for you in the 1967 National drivers Test”.

Never before has there existed such a widespread interest in safety. Recent legislation stressing product and personal safety has been passed overwhelmingly by Congress. Enthusiastic support from all areas for the traffic safety movement has been growing and for good reason.

“Despite all efforts, the highway traffic death and injury tolls have continued to mount in the last several years, at a startling pace. In 1966, federal and public concern at last brought official action in the establishment of a department in the Presidential cabinet to deal effectively with all aspects of the traffic and highway situation.

“This year more than ever before we have the chance to affect the bleak death and injury picture. With everyone working to achieve nationwide participation, a new all-time record will be set for the National Drivers Test. More important: There will be a corresponding saving in lives and dollars.

“The 1967 National Drivers Test will be televised in colour over the CBS network Tuesday, May 23, 1967 at 10:00 p.m. Eastern and Pacific Standard Times 9:00 p.m. Central Standard Time 8:00 p.m. Mountain Standard Time Anchorman for the show will be the award-winning newscaster, Walter Cronkite.

**OBJECTIVES:** The three main objectives of the National Drivers Test are:

1. To persuade people to drive defensively
2. To enrol people in defensive driving courses
3. To provide important data for future research projects.

Timing: The program, televised just three days before the long Memorial Day weekend is timely and should stimulate safe defensive driving techniques.

“Content: The 1967 Test is being developed from NSC’s defensive driving course and will include areas not covered in earlier programs, Network specialists and National Safety Council experts are working at his moment to develop and select dramatic new sequences on winter driving hazards, mountain driving, school buses, motorcycles, and driving distractions. Viewers will have to make critical decisions in given driving situations taken principally from the Council’s eight-hour course.

Format: The format will follow the pattern set by the two previous programs, Filmed from the standpoint of the driver, the situations will involve the viewer and elicit natural driver reactions. once again, the drive will be able to compare his test score with a national sample.

Sample Studio Audience: In addition to the national sample, a sample studio audience will allow viewers to compare their scores with a specific type of driver. Last year’s studio sample was a group of professional drivers.

Test Forms: Test form distribution will be an important element in generating audience participation. Shell Oil Company, sponsors of the National Drivers Test, will print millions of the test forms and, on request, make bulk quantities available to organizations.

Participation: The key word in the National Drivers Test is participation. During the Test even the least safety conscious viewers join, however briefly, the safety movement. An important step, perhaps, in a chain of safe driving acts leading to a safe driving attitude. It’s your place to encourage them to join in this unique learning experience.

“The National Drivers Test is the most important educational effort in driver improvement to date, and we want EVERYONE to TAKE ADVANTAGE of it”

Here at Britannia the Safety Department has applied for sufficient Test Forms to cover all employees. When these have been received, they will be distributed with the May 23<sup>rd</sup> pay statements.

### **BRITANNIA BEACH COMMUNITY CHURCH**

On April 16<sup>th</sup> we were very fortunate to have visiting us as guest artists Mr. Harry Fox and Mr. Bruce Kennedy. Both gentlemen are soloists at Chalmers United Church in Vancouver.

The next evening service will be held on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. please try to come.

We regret to announce that Mt. Fullerton has accepted a call to St, Andrews Westley United Church in Vancouver as Assistant Minister. We wish him every success in the future. Arrangements for ministerial work in Britannia have not been finalized, but you will be informed as soon as word is received.

We would like to offer our congratulations to the ladies of the Women's Association for their presentation of a successful Thrift Shop Sale.

Joan Ehler, Secretary,  
the Official Board,

### **BRITANNIA BEACH WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION**

The Rummage Sale of the W.A. was a great success. Not only was it financially so but many buyers got great bargains and a real stimulus was given to spring house cleaning. The Thrift Shop of the Auxiliary to the Squamish hospital and the United Church Welfare Centre in Vancouver also benefited from the leftovers. The members are very appreciative of the support given by the community to their project.

The speaker at the April meeting was Mrs. John Lamb of North Vancouver who spoke on the New Outlook in the Church. She described a conference she attended at Parksville with the theme of Faith in the Secular Age, and with the assistance of Mrs. E Rands, also of North Vancouver, showed the provocative film "The Detached American". A discussion followed on how much we could or should get involved in Community and World Affairs.

Again we cordially invite all interested women to join us.

Mary Smith.

### **COMMUNITY CLUB**

We will have the "Beauty Britannia" contest again this year. A committee is now being set up and they will look at each home some time between May 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. The contest will end the latter part of August this year since it was too cold and rainy, and late in the season, last year to have many flowers in bloom.

A member of the Guys and Dolls will sit in on each Executive meeting of the Community Club from now on. Guy MacDonald represented his club at the April 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The Library will soon have a new supply of books from the Traveling Library in Victoria. When these new books arrive our Librarian, Lynn Evans, plans to open the Library one afternoon a week for an hour or two.

The second annual "Miner's Day" will be held July 1<sup>st</sup>. Plans are being made for this celebration.

### **COPPER QUEEN DAY:**

Copper Queen Day will be celebrated on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. This year's Copper Queen is Debbie Niermeyer. The following lists all the Copper Queens since the Day was first celebrated. Thanks to Mr. Dave Clark for compiling this list:

1926	Thelma McKenzie
1927	Pearl Russell
1928	Elizabeth Jackson
1929	Lena Fraser
1930	Emily Browning
1931	Agnes McDore
1932	Kathleen McKenzie
1933	Enid Davis
1934	Doris Wharton
1935	Mabel Clark
1936	Lila Adamson
1937	Mildred Bacon
1938	Verna Phillips
1939	Margaret Welby
1940	Edith Fleming
1941	Georgina Roach
1942	Eleanor-Ann Matheson
1943	Eleanor Jean Dunbar

1944 Eloise Green  
1945 Jackie Donohue  
1946 Patsy Sullivan  
1947 Pat Hurley  
1948 Faye Settle  
1949 Sheila Fleming  
1950 Nancy Hill  
1951 Elizabeth Vollans  
1952 Olga Nicholson  
1953 Carl McLeod  
1954 Christine Adams  
1955 Winnifred Roper  
1956 Norma Adams  
1957 Marlene Anderson  
1958 Betty Bradley  
1959 Barbara Goss  
1960 Carol Newell  
1961 Karen Linley  
1962 Brenda Fleming  
1963 Edeltraud Beer  
1964 Karen Marconato  
1965 Barbara Fleming  
1966 Judy Fleming

Friday night

The program for the day is as follows:

May 19<sup>th</sup> 9:00 11:00 p.m. Teenage dance

Admission free to Britannia Teens and their  
Music by the Forte  
invited guests.

Saturday

May 29<sup>th</sup> 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. Sports events for children of all ages

Free Ice Cream !! Prizes !!  
Prizes for best-decorated bicycles.

Food, Beverage for sale from “EXPO KIDS”

2:00 p.m. TRADITIONAL COPPER QUEEN CROWNING  
CEREMONIES. with program to include:

Folk dancing (Grades 3 and 4) Under direction of Mrs.  
Hopwood and Mr. Cochrane  
May Pole dancing

3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Softball game

7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Children's Dance Party

9:30 -?? Adult's Dance

Refreshments. Admission \$4.00 per couple.

Music by Pete Cowan.

## **COMMUNITY CLUB SPORTS REPORT**

Softball: The Softball season is underway again. The men have been practicing Monday and Wednesday evening, with Roy Fogarty and Tom Locke as coaches.

The ladies. Too. expect to have a team this year. A meeting was held April 19<sup>th</sup>, which was very well attended, it was agreed that Paul Hoodikoff was to coach the team. and for the present, practices will be held every Tuesday evening at 6:00. Any ladies wishing to play are welcome to come to practice or get in touch with Mr. Hoodikoff. Application has been made for the team's entry into the Squamish Ladies League.

Boys Hardball: We tried to enter a boy's team in the Squamish Hardball League, but were informed our entry should have gone in months ago, so we're not eligible for this year. (Sorry fellows!) However, if we field a team, Squamish felt sure they could only exhibition games against us, providing it's not against the Little League Rules and Regulations. Inquiries are being made concerning this.

If there is one or more of you fathers who would like to coach a team, would you please get in touch with Roy Fogarty at 896-2282

Squamish has invited any boys from here. between the ages of 13 and 15, who want to try out for their Junior Hardball to register at the high school. For more information, contact John Hurren of Squamish 892-5090.

Keep fit: Ladies keep fit classes are still going full swing, every Tuesday evening at the School gym with an n average attendance of 16. They are expecting to fold for this season early May, but any ladies wishing to attend the remaining classes will be welcome.

Men's Gym classes had a lapse for about three weeks while Charlie Harvey was ill, but are back to the old schedule of Mondays and Thursdays at 7:00 at the School gym. The average attendance has been 35 so far.

This class played a basketball game against the crew from the Greek ship, Ayia Markella, and they won by a score of 50 – 42. They also played volleyball against a crew from the same ship, with the Britannia boys again coming out on top by a score of 21 – 7.

Tennis: How many of you are anxious to play tennis? We have hopes of one, is not two, courts. The Company has offered to supply the material and equipment to set up the courts, providing the Community supplies the labour. So it's up to you people whether tennis becomes one of our summer sports or not. A meeting will be held in the near future. WATCH FOR NOTICES ON THE BULLETIN BOARD 111

May 20<sup>th</sup>: Hey kids! Don't forget there will be prizes for the best decorated Bicycles – but you've got to do your own decorating. Bikes done by parents won't count. There are also going to be sack races, three-legged races. foot races, ball-throw, etc., so you had better get in shape for the big day!!

Soccer: The Junior 'Soccer League has had its play-offs, and Britannia won second place in the Howe Sound District. On Saturday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, our boys beat Stawamus 3 to 0 to win the semi-finals, and on Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, Britannia was beaten by a narrow margin of 1 to 0 by Mt. Currie who were the first place winners.

Our congratulations to Mt. Currie for their win and to the Britannia team who fought so valiantly.

Also, we congratulate Kevin Kirby for being named the best player in the play-offs.

We hear that the Britannia women had a hilarious game against the Squamish Pee-Wee Mothers. They fought to a very wet 0 – 0 tie.

The thanks of the Community are extended to Wally Andrzejczuk and Joe Van den Hoek, the coaches, for their efforts on behalf of the boys.

## **BRITANNIA BOAT CLUB**

The first meeting of 1967 was held April 9<sup>th</sup> in the First Aid Room and was presided over by D. MaGregor, President. Refreshments were served. There were 20 present. Former Secretary E. Trace, handed in letter of resignation and minutes of April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1966 were read by Doug Christie. Moved by A. McNair that the minutes of the last meeting be adopted as read. Seconded by B.B. Greenlee. The business of the executive committee. there were none. The following appointments were made:

A McNair (President)

D. Christie (Secretary)

Harry Yaky agreed to carry on for another term as Treasurer. Carried.

A lengthily discussion followed to determine whether the club be Commercialized or proceed as it had in the past. D. MacGregor moved it

to have a show of hands to ascertain which we should do. It was agreed that the club proceed as it had in the past.  
Carried.

Moved by Pete Burleigh that we have a stamp made for the purpose of placing on receipts to identify us when making collections. Seconded by B.B. Greenlee.

Move by T.Ellis that the club have crests made for each member at the members cost. Seconded by E. LeBlanc. Discussion followed on the advisability of crests or buttons or nothing. It was decided that crests be used and that D. MacGregor investigate costs and availability.

Moved by L. Marion that we have tags in the form of automobile parking tickets made to attach to each boat when payment had been made for overnight tie-up. Seconded by B.B. Greenlee.

It was agreed that in addition to a tie-up ticket a receipt would also be given For monies paid and that each member would be issued a stamped and numbered receipt book for this purpose.

Moved by E LeBlanc that the executive committee contact 4 people to organize work parties. Seconded by P Burleigh. Carried.

The following people volunteered:

- Albert Stembridge
- Allan Stembridge
- M. Denton
- S.Richardson.

Moved by B.B. Greenlee that \$50.00 be allotted for the purchase of a hand winch for the boat launch at Minaty Bay. Seconded by D. MacGregor. Carried. Mr. Greenlee volunteered to investigate cost and availability.

Moved by A. McNair that members be allowed to let friends launch their boats at Minaty Bay for the fee of \$1.00 in and out. Seconded by L Marion, Carried. It was noted that this was to be kept within reason and that no one would be allowed to park their cars and trailers in the immediate vicinity so as to hinder residents.

Moved by D MacGregor that we renew our \$100,000. Public Liability Insurance and that we contact Jim Elliot in Squamish to be present at the forthcoming meeting to discuss the possibilities of Membership Marine Liability insurance. Seconded by H. Yaky. Carried. A McNair volunteered to contact Jim Elliott.

Discussion followed re membership dues and the Salmon Derby. It was agreed that membership dues remain at \$1.00 and that the Salmon Derby would be handled as in the past.

Moved by D. Christie that we erect a sign at the Britannia Boat Dock in plain view to outsiders reading "OVERNIGHT MOORING RATES 5.00 PER NIGHT MINUM-BRITANNIA BEACH BOAT CLUB". Seconded by L. Marion. Carried.

It was decided the lettering should be a minimum of 4" tall. Mr. Richardson volunteered to obtain the material for the sign and paint it.

### **GUYS AND DOLLS CLUB**

Attention all teenagers! You have all been complaining that their aren't enough dances. Well the Guys and Dolls Club has decided to do something about it. There will be two dances held in the near future, the first to take place on April 29<sup>th</sup> and the second on May 19<sup>th</sup>. Both are to be held in the Upper Club Room. Everyone likes a good time so let's show up and really raise the roof.

The Guys and Dolls Club has volunteered to sponsor the School Patrol, which is being established by the Elementary School to control traffic at the Plaza apartments crosswalk. The Club has purchased the uniforms for the Patrol.

Future plans of the Club are to buy Club jackets. However, this or anything else, can be accomplished only with the full support of the members, and so far the members have showmen little, if any interest in Club activities. So let's all pitch in and see if we can get some interesting projects going.

Sandra Erne, Secretary

### **TRAVEL TO MT. SHEER TOWNSITE**

Due in part to theft of and damage to Company property, and also to the start of mining operations at Jane Basin, travel to Mt. Sheer Townsite is restricted. Non-business travel during working hours is prohibited, and travels during non-working hours are by permit only.

Any employee of the Company and any non-employee with valid reason may obtain a permit by applying to the Main office, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### **BOY SCOUT ACTIVITIES**

In the past year and the first part of this, two new Scouts have been invested.

Now Honorary Scouts are Gordon MacDonald and Michael Steenson. Tests passed over this period amounted to 17.

A few more Scouts participated in the First Aid program and most of them passed. Those who passed will receive their Silver Stage First Aid Badge.

Court of Honour meetings were held with Patrol Leaders Reg Fogarty and Paul Begin, Seconders Larry Rowan and Ken Pickering taking charge and Scout Leader Ray Knudsen sitting in as an advisor. A Scout hike is planned for the end of April or early in May.

The Britannia Scouts are constructing the fence for the Scouting in Action Show on the P.N.E. grounds Saturday, April 11 – 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Reg Fogarty  
Britannia Scout Scribe.

## **GIRL GUIDES**

Captain Mrs. Rowan has organized two Guide teams for First Aid competitions. The girls have been practicing twice weekly during the month of April to prepare them for the local competition on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Coaches are Mrs. F. Ferguson and Mr. Ron Baverstock.

Girl Guides Centennial Cookie Week will be from April 28<sup>th</sup> to May 5<sup>th</sup>. Only one third of the profit from cookie sales remains in the local fund, to be divided among Guides and Brownies, the rest goes to the District and Division to promote training, etc

Mrs. Rowan is presently convalescing at the General Hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery.

## **VISTORS TOURS**

Thirty-eight grade V11 students from the Lynn Valley Elementary School, North Vancouver, accompanied by their teacher Mt. D. R. Rand, were taken on a conducted tour of the surface operations on the morning of April 5<sup>th</sup>. The tour, led by Archie Smith and Ed Packer, assisted by Ken Meukon, Charlie Harvey and Richard Dickinson, took the students to the Beach copper plant, car repair shop, timber shop, new dry, bit shop, and through the mill.

On March 28<sup>th</sup>, the same tour was given to some 40 Cubs and Scouts and 10 leaders of the 7<sup>th</sup> Burnaby West Cub Pack, under their Akela, Mrs, E. Lowe. A

group of Boy Scouts from the 1<sup>st</sup> Roberts creek Troop, on their way to Squamish, were held up by the highway construction, so were included in the tour as an added extra. Company guides on this tour were Bill Stern, Gerry Delane, Ed Packer, Harvey Clarke, T.Y. Kim, Charlie Harvey, Richard Dickinson, Phil King-Jones and Marshall Tichauer.

Visitors appreciate these tours, as attested by the many letters on file.

## **DOGS**

Negotiations are under way with the West Vancouver branch of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to set up a regulated patrol and control of the Britannia Beach area, The S.P.C.A. will be empowered to impound unlicensed dogs found running at large, and in general to control the animal population.

## **DANCING CLASSES**

Parents will help their children to achieve a lithe body, poise and that distinctive Natural grace by sending them to the Dancing Classes held every Thursday in the Upper Club Room.

Pre-school classes are from 1:30 to 2:45 and the school-age class's from 3:00 to 4:15, under the direction of Mrs. Crane and Mrs. Hopwood. Progress is being attained by the pupils already attending in Ballet, and National Dancing, Tap Dancing and Greek Natural Movements will be included in the curriculum.

It is still not too late to enrol new students and an opportunity for parents to review their children's ability will be given in the near future.

Ruth Hopwood

## **GUNS**

At about 1:00 a.m. on a recent morning, the peace and quiet of the Community was rudely shattered by gunfire. It appears that a few residents of the Yorke, having taken a few too many, decided to celebrate by firing shots from a rifle.

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police investigated, seized a rifle and laid charges. The net result was that the gun owner is out \$25.00 and has a conviction registered against his name. It was fortunate that no person was injured.

Company regulations pertaining to firearms are as follows:

NO FIREARM MAY BE DISCHARGED WITHIN ONE MILE OF ANY RESIDENTIAL OR INDUSTRIAL BUILDING, OR WITHIN ONE MILE OF ANY MINING, INDUSTRIAL, OR OTHER OPERATION ON COMPANY PROPERTY.

This covers all the townsite, the Beach and Mt. Sheer industrial areas, and the garbage dump, the sawmill, the Jane Basin project and all connecting roads.

“FIREARMS” as above (and under the Game act) means rifles, shotguns, handguns, and any other type of gun, including 22 rim-fire, air gun, and spring-guns.

“Company property” extends from one mile north of the beach to one mile south of Furry Creek, and easterly to the Indian River.

Persons wishing to hunt or shoot on Company property should apply at the main office.

There has been some interest shown in the formation of a rifle club, for both indoor and outdoor target shooting. Interested persons should contact any member of the Community Club executive, or the Personnel Department. If there is sufficient interest to form such a club, the Company would be prepared to assist in the construction of suitable shooting ranges.

The National Safety Council in conjunction with the National Rifle Association (U.S.A.) recommend that guns stored at home should be handled as follows:

All guns in the house should be unloaded. The so-called “unloaded “ guns are the cause of a great many deaths due to firearms. Treat every gun as loaded and never point an unloaded gun at anything you don't want to hit. Keep ammunition stored in another location out of sight. Never store with guns.

The following check list prepared by the National Rifle Association will help you prevent accidents due to firearms in the home.

1. Is it unloaded?
2. Is the ammunition stored in a separate place?
3. Is the ammunition locked up?
4. Is the ammunition in a box, which identifies it accurately?
5. Is the gun stored in a rack or case?
6. Is the rack or case always kept locked?
7. When handling a firearm, do you always keep your finger out of the trigger guard?
8. Is the gun stored in such a way that children cannot get it?
9. Is the gun checked thoroughly before being used or stored?
10. When the firearm is removed from the case or rack is the action opened immediately?
11. Have the users of the gun had Firearm Safety training?
12. Are the metal parts of the gun free of rust?
13. Can you always state: “I know it is not loaded”?

14. Do you always carry the gun as if it were loaded?
15. Are all guns brought into the home unloaded?
16. Do you always carry the gun in such a manner that the muzzle is under control?
17. Is the whole family familiar with the firearms in the home?
18. Is the bore clean and free of any obstructions?
19. Are all the metal parts of the gun free of heavy grease?
20. Does the action work freely?
21. Does the trigger work freely?
22. Does the safety function properly?
23. Are you certain you carry only; the proper ammunition for the gun your using?
24. Is the gun always unloaded before being transported?
25. Is the gun cased or action open when it is removed from or put in a car?

## **PERSONALS**

**May 1967**

Mr. and Mrs. B. Thomas and family have left Britannia beach to take up residence in Osoyoos.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Chisholm are vacationing eighth friends in Palm Desert, California. while Hugh recovers from his recent serious illness.

Mrs. Phil Rowan has returned home after a week's stay in the Vancouver General Hospital.

Mr. Harold Terry, off work due to illness since early March, is now out of hospital and convalescing in Vancouver.

Mrs. William Stelljes has been reported ill.

Mrs. James Vinnell was admitted to the Squamish Hospital Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup>.

We are sorry to report that Bill Whiteside was suddenly taken ill and admitted to Lion's Gate Hospital on April 26<sup>th</sup>.

We are pleased to report that Mr. Clint Nicholson is now back to work after approximately three weeks' illness.

Mr. Bill McNeil, badly injured in a blasting accident last December, returned to work April 11<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. R. A. Anderson was admitted to the Squamish hospital Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup>.

To all people who are hospitalized or convalescing we sincerely wish a speedy recovery to normal health.



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**ACCESS TO JANE BASIN, MT. SHEER AND GARBAGE DUMP**

All residents of Britannia, visitors and tourists are asked to please observe the following regulations regarding travel to any of the places mentioned.

**JANE BASIN**

This area is off-limits to everyone except those whose duties require them to be there during working hours. The Anaconda Company has let contracts to mine several small ore bodies by open pit methods and haul the ore to the mill in large trucks. These trucks are 23 feet wide and will be coming down grade with heavy loads, so it is essential that other traffic on the road from the 4100 mine Yard to the Jane Basin be kept to a minimum during the hours the trucks are hauling. In addition there will be frequent blasting in the pit area.

There have been several acts of vandalism in recent weeks to contractors equipment in the Jane Basin area. It is for this reason and for the safety of the public that these restrictions are made.

**MT.SHEER**

This area, including the old townsite and ski areas, will be open with permission to residents of Britannia and certain other outside organizations and individuals for fishing, hiking, and mountain climbing. Requests for permission should be made at the Main Office to Mr. W. B. Montgomery. You will be provided with a key to the gate, an authorization slip, and instructions on which areas and roads are open to travel.

**GARBAGE DUMP**

In order to eliminate this former "eyesore" and health hazard, the garbage dump has been cleaned up, fenced, and equipped with water lines for fire

protection. All dumping of garbage and trash will be controlled as will be the burning of it. Please so-operate by leaving this job to the people assigned to it. Regular garbage collection day is Saturday. Please put all garbage in containers with tight fitting lids so that dogs and the wind will not scatter it all over our town. Extra trash and accumulations of debris from weekend clean up will be hauled away by Company personnel assigned to this job. Call any of the following supervisors for this service.

R N Lovlin	Local 37
W Braden	Local 49
R. M Alexander	896-2414

In general, all travel and activity beyond the new gate above the 4100 mine Yard will be limited to those whose work requires it during the time that ore trucks are hauling. A sign will be installed advising of this. Travel on this road at other times will limited to thos4e with proper authorization.

## **FIRES**

The dry season is here and no one will be allowed to burn trash or light camp fires without a special permit form the B.C. Forest Service. Should the fire hazard become extreme, the Forest Service will post wooded areas and prohibit all activity there while the situation is critical.

## **COURSE WELL ATTENDED**

In all, a total of 111 persons were awarded certificates on completion of the course in: "The Care and Handling of Explosives", which was held from May 16<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Mr. B.B. Greenlee, Manager of Britannia Operations for The Anaconda Company, made the presentations. The certificates were handsomely framed, and bore the signature of J.W. Peck, Chief Inspector of Mines, indicating the Department's endorsement of the course.

In addition, each person received a copy of the C.I.L. Blaster's Handbook and a wallet-sized plastic coated miniature certificate.

Instructors for the course were supplied by the B.C. Department of Mines and Petroleum Resources, Canadian Industries Ltd. (Explosives Division). and the Britannia Mine staff.

## **WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION**

A dinner meeting at Sunset Beach concluded the Community Church

Women's Association's activities for the year. The weather co-operated and every part of the meeting was held outdoors.

Games arranged by Val Steenson and a conducted tour of Sunset Beach by Mrs. Fullerton, the hostess, followed the dinner. All were amazed and full of admiration for the rock gardens and landscaping done by the 11 residents of this little community.

A bonfire with toasted marshmallows and a singsong concluded a most enjoyable evening.

Mary Smith  
Secretary

## **MINE RESCUE AND FIRST AID COMPETITION**

On May 26<sup>th</sup>, 64 Britannia Beach residents journeyed to Nanaimo to attend the annual Vancouver Island Mine Safety First Aid and Mine Rescue competition. Company representatives were B. B. Greenlee (accompanied by son Allan), J.C.S. Moore, Norman Steenson and Phil Rowan, accompanied by wives.

The Anaconda Company entered two teams in the Mine Rescue event held in Bowen Park. Also entered were a Ladies team and a men's team in the Senior's First Aid event. The Girl Guides entered two First Aid teams in the Junior First Aide and the Boys Scouts entered one team. The First Aid competitions were held in the basement of St. Peter's Church.

Preceding the banquet, senior competitors and their guests attended a cocktail hour. Winners were announced and prizes were given out at the banquet attended by 450 people.

In the First Aid competitions, out of eleven teams competing for the Mike Page Trophy, the Britannia Junior teams places as follows:

“Splinters” – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

C Hansen (capt)  
M. Saarikettu  
S . Dyck  
D. Hoodikoff  
L Niermeyer  
Mrs. Rowan Coach

“Phalanges” – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
P Baverstock (cap)  
L Polish  
J Knippelberg  
D Niermeyer (vice Capt)  
E Price  
Mrs. Rowan Coach

- Scouts 4<sup>th</sup> Place
- R Fogarty (capt)
- K Kirby
- J Van der Ham
- B MacDonald (vice cap)
- D Shavela
- Mrs. Wallenborn coach

Prizes were awarded to first and second place winners, with the “ Splinters” each receiving a Parker pen and pencil set.

In the Vancouver island Mine Safety Cup competition. the Britannia Boy Scouts came in second; each team member received a brief case as a prize.

In the Lady Kathleen Trophy, 6 teams competed with the Britannia “Auras” placing second, each team member received a heating pad. Team members are as follows:

- Mrs. L Ferguson (cap)
- Mrs. N. Yaky
- Mrs. M. Radaovich
- Mrs. R Fraser
- Mrs. R Baker
- Mrs. P Rowan coach

In the McKenzie Cup (Novice) competition, of 8 teams, ladies and men’s the Britannia “Auras” placed third: and in the R. J. Filbert Cup competition of 6 teams the Britannia “Auras” placed third.

The Britannia Senior Men’s team were in the top 6 finalists, but were beaten out by the Crown Zellerbach team. Team members were as follows:

- A McNair (Capt.)
- P Kirby
- M Patry
- H Denton
- C Nicholson
- E LeBlanc coach

In the Mine Rescue completion, of 5 teams [Texada (who won first place), Zeballos, Benson Lake and 2 Britannia teams], the Britannia teams placed as follows:

Britannia #3 Team – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place

- W Anderson (Capt.)
- H Millahn
- R Baker
- J Van den Hoek
- J Van der Ham (Vice Capt.)
- G McFarlane (Baseman)
- P Rowan (Coach)

Britannia #1 Team – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

- J Greer (Capt.)
- J Krizek
- G Rose
- E Piehler
- W Bechert (Vice Capt.)
- Y Essiambre (Baseman)
- P Rowan (Coach)

Second Place team members won Habashis as prizes and a cheque for \$30.00 was awarded to the Third Place team.

Britannia #2 Mine Rescue team members Paul Hoodikoff and Roy Fogarty ably manned the Mine Rescue bench, while Harry Yaky attended to the supply tent.

The Junior First Aid teams were chaperoned by Mrs. K Niermeyer who did a great job of guiding, supervising and entertaining 16 anxious, nervous and excited youngsters.

Following the banquet a dance was held. Mr. Nicholson won the Door Mrs. Nicholson and J. Van der Ham won prize, and a spot dance prize.

Although no first place prizes or trophies were won by Britannia, the experience and knowledge gained will be put to use next year when Britannia will again be out in full force. No other mining company had the team representation that Britannia had.

## **MINE RESCUE AND FIRST AID CERTIFICATES**

The following employees successfully completed courses in either Mine Rescue or First Aid and received their certificates.

### **Mine Rescue**

- K Roberts
- H Tichauer
- A Fortier
- B Husted
- P Rowan – Instructor

### **St. John's First Aid**

- Gerald Rose
- Hans Millahn
- Grant McFarlane
- Mike Denton
- P Rowan – Instructor
- Fred Allan
- Herb Bradshaw
- Garry Bysouth)
- John McAndrew
- Jeff Sample
- E Trace –(Instructor)

## **MINER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS**

Your Community Club, the Centennial Committee and The Anaconda Company have been working at a furious pace to make this Miner's Day celebration a success. Invitations have been sent to approximately four hundred former Britannia residents, and replies have been coming in steadily. Indications are that many ex-Britannia-ites will be here. Plan to join them; keep the day open for contests, bingo, barbeques, and just general fun.

Anaconda will award trophies in the rock drilling and mucking contest. These trophies will be displayed as soon as they are returned from the engravers. Plan to have your name inscribed on a trophy-be one of the top three in either rock drilling or mucking, also take home a cash prize of either \$25. \$15. Or \$10. offered by your Community Club.

The drilling and mucking contests are open only to employees of the Anaconda Company at Britannia.

While you are enjoying the contests, or taking your frustrations out on the tension Car, whether you are winning or losing at bingo, makes time to enjoy a savoury, succulent piece of beef prepared by the masters of the culinary arts (Barbeque style) – the Vindicators. The kids will also enjoy a hot dog washed down with a bottle of pop.

The day for the kids will end in a bust of fireworks; for the adults a

Centennial costume dance with liquid refreshments – the burst of fireworks to come the next day when you open your eyes.

The programme for the day is as follows:

9:00 am – 12 noon

Mucking machine and rock drilling contests (adjacent to the ball park)

Mine Rescue and First Aid Demonstration

Women's Nail Driving and sawing contests

Tug of War

Tension Car

10:00 am – 2:00

Bingo (by Tennis Court)

12:00 – 4:00

Demonstration of awards for day's events

1:00

Presentation of awards for day's events

2:00 – 4:00

Centennial Pageant

Presentation of Pioneer Medallions

The Centennial Pageant and the contest awards will be held on the school grounds-weather permitting –or in the school Gymnasium.

Late evening

Fireworks display

9:30 pm

Centennial Ball (with Centennial motif) to be held in the Upper Club Room. Refreshments served in Lower Club Room. Some in costume if you can, but come anyway!! Music will be by Curly Switzer and his band.

## **CENTENNIAL REPORT**

The sleek, grey destroyer escort with all flags flying was a great attraction when docked at Britannia for the weekend. One thousand and fifty-five toured the ship Sunday afternoon.

J. Moore and W. B Montgomery, represented the Centennial Committee, welcomed her on arrival and escorted Commander Donald and Lieutenant Nixon to the Guest House, where G. Waterman, Vice President of the Anaconda

Company, officially welcomed them.

In the early evening on Friday, Commander Donald held a reception on board the St. Croix for prominent members of the community. The Centennial Committee had shared the 70 invitations available with all the communities in the neighbourhood from Woodfibre to Pemberton. An attempt was made to recognize all villages Councils, Centennial Committees, service clubs, and community leaders. The response was enthusiastic and the whole 140 must have been crowded into the Wardroom to enjoy the navy's hospitality.

When darkness fell Friday night the sailors put on a fireworks display that could be seen for miles.

A dance arranged by the Community Club rounded out the day. John Powell had the tennis court lighted and piped in music to it for those who wanted to enjoy the summer weather. Inside the facilities of the Upper and Lower club were in charge of the bar and dance. Mrs. J Graney looked after the refreshments.

A softball game Saturday just lasted too long for the Britannia team. In the final inning the St. Croix snatched the victory. Sunday the St. Croix again demonstrated its superiority by beating a team from Squamish.

Saturday afternoon the navy personnel put on a delightful party for handicapped children of the area. Dressed as pirates, the sailors carried out this theme throughout the afternoon and gave the children a memorable experience.

Two underground tours were arranged by the Mine Department for Saturday and Sunday. Thirty-eight took advantage of this opportunity. The Vindicators Car Club co-operated in providing the transportation to the mine portal.

The Centennial Committee wishes to thank all those in the Community who contributed in making the visit of the St. Croix such a gay and happy event.

## **PERSONALS**

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Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. ray Knudsen, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Klassen and Mr. and Mrs. Berkley Thomas who have become proud parents of boys.

We are sorry to report that Mike Walsh has been admitted to Shaughnessy Hospital for surgery.

We are happy to see that Marcel Guillemette and Bill Whiteside are now back to work.

John Haffle is now convalescing after undergoing surgery.

We wish Pat Kirby and his family good luck in their new endeavours. Pat has left the Company to accept a position at Gold River.

## **FIRE DAMAGE**

The 2200 carpenter shop, used by the Vindicators Car Club as headquarters burned to the ground early in the morning of June 20<sup>th</sup>. The shop was totally destroyed. Members of the Car Club lost 12 automobiles, and a quantity of tools and equipment.

Karl Niermeyer and three members of the Club had been working in the Club until 12:30 pm and everything was in order when they left. Ernie Malm, 2200 powerhouse operator reported everything normal when he came on duty at midnight. While he was eating his lunch shortly after 3:00 am he saw a glow, and upon investigating found the interior of the club rooms to be on fire. The fire brigade was called but were unable to save the building; they were however, able to prevent the spread of the fire to other buildings and to the bush. The fire was brought under control about 5:00 am. The cause of the fire has not been determined but it is believed to have been spontaneous combustion in oily rags.

The Vindicators Car Club is a group of young car owners, residents of Britannia Beach, interested in the care and operation of automobiles, and in safe sane driving. They take an active interest in community affairs, and are working with the Company to control speeding and hot-rodding in the townsite. Constable P Burleigh, Lloyd Pollish, Ralph Lovlin and Bill Braiden have been working with them in an advisory capacity. Members of the club have suffered in the fire; it is hoped that they will recover and continue to function as an active club.

On the afternoon of June 17<sup>th</sup>, the old slab pile at Thistle Creek caught fire. Investigation showed that fire was started from a camp fire that had not been properly extinguished.

The fire was prevented from spreading to the surrounding bush with great difficulty and at considerable expense. As of this writing (June 21<sup>st</sup>) it is still being patrolled on a 24-hour basis.

This fire could have had much more serious consequences, it points out the necessity of being very careful as to the location of the camp fire, and to be certain the campfire is completely out before it is left.

**BE CAREFUL WITH FIRE**



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### MINER'S DAY

Miner's Day started off with a blast Saturday (set off by N Steenson, D Lindley and P Hoodikoff) and if that didn't awaken you, it was followed by Britannia's own clock radio, Sandy Powell and his sound truck. It was a busy day well worth getting up for.... a beautiful, sunshiny, warm day filled with activity. Contests, demonstrations, barbecue, pageant, fireworks, dance and a chance to visit with lots of old friends who returned for the day.

First events of the day were the various contests... mucking, machine and rock drilling contests for the men, mail-driving and sawing contests for the women, and a tug-of-war. There was also a Mine Rescue and First Aid Demonstration by No. 3 team captained by Bill Anderson. The winners of these events were as follows:

#### Mucking Machine

P Holowachuk  
W Andrzejczuk  
A Michaud

#### Rock drilling

H LeBelle  
W Hansen  
R Baker

Mr. R Fogarty was presented with a consolation prize. Trophies and cash prizes were awarded to the above employees.

#### Sawing:

Mrs. P Yarjau  
Mrs. Pollard  
Mrs. R Fogarty

#### Nail-Driving:

Mrs. M Adams  
Mrs. Yarjau  
Mrs. R Fortier

Tug-of-war Firemen No.1:

C Harvey  
B Smith  
D Green  
R Knudsen  
D Evans  
J Vinnell  
F Kulbacki  
B Braiden

The ladies won cash prizes and the firemen won watches or lighters.

For those competitors and on-lookers who were feeling the stress and strain of the competitions or life in general there was the Tension Car supplied by the Vindicators Car Club. For those who were feeling lucky there was the Bingo game run by Mr. Scotty Lowe. At noon the Fire Department put on an interesting demonstration. The Vindicators Car Club members were busy serving barbecued beef sandwiches and soft drinks.

The Centennial Program, sponsored by the Britannia Beach Centennial Committee, filled the afternoon with belly laughs, nostalgia and plain old fun. Jack Cochrane, assisted by Mary Smith, directed the program, which was narrated by Century Sam (Roy Fogarty) and Centennial Sue (Betty McNair). The various ethnic groups displayed their talents appearance, are the amateur thespians of Britannia Beach.

Roy Fogarty  
Betty McNair  
Jack Graney  
Fred Baxter  
John Lowe  
Dave Hinchliffe  
Raymond Knudson  
Charles Harvey  
Lynn Evans  
Doris Hansen  
Edith Moore  
Joan Ehler  
Rosemary Fortier  
Pam Baker  
Frankie Ferguson  
Phil Rowan

Arnold Fortier  
Moe Patry  
Olive Baxter  
Rita North  
Linda Niermeyer  
Penny Steenson  
Alice Graney  
Al Stenbridge  
Grant McFarlane  
Michael Denton  
Delane Pickard  
Dianne Essiambre  
Debbie Marion  
Pat Holowachuk  
Sonya Van den Hoek  
Diane Van den Hoek  
Rita Fogarty  
Marie Begin  
Tina Marzocco  
S Saraceno  
E Eliassen  
Anne Trembley  
Jennifer Braiden

Simone Essiambre  
Philip Levesque  
Wolfe Bechert  
Ilse Bechert  
Ingrid Piehler  
Eric Piehler  
Brigitte Hinz  
Guenter Hinz  
Fritz Epele  
Tom Conto  
Bruce Goddard  
Karl Niermeyer  
Barney Greenlee  
Ed Packer  
Jim Barlow  
Ken Fristoe  
Don Gentry  
Rita Van den Hoek  
Freda Van den Hoek

Anne Van der Ham

Ricky Van der Ham  
Teddy Van der Ham  
Joe Van der Ham  
Bill Whiteside

Eileen Powell  
John Powell  
Cynthia Hinchliffe  
Mary Stocks  
Val Steenson  
Iris Hill  
Molly Stembridge  
Alan Begin  
Reg Fogarty  
Roger Essiambre  
Kevin Kirby  
Freda Van den Hoek  
Anne Van der Ham  
Ricky Van der Ham  
Teddy Van der Ham  
Joe Van der Ham  
Bill Whiteside  
Eileen Powell  
John Powell  
Cynthia Hinchliffe  
Mary Stocks  
Val Steenson  
Iris Hill  
Molly Stembridge  
Alan Begin  
Reg Fogarty  
Roger Essiambre  
Kevin Kirby

In absence of a wide-angle screen, we are pleased to give credit to the following:

Choreographer	Ruth Hopwood
Music Director	Doris Hansen
Writers	Mary Smith Betty McNair
Sound	Tony Crane
Orchestra	John Powell Walter Horrobin Em Pollish Sam Saraceno E Eliassen

Stage Hands (supplied by Guys and Dolls)	Doris Hansen
	Duke Pickering
	Eric Pollish
	Paul Begin
Messenger Boys and Girls	Jeff Niermeyer
	Billy Braiden
	Kathy Greenlee
	Debbie Holowachuk

The Copper Queen representation of years gone by included:

1967	Debbie Niermeyer
1966	Judy Fleming
1965	Barbara Fleming
1961	Karen Lindley Levesque
1943	Eleanor Jean Dunbar Ratzlaff
1932	Agnes Madore Thomey
1927	Margaret Pearl Russel Davis

Of special interest was the gown worn by Margo Wrankmore. It was the dress worn by the First Copper Queen. Thelma McKenzie, in 1926.

The highlight of the afternoon and of particular interest was the presentation by Jack Moore of Pioneer Medallions to:

Mr. W. St. Laurent  
 Mrs. Blanche St. Laurent  
 Miss Alice Richards (represented by Mrs. Gen Emery)  
 Mr. F Rawlings (Posthumously) (received by Mrs. J Ross)  
 Mrs. D O Connor (represented by Mr. Art Fenney)  
 Mrs. Margaret Nelson

It took a lot of persuasion to assemble the cast but once the individuals agreed to participate; their cooperation was wholehearted and enthusiastic. The Centennial Committee is most appreciative of their efforts.

After a display of fireworks, there was a Costume Ball at the Community Club. Our thanks to Marge Adams for the decorations and food. The Baseball Team tended bar.

In conclusion, we would like to say that if the success of the day could be said to have depended on any one thing, it was the tremendous cooperative spirit off the community. Everyone joined in the work and in the fun.

## COMMUNITY CLUB NEWS

The Community Club has at the suggestion of the members purchased new glasses to make the consumption of liquid refreshment more enjoyable; larger glasses, so that you are not drinking straight liquor. The number of glasses that have been broken, lost or inadvertently taken home is growing to such proportions that it is possible we might revert to paper cups. Please return glasses to the bar when done with them.

The Community Club Building and most of the contents are the property of the Anaconda Company. The Community Club, like any other organization, must obtain permission from the company, through Mr. W. B. Montgomery, to use the facility.

The adult (over 21 years of age) members of the Community Club are welcome to any and all functions. At some of the functions people under 21 years of age are welcome. Each and every one of us is responsible to see that at those functions reserved to members over 21 (usually dances) no one under that age is admitted. If a person under 21 does get in, it is again the responsibility of each of us to see that that person is asked to leave. When we have dances for the entertainment of the older group it is necessary to safeguard our rights and privileges in regard to the building we use. Anyone under 21 is not allowed to attend certain club functions. Any member who knows a guest to be under 21 should ask that person to leave; at the same time advise one of the members of the executive committee, which is listed below.

President	K E Niermeyer
V President	Frank Bruce
Treasurer	John Balash
Secretary	Doris Stern
Entertainment	Marge Adams
Sports	Roy Fogarty
Swimming Pool	Marcel Begin
Scouts	E Powell
Guides	D Hansen
Library	L Evans

## SWIMMING POOL

A red flag will be flown from the mast at the swimming pool during the hours a lifeguard is NOT on duty. Swimming is only allowed when an authorized lifeguard is on duty. THERE IS NO SWIMMING ALLOWED WHEN THE RED FLAG IS FLYING.

The supervision of the pool by a lifeguard is, as the name implies, first and foremost to guard against the loss of life by drowning. The lifeguard is not paid to baby-sit children, especially those in their teens. If your child were drowning, you would want the lifeguard in action—MOT BABYSITTIN OR DISCIPLINING SOME KIDS WHO WHERE ACTING UP.

Some of the infractions, which have been punished by suspension from the pool, are:

- 1 Pushing in the lifeguard
- 2 Throwing people into pool
- 3 Malicious destruction of change rooms
- 4 Swimming after hours
- 5 Swimming with clothes on after hours.

Some offenders have not been caught, so have not been suspended. Some of these offences include:

- 1 Smoking and littering change rooms
- 2 Writing foul language on walls
- 3 Throwing debris into pool (coke cans, rocks, chairs and rags) In the case of repeat offenders the disciplinary action taken will be more severe. A system of warning letters for violation of pool regulations has been set up. A copy will be sent to the parent and one to Mr. B.B. Greenlee.

The Anaconda Company has purchased a filter for the pool. The in take and to remove small pieces of debris from the water which has been brought in on feet and swimming suites. It is no good for Coke cups, candy wrappers, rocks, etc.

The swimming pool is ours to enjoy--- not destroy.

### **P.T.A.**

The final meeting of the Britannia Beach P.T.A. was held in the school in June. At previous meetings the possibility of disbanding the P.T.A. because of lack of interest was discussed. However, it was felt that, in this community, P.T.A. is needed and can perform a service no other organization can. Very little difficulty was experienced in getting an executive for the 1967-1968 term of office—which is as follows:

President	Mrs. S Conto
Vice President	Mrs. C Niermeyer
Recording Secretary	Mrs. V Steenson
Financial Secretary	Mrs. L Greenlee
Program	Mrs. C Goddard

Hospitality	Mrs. G Begin
Membership	Mrs. R Baverstock
Publicity	Mrs. Baxter
Health and Welfare	Mrs. M Andrzejzuk
Library	Mrs. D Clark

A bursary is being offered to a Grade XI or XII student from Britannia who plans to continue his or her education in any field other than university. This bursary is being offered to the person whose need is greatest and does not necessarily depend on scholastic ability.

The business meeting was followed by a social hour, during which teachers and members said Goodbye to old friends. Farewell gifts were given to Mr. J Friesen, who is leaving to live at Garibaldi; Mr. J Cochrane who has accepted a teaching position at Coquitlam and Mrs. P Kirby, our retiring president, who has left to take up residence in Gold River. To these people whom we are going to miss very much we wish the very best of everything in the years to come.

Many of the residents who have been here for a number of years will be interested to know that Mr. L Cope is returning to our school as principal after five or six years absence. We hope this is still the helpful, cooperative community that he left and remembers.

Mrs. K Pickard  
Recording Secretary

Your new P.T.A. officers are hopeful of initiating new programs and improving existing ones in the coming year. We welcome any suggestions and constructive ideas from parents or any interested person. By working together, with your help, we can accomplish a great deal for the good of our children and our community.

What would you like to see done? During the summer you may submit suggestions in writing or phone any of the officers. In this way we can have our program tentatively planned before our first meeting.

P.T. A. Executive 1967-1968

## **KINDERGARTEN**

The Britannia Beach Kindergarten will be operated under the principal ship of Mr. L. C. Cope beginning September 4, 1967. All children who have had their

5<sup>th</sup> birthday by December 31<sup>st</sup> should have been registered by now through the school. Anyone who has not done so on the first day of school.

Letters will likely be sent to parents well in advance of school opening telling parents when and where to bring their children. As far as we know there will be no charge. This is a big step in the right direction but can only succeed with the full support of the parents.

Mrs. K Pickard

## **NOTICE**

Anaconda is establishing a research centre in the new Anaconda Building in Salt Lake City. The objectives of this organization are to develop and investigate new mining methods, techniques, and equipment relating to both underground and open pit mining.

Mr. Lloyd Pollish has been selected to be the Assistant Director of this new and very important project. Since his new headquarters will be in Salt Lake City, Mr. Pollish and his family will establish their residence there this summer.

As much as we will miss Mr. Pollish and his family I know that you will all join with me in congratulating him and wishing him every success in his new position.

Phil Rowan has resigned from Anaconda to take up the position of Safety director with Cominco American at their new Magmont Mine near Bixby, Missouri.

Mr. Rowan and his family will be leaving Britannia Beach on July 15<sup>th</sup> to take up residence at Salem, Missouri.

Mr. Rowan will be missed as a valued member of our staff and both he and Mrs. Rowan will be missed as active members of our community. It will be difficult indeed to fill the gap their leaving will make in our town and I know you will all join with me in wishing them every success in their new venture.

## **GUYS AND DOLLS CLUB**

Within the last two weeks, many people asking have approached me when the next dance is going to be. Every time they have received the same answer. There will be no more activities sponsored by the Guys and Dolls Club until the members begin to show more interest. They can do this by showing up for the meetings, as the last two meetings have been cancelled due to lack of members present.

The most popular excuse used by the members for not attending, is that they didn't know there was to be a meeting. Well, this is a very poor excuse because if the members would read the constitution they were given, they would see that the Guys and Dolls Club meetings are held once a month on the Friday closest to the 15<sup>th</sup> of every month, therefore, there is no excuse for a member not knowing about the meetings. Well, members what is your answer? Do you show a little interest and get some dances organized, or would you rather have the lower clubroom given to the men on weekends as well as during the week? Think it over, as it is for your own enjoyment that the clubroom is there.

Guys and Dolls Club Secretary  
Sandra Erne

### **BRITANNIA BEACH BOAT CLUB**

The Britannia Beach Boat Club wishes to announce it has a new ramp. We have new locks on the gates and want to remind members to use them. Keys are available from Al McNair at a cost of forty cents each.

D A Christie  
Secretary

### **DANCING CLASSES**

The dancing classes adjourned for the summer months after a party for the children and a dance recital for the parents on Thursday. The class will resume after the school holidays.

### **PERSONALS**

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Mr. and Mrs. Tony Crane are the proud parents of a chosen daughter; Lorna Margaret Lorne was born on March 9<sup>th</sup>.

We are sorry to hear that Marcel Guillemette has returned to Lion's Gate Hospital.

Mrs. A W Claire Bellmond of Quesnel is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W B Montgomery, together with her children, Tim, Pam and Allison.

Belated thanks to Mr. A Smith for the pictures, which accompanied the article on the First Aid Competition.

## **CORRECTION**

The Berkley Thomas' are the parents of a daughter not a son as reported. The baby has been named Diana Mae.

We understand Mr. Roy Clark has resigned form The Anaconda Company to take a position with Cameron-McMynn. We wish him and his family every success in their new ventures.

## **GUIDES**

Five girls are busy planning to attend Guide Camp at Wilson Creek July 10<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>. Theme of this summer's camp will be "Patrol Living" and girls will be required to cook and live on their own to a large degree. They will also have an opportunity to earn badges.

At a special meeting of the Mother's Group in June, Mrs. Rowan was presented with a Thanks Badge.

Evelyn Wallenborn



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### **SWIMMING POOL DISCIPLINE**

In the past month it has been necessary to discipline a number of boys for infringements of the rules pertaining to conduct in and around the swimming pool. A total of thirteen boys have been suspended from use of the pool for one to two weeks; some of the boys have been suspended two or three times this season. Suspensions have been issued for such offences as throwing clothes in the pool, deliberate destruction in the changing rooms obscene writing on change room walls, swimming when no lifeguard was present and participating in a water fight after the pool had been closed for the night.

Rules are established for the safety of all persons using the pool and to ensure that all may get the utmost enjoyment from the use of the pool. The Community Club executive and the Company intend to see the residents obtain these benefits, and will take whatever steps are necessary to see that the rules are adhered to.

The parents of the boys suspended were called to a meeting with Community Club and Company officials at which the particular incidents were discussed. Also taken under consideration were ways and means of improving the pool operation and possible other recreational activities for the younger residents of the camp. As a result of these discussions, a second lifeguard has been hired on a full time basis and proposals are being made to establish a Rod and Gun Club. It was suggested that an adult advisory committee to the Guys and Dolls, composed of parents of teenagers, be set up to work for and with the young people. The basic outcome of the meeting was that it is the parent's responsibility to see that their children behave, and that parents will be held responsible for the actions of their children.

In the interests of safety and enjoyment, the rules must be adhered to; your cooperation is anticipated.

## **FILTER AND HEATER FOR SWIMMING POOL**

The company has purchased and is installing a filter and heater in the swimming pool. With the filter, the water will be kept clean and free of debris, resulting in few shutdowns of the pool for draining and cleaning purposes. By use of the heater (when it is necessary to drain the pool) the freshly added cold water will quickly be brought up to a comfortable temperature. Also during any cold wet spell, the water temperature will be maintained.

The cost of the filter and heater, and also the salaries of two lifeguards are paid for by the Company. The Company is doing this in the interests of good employee relations and to make Britannia Beach a better place in which to live.

and a Boat Building Club. More of these elsewhere in this issue.  
(Editorial Squamish Times July 13<sup>th</sup>)

## **ORCHIDS TO ANACONDA**

The Times like to present a verbal bouquet of orchids to the Anaconda Company for their new entrance to their property and the attractive<sup>4</sup> planting which decorates it. Flowers and flowerbeds can do so much to make a community look more attractive and this is certainly a step in the right direction.

The use of plants, trees and shrubs to beautify grounds is becoming increasingly evident and even the drabest surroundings can be sparked by their addition.

It's nice to see a company like Anaconda, large as it is, and with so many things to concern it, taking the time to improve the appearance of the grounds.

Perhaps it could start a general beautification move in the entire Howe Sound area.

So, orchids to you, Anaconda, may you keep on planting flowers.

Editor's Note: Don Seymour, the Company gardener, is the man responsible for the planning, design and planting of Company gardens and lawns. Orchids to you, Don. We believe orchids are also due to Bill Braiden and his crew, and to Bob Alexander and his crew for their efforts to keep the townsite neat and tidy; to the School Board for the work on the school grounds and especially, orchids are due to the majority of local residents who are really going all out to improve their individual grounds.

## **FLOAT-SQUAMISH LOGGERS AND P.N.E. PARADES**

It is intended to again enter a float in the Squamish Loggers Day Parade and in the Pacific National Exhibition Parade under the joint sponsorship of the Union

and the Company. To obtain ideas for the theme and design of the float, a \$25 prize is being offered for the best idea submitted.

You do not have to be an artist or a designer to enter. It is ideas that are wanted. So put your idea in writing; sketches or drawings would be useful, but are not necessary.

There are two general requirements for P.N.E. floats:

1 Floats must be entirely decorated—no part of the vehicle on which the float is built, or if a two-unit entry, no part of the jeep or tractor shall be visible to the judges or spectators.

2 The height of the float must not exceed 13 ½ feet. Width not over 8 feet and length not over 40 feet. However, special permits may be obtained to exceed the width and length--the height is firm at not over 13 ½ feet.

So put on your thinking caps and let us have your ideas. The best idea will win \$25.00. Time is limited--the Loggers Day Parade is August 5<sup>th</sup>, so ideas must be received by noon of July 24<sup>th</sup> at the latest. Submit your idea, in writing, to W.B. Montgomery at the main office.

Last year our entry won the Grand Aggregate Parade Challenge Trophy at Squamish, and First Prize of Commercial Entries at the P.N.E.; we will have to go all out to repeat this year. So get your ideas in.

### **“BRITANNIA, THE STORY OF THE MINE”**

The books (soft cover edition) were received June 20<sup>th</sup> and went on sale on Miner’s Day July 1<sup>st</sup>. To date sales have been fair, 160 copies being sold to the general public and about 240 to employees and local residents.

A reminder to employees and local residents---the special discount price of \$2.25 plus tax will be in effect only until July 31<sup>st</sup>, so get your copies soon. Over 500 employees and residents are eligible for the special price; 750 copies have been allotted at this price. Surely we can sell that many locally. They may be purchased for cash or by payroll deduction at the main office only---the booth sells only at the regular price.

The book will make an ideal gift for anniversaries or at Christmas to friends and relatives, former Britannia residents or anyone associated with mining. So let's support the book, support your Community Club, publisher and owner of the copyright, and  
**BUY A BOOK:**

## **CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Centennial booth in the store parking lot has been doing not a roaring business but a steady one. Ore samples, medallions, hasty-notes and 'the book' are offered to the tourist.

All the volunteers who have manned the booth seem to have enjoyed their four hour duties. The tourists who stop are interested and interesting. Our register shows visitors from Santiago, Chile, Lancashire, Southampton and Grantham in England, Canberra and Brisbane in Australia, Rotterdam in Holland, Ontario, Manitoba, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Washington, Illinois, Iowa, Florida, New York, California and Thief River Falls, Minnesota! It's fun to talk to them even if it takes some explaining when the frequent question, "Where's the beach?" is asked by the puzzled and sometimes indignant traveler. We intend to keep the booth in operation until the end of August. If you enjoy meeting the public we can use your services more than once.

Have you got your books yet? We have sold over 400 to date---to satisfied customers and now the hard cover is available for your permanent collection and that special gift.

Mary Smith

### **JOHN R GAINES**

John Gaines, Assistant Director of Personnel. the Anaconda Company was a recent visitor from New York office. John, who spent Monday and Tuesday of last week at Britannia, was here to offer assistance and ideas in our program of employee training. While here he gave an outline of the course "Basic Principles of Supervisory Management" to senior staff. This course, consisting of eight sessions of two hours each, plus introductory and concluding sessions, will be given to all supervisors at some future time.

### **JACK MOORE PROMOTED**

New Mine Superintendent Appointed

The Company has announced that, effective August 1<sup>st</sup>, Jack Moore will take over the new post of Administrative Assistant – Operations. On behalf of the community  
---Congratulations, Jack.

At the same time it was announced that, effective September 25<sup>th</sup>, J.F. (Jack) Anderson will take over the position of mine Superintendent. Many of you will remember Jack, who was employed as Planning Engineer here prior to leaving the company in 1964 to go to work for U.S. Borax (Allan Potash) at Saskatoon.

He then worked for Granduc as a Planning Engineer prior to accepting his present job as Chief Engineer with Health Steel at Newcastle, New Brunswick.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, with their two children, will be moving to Britannia in September and we are sure that former friends here, as well as those who have not yet met them, will be pleased to welcome the Anderson's back to our community. The Andersons will be residing in the house presently occupied by Lloyd Pollish and family.

### **SECURITY OFFICER**

The Company has recently appointed Mr. L.M. (Bud) Smith as Security Officer of the Britannia Operations. Bud has been appointed to protect property, both Company and that of private individuals residing or working in Britannia Beach. Also to Control the small rowdy and hoodlum element that causes inconvenience an expense out of proportion to their numbers. We are sure that all residents will cooperate with Bud in his efforts to make Britannia Beach a better place in which to live.

If Bud's services are required in an emergency, he can be reached by calling the Beach Powerhouse operator, who will relay the message. The number to call is; 896-2221.

Bud and his wife reside in their recently purchased mobile home in the trailer court. Incidentally, in the few months they have lived there, they have made a real show place of their grounds. Drive by and see what can be done to beautify a residence.

(Editor's note: This is not the only home with lovely grounds---space does not permit of listing them all at his time, but they will be when the "Beautify Britannia" competition has been judged. We may also list those few places, which are a disgrace to the community and to the tenants.)

### **AWARDS PRESENTED AT BRITANNIA SCHOOL**

Assembly was held in the Britannia Beach School auditorium Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Jack Cochrane introduced Mrs. Pat Kirby, Past President of the P.T.A. who presented the awards sponsored by the P.T.A.

We offer our congratulations to the following children:

Mrs. Fairburn's room.... Grade 1 and 2  
Ian MacDonald-highest average in math  
Kenny Afflek – highest standing in art  
Ken Howachuk – best in spelling and math  
Pauline Yaryou – best in art and writing  
Joanne Balash - hardest worker and good conduct  
Ian MacDonald - good attendance  
Ken Shavela – good attendance  
Gavin Clark – good attendance  
Graham Hill – good attendance  
Susan Essiambre – good effort in reading and phonics

Grade 2:

Donna Marion – most improved work  
Derwyn Rose - conscientious effort in math  
Janet Husted – highest achievement  
Laurie Green – consistent good work  
Nando LoGiaccio – consistent good work  
Paul Yaky – writing  
Donald Levesque – perfect attendance  
Dianne Van den Hoek – consistent good work  
Marla Baverstock – arithmetic  
Mark Heinke – arithmetic  
Camille Wadsworth – reading  
Richard Magiera – attendance  
Wendy Andrzejczuk – attendance

Grade 3:

Laurel Goddard – highest scholastic achievement  
Sylvia Vuloslavceвич – highest scholastic achievement  
Shelley Hilborn – highest scholastic achievement  
Kathy de Gagne – highest arithmetic mark  
Jeanette Dyck – conscientious effort  
Jane Niermeyer – conscientious effort  
Susan Norman – conscientious effort  
Victor Lindley – conscientious effort  
Laurel Goddard – best writing  
Faye Pickering – good attendance  
Marlow Afflek – highest achievement  
Jukka Lauio – highest achievement

Grade 4:

Valerie Shavela – highest scholastic achievement  
Susan Heinke – high achievement  
Kathy Greenlee – highest arithmetic mark  
Allan Husted – highest arithmetic mark

Sonya Van den Hoek – conscientious effort  
Lisa Bouley – conscientious work  
Valerie Shavela – best writing and good attendance

Grade 5:

Allan Greenlee – highest achievement  
Johnny Sametz – highest average  
Cindy Price – most conscientious worker  
Valerie Dyck – conscientious worker  
Delane Pickard – conscientious worker  
Alan Greenlee – arithmetic prize  
Cindy Price – attendance prize  
Linda Niermeyer – conscientious worker  
Patrick Rowan – socials project prizes  
Delane Pickard – socials project prizes  
Johnny Sametz – social notebook  
Cindy Price – social notebook prizes  
Cindy Abar – best girl writer  
Johnny Sametz – best boy writer

Grade 6:

Debbie Niermeyer – highest achievement  
Debra Hoodikoff – highest achievement  
Maija Sasrikettu – conscientious effort

Grade 7:

Lisa Pollish – highest achievement  
Jean Knippelberg – high achievement  
Curtis Pickering – high achievement

Mr. J. Cochran, presented the prize for good citizenship to Kevin Kirby for his achievement as soccer boy of the year and for his willingness to help with any project.

A special award was presented to Larry Rowan for putting Britannia on the map by achieving a new record in the high jump.

Debbie Niermeyer presented a small gift to Mr. Friesen on behalf of grade six and seven pupils for his hard work during his sixteen years as principal at Britannia, to which Mr. Friesen replies in a voice that wavered a little as he thanked them and reminisced on his years at the school.

Books were presented to the children with the highest standings and scrolls to the children who had shown evidence of improved efforts.

## **GUN CLUB**

It is recognized that there is a definite interest in guns, hunting and shooting in this community. It has been suggested that a Gun Club be formed. The Company has indicated it is prepared to assist in the setting up of a suitable target range, both outdoor and indoor. Persons interested in the formation of a Gun Club are requested to get in touch with W. B. Montgomery at the main office.

## **BOAT BUILDING CLUB**

The suggestion has been made that there may be quite an interest in the construction of small boats, residents of Britannia Beach. Anyone interested in the construction of a boat, such as a pram type dinghy, Sabot or other small sailboat, rowboat or small outboard, or larger, is asked to contact the editor, W. Montgomery, at the main office. If sufficient interest is shown, a meeting will be called to set up a Boat Building Club. The Company has promised to assist in any way possible.

## **REVEREND MICHAEL BOULGER**

Recent arrivals to Britannia Beach are the Reverend Michael Boulger, B.A. B.D. and Mrs. Boulger and their sons, Mark 5 years old and Sean 3 years old. Mr. Boulger attended the University of British Columbia, graduating in Arts in 1960. He entered the University of Toronto, from which he graduated with a Bachelor of Divinity degree in 1963. From that time until coming to Britannia, Mr. Boulger was Minister of the United Church at Bella Coola, with the exception of 3 months in 1966 when he worked in the underground mill of the Cowichan Copper Corporation, Jordan River, B.C.

Mr Boulger is working in the mine on a regular basis and is also the Minister of the Britannia Beach community Church.

The Boulgers have taken up residence on the Flats, in house 114B. On behalf of the residents of Britannia, we extend them a warm welcome and wish them well in their work in this Community.

## **MR. AND MRS. DOANALD GENTRY**

A new member of geology staff is Donald W. Gentry, who with his wife had recently arrived from the United States of America.

Don attended high school at Highland, Illinois, then entered the University of Illinois, graduating in 1965 with a B.S. in Mining Engineering. He then

took post graduate studies at the University of Nevada, securing his Masters Degree in Mining Engineering earlier this year.

The Gentrys have taken up residence in house 344 at Minaty Bay. On behalf of the community, we welcome them to Britannia Beach.

### **TONY RADER**

Tony Rader has been engaged on a full time basis as assistant life guard and swim instructor, as assistant to Dunc Stratton. Tony's home is in Vancouver and he is a student in Arts at Simon Fraser University.

Also working with Dunc and Tony is Anneke Van der Ham, as assistant on a part time basis, looking after the wading pool and the tiny tots. A number of mothers have volunteered their assistance.

With the augmented staff, better control of pool operations is possible; the pool will be open longer hours and children will receive all the swimming instruction possible. It is planned to have other children's activities organized for the maximum enjoyment of all the young people.

Dunc is to be commended for the fine job he is doing in the operation of the swimming pool.

### **PERSONALS**

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Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth D. Martin and daughters Teresa and Jeanette have recently moved from Merritt, and are residing in apartment 132-2.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Salt and daughters Jacqueline, Julie and Joanne have now taken up residence at the Beach in house 128A.

The Harry Yakys have moved to house 213.

Mr. and Mrs. R Kehres have moved to Britannia and are living in apartment 178-2.

To all new arrivals---welcome to Britannia Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Wayne McKeen, who have resided at Minaty Bay for more than a year, are leaving early in August. Wayne, who was transferred from the Toronto office in May 1966 is leaving the Company to take work with another firm in Eastern Canada. On behalf of the Community, best wishes for the future. Penny and Wayne.

Doug North has returned from the hospital after undergoing tests for future major surgery, which has been scheduled for the middle of August at St. Paul's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Montgomery of Britannia announce the forthcoming marriage of their second daughter, Mary Anne, to Mr. Ray Howard of Victoria. The marriage will take place at Squamish United Church on Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>. Reverend Wingfield will officiate.

Lloyd Pollish was rushed to the hospital Sunday morning suffering from a perforated ulcer. Immediate surgery was performed and we are glad to hear that Lloyd is resting comfortably.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. R (Myrt) Lovelin is on crutches due to a broken foot.

### **FURRY CREEK CAMPSITE**

In recent years the Furry Creek Campground has been available for use by Boy Scout groups in the lower mainland, and to a few other organizations, on a controlled as is.

The Company is now making the campsite available to Anaconda employees, other residents of Britannia and their personal friends, subject to certain rules and regulations.

Persons wishing to make use of the Furry Creek Campsite should apply to W.B. Montgomery at the main office.

### **FAREWELL PARTY HELD**

A "going away" party for Phil and Alma Rowan and Roy and Anne Clark was held in the upper clubroom on Saturday evening, July 8<sup>th</sup>. Music was provided by our local band, ably conducted by John Powell.

Jack Moore was master of ceremonies while Lloyd Pollish made the presentations. Both the Rowans and Clarks received engraved silver trays.

Bill Anderson, on behalf of the Mine Rescue Team, presented Phil Rowan with a set of stainless tableware.

Mae Adolphson looked after the catering arrangements. A good crowd was in attendance, which resulted in a most enjoyable evening for all.



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**SQUAMISH LOGGERS SPORTS DAY**

The Loggers Sports Day committee, Lion's Club and everyone connected with the big day on August 5<sup>th</sup> is busy preparing for the tenth annual Loggers Sports Day, which promises to be bigger and better than ever.

The day will start with the parade and parade marshal Eric Butler is hoping that it will be bigger than ever this year. Featured in the parade are floats, queen contestants, visiting queens, huge loaded logging trucks and bands. This will take place at 11am with the sports starting at 1 pm.

The Hon. Ray Williston minister of Lands and Forests will officially open the fair and other dignitaries will include H. B. Forse. District Forester.

Mrs. Wiliston and Mrs. Forse will accompany their husbands and their hosts will be local Forest Ranger M. N. Neighbor and Mrs. Neighbor.

There will be climbing events, burling competitions, bucking, falling, Molly Hogan, ladies bucking contests and many other exciting events. The afternoon program will be climaxed with a demonstration of climbing by Mal Harper who thrilled the audience last year.

Britannia Beach will be represented in the parade by a float entered jointly by the Anaconda Company (Canada) and Britannia Miners Union Local 663.

Miss Lisa Pollish was the winner of the \$25 prize offered for the best idea submitted for the Britannia float. Mrs. Lynne Evans was awarded a prize of \$15, as her theme was very similar to that of the award winner. Honourable mention goes to Mrs. Olive Baxter and Mr. Robert North.

The theme of this years float is prospecting, then and now. The truck cal will be a replica of the Britannia mill resting against a mountain. There will be a second mountain about the middle of the trailer. In front of this mountain a stream will run down the mountainside. Between the two mountains will be a display of modern prospecting equipment and methods, including a replica of a

helicopter, and a crew of geophysicists and geochemists operating geophysical and agrochemical equipment. To the rear of the trailer there will be a tunnel entrance to the mountain and a group of old time prospectors. Following the float will be Clementine riding a burro.

Personnel on the float will be: Jim Vinnell and John Greenlee, geophysical and geochemical; Werner Klupp, Roy Fogarty, Bruce Goddard, I. Eliassen and Jim Barlow, prospectors, with Karl Niermeyer as Clementine.

#### Loggers Day Float for Anaconda and Britannia Mine



The Squamish Loggers put on real show-it is recommended that you attend, if at possible. This float will also be entered in the P.N.E. Parade on August 19<sup>th</sup>.

#### **ANACONDA ARROWHEAD**

An employee's question with regard to the origin of the Anaconda Arrowhead Trademark resulted in the following description from Tom Kelly's archives in Sales Promotion. We pass it on to our readers:

"Mr. Thomas D'Arcy Brophy was advertising manager of Anaconda during the 1920's". The copper arrowhead in the Anaconda trademark is his brainchild. Mr. Brophy told me that the trademark developed in this way: He first wrote out the word "Anaconda" with the A's on the extremes capitalized. "From Mine to Consumer" was added because at that time The American Brass Company had been recently acquired. Brophy then added the copper arrowhead in the middle to give it proper artistic balance for a good trademark.

"Mr. Trophy's sketch was approved by Messrs. Ryan and Kelly. In 1923 it was registered in a form as you see it in this letterhead. Mr. Brophy said that the addition of the copper arrowhead was of no literal or historical significance-it served only his artistic sense. During my 28 years with the company, I have

heard this symbol referred to as an “arrowhead” and as a “spearhead”. The originator called it an “arrowhead” and personally I can see no reason to depart from this nomenclature.

During the late 40’s and 50’s much of our advertising material was run without the arrowhead. We simply used the word “Anaconda” in distinctive block capitals, with the enlarged A’s at both ends.”

## **MINE TOUR**

A group of 23 boys and 2 supervisors from the BC Parks Branch Youth Crew stationed at Green River near Pemberton toured the mine, mill and copper plant on July 26<sup>th</sup>, escorted by Marshall Tichauer.

Mine guides were Jim Greer and Ed Hession; Bill Stern, Jack Dichinson and Don Gentry covered the mill tour, and Archie Smith the copper plant.

The mine tour commenced at 9 am and included a stop at 41-040 drift and a visit to #8 Mine, where Gunnar Adolphson was on hand to meet the visitors.

The #8 hoist, mechanics shop and 5400-stope development were visited and there was also a demonstration of muck hoisting and dumping at the 4000 pocket.

## **SOCCER**

We hope to have 3 teams in soccer this year-pee-wees, junior and senior boys. Although we’ve asked some, we’re still short coaches for the teams. Would anyone interested in coaching these boys teams get in touch with Roy Fogarty at 896-2282, please.

## **MEN’S SOFTBALL**

The Britannia Miner’s have finished all their league games for this year. The league standings appear elsewhere in the paper.

Britannia has been invited to a double-knockout tournament in Pemberton on August 19<sup>th</sup>.and 20<sup>th</sup>. If enough players will be available the team intends to enter, but it will depend on how many of the team are on holidays.

The team would like to express their thanks to the residents of Britannia for coming out to all of the ball games and showing their support, and for sticking with the boys even when the games and weather were poor. We would like to say thanks to Bill Anderson, D Seymour, Paul Hoodikoff, Lewis Ferguson, Don

Green and Bud Buckmaster for umpiring the games for both the men and women's games.

Roy Fogarty

### WOMAN'S SOFTBALL

The Minerettes have played 3 games and won 3 during July. The next game is at Pemberton, July 30<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. We have now won 4, lost 3.

There are 15 ladies playing softball this year and thoroughly enjoying it. Thanks to Paul Hoodikoff and Bud Buckmaster we are finally shaping up. Thanks also to the fans at Britannia for their enthusiastic support. Nowhere else do the people support their teams and it sure helps. Thanks again.

Mary Hoodikoff

### **LEAGUE STANDINGS**

Men's Senior C Recreation Softball League Standings:

Team	W	L	Pts.
Woodfibre	11	3	22
Garibaldi B/A 8	4	16	
Bock's Alpiners	5	5	10
Britannia Beach	5	9	10
Pemberton	3	9	6

Final games in the pennant race go tonight and on the weekend. Playoffs commence next week.

Howe Sound Women's Senior Softball League

Team	W	L	Pts.
Pemberton	8	0	16
Garibaldi	5	2	10
Britannia	4	3	8
Advax Tire	3	5	6
L&A Construction	3	5	0
South Park	0	8	0

## **SWIMMING POOL**

A number of the younger swimmers, accompanied by Dunc Stratton and chauffeured by some of the parents, entered a swim meet in Coquitlam on July 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. The results of the meet are not yet available, so will be given in the next issue of the newsletter.

Mrs. Carol Goddard has consented to guard at the pool Wednesday and Fridays between the hours of 12:30 and 1:30pm. This hour is reserved for weary women who want to wash away the worries of house, and children.

Keep trim, ladies---become another Elaine Tanner. You can't be sixteen, but you can be a swimmer. As a convenience to tourists and others with children held up due to road construction the use of the swimming pool is open to such children from 1:30 pm until the road opens. The parents of such children must apply at the Personnel Office, and will be required to sign a release before their children may enter the pool.

The toilet facilities in the Lower Club are now open during swimming pool hours for the use of children and others. Entrance is through the north door to the Lower Club. Parents should inform their children of these facilities.

## **CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE**

"The Story of a Mine" is still the chief interest of the Centennial Committee and will be till the first edition is sold.

The first order received from a Public Library was from Dawson Creek for the Peace River Associated Library. There are 85 Public Libraries listed and we hope to place copies in all of them.

Jimmie Dennett, who reminds us he was raised at Mount Sheer, congratulated us on our effort and ordered a number of copies for his bookstore in Trail. Do you know of? Any other ex-Britannia-ites who would like to sell our book?

Sales at the booth continue. We must admit ore samples are the most popular item. Some of the girls sound highly technical as they discuss chalcopywrite. Visitors are still signing the register from distant parts of the world. Montreal wasn't the only town to have a tourist from Paris, France this week!

Heard a different explanation from one of the booth custodians as to why she liked the 4-hour 'duty' at the booth. She said it was actually weight reducing-no nibbling there.

Mary Smith

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Courtesy of Ed Parker  
(Can you decode this)?

## **CHURCH BOARD**

A meeting of the Church Board was held on July 23<sup>rd</sup>. It was decided to begin service at the Community Church on September 10<sup>th</sup>. It would be appreciated if members of the congregation note the new time of service.

Please come to the service and meet Mr. Boulgar, our new minister.

Joan Ehler

## **GIRL GUIDES**

Lisa Pollish, Debbie Niermeyer, Liz Price, Pat Baverstock and Debra Hoodikoff returned from camp on July 20<sup>th</sup>. The girls had a good time in spite of the fact that they had to fend for themselves this time.

Badges earned during the spring were presented to the girls as follows:

Lisa Polish	Laundress-Gymnast-Keep Fit- Friend to Animals
Liz Price	Cook-Homemaker-Child Care
Jean Knippelberg	Needlewoman-Little House
Cindy Price	First Aid-Emergency Helper
Marie Begin	First Aid-Emergency Helper
Valorie Dyck	First Aid –Emergency Helper
Linda Niermeyer	First Aid-Emergency Helper
Pat Holowachuk	First Aid

There is an urgent need for Brownie and Guide Leaders in order that these groups can carry on this fall. If anyone is interested, but feels they are a little green on the subject, there will be a workshop training session in Squamish September 9<sup>th</sup>. It will be an all day session with qualifies instructors. Please contact Commissioner Mrs. Brander at Squamish for father information.

Evelyn Wallenborn

## **BOAT CLUB NEWS**

The concert boat launching ramp at Minaty Bay will be completed July 30<sup>th</sup>. This ramp is for the use of local residents only; your guest or friend may use the ramp under your sponsorship. No cars or trailers must be left in the area.... there is still some tie up space at the dock available.

There is a weekly Derby for members... \$5.00 for the largest salmon of the week. It must be weighed in and showed to one member of the executive, A McNair, D Christie or H Yaky.

The fish are finally starting to run, so get your boat in the water and Good Luck.

Betty McNair

## **NOTICES**

The 'Country Cousins' will be having a square dance demonstration in the upper Clubroom on Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30pm. The public is invited to attend and if enough interest warrants starting a Square Dance Club at Britannia, Mr. Alec McBride will be very pleased to come here and call for the sessions.

## **DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER**

The Newsletter will be coming out the 1<sup>st</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of each month. Reports, notices, letters to the Editor and personals should be given to the Editor, W. B Montgomery or to Mrs. Carol Niermeyer, by the 10<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. We welcome any and all contributions.

## **MEDICAL CLINIC**

Mrs. Critchley will be on holidays from August 4<sup>th</sup> to September 5<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Joan McLaughlin will be taking Mrs. Critchley's place in the clinic.

Office hours will be:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 11:30am to 1:30pm

Tuesday, Thursday (or days when there is a road block) 3:00pm to 5:pm

Dr. L C Kindree and Dr. Love will be in attendance.

Clinic phone...896-2340; Squamish phone Clinic.... 892-5151 residence

If there is no answer at the clinic, please phone Squamish.

## **PERSONALS**

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Britannia Beach has its own centennial Baby...a little Centennial Sue was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bohan on July 1<sup>st</sup> at Lion's Gate Hospital.. The baby has been named Paula Margaret.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jan Mising on the birth of their sixth child.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Ken Meuckon on the birth of their son, Kerry James, born July 15<sup>th</sup>.

A long and happy married life is wished for Ron and Roberta Forkin who were married June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Mrs. Jake Klassen received a lovely baby tender at the surprise shower held for her at the home of Mrs. Ernie Adams.

The ladies followed by delicious refreshments enjoyed a few hands of cards, after which Mrs. Adams presented the baby tender to Mrs. Klassen for the newest member of their family, Graysen John Jake.

Mrs. Sidney Smith was admitted to the Squamish General Hospital, July 19<sup>th</sup>. We are happy to report that she is now resting comfortably.

Reverend J. O'Brien will leave this week to take up his new work as Missionary to the Indian People in the Kamloops area. Father's new address will be Kamloops Indian Residential School, Kamloops, BC. We all wish him good health and happiness in his new work.

The Britannia Beach B.A. station is now under new management. Bill and Alma Bryan who came from Kelowna and are living in Squamish are running it. For the convenience of late travellers they are open till 10pm. We wish them every success and lots of luck.

Terry MacDonald and his wife Carolyn arrived at Britannia from Halifax on Wednesday, July 19<sup>th</sup>. They will be visiting with Terry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John MacDonald. This is Terry's first trip back since his marriage and his parents were looking forward to meeting their new daughter-in-law. Terry is serving in the Royal Canadian Navy and is stationed at Halifax. He is on thirty-day furlough.

Mr. Lloyd Pollish has returned home from the hospital and is very well.

Lavons and Brenda Lovelin are spending five weeks touring Norway and visiting with their father's relatives. When they return, Brenda will enter 1<sup>st</sup> year at Simon Fraser University and Lavona will enter her 1<sup>st</sup> year at the University of Saskatchewan.

Derek Lovelin has gone to the World Scout Jamboree in Idaho.

Mr. Betty McNair will be leaving soon for a visit to England-her first trip home

since she came here as a war bride 21 years ago. Packing a 16-½ pound BC salmon under her arm, Mrs. McNair will be visiting family in Gloucestershire and Norfolk.

Mrs. C Marzocco and her daughter Ludia (Mrs. M Patry) have also left for a vacation with relatives in Italy.

Mr. and Mrs. Colica and small son of Minaty Bay have left for a two-month vacation at Vibo Marina, Province C.Z Italy.

Mr. and Mrs. P Shrigley ad son Lyle from Edmonton are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Doug North.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Sawyer form Walla Walla, Washington and Granton and Granton Sawyer from Georgia are visiting Dave and Doreen Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Fogarty and family from Comox are visiting the Roy Fogarty family.

Paul and Joan Sametz have returned from visiting family in Manitoba.

Mrs. Hugh Chisholm's sister, Mrs. L Squair of California is visiting here.

Mrs. Kaye Pickard has gone to Sidney Vancouver Island to visit her daughter, Mrs. Knudsen.

Mrs Elizabeth Rose of Saskatchewan is in camp visiting with her children, Margo Adams, Joyce Green and Clarence Rose.

Sincere sympathy to Mrs. Dorothy Knudsen on the passing of her father.

Have you heard about the latest dance craze? We think its called "road-block" or maybe "a blast while blasting". For further details call Don and Kay Lindley.

For security reasons, we do not announce people leaving on holidays. The Security Officer, Bud Smith, is given a list of all residents on holidays and he makes regular checks of their dwellings.

## **NOTICE**

From time to time, openings occur with the Company for full or part time work along the lines of typist, stenographer, office clerk, accounting clerk, etc. So that the Company may know who would be available for such work, wives of employees are invited to register. If interested, please apply to the Personnel Office.



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### **ADULT EDUCATION**

Night school and correspondence courses will be starting fall sessions in September. Night school courses are available through all the School Boards in the lower mainland from the Vocational Schools, from the Institute of Technology, from the University of British Columbia Extension Department and from the Association of Professional Engineers. Correspondence courses in High School subjects are available through BC Department of Education.

The Company encourages employees to improve themselves by furthering their Education. The Company will reimburse employees the cost of the fees for any course taken provided the course is completed with a satisfactory record of attendance and achievement.

If you are interested in furthering your education through any of the above outlets, come into the Main Office and discuss it with W. B Montgomery.

### **SQUAMISH LOGGERS DAY**

The float entered jointly by the Anaconda Company and Britannia Miners 'Union Local 663' I.U.M.M.&S.W. (Canada) in the Loggers Day Parade and Sports are getting bigger and better every year. This year's parade had some excellent floats, with the Grand Challenge Trophy being won by a float from Garibaldi Highlands. The Loggers sports programme is one of best in the country.

### **SECURITY**

Mr. L. M. (Bud) Smith is Security Officer of Britannia Beach Operations. He makes regular but non-routine patrols of all Company property.

During office hours (8:00am – 4:30pm calls should be directed to the Company office at telephone # 896-2221. After hours, in case of emergency, call the powerhouse operator at the same telephone #. who will relay the message by

radiotelephone to the Security Officer. The following telephone numbers may be called in emergency situations only:

IN EMERGENCY CALL:

Powerhouse Operator	896-2221
Security Officer	896-2466
W.B. Montgomery	896-2386
Constable Burleigh	896-2476
R.C.M.P.	892-3311

### **“BEAUTIFY BRITANNIA”**

In our fourth issue we announced the “Beautify Britannia” competition, sponsored by the Community Club. Judges appointed were: Mrs. Andrzejczuk, Mrs. Barlow and Mrs. Emery. The final judging is, we understand, to take place before the end of this month.

The judges are not going to have an easy job; there are many lovely and greatly improved gardens, which have done wonders to “Beautify Britannia”.

We hope to be able to announce the winners in our next issue.

### **GUN CLUB**

There has been a favourable reaction to the suggestion that a Gun Club be organized at Britannia Beach. A meeting to start things rolling is being called for Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm in the library, lower clubrooms. All persons interested in the formation of a Gun Club should plan on attending the meeting.

### **CANADIAN CENTENNIAL ‘COPER 1967**

The Provincial Centennial Committee of BC is pleased to announce the presentation of the Canadian Centennial Copter for 1967.

On May 24<sup>th</sup>, 1967, the most modern, up-to-date helicopter to be constructed, the Enstrom F-28 will commence a 100-day flight journey across Canada, starting from Signal Hill, Newfoundland, on the Atlantic coast and ending at Wickaninnish Bay on the Pacific coast.

During this cross-Canada flight, the helicopter will land in many cities, towns and parks in all our Provinces as well as the North West Territories and the Yukon. It will also include flights to various centres in Alaska.

Premier Joseph Smallwood of Newfoundland has agreed to be the first passenger on the initial take-off. It is anticipated that other Provincial Premiers

across Canada will participate. The thrill of a ride in the worlds most modern helicopter. however, won't be limited to executives and officials. Arrangements are being made for all Canadian residents who are over 100 years old to be offered a chance for the same ride. There are over 300 persons in this category living in various centres across Canada.

The originator of this planned helicopter flight is Mr. Frank Ogden, from New Westminster. Who will be the pilot. He will also have along with him, Mr. Chuck Diven of North Vancouver, a well known magazine photographer who plans to take over 75,000 aerial photos of interesting shots of Canada during the flight. When this project is completed, Mr. Ogden and Mr. Diven plan on producing a book with all the materials and information they will have gathered on the trip. The title of the book will be "Canada Centennial Panorama".

During the flight across BC the helicopter is slated to land for short periods at fifty-four centres.

It is interesting to note that Nr. Ogden will also have a ground control unit consisting of a Citroen limousine and a mobile trailer that will be working along with him on each stage of the flight. Each of these vehicles is well equipped with radio communications and are capable of independent radio contact with the helicopter and with one another at all times. The operator of each of these vehicles will move ahead of the helicopter to the next landing zone assisting Mr. Ogden on his flights. At times they leapfrog one another in order to keep ahead of the helicopter. This vehicle will visit all communities scheduled with the exception of Woodfibre and Gibson-Sechelt.

The Britannia Beach Centennial Committee is sponsoring the visit of the Centennial Copter to Britannia. The Copter will visit Britannia Beach on Wednesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at the ball field at 12:00 noon and leaving at 1:00pm.

## **SWIMMING POOL**

On August 8<sup>th</sup>, the Britannia Beach Swim Team went to Woodfibre to compete with Squamish a Woodfibre in a trial meet to determine which swimmers would make up [a Howe Sound Team. This team will then take on Capilino at another meet also to be held at Woodfibre on August 12<sup>th</sup>. The following swimmers who qualified and turned out fine performances were:

Marie Begin	Girls 9 & 10	
	Girls 11 & 12	Backstroke
Valerie Dydk	Girls 11 & 12	Freestyle and Breaststroke
Debbie Marion	Girls 11 & 12	Butterfly and Individual Medley

Joe Van der Ham	Boys 11 & 12	Freestyle and Backstroke
Anneke Van der Ham	Girls 12 & 13	Freestyle
Sharon Dyck	Girls 13 & 14	Breaststroke
Janet Clark	Girls 13 & 14	Backstroke
Doug Hill	Boys 13 & 14	Breaststroke and Individual

Many thanks to Mrs. Dyck who drove and helped out at the meeting.

Another item of interest is the success the Britannia Beach ladies are having Wednesday and Friday afternoons. On Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, the number attending totalled 16 with Mrs. Goddard doing an admirable job supervising. Join in the fun, girls, and help make this program a success.

Red Cross Junior, Intermediate and Senior testing is scheduled for August 29<sup>th</sup>, All those who expect to qualify for the tests must show regular attendance during August or face disqualification from their course. Pre-Beginner testing dates will be August 28<sup>th</sup>.

Dunc Stratton

Editors Note: We understand that regular adult swim sessions are being set up for Tuesday and Thursday evenings and that water-polo sessions are scheduled for Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings, from 7:30 to 8:30 pm.

If you are interested in swim sessions for adults only, contact Tony Crane or Dunc Stratton, Lifeguard and Swim Instructor. Separate swim sessions for adults will only be maintained if the sessions are well patronized.

### **FORREST CREW VISITS PROPERTY**

A group of 23 youths from the Parks Branch Crew at Daisey Lake, accompanied by Mr. W Van der Ramp and Rob Sibbald went through the mine and mill on Wednesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>.

Guides for the tour were J, Greer and M. Tichauer for the mine, and W Stern, E Parker and J Dickinson for the mill.

No. 8 Mine, including the hoist room and maintenance areas, the 54 level development, plus demonstrations of ore hoisting and dumping constituted the mine tour, with Foreman R Baverstock acting as co-ordinator.

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organized at Britannia Beach. A meeting to start things rolling is being called for Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30pm in the library, lower clubrooms. All persons interested in the formation of a Gun Club should plan on attending the meeting.

### **MISSIONARY VISITS BRITANNIA**

Brother Thomas of Mary, FSC was the guest this week of his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barlow. Brother Thomas is on leave from his teaching duties at College Moderne Prive, Poussiana, Upper Volta.

The school is a secondary school of about 200 boys, all boarders, being trained as teachers for the Mission and government schools. Only about 8% of school age children are able to attend school in Upper Volta, a former French colony, because of a lack of schools and teachers. There is not much hope of more schools because of a lack of money. Brother Thomas will be in Toronto until the end of September on a fundraising project. Anyone from here wishing to make a contribution can send it to the school in care of Brother Thomas. Brother Thomas has spent 15 years in Africa, the last 12 in Poussiana and says he really enjoys the work, the country and the people. The country is still mostly pagan, but due to the work of the white Fathers of Africa, a missionary order, many conversions are being made. As for the boys that Brother Thomas teaches, he says that they are like boys the world over. They love to receive letters from other countries, and picture postcards are especially welcome. Although French is the language of the country, Brother Thomas has promised to translate any English letters or postcards if any of the children here would like to write. The address is:

Brother Thomas of Mary, FSC  
College Moderne Prive  
Poussiana.,  
Upper Volta  
Africa

### **HOWE SOUND FALL FAIR**

The Howe Sound Fall Fair association held a meeting on July 31 to finalize the plans for a Centennial Fair to be held in Howe Sound School Gym on September 9<sup>th</sup>. As far as we know there are no community Centennial celebrations so the Fall Fair program this year is planned with a Gay Nineties spirit.

We want to honour the pioneers of this valley and encourage the future citizens. We hope the organizations of the area will assist us in our program for Centennial Year.

There are special sections in the entry book for High School students and others so they can compete. Entry forms will be received on September 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> at Halters' Flower and Garden Shop from 1 to 4pm. or prior to this by secretary, Mrs. Makovichuk; 892-5590 or at Halters store. Again we stress that no entries will be received after September 6<sup>th</sup>. We are planning an exhibition of relics and antiques. Anyone having any and wishing to display them please contact Mrs. D Morrison, 892-5301 or Mrs.'s MacDonald at 892-3994. There will an attendant at the display at all time. Again this we will have prize draws of 1<sup>st</sup> \$50. - 2<sup>nd</sup> \$25. - 3<sup>rd</sup> \$10. There will also be door prizes too.

Fair books may be obtained at Halters Flower and Garden Store, the Squamish Times office or The Squamish Citizen office or any of the directors.

### **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

Greetings from Salem, Missouri

We wish to extend our thanks to the community of Britannia for the beautiful silver tray and to the Mine Rescue Teams for the silverware presented to us on leaving Britannia. These gifts will be cherished for years to come in memory of our time spent in Britannia.

Our thanks to the people who convened the party – you did a marvellous job. Also the Girl Guides and the Mothers Group for gifts presented at the time of my resignation.

Should you find yourself in our area – our door will always be open to all of you.

Alma and Phil Rowan  
113 E. Roosevelt St.  
Salem, Missouri  
65560

### **WOODFIBRE SWIM MEET**

Congratulations are in order to the following swimmers who helped the Howe Sound Swim Team compete against Capilino at Woodfibre on August 12<sup>th</sup>.

Marie Begin	1 <sup>st</sup> place	Girls 9&10 Backstroke
	2 <sup>nd</sup> place	Girls 11&12 Backstroke
Valerie Dyck	3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Girls 11&12 Freestyle
	2 <sup>nd</sup> place	Girls 11 &12 Breaststroke
Joe Van der Ham	1 <sup>st</sup> place	Boys 11&12 Freestyle
	3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Boys 11&12 Medley Relay

	3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Boys 11&12	Freestyle Relay
Debbie Marion	3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Girls 11&12	Butterfly
Anneke Van der Ham	3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Girls 11&12	Freestyle
Janet Clark			
Sharon Dyck	3 <sup>rd</sup> place	Girls 13&14	Medley Relay

These swimmers and also Paul Begin will now advance as part of the Howe Sound Team of the BC Regional Championships to be held at the North Shore Winter Club, August 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

A program is being planned to end the summer with a community swim meet and games day at the swimming pool. Parents and children please watch for a posting of the time and date in the near future.

## **NOTICES**

For the benefit of newcomers to the Beach, would you please print in your next Newsletter that Bingo is every Wednesday at 8pm in the upper clubroom. Prizes according to amount of people playing. Children accompanied by parents are welcome.

## **FAREWELL PARTY FOR POLLISH**

Lloyd and E Pollish were honoured by many of their friends at the upper clubroom on Saturday evening.

Gifts of an original Totem (carved by a member of the Squamish Indian Band) and a traveling rug (grown, spun and hand-woven in BC.) were presented on behalf of the gathering by A. Smith. In making the presentation, Archie wished the Pollish's and their family Godspeed and good luck in their new location.

Doris Hansen on behalf of the "Mad Musicians of Britannia Beach" presented Em with an Eskimo carving of the Canadian Goose.

The empty chair in the MMOBB orchestra formerly occupied by Em Pollish on the clarinet is symbolic of the void the departure of the Pollish family leaves in the community. They were active in nearly everything going on in the community.

## **PERSONNEL**

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Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. D Gordon Boutwell on the birth of their son, Brent David, born July 31, 1967.

Mrs. C Steenson and daughter, Miss Doreen Steenson have arrived from Bangor, Northern Ireland for a five-week stay with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Steenson.

Mr. Dave Laurie of New York City is visiting the Tom Conto family.

Bill and Joan Maher and children, Hale and Marcie are visiting Bruce and Carol Goddard.

Last Wednesday 17 children from 6 to 11 years of age cleaned up the garbage on the stairs from Shaughnessy Heights to the Hospital townsite. Three litter barrels are now provided along the way so we can keep it clean. Thanks for a job well done.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert North on the birth of their son Robert, born July 31, 1967.

Pat and Lorne Tulloch of Balmer Town, Ontario is visiting the Marcel Begins.

Mrs. Hedy Epele has opened a confectionery shop in Valleycliffe to serve the apartment complex there.

In addition to the usual stock of groceries and articles handled by a confectionery, she will specialize in European style luncheon meats, delicacies such as imported herrings, chesses and other specialities.

Mr. Epele works of Anaconda at Britannia Beach.

Extract from letterform Raphael J Arnold: "For gossips sake I am now employed with the Hecla Mining Co. at the Star Mine about 8 miles out of Wallace. It's been a warm 90 degrees everyday here since arriving from Vancouver. Sure hope you guys don't drown!!!

Best Wishes  
Raphel J Arnold  
C/o Box 153, Silverton  
Idaho 83867

## **BRITANNIA NEWSLETTER**

The Newsletter is published twice a month, on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> by the Personnel Department.

Notices, announcements, reports, bulletins, etc., will be accepted for publication from any local group, club, or organization. Letters to the Editor will be printed

provided they are of general interest. Deadlines for publication are the 10<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of the month.

### **SCHOOL DISTRICT VOTERS LIST**

August 31<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for closing the list of electors in school districts. ON last years list there were only ten names from Britannia and of these three have left.

To get your name on the list of Tenant-Electors, you must be a British subject, full age of twenty-one years and either a tenant or resident continuously in the district for six months immediately prior to the date on which you swear a declaration of the above facts. Mr. Ross, District Secretary-Treasurer, will be in my office from 10am until noon on August 29<sup>th</sup> to take declarations of those who wish to have their name entered. If this time is not convenient, please phone me at 896-2221 or 896-2257.

If you already own property in the school district you are an owner-elect and your name should appear on the list of owner-electors automatically.

It is in your own interest to have a voice in the operation of your schools.

Jim MacDonald



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### **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

It is common practice in a community such as Britannia for a great many community activities to slacken or stop for the summer months.

We are now approaching the end of this period. Elsewhere in this issue are reports of the Community Club, Parent Teacher Association, Soccer, and Gun Club, all appealing for support.

A community is only as good as the interest shown by residents. There are a great number of local organizations covering a wide range of activities. Let each and every one of us, whether of the age group for the Go-Go Club, the Guys and Dolls or the Community Club, resolve to join and support one or more of the local organizations. Let's make Britannia a better place in which to live.

### **COMMUNITY CLUB**

A representative of the Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society has approached the Club to organize a campaign fund to aid in the work done by the society. The ultimate goal of the society is to find a cause and cure for these crippling diseases. The interim objective is to provide treatment for the diseases until the ultimate goal is achieved.

A general meeting of the community club will be held during the month of September. The exact date has not yet been fixed. It will be after September 12<sup>th</sup> when the executive committee is again scheduled to meet. A firm date of the general meeting will be decided upon at that time and announced in the next issue of the Newsletter.

You are requested to attend the general meeting. At that time you will be asked among other things, whether or not we will form a fund raising committee for the above-mentioned society –C.A.R.S.

## **P.T.A.**

Your P.T.A. is planning a membership campaign for the month of September. All parents will be called upon to support the group. Let's give our children and teachers our full concern and co-operation.

The first meeting for the year will be held Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>.

This organization has been composed of 100% of the teachers at the Britannia Elementary School and an extremely low percentage of the mothers of the elementary students. so we expect 100% co-operation from the 4 teachers with OUR children, while in return, we the parents give perhaps 10%? Incidentally, fathers also are parents – not just mothers.

A Parent-Teacher Association is group of people banded together for the improvement of the education and welfare of children and also a means of communication between home and school. It can be a wishy-washy social group or it can be an active organization. Let's make the Britannia P.T.A. a blend of the social and active group personally interested in the education and welfare of our children.

The Executive Committee

## **GUN CLUB**

Two meetings have been held in the past two weeks to start the formation of a Gun Club. At the first meeting, Vic Unray was selected as acting chairman and Bud Ramsay as acting secretary. A committee was appointed to look at potential sites for target ranges and to draw up a draft constitution and by laws. Unfortunately, due to the forest closure, it has not been possible to inspect proposed sites. Information about constitution, bylaws and the formation of a gun club has not yet been received.

About 20 residents of the community have shown an interest in the Gun Club by attending one or both of the meetings. The next meeting will be called as soon as the raft constitution is ready for submission.

Notices of the next meeting will be posted – watch for them, and, if you are interested in the formation of a Gun Club, plan to attend.

## **SOCCER**

The Howe Sound Soccer League will be starting in September. Britannia has the opportunity to enter three teams – 10 years of age and under, 14 years and under, and 17 years and under. In order to assure our entries and so that the teams may be properly run, coaches are needed and needed NOW.

If you are prepared to coach the boys' soccer, please get in touch with Roy Fogarty, Chairman of the Community Club Athletic Committee, House # 309, and telephone # 896-2282.

The need is urgent – do not delay.

The league is being organized this year by age groups, as above, not by school grades as previously done. Parents must be prepared to submit proof of their boy's age as of September 1<sup>st</sup>, 1967.

## **FORREST CLOSURE**

The Forest Closure, imposed by the Forest Services and announced in the special edition of the newsletter on August 18<sup>th</sup>, is still in effect.

The forests are closed to all forms of recreation – camping, picnicking, hiking, fishing, hunting, etc. During the period of this closure all forested areas, including those immediately adjacent to the residential areas, are closed and are out of bounds to all persons. Parents should impress on their children the seriousness of the situation. Children (and other) must not be allowed to enter the woods, particularly immediately adjacent to residences and buildings.

All open fires of any nature, both within and outside the townsite, are prohibited for the period of this closure.

The seriousness of the situation cannot be over- emphasized. A forest fire anywhere on Company property could quickly become out of control and could destroy part or all of the townsite and the industrial installations.

The co-operation of all residents in this emergency is anticipated – your homes and your jobs depend on it.

Be careful of fire – if fire or smoke is notice, call the fire brigade immediately at telephone # 896-2221, any time of the day or night.

## **BEAUTIFY BRITANNIA**

Spring has sprung, the grass has riz  
We now know who the winner is.



- J L Booth
- M Begin
- W Braiden
- F Baxter
- B Barlow
- A Crane
- L Colica
- F Condon
- H Chisholm
- A Erdman
- Y Essiambre
- P Emery
- C S Ellis
- K J Erne
- L Freiburger
- L Ferguson
- D Green
- W Gillis
- J Graney
- W Hansen
- C A Harvey
- P Holowachuk
- C J Hodgson
- P Hoodikoff
- A Hopwood
- J Keizek
- T Locke
- A S LoGiacco
- D Lindley
- G LeBlanc
- J C Moore
- W C McCall
- J B MacDonald
- T J MacDonald
- C Nicholson
- K Niermeyer
- G Pickard
- E Piehler
- L Pollish
- J Powell
- S Slemensky
- D Shavela
- A T Smith
- Verdesio
- T Wagner
- J Wallenborn

## **HOWE SOUND FALL FAIR**

Perhaps the winners of the foregoing prizes might go to further accomplishment by entering their flowers in the Fall Fair. Other sections are:

Vegetables

- Fruits
- Home Canning
- Honey
- Home Baking
- Needlework
- Home Arts
- Hobbies
- Crafts

Junior Exhibits 1-14 years, Pet Show (exhibitors under 18 years), Non-competitive and Centennial Display.

Entry forms may be obtained from the secretary, Mrs. A Makowichuk, Telephone 892-5590. Entries must be in the hands of the secretary by September 6<sup>th</sup>.

The Fair is being held in the Howe Sound Secondary School Auditorium on Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, from 2:30 to 10:30pm.

Residents of Britannia are urged to enter, and to attend the Fall Fair.

### **MINING ASSOCIATION WINS SAFETY AWARD**

The Mining Association of BC has been named a winner of the National Safety Council's 1967 Association Safety Award.

It was one of fourteen associations, representing various industries in the United States and Canada, cited by the Council for significant achievements in their overall safety programs and continued toward the reduction of accidents.

The complete list of award winners announced by the Council is:

American Gas Association, Inc.  
American Pulpwood Association  
American Water Works Association  
Can Manufacturers Institute, Inc.  
Associated General Contractors of America, Inc.  
Gypsum Association  
Mining Association of BC  
National Construction Association  
National Crushed Stone Association  
National Fibre Can and Tube Association  
National Rural Electric Association  
Southern Cotton Ginners Association  
Timber Operators Council, Inc.  
Western Wood Products Association

The fourteen winning associations represent over 10,000 member firms employing over 500,000 people.

Since the award program was initiated in 1952, one hundred different associations have received the NSC citation.

Howard Pyle, Council President, in congratulating The Mining Association of BC stated, "Your contribution to safety in industry not only deserves this recognition, but what you have done adds immeasurably to our knowledge of successful association safety work. The Council is deeply gratified by the interest and emphasis which you have placed on this important facet of every operation."

The Mining Association of BC represents virtually all of the producing mining industry in the Province of BC as well as most of the larger exploration

companies and mining contractors. The Association was cited for its contribution to the significant reduction in the number of accidents and disabling injuries in the mining industry of BC.

Judges of the 1967 Association Safety Award Program were:

D Caddy	National Association of Manufacturers
Fred Deeg	National Association of Mutual Casualty
Dennis Dix	Chamber of Commerce of USA
Vance Lockard	American Society of Association Executives.

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### **SWIM CLASSES**

There has been an air of anticipation and excitement at the swimming pool during the past week; the children have been going through the 4 swim tests from pre-beginners, beginners, intermediate, junior and senior age groups.

Dunc Stratton and Tony Rader tested the pre-beginners and beginners, and the following qualified:

Pre-beginners Minnows

- Ricky Boys
- Adrienne Green
- Rory Green
- Laurie Green
- Greg Knudsen
- Kenny Knudsen
- Jennifer Braiden
- Danny Bourque
- Lisa McCall

Flounders:

- Mike Chisholm
- Philamena Whiteside
- Boris Krizek
- Neil Thompson
- Anna Tremblay
- Kenny Holowachuk

Sharks:

- Mike Conto
- David Conto
- Mike Tremblay
- Susanne Essiambre
- Colleen Rose
- Derwyne Rose
- Bob Bouque
- Wendy Anderson
- Graham Hill

Beginners:

- Wendy Andrzejczuk
- Shelley Hilborn
- Kenneth Shavela
- Paul Yaky
- Teddy Van der Ham
- Jimmy Ainsley
- Sylvia Vukoslavceovich
- Laurel Goddard
- Dianne Van den Hoek
- Darrel Gillis
- Victor Lindley
- Heather Brazeau
- Vincent Hilbor

An official of the Canadian Red Cross Society examined the intermediate, junior and senior grades. The following passed the swim tests:

Junior :

- Debbie Niermeyer
- Dawn Husted
- Luann Lovlin
- Marie Begin

- Valerie Shavela
- Jeanette Dyck
- Kathy Greenlee
- Kim Ainsley
- Clifford Shavela
- Sonja Van den Hoek

Intermediate:

- Lynne Stenbridge
- Donald Shavela

Senior:

Leslie Johnson

Congratulations to all the foregoing on the successful completion of the swim classes.

Also the thanks and appreciation of the community to Dunc Statton, Tony Rader and Aneka Van der Ham for the fine job they have done in conducting the classes and in supervising the swimming activities. The same to those members of the Community Club who volunteered their services in one way or another and helped to make the season the success it has been.

The following competitive swimmers are also to be highly commended for their hard efforts at the BC Regional Swim Meet held at the North shore Winter Club on August 19<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>.

Marie Begin	Girls 9 & 10	Backstroke
Valerie Dyck	Girls 11 & 12	Breaststroke, free stroke and medley relay
Debbie Marion	Girls 11 & 12	Butterfly
Joe Van der Ham	Boys 11 & 12	Freestyle Backstroke Freestyle and medley relays
Sharon Dyck	Girls 13 & 14	Breaststroke
Anneke Van der Ham	Girls 13 & 14	Freestyle

**NOTICE**

To all employees:

In observance of Labour Day, in accordance with our Collective Bargaining Agreement there will be no regular work scheduled from 8am on Monday, September 4 to 8:00am Tuesday September 5, 1967.

Your immediate supervisor will notify any of you who will be required to work.

## **PERSONALS**

**September 1967**

Alan Greenlee is not home recuperating from an appendectomy performed earlier this week at Vancouver General Hospital.

Mrs. McCarthy and her three children from California are visiting Jim and Renee Rynn.

Mr and Mrs. Leo Leveque and family have moved to North Vancouver, where they have purchased a home at 649 Keith Road East.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken McClain, recent newlyweds, have taken up residence in Plaza Apartment # 175-3.

A delightful coffee hour was enjoyed by a group of ladies at the home of Mrs. P Emery on Monday August 14<sup>th</sup> to wish bon voyage to Mrs. Lloyd Pollish.

Mrs. A Smith acted as co-hostess with Mrs. Emery. Miss Jenny Smith assisted with the serving of the refreshments.

Among the guests present were Mrs, C Steenson and her daughter Doreen who have just arrived from Ireland for a visit with Mrs Norman Steenson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ulrich Buthge, who have been living in West Vancouver, are moving into house #120 on September 1<sup>st</sup>.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Slememsky have left Britannia and are now residing at Hedley BC.

Congratulations to Bill Sullivan, son of Mrs. P Holowachuk on receiving confirmation in a letter from Mr. L Peterson, Minister of Education, that he would receive a 1<sup>st</sup> class scholarship award for high marks for his studies this year.

The 1<sup>st</sup> class award will represent  $\frac{3}{4}$  of his tuition fees for his next year's classes.

Mrs. Dave Thompson has her sister, Mrs. Trott, visiting with her from Brandon, Manitoba.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bourque have moved to the Beach, and reside in their trailer in the Trailer Court.

We are happy to hear that the accident to Mrs. Critchley is not as serious as was at first thought. Chris had the misfortune to fall from a horse while she and her daughter Denise were on holiday and sustained two cracked ribs, a cut on her head and was badly bruised. She was taken to the hospital in Oliver where at last report she was coming along fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Nelson moved from Squamish and are now residing in house 129B.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Leveque have moved into the house in Minaty Bay recently vacated by the McKeans.

### **ANACONDA AT EXPO '67**

Visitors to Expo '67 will find no Anaconda exhibit as such, but they will see Anaconda metals used in many applications:

CPR – Cominco Pavilion – Decorative nickel silver fins (about 8,000 pounds of alloy)

Habitat '67 – Anaconda copper water tube (about 100,000 pounds)

Canadian Pavilion – Trim in elevator going to the top

Telephone Industry Pavilion/  
Province of Ontario Pavilion/ extensive use of Anaconda products  
Art Gallery/  
In downtown Montreal:

La Chateau Champion – 100,000 pounds of Anaconda products, mainly copper water tube

Mary Queen of the World Cathedral – largest copper roof in Canada (150,000 pounds supplied by Anaconda)

CPR Windsor Station – Anaconda copper roof, a fine example of weather formed patina.

### **LAST MINUTE NOTE**

Mr. Greenlee and his wife, Lucy, have declined the award for their residence in the "Beautify Britannia" campaign. The judges will be asked for recommendation for the disposal of this share of the award.

Mr. Greenlee asks that the manager's house be disqualified from any future competitions.

### **BRITANNIA STORY OF THE MINE**

The Centennial Committee reports that sales of the book have been satisfactory; approximately one-half of the first edition printing of 2500 copies have been sold since publication on June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Books are still available for sale to employees by payroll deduction and to residents at the special discount rate of \$2.25 plus tax through the Company office only. Other sales are handled at the booth on the parking lot.

The special discount rate will be discontinued on September 15<sup>th</sup> 1967. Do your Christmas shopping early; buy the book NOW.



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**NOTICE TO ALL RESIDENTS OF BRITANNIA BEACH**

In case of any emergency at any hour of the day or night or any day of the week call the Power Operator at 896-2221.

B B Greenlee  
Manager

**ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION**

The next meeting of the Round table Discussions will be held in the upper clubroom on Tuesday September 19<sup>th</sup> starting at 7:00pm.

These meetings are open to all employees for the presentation and discussion of any subject not covered by the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

If you have something to discuss, see your Union officer or your supervisor, who will arrange for your attendance. If you have anything to contribute, come anyway, arrangements or not.

Remember the time and place: Upper Club, Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm.

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### **FORREST CLOSURE**

The forest closure which was imposed on August 18<sup>th</sup> due to the danger of fire has now been removed. Access to Company property is open to employees, residents and accredited visitors, subject to the following restrictions.

Jane Basin: This area is off-limits to everyone except those whose duties require them to be there during working hours. The Anaconda Company has let contracts to mine several small ore bodies by open pit methods and haul the ore to the mill in large trucks. These trucks are 12 feet wide and will be coming down grade with heavy loads, so it is essential that other traffic on the road from the 4100 Mine Yard to the Jane Basin be kept to a minimum during the hours the trucks are hauling. In addition, there will be frequent blasting in the pit area.

Mt. Sheer: This area, including the old townsite, is open with permission to residents of Britannia and certain other outside organizations and individuals for fishing, hiking and mountain climbing. Requests for permission should be made at the Mine office to Mr. W B Montgomery. You will be provided with a key to the gate, an authorization slip, and instructions on which areas and roads are open for travel.

### **GUN CLUB**

A meeting of the Gun Club is scheduled for Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm in the upper clubroom.

Material has been received pertaining to the formation of a gun club and a draft constitution and bylaws will be ready for consideration. It is probable that the election of officers will take place at this meeting.

If you are interested in guns, target shooting or hunting, be sure to attend this meeting.

### **BASIC PRINCIPLES OF SUPERVISORY MANAGEMENT**

John r Gaines, Assistant Director of Personnel, The Anaconda Company, will be arriving at Britannia on October 1<sup>st</sup> and will be here about two weeks. While

here, he will conduct a course in “Basic Principles of Supervisory Management”. This course, consisting of eight sessions of two hours each session, will be given to all supervisory staff. Direct notification will be sent to those who are to attend.

## **COMMUNITY CLUB**

After a beautiful summer and the hard work which you put into the “Beautify Britannia” campaign, you are invited to start off the autumn social whirl. A dance will be held in the Upper Club on September 23.

The local band will provide the music from 9:00pm until 1:00am. Snacks and ice will be provided. Admission \$2. per couple to those persons over the age of 21.

A general meeting of the Community Club will be held on Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm in the Upper Clubroom. You are asked to bring your ideas in person and present them before a general meeting. If you approve or disapprove of the way Club business is being carried on, you will have the opportunity to state your feelings.

The Brownies and Guides plan to have a tea for the ladies of the community. You will be notified of the exact date on a flyer which will go out to all residences once the date and time has been set.

The swimming pool was closed after a successful season. The pool seems to have been used to the maximum and with fewer problems than we have had in previous years.

We wish to thank the ladies who broiled in the sun at the wadding pool for their cooperation in looking after the small children. Carol Goddard, who looked after the ladies two days a week, deserves a bouquet for providing for the release of pent-up energies of the patient mothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Clint Nicholson have been added to the list of winners in the “Beautify Britannia” contest, sharing the prize for the Most Picturesque Surroundings.

## **SPRINKLING REGULATIONS**

The heavy rains of the past week have eased the critical situation at the domestic water supply, of this date, all sprinkling restrictions are removed.

## **BRITANNIA BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

The school enrolment, including kindergarten, which is now a part of the public school system, stands at:

Kindergarten.....	Mrs. Pickard.....	23
Grade 1.....	Mrs. Fairburn.....	28
Grades 11 and 111.....	Mrs. Green.....	32
Grades 111 and 1V.....	Mrs. Fowler.....	30
Grades V and V1.....	Mr. Riding.....	32
Grades V1 and V11.....	Mrs. Gentry Mr. Cope.....	27
Total.....		172

It has been very pleasant renewing friendships with some of the people I knew while at the Town Site and Beach, and I will be looking forward to meeting all the parents at the P.T.A. Meetings.

May I take this opportunity to remind the parents, that with a school population of 170 children, there must be rules and regulations otherwise there is only chaos. These rules must be consistently enforced if we are to have a well-organized school. Enforcing these rules is an unpleasant task but one in which I intend to be very firm.

The co-operation of the parents is vitally important. If a child hears the teachers or the school being ridiculed, the child's progress and attitude will decrease rapidly. It is, unfortunately, the children who suffer. I am sure that there can be nothing more important than the welfare of the children and so, if you are not in agreement with the policy of the school, would you please make an appointment and discuss the problem with me.

We are planning a rather extensive P.E. programme and also choir, clubs etc. While these are important, it must not be forgotten that the primary purpose of the school is academic achievement and this must not be sacrificed even though a school is often judged by its extra curricular activities.

L R Cope  
Principal

## **BRITANNIA COMMUNITY CHURCH**

The first service for the fall was held September 10<sup>th</sup>. Following are ideas and plans for the future brought forward at the service.

Mr. Whiteside is once again organizing a Youth Choir and on Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, in the evening, there will be a Choir Party to start things off. Choir gowns will be used this year.

The Sunday school will begin officially on September 17<sup>th</sup>, at 9:45am, with all children between the ages of 4 and 14 invited. Family service of September 10<sup>th</sup> is intended as a “rally for all children who will be going to Sunday School. Any persons willing to help with Sunday School in any way, please speak to Rev. Boulger.

Plans are being made to provide a baby-sitting service in the basement of the church during the morning service to allow parents of babies and toddlers to come to church. Any mothers or teen-age girls willing to take turns baby-sitting are requested to speak to the Minister.

Rev. Boulger, who also works in the mine and lives at house 114-B, will be in his study in the church every Saturday from 8:30am to 12:30pm. Any persons wishing to see the Minister for any purpose please come to the church during those hours, or telephone 896-2460. Rev. Boulger is most anxious to be told if anyone is sick or in special need so that he can visit him or her.

The sermon on September 17<sup>th</sup> is entitled “Why I have left the Pastoral Ministry” and is designed to show the experiences and ideas that led Rev. Boulger to take up this “worker-priest’ ministry in Britannia.

Special invitations extended to all people on the Beach who do not have any church attachment. Newcomers are made most welcome. If any persons would like to become members of our Protestant Community Church, please speak to the Minister.

Official Board  
Britannia Beach Community Church

## **BRITANNIA, THE STORY OF A MINE**

The Centennial Committee has concluded a very successful operation of the sales booth. For the months of July and August, the booth was open daily from 10:00am until 6:00pm, staffed by local residents who volunteered their services. Sales through the booth totalled 332 books and nearly 300 dollars worth of medallions, hasty-notes, ore samples and Britco News.

The Centennial Committee wishes to thank the more than 80 people who volunteered their services. Also, the ladies of the Centennial Committee, who organized the operation, deserve a vote of appreciation.

The special discount rate to employees and residents ends on September 15<sup>th</sup>. However, the book may still be purchased at the Company office, at the regular price.

## **SOFTBALL**

At the close of the 1967 softball season, we would again like to extend our thanks to the umpires, coaches, players and spectators that made this the successful year it has been. we netted a total of \$89. form collections over the season's games - \$55.70 form men's games and \$33.30 from ladies' games. The people of Britannia are to be commended for the support they've shown their teams.

Would the players still in possession of uniforms, please turn them in to Roy Fogarty for storage until next spring: Thank you.

Roy Fogarty

## **LADIES SOFTBALL**

The Ladies Softball Team played and won the semi-finals against Brackendale last month. Then went on to play against Pemberton for the league championship. This the Britannia team lost by one run in the first game and two runs in the final game. I would like to congratulate the girls on thee fine showing they made and hope to see them next spring.

Mary Hoodikoff

## **SOCCER**

Britannia will play their first soccer game against Woodfibre at the Squamish High School this Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.

9:30am	Peewees
10:30	Juniors
11:30	Seniors

Roy Fogarty

## **GUIDES AND BROWNIES**

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on the return of Mrs. Wallenborn from her vacation. Letters will be mailed out to each household with complete information. Mrs. Brander, the Guide Commissioner from Squamish, will be present to answer any questions you may have.

There is an urgent need for Brownie and Guide Leaders. At the present time we have only one Guide leader and no Brownie leaders, and unless help is forthcoming we will have to discontinue Brownies altogether. This we hope to avoid as so much can be gained by belonging to this type of organization. If you are at all interested, please contact any one of the following:

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This would be a good opportunity for some of the newer members of the community to take an active roll in a very worthwhile cause. We hope to hear from you soon, so that the Guides and Brownies may commence in October. Thank you.

Doris Hansen

## **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

Em and Lloyd Pollish and family wish to thank all of their friends in Britannia for the wonderful farewell party given them on their departure from Britannia Beach. The gifts will serve as lasting reminders of the good times and dear friends in Canada.

Sincerely Lloyd Pollish  
2424 Beacon Drive  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Mrs Browning and I extend most cordial good wishes to any old-timers there at the Beach.

The book "Britannia" shows a lot of effort.

C P Browning  
16903 Acena Drive  
San Diego, California  
92128

Dear Sir,

The 'Regional Supervisor, Mr F P Delikatny, and I would like to thank yourself and the Anaconda Company on behalf of the Provincial Parks Board for the tour of your Operation at Britannia enjoyed by our Youth Crews last month.

In particular, we would like to thank the guides and other personnel who made our visit so enjoyable.

All who took part in the tours found them to be most rewarding, informative and valuable experiences.

Yours truly  
F J McFarland  
Project Foreman

## **NOTICES**

Ladies, the holidays are over and it is time to get back those svelte curves that some of you probably lost over the long lazy summer. The Keep-Fit Class will be starting up on Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 8pm until 10pm. Enjoy exercising, volley ball and badminton.

PTA

The next meeting of the PTA will be held in the school auditorium Thursday September 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm.

## **BRITANNIA HORSE OWNER CLUB**

A group of Britannia residents are interested in riding and in the formation of a riding club.

Any person interested in such an organization should contact Larry Marion, house # 160.

## **COME AND ENJOY YOURSELF**

Learn how to dance the Foxtrot, Waltz, Cha Cha Cha, Rumba, Tango, Samba, Jive, Polka, etc.

If any people are interested Mr Fred Fenkner for the Penkner Dance Studio in North Vancouver will again give Social Ballroom Dance Classes for adults at the Beach. Classes for beginners and intermediate will be each Sunday evening in the upper clubroom, starting October 15<sup>th</sup>. The course consists of 15 sessions of 2 hours each (30hours) Price is \$45. per couple or \$27.50 per person.

## **PERSONALS**

It is with sorrow we record the death of Fred Tiplady on September 11<sup>th</sup> at the age of 5 years. Fred had worked at Britannia in the 50's and again since 1962, residing in recent years in North Vancouver. Mrs Tiplay, to whom we offer the sincere sympathy of his fellow workmen, survives him.

Mr and Mrs J Brazeau and family are now residing in house # 121, having moved from the Fairview Apartments.

Mrs Gerry Taft is visiting with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr and Mrs Tom Conto.

The J Van den Hoek family is moving to house # 229, Upper Crescent.

Peter Hansen, who has been timekeeper since June 1964, has left to take a position with Cameron-McMynn. We wish Peter the best of luck in his new job.

Gunnar Adolphson leaves Friday to take up the position of Assistant Mine Superintendent at the Jersey Mine of Canadian Exploration, Ltd. We wish good luck in their new home.

## **HUNTERS**

Regulations relative to hunting on Company property are:  
Written permission must be obtained prior to entering Company property  
no firearm may be discharged within one mile of any Company operation,  
building or residence. Hunters must be the holder of valid BC hunting licenses.



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**Volume 1 Number 12****October 2, 1967****BRITANNIA BEACH COMMUNITY CLUB**

The semi-annual general meeting of the Britannia Community Club was held in the upper clubroom on Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. The meeting was scheduled for 8:00pm, but did not get under way until 8:15pm. while the necessary quorum of twenty-five members was rounded up. It is a sad situation when, with over four hundred members living in the community it is difficult to get twenty-five to turn out for a general meeting. The Community Club is operated for the benefit of all the residents of Britannia. The Club executive have and are doing a most commendable job. They, and a handful of supporters, are carrying the ball for the community as a whole. They deserve and should get more support. You will only be helping yourselves by giving that support. How about it?

The various committee chairmen read their reports.

**ENTERTAINMENT**

Mrs. Marg Adams. (Chairman)

A number of dances have been put on to date this club year;  
St. Patrick's Day dance Copper Queen dance and teen dance the preceding evening Dance at he time of the visit of H.M.C.S Croix  
Miner's Day Dance in September

The big events of the year, Copper Queen Day and Miner's Day, were staged with assistance from many organizations and residents of the community plans are underway for the children's Halloween and Christmas parties.

**FINACANCIAL:**

John Balash (Treasurer)

Statements of receipts and disbursements for period  
January 1, 1967 to August 31, 1967

**RECEIPTS:**

Balance at January 1,1967	\$ 917.98
Membership	\$1,485.75
Grants – BC Recreation Commission	\$360.00
Entertainment Receipts	\$1,756.71
Total	\$4,520.44

**DISBURSEMENTS:**

Miner's Day Prizes	\$100.00
Home Improvement Prizes	\$200.00
May Day Expenses	\$361.24
Swim Pool Expenses	\$236.76
Ball Club Expenses	\$362.86
Teen Dance	\$100.00
Soccer Club Expenses	\$ 18.05
Gym Supplies	\$ 29.82
Britannia Centennial Committee	\$600.00
Club House Expenses oil, etc,	\$273.09
Dances	\$1,668.02
Bank Charges	\$5.75
Children's Christmas Party	\$30.00
Library Books	<u>\$18.14</u>
Total	\$4,003.83
Balance as at August 31, 1967	<u>\$516.61</u>
	\$4,003.83

In addition to the above funds, the Club has a Savings account in the amount of \$539.83, this money being derived form the cashing of the Club's Government Bond.

**SPORTS:**

Roy Fogarty, Chairman (report presented by Mrs. Fogarty)

The ladies took second place and the men fourth place in the Ladies and Men's Softball Leagues.

There are two boys teams entered in the Howe Sound Soccer League.

The keep-fit classes for men and women are being started again.

The Company is sponsoring a bowling team in the Squamish competitions.

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Doris Hansen

## **SWIMMING POOL; Marcel Begin, (Chairman)**

The swimming pool had a successful season with a total of 150 children taking swimming instructions.

A filter, vacuum cleaner and heater were purchased and installed at the pool. Total cost of these items plus pool operating expenses was \$4,794.07 for the season, of which the Community Club paid \$400.00. the Company making up the balance.

The thanks of the Club were extended to those ladies who volunteered their time supervising the wading pool.

## **LIBRARY Mrs. Lynne Evans, (Librarian)**

About 50 residents make use of the library facilities. The second lot of 150 books has been received from the Provincial Library in Victoria. The first lot was well received. Included in new books is "Britannia, the Story of a Mine" by Bruce Ramsey, and "Anaconda" by Isaac F. Marcossan, this latter being a history of the Anaconda Company.

Mrs. Evans tendered her resignation as librarian. The thanks of the community go to Mrs. Evans for her work in the library. Mrs. Sue Darby was elected to replace Mrs. Evans.

### **CENTEENIAL COMMITTEE**

J.C Moore. (President)

Mr. Moore gave a resume of the financial position of the book "Britannia the Story of a Mine" by Bruce Ramsey. In summary, sales to date are within \$500 of meeting all writing, printing and publishing expenses. When the first printing has been sold out, a profit of over \$1,600 will accrue to the Community Club, which is the owner of the copyright.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A number of matters of community interest were brought out at the meeting.

The rebuilding of the tennis court was discussed. Mr. Greenlee pointed out that the Community offer of supplying the materials still stands, provided the Club volunteers the labour.

A request was made on behalf of the soccer teams to have the goal posts moved to get the playing surface away from the softball backstop.

The newly formed Darts Club for use of club premises made a request. A number of possibilities were discussed. The Darts Club is to approach the Company on this matter.

The ladies tour of the mine last year was such a success that a repeat tour for those ladies unable to take part last time was requested. This will be arranged.

It was suggested that the poor attendance at some Community Club functions is due to lack of publicity. It was proposed that a publicity sub-committee be established within the Community.

The suggestion was made that the Newsletter carry a listing of "Coming Events" on one page, which page could be kept by residents for further

reference. This will be done. The Editor requests the secretaries of all local organizations to submit information about future activities by the 10<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of each month, giving as much advance notice as possible. Publication dates are the 1<sup>st</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of each month.

The matter of campaigns and collections for such organizations as CARS and CNIB was discussed at length, with several suggestions being made. It was finally resolved that the Community Club executive will investigate and decide the issue at the next meeting.

A request was made for brighter lights in the upper clubroom. The present lights are not adequate for bingo meetings.

It was also suggested that the ventilation of the hall be improved. This can be done by ensuring that the windows will open and by repairing the counter weights.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35pm.

### **SCOUT AND CUBS:**

A meeting of all Cub Scouts and boys aged 8 to 12 years old who wish to become Cubs, will be held in the upper club room on Monday October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30pm. Parents are welcome to attend – come and find out what the Cubs are about.

Leaders for the coming year will be:  
Cub master – Larry Marion  
Assistant - Harry Yaky and Derek Lovlin

Registration for Boy Scouts will be announced at a later date.

John Powell  
Chairman of Boy Scouts Group Committee

### **CONTINUING EDUCATION**

There are many ways in which adults may continue their education. Among these are correspondence and night school classes at the High school, vocational school, technical school and university levels.

High school by correspondence may be taken by any resident of BC,

Under the sponsorship of the BC Department of Education. A complete high school education, from grades 8 to 13 inclusive, may be obtained in this manner.

Night school classes in almost any subject may be taken in the greater Vancouver area. These classes have now started or are about to start. Many of the subjects being given in Vancouver will be starting the week of October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Some of the courses at BC Vocational Institute will also start the week of October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Most of the courses at the University of BC have started, but some of these may be taken by correspondence.

Of interest to residents of Britannia may be the night classes being offered by the Howe Sound School Board in Squamish. These classes start the week of October 2<sup>nd</sup>. If you are interested in furthering your education, contact your local school board, or Mr. W B Montgomery at the office.

Courses being given in Squamish are as follows:

#### Literacy Course for Adults

This is a course for adults who do not read or write, or do this very poorly. If you have any friends who fall in this category could you please tell them about the course. The instructors of the course are Mr. Arthur Saul. The fee is \$10. The course starts October 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the Howe Sound Secondary School in room A 202.

#### Industrial First Aid

This course consists of 24 sessions to qualify for the Industrial Certificate or to up-grade certificate. Classes begin at 7:30pm October 30<sup>th</sup>. The instructor is Mr. Hedley Buffery. Classes meet in the Howe Sound Secondary School in room A113.

#### St. John's Senior First Aid

This course consists of 10 sessions. Both theory and practical are covered. This is an excellent course for anyone connected with sports, for future nurses, or anyone wishing to take the Industrial First Aid course later. The course begins Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. Registration fee is \$7. Please register in room A 113.

#### Gardening and Landscaping

This course begins in January. The instructor is Tony Halter and the course will consist of 10 sessions.

### Photography

Here is a course for you camera bugs to learn how to take pictures, to choose your equipment, and how to take portraits. A short time will be spent in learning to develop films and printing of file negatives. The course begins Thursday night, October 26<sup>th</sup> at the Howe Sound Secondary School in room B101. Fee for the course is \$8. which includes all materials. The instructor for the course is Mr. Joe Crovec, ad professional photographer.

### Welding

A course in maintenance welding intended for the work of using welding as an extra tool. The instructor for the course is Mr. Wayne Boyd The fee is \$17. for 20 sessions. This will include much of the materials. Registration will take place in the drafting room of the Howe Sound Secondary School in room D 103 in the Metal Shop. The bourse begins on Tuesday night, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30pm.

### Driver Training

This course is especially designed for those4 people interested in getting their driver's license. The course lasts for ten weeks and consists of classroom theory, and road practice in your car. The course costs \$12. The instructor for the course is Mr. Pat McCawley. The course begins Tuesday night, October 30<sup>th</sup> in room a 102, Howe Sound Secondary School.

### Public Speaking

Have you ever wished that you could do a god job in introducing a speaker, thanking a speaker, make an intelligent resolution, in fact, think on your feet? This class in public speaking will do the job. The course will last for 10 sessions with Reverend Wingfield as the instructor. The cost is \$6.

### Cake Decorating

Learn how to make decorative cakes for Christmas, Birthdays and other festival occasions. You will learn proper icing procedures, sugar molding and learn the elementary forms of flower making. Instructor for the course is Mrs. Gatzke, whom many of you know from the Fall Fair. Cost of the course is \$3. for 5 sessions. The course meets in the Home Economics room (A 101) of the Howe Sound Secondary School every

Tuesday evening from 7:30 to 9:30pm. The first sessions starts October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### Painting for Pleasure

The course will begin by working with oils, moving later to experiments in other media. No previous experience is necessary. Here is an opportunity to develop that hidden talent. Mrs. Sheila Gibbons, the famous "logging artist" from Vancouver will be in charge of the course. The course begins Wednesday evening October 4<sup>th</sup> in room B 106. The cost is 20 sessions is \$10.

### Dressmaking

Beginners will learn to fit and adjust patterns, cutting, and basic sewing. Intermediates will learn more skills in patterns and sewing. Learn how to tell the good quality material in this course. The emphasis is on personal fitting. Here is a chance to learn how to make clothes for yourself and your kids. Mrs. Peggy Staton, the manager of, gives the course Peggy's Fabric and Wools. The course lasts for 10 sessions and costs \$6. Beginners meet Monday and Intermediates meet Wednesday. The course meets in the Sewing room B 105 at Howe Sound Secondary School.

### Recreational Badminton

Here is a chance for all those who enjoy a mild form of exercise to come out and have lots of fun. The emphasis on the course is to enjoy yourself. The course lasts from 7:30 to 9:30pm and costs \$5. The instructor is Mrs. Dick Munro.

### Bridge

The ability to play a good hand of bridge is a social asset. If you have never played before or if your knowledge of the rules is vague, here is a chance to learn the basic theory of a good bridge partner. Theory and practical playing is all part of the course. Bridge for beginners as well as Mrs. F will teach advanced bridge Nelson who has taught bridge for many years in the Port Alberni area. The course begins Thursday October 5<sup>th</sup> in room 110 (Cafeteria) Howe Sound Secondary School and costs \$6.

### Slim mastics for the Women

A program of effective exercises and activities to give one a better health.

The program is such that you can work to your age and ability. The course will last 11 sessions and costs \$6. It starts on October 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the new gym in the Howe Sound Secondary School. The instructor for the course is Miss Linda Moretti.

### Square Dancing

There are two different groups sponsoring two classes each of square dancing. The Gals & Pals, whose caller is Howie Brown, and the beginners meet at the Squamish Elementary School Tuesday nights from 8:00 to 10:30pm. While on Friday nights from 8:00 to 10:30pm, the intermediate groups meet at the Mamquam School.

The other group, the Country Cuzzins, sponsor a beginner and intermediate group in square dancing. Both these groups meet at the Stawamus Elementary School at 8:00pm. The beginners meet Tuesday nights and the intermediate group meet Saturday evening. Caller for this group is Mr. Alex McBride.

Both these groups provide excellent opportunities for couples to come out and really enjoy themselves with the fun and fellowship of genuine square dancing.

### Round Dancing

Those people interested in having a lot of fun and a really sociable time should drop over to the Stawamus School Thursday evenings and join the beginners Round Dancing group. The course is taught by Vancouver instructors. Course meets at 8:00pm.

### Management Accounting

This course, which is run by a general accountant, shows how a Businessman regardless of his type of business can use information contained in his own books of accounts to operate more profitably.

1. It shows information you need to operate a business profitably.
2. How to get information from an income statement and balance sheet.
3. How to discover why a firm is short of cash and ways to remedy the situation.
4. How to pinpoint unprofitable areas of the business and seek early action.
5. How to make future operations more profitable.

The course is given Tuesday nights in the Howe Sound Secondary School in room A104. It starts October 3<sup>rd</sup> and costs \$8.

### Finished Carpentry

Here is a chance for all to learn how to make those things that you need around the house so badly. The course will discuss and teach the principles of finished carpentry, learning to use arborite, making cupboards, etc... The course will be designed around what your needs are and what you want to accomplish at home. We meet on Wednesdays and the course costs \$9.

### Typing

For all those people interested in learning the basic fundamentals of typing here is a course ideally fitted to you. It is amazing the amount of time that you can save by learning the basic skills of typing. Instructor of the course is Mr. Roy Penrose. The course meets Wednesday nights in the typing room B 203 at 7:30pm there will be 10 sessions.

### Recreational Floor Hockey for Men

Here is a chance for all of you young men to blow off steam and have a lot of fun while you're doing it. Each person interested in playing floor hockey must be prepared to buy their own equipment. The course begins Thursday night in the new gym at the High School. Don't forget to bring your towel if you want a shower. Cost of the course is \$4. and the instructor is Mr. Graeme Farquharson.

### Communications and Supervision

Here is a course designed especially for the young executive, the group leader or businessmen who is interested in the basic concepts of good communication and effective management. The course will be team taught by Mr. Ken Tomlinson, who completed his graduate work in Chicago, specializing in Industrial Management. The course will give the students a chance to practice and work out ideas in effective communication. We will discuss modern research and theory in the fields of personnel management. The costs is \$10. which will include the price of refreshments. Course begins Monday evening October 2<sup>nd</sup> in room A 104 in the Howe Sound Secondary School.

### Academic Programs Towards High School Completion

Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> – 7:30 pm

English 10, room 204 Howe Sound Secondary Mrs. Kristianson  
Math 11, room 20 Howe Sound Secondary Mr. D John

Wednesday October 4<sup>th</sup> 7:30 pm

Math 10 room 204 Howe Sound Secondary School Mr. P Newson

Tuesday, October 12 – 7:30 pm

Organizational meeting for English 12, room 204 Howe Sound  
Secondary instructor to be arranged.

### Prospecting and Mining

The annual course in prospecting and mining, sponsored by the BC Chamber of Mines, and conducted by the Vancouver School Board starts at the Point Grey Secondary School on October 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. Classes are Tuesday and Thursday and continue until February. For information, telephone 681-5328 or see Mr. W B Montgomery at the Company office.

### **BRITANNIA SCHOOL**

I am very happy to announce that Britannia will be taken part this year in the school sports league with the other schools in the district. The volleyball schedule will last from October 5<sup>th</sup> to December 7<sup>th</sup>. Following is the schedule:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Home</u>	<u>Away</u>	<u>Teams</u>
October 12	Stawamus vs.	Britannia	Girls
October 19	Brackendale vs.	Britannia	Boys
October 26	Brackendale vs.	Mamquam	Girls
November 2	Squamish vs.	Britannia	Boys
November 10	Britannia vs.	Pemberton	Boys & Girls
November 16	Britannia vs.	Stawamus	Boys
November 23	Mamquam vs.	Britannia	Boys
November 30	Britannia vs.	Squamish	Girls
December 7	Brackendale vs.	Britannia	Girls

I am very grateful to the P.T.A. members who have so willingly offered to help out with the transportation to these games. The teams will leave the school at 3:00pm and should return by 5:00pm.

We have also arranged for the girls to play a few games of soccer. Mamquam will play at Britannia on October 2<sup>nd</sup> and Britannia will play Stawamus in the second week in October and Brackendale during the third week.

The main purpose of these games is to teach the children the basic athletic skills, to learn to participate in team games, but most important to engender within each child the principle of good sportsmanship.

Would all people using the school gym, except on school business such as the P.T.A. please not use the front doors of the school. Mrs. Baxter has a key for the entrance to the gym.

Would parents please make every effort to keep dogs from following the children to school? Some of the primary children are very frightened of dogs.

Our first school assembly was held on Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup>. The children were reminded about the rules concerning their conduct in the school and the playground. It was pointed out that children from the elementary school should not loiter around the cafe and store area. Children waiting for the Minaty Bay bus should stay on the school grounds.

Mrs. Horn, the Public Health Nurse, gave a very informative talk on the duties of the school nurse. She showed some excellent posters to the children on good health habits and the prevention of infection.

Mr. Riding gave a pep talk to the students on the House Games, which are held at lunch time.

Mr. Cope announced that there would be a competition for a Britannia Beach School Crest.

The School Choir sang a collection of songs. The girls did quite well considering they had only had five practices.

If any parent with children in grades 4 to 7 did not receive the notice on homework, there are many more available at the school.

If anyone wishes to contact the school would you please phone between 1 – 3 pm. on Monday and Tuesday, and between 9 – 3pm. on Wednesday and Fridays when Mrs. McNair is in the office.

I am free from 9:45 till 11:30 am each morning.

### **BRITANNIA BEACH COMMUNITY CHURCH**

You are invited to our special Thanksgiving Service to be held Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>. The sacrament of Baptism will be celebrated.

Don't forget the baby-sitting service provided for people with babies and small children. Leave your little ones in our kindergarten room in the basement while you go to church. Leave a bottle or a change of diapers for your babies.

The message for the Service of October 15<sup>th</sup> will be in the form of a Bible study. Using chars, the minister will lead a study of selected chapters in prophecy, seeking an answer to the question: "Does the Bible Predict the End of the World?" This study takes a critical look at the claims of the Watch Tower Society that the Bible contains a "Cosmic Countdown" (a counting off of the last days of earthly life). Bring your Bibles.

We are thankful to Mrs. Mary Emery and Mrs. Janice Crane for once again volunteering to run our Messenger Group. This program is for school-age girls of re-Brownie age and will meet Mondays after school starting immediately after Thanksgiving.

Lay School of Theology. This is a series of Monday evening lectures at Union college, Vancouver for laymen and women of the church on Christianity. Anyone wishing to take this course please speak to Rev, Boulger.

Naramata. This is a Christian Leadership Training School near Penticton on Lake Okanogan where young people from BC and Alberta live in residence and take a winter religious leadership course. The session lasts from September 30<sup>th</sup> to February 3<sup>rd</sup>. The costs are modest and the program is a fine balance of religious. academic. practical and social activities.

Choir. Our newly formed youth choir, under the leadership of Mr. w Whiteside, practices every Tuesday at 6:30pm. It is hoped the choir will be ready to sing its first number on Thanksgiving Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>.

## **GIRL GUIDES AND BROWNIE**

All mothers who have daughters wishing to become Guides or Brownies are requested to attend the registration tea to be held in the upper clubhouse on Tuesday October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm. Minimum age for Brownies is 7 years old and minimum age for Guides is 10 years old.

Mrs. Brander, the Guide Commissioner, will be present to acquaint everyone with the meeting, methods and aims of the movement.

We will be happy to hear from anyone who feels they would be qualified to act as leaders. At the present time, we have one Guide leader. As yet no one has come forward to act as helper for Guides. Nor do we have any Brownie leaders at all. So any volunteers will be most welcome.

All girls **MUST** be registered. So come along, young ladies, and bring your mothers.

## **ROUND TABLE**

Round table meetings were resumed on September 19<sup>th</sup> after being dormant during July and August. Thirty employees attended the meeting, the largest turnout to date.

A number of good suggestions were made, which are under consideration of and being acted upon by the Company.

These meetings are held monthly for the open discussion of any matter not covered by the Collective Bargaining Agreement. The next meeting is scheduled for October 17<sup>th</sup>. Make your plans now to attend; see your supervisor or Union officer.

## **BRITANNIA BEACH SOCCER**

Last year in soccer, the highest headache lay in the transportation problems. This year we have two teams instead of one! As a result, parents of players will have to be responsible for rides. Schedules will be made up and if any parent can't provide transportation for there given dates, it will be up them to arrange for a car to take their place. If a game is cancelled the coaches will; notify the drivers.

Since no on wants their vehicles damaged by mud, etc., the players must abide by the following rules:

1. Soccer boots are to be worn on the playing field only
2. Extra pants are to be brought along in case the uniforms get full of mud.
3. No wrestling or carrying-on in the cars.
4. The drivers are to be obeyed
5. The Players are to go and return together – no one is to be left behind in Squamish, etc, without a written note from their parent.

Any player breaking the above rules may be suspended form playing

Each player will have to buy their own soccer boots, but uniforms will be supplied.

## **SOCCER SCHEDULE**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Peewees</u>	<u>Juniors</u>
Oct 7	Britannia vs. Na. Rangers	Home game Britannia vs. Stawamus
Oct 14	Pemberton	
Oct 21	Mt. Currie vs. Britannia	
Oct 28	Britannia vs. Squamish	
Nov 4	Brackendale vs. Britannia	
Nov 11	Woodfibre vs. Britannia	
Nov 18	Britannia gets a bye	

The cars, which took the boys for, the first exhibition game was: Hill, Piehler, Lindley, Boys, Krisek and Lanteigne.

Please note the following:

Please play the games as scheduled if at all possible, as it is very difficult, if not impossible to make up games that are postponed.

1. Juniors and Peewees use #4 ball.
2. Duration of game: Peewees – 20-minute halves  
Juniors – 25 minutes halves
3. Players are not to touch the keeper once he has gained possession of the ball.

**BRITANNIA BYS!!** Junior practice will be held Mondays at 6:00pm Peewee practice will be held Wednesday at 6:00pm Practice nights are a must, but the coaches have said you boys can come out to the field any evening to play soccer. The more you practice, the more proficient you become. So come play soccer every night – it is fun!!

## **HOWE SOUND CURLING CLUB**

Curling is fast becoming one of Canada's most popular sports, and the Howe Sound Curling Club give you an opportunity to participate in this friendly, challenging game. It is an ideal opportunity to engage in the activities of the community and meet a lot of friendly people.

## **CURLING ACTIVITIES**

Monday	Mixed Curling
Tuesday	Men's Curling
Wednesday	Ladies Curling
Thursday	Men's Curling
Friday	Mixed Curling
Saturday	League of Choice

Sunday Commercial Mixed  
Mixed or Family League

There are two Club Bo spiels during the year, Men's and Ladies, also Open Bo spiel, Men's Open Bo spiel and Mixed Open Bo spiel. Many of the lower mainland clubs send rinks to compete in these open Bo spiels for the many fine trophies donated by local merchants and organizations.

Practice sessions are available at no extra cost when ice is available.

There are three skating periods during the season, one at the beginning, one at Christmas and one to close the season. Children may participate at a nominal fee; their parents need not be members.

Coffee Bar and Clubroom facilities are available throughout the season.

Club memberships are available:

Single - \$100.

Family - \$150.

Associate membership - \$10.

These are good for one year only, providing ice time is available. These are designed for people who are not permanent residents of the district.

Curling dues are as follows:

1 night per week \$40. per season

2 nights a week \$60.

3 night a week \$70.

If a man and wife pay \$100. or more under a family plan, they will be guaranteed a minimum of two draws a week each, if they so desire, plus, the opportunity to curl in the family league with their children at no extra charge, when ice time is available.

Draws for the coming season are now being made up, so if you wish to join in the fun, please act promptly!!

For information and membership, phone:

Maurice Scott, K & M Parts (892-3831)

Merv Foote, Foote's Men's Wear (892-5646)

J Kilburn, 4 cent-\$ Store (892-3910)

George Nesbitt, The Rink (892-5636)

Barry Green, Britannia Beach (896-2337)

Rita North, Britannia Beach (896-2309)

Please keep this for future reference or pass this on to a friend.

## **FIREMAN**

The Fire Season is still in effect and permits are required for any outdoors fires.

During this summer, we have had one of the driest seasons since 1958. The Department had eleven calls during the season and were very fortunate that there weren't more due to the explosive conditions.

The last call we had been the mill fire, which was brought under control quickly by members of the brigade. The department would like to stress a point here about spectators getting too close to the scene of the fire. Help us certainly appreciated, but the Fire Chief; Assistant Chief or Captain should summon all help.

Thanks to Bill Stern and Ed Packer for commending the brigade on their performance.

Arrangements are under way for the annual firemen's Ball on November 24<sup>th</sup>.

Bill Braiden

## **VINDICATORS CAR CLUB**

As you have probably noticed there has been a lack of articles about the Car Club. The reason for this, as you have probably guessed, was the car club fire. But now we are back on our feet and at this moment we are in the process of obtaining a new garage with the help of the Company.

In the past articles, we failed to mention the purpose of the club, which are as follows:

- 1) To promote safe and courteous driving
- 2) To learn together how to build and maintain cars
- 3) To promote high standards of members in club and community activities
- 4) To take an active interest in community affairs

In connection with our purpose community activities in particular, you will have noticed that the success of the July 1<sup>st</sup> weekend was greatly contributed to by the Car Club in the form of the BBQ coffee and soft drink sale, tension car and last, but not least, our car display which was greatly reduced by the loss of about ten cars in the tragic car fire.

The club activities at the present time are the new garage which we have already mentioned, the preparation of a 'demolition' car that we hope to enter at

Callister Park within one month and at every second of our meetings we have discussions about miscellaneous subjects with authorities on the subject present at the meeting to answer any questions we have. In the future, the club will be holding regular teenage dances with adult supervision and of course, there will be car washes and other such activities.

The Car Club would like to take this opportunity to thank various people for their support of the club. They are as follows:

Mr. B. B. Greenlee  
Mr W. B Montgomery  
Mr. R Lovlin  
Mr W Braiden

There are many others who have helped us and are still helping us with our garages. We would like to also thank Rev. Boulger who has helped us immensely since he took up residence at Britannia. Without these people we would never have been able to form our club and most definitely would have lost it completely when we had the fire.

While we are on the subject of support, the Car Club needs the community support to give the members incentive to help the community in every way they can. The youth people of Britannia want and need something they can be proud of and the Vindicators Car Club tries to offer this and fellowship, which you must agree we have achieved. The club can't make promises, but as a club, it will try to make this a safer and better community for all.

The club is always open to visitors. If anyone would like to see what we do and talk about at our meetings, they will be welcomed. Meetings are held every Sunday at 7:00 pm in the library. We are open to any suggestions, so please write the Vindicators Car Club, Box 98 Britannia Beach BC.

As Barney said to a Vindicator: "Hey, I hear you had some pretty hot cars up at Mt. Sheer."

B Pullen  
R Dickinson  
R Yough

## **BRITANNIA BEACH GUN CLUB**

At a meeting in the upper clubroom on Thursday evening, September 28<sup>th</sup>, the Britannia Gun Club came into existence, and was so named. Officers elected were:

Don Gentry	President
Vic Unrau	Vice President

Jim Ainsley  
Jim Vinnell  
Tom Locke

Secretary  
Treasurer  
Field Captain

The proposed constitution and by-laws was discussed. A meeting is called for Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm in the upper clubroom. All prospective members are requested to attend this meeting. Prospective members must sign a membership application form to be eligible to vote at the meeting. Ratification of the constitution and other pertinent matters will be resolved at October 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. Please plan to attend.

### **BC INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY TOUR**

On Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, the underground mine was visited by the senior class in Mining Technology from the BC Institute of Technology.

The group consisted of sixteen students accompanied by Mr. J A Wilcox. Guides on the tour were M Tichauer, J Krizek, J Greer as well as R Baverstock, (#8 Foreman).

A demonstration of loading, hoisting and dumping ore was given as well as a tour of two producing stopes on #8 mine. A square-set stope demonstrated drilling, scraping and timbering procedures, while a scraper drift drawing ore for a blast hole shrinkage stope was chosen as typical of a continuous production operation.

The Hoist room and Shop area was also visited as well as a development heading during both the mucking and drilling cycles.

J Greer

### **P.T.A.**

The P.T.A. sponsored Newcomers Coffees this week under the direction of Mrs. Rose Baverstock, Membership Chairman. The very successful parties were given by:

Mrs. M Andrzejczuk  
Mrs. J Vender Ham  
Mrs L Fogarty  
Mrs M Hoodikoff  
Mrs M Van den Hoef  
Mrs Marge Adams  
Mrs Lois Knudsen

Mrs. Carol Niermeyer  
Mrs Olive Baxter  
Mrs Joan Sametz  
Mrs. Hilborn  
Mrs Elaine Balash

There were literally a gym-full of people present for the first P.T.A. meeting

of the year. Thanks to the membership campaign, membership has risen from 33 of last year to well over 60 already and more to come.

Some of the main points of business that were discussed were a study group set up to study the \$100. bursary that is offered each year to a high school student and to make recommendations as to how it should be handled in the future. Members eagerly volunteered to serve on the phone committee, car pool for children's transportation, children's savings and the Halloween Dance Committee. It was decided to drop the P.T.A. Library after Mr. Cope explained that the School Board Library has been so greatly expanded that the P.T.A. Library is no longer needed. The books were donated to the school to be placed in the classrooms and the money in the library fund (\$83) was give to the school to be used for gift books to be presented at quarterly assemblies to children who have done outstanding work through grades, achievement or service. A vote of thanks was made to Mrs. Doreen Clark and her library committee who have provided a wonderful service to so many children over the years,

The P.T.A. will sponsor an old-fashioned Halloween dance on Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> for the adults of the community. Details will follow at a later date. Remember the date and plan to attend. The proceeds go to further our work with the children.

P.T.A, meetings will be held every other month on the third Thursday. With this many members working together, we can accomplish anything we set out to do.

Our new principal. Mr. Cope was voted Honorary President of the P.T.A. after which he spoke to the group. He covered such points as classroom procedure, Provincial law governing schools, extra curricula activities, what is expected of teachers, and rules governing the children in and out of class. he particularly stressed our responsibilities as parents in the area of discipline our own children. He has a very active sports program under way and a girls' choir, who performed at a school assembly last week. The children and teachers give of their own time during lunch hours and before and after school to practice for these activities.

Anyone interested in an ice-skating program for children or families call Mrs. Braiden – 896-2459.

## **NOTICES**

Any ladies interested in daytime bowling in Squamish call Mrs. Mary Hoodikoff at 896-2425.

Is there anyone in Britannia who would be interested in giving piano lessons

to two girls who have had 18 months instruction? If so, please phone 896-2262.

## **PEROSNALS**

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Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fuller on the birth of a son, Leslie Robert, on September 29<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs, Betty McNair has returned from her very happy reunion in England with her brother and sister and their families. Betty said the one thing that would have made it a perfect trip was if husband Al had gone with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolphson have moved to Salmo, BC where Mr Adolphson has taken the position of assistant mine superintendent at the Jersey Mine of Canadian Exploration.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Stark have moved to Vancouver, after years at Mt Sheer and Minaty Bay. Mr. Stark started working for Britannia Beach Mine and Smelting on January 2, 1928 and with the exception of the 1958 shutdown, worked continuously until his retirement on pension on July 20, 1962. On behalf of the Community we wish the Starks' the best of everything in the future.

Mrs. A Stark was the guest of honour at a tea held for her at the home of Mrs P Emery. Twelve ladies from Minaty Bay were present at the social afternoon tea to wish health and happiness to Mrs. Stark in her move to Vancouver.

Mrs. Kenneth Fristoe left Sunday to attend the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. P Gutlius, in Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. Fristoe will also spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. H Schiff, in Cincinnati. When Jane hears about the flood in the kitchen (caused by Ken), she may decide to visit a few more relatives.

Mrs. C Steenson and her daughter have left for their return journey to Ireland after a five week vacation with their son and brother, Norman, and his family. This was a first visit to Canada and Doreen said that they had enjoyed so many first' while here and had found Canada to be a wonderful place, especially BC.

## **KEEP FIT**

Sorry for the delay in starting the Keep Fit Class, but it will definitely be starting on Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8:00pm.

Mrs Baxter

## COMING EVENTS

October 2	Basic Principles of Supervisory Management
October 2	Cub Scout Registration
October 3	Guides Brownies Registration
October 7	Soccer
October 8	Thanksgiving Service. Community Church
October 12	Volleyball
October 13	Vindicator Car Club Dance
October 14	Soccer
October 15	Gun Club
October 17	Round Table
October 19	Volleyball
October 26	Volleyball
October 28	P.T.A. Halloween Dance



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### **SPEEDING ON BRITANNIA ROADS**

Recently there have been two automobile accidents in the townsite on the road to 4100, in both of which speed was a major factor. There have been some near misses reported as well.

The posted speed limit on Britannia roads is 20 mph. At this speed it takes 2 minutes 30 seconds to get from the main entrance to the trailer court road, and 4 minutes to get from the main entrance to the 4100 car shop. At 30 mph you save one minute, at 40mph you save 2 minutes. The average wage is approximately 5 cents per minute. Is your life, or a life of a child worth only a nickel or a dime?

The Company give notice that, effective immediately, the posted speed limit of 20mph will be strictly enforced, and that any and all steps necessary to see that it is adhered to will be strictly enforced.

The speed limit in all town sites and the road level is: 20mph. The Company is undertaking an active campaign to stop speeding and other driving infractions in Britannia, for the safety of all concerned.

However, careful driving is only part of the answer to this problem. Many children of all ages play, ride tricycles, and generally behave in an unsafe manner on the roadways. This is dangerous at anytime, and is particularly dangerous on the main roads.

In the interests of safety, we ask all parents to instruct their children in the hazards of playing on the roads, and to see that they do not. Your co-operation is anticipated.

Let's make Britannia a safe place in which to live.

### **GOLF**

We are arranging a golf tournament for all Britannia residents that are interested in playing on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of October at the Squamish Golf Club. A trophy will be presented to the winner. The “Calloway” handicap system will be used. Please contact Tony Crane.

## **BRITANNIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Mothers and children in kindergarten and Grade 1 are reminded that the tea will take place on Thursday October 19<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Gordon the librarian for School District # 48 spent the day at our school on Thursday last. With the help of the librarians from each class, he went through the P.T.A. library, cataloguing the books, sending those needing repair to Squamish. Mr. Gordon said that there were many fine books in the selection. We are very grateful to the P.T.A. for these books and as soon as they have been sorted out, they will be put into circulation.

Would the parents please see that the children have an old pair of shoes or slippers at school, which they can wear during school rather than sit all day in heavy boots?

It was very gratifying to see so many parents out to the first P/T. A. meeting. All but 22 of the parents were in attendance. I have sent each of these parents a copy of my address so that they will be aware of school policy.

Division 1's Club, “The Deadheads”, will be collecting money on Halloween for UNICEF (The United International Children's Fund). If these children come to your door, please support this very worthy cause.

L Cope  
Principle

## **COMMUNITY CHURCH**

You are invited to worship Sunday morning at the Community Church – 11:00am. If you have babies or children too young to bring to church, leave them with our babysitters in the church basement.

Sermon for October 15<sup>th</sup>: a Bible meditation, illustrated with chars, on the meaning of the prophecies of Daniel.

Sermon for October 22<sup>nd</sup>: a talk, illustrated with pictures, on How the Christian Faith can help people with drinking problems.

Junior Choir: Practice every Tuesday at 6:30pm

Messengers: Every Monday after school in the Sunday school basement, for schoolgirls of pre-Brownie age.

There will be a Bible study discussion group at the church on Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30pm. All interested people, young and old, are invited. Coffee will be served.

An invitation is extended to all persons not affiliated with any church to join our Community Church. Membership classes will be held soon and teen-agers especially are asked to speak to Rev Boulger if they are interested in attending.

## **COMMUNITY CLUB**

Make your plans for the New Years Eve now. A cold buffet will be served to restore the energy you will have used in 'tripping the light fantastic'.

To give the dancers room and to save people the expense of leaving early because of overly crowded conditions, a limited number of tickets will be offered for sale. The total number of tickets is a 250 or 125 couple. The price of admission is \$5. per ticket or 10. a couple.

Reservations can be made through Marge Adams or Doris Stern.

Remember to make your reservations early.

## **LIBRARY**

The Library has 100 books on loan from the BC Government. The previous group of 150 books has been returned. During the three month period in which these books are on loan, why don't you take a few minutes to pick out one, and then invest a couple of days in reading the book of your choice?

### Ladies Mine Tour

A mine tour is being planned for women on Thursday October 26<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30pm to 9:30pm. Would all women interested in taking this tour register withers? Marge Adams before this dates as only a limited number of people are allowed to go on one tour. Arrangements for another tour will be made if more than the allotted number register. Phone 896-2289.

### Children's Halloween Party

A children's Halloween party will be held on Tuesday October 31<sup>st</sup> in the upper clubroom, starting at 7:00pm. There will be costume judging and prizes for the

best costumes. Fireworks will follow at the wharf with hotdogs and a bon fire at the ball field.

### **ROUND TABLE MEETING**

The next Round Table meeting will be held in the upper clubroom on Tuesday October 17<sup>th</sup> starting at 7:00pm. If you have anything to discuss that does not come under the Collective Bargaining Agreement come to the meeting and let's hear about it.

### **IRISH DANCING**

The Colleen Kennedy School of Irish Dancing will set up dance classes at Britannia Beach if sufficient interest is shown. Persons interested should contact Bill Whiteside, House 133A or telephone 896-2278.

### **PRINCIPLES OF SUPERVISORY MANAGEMENT**

Mr. John Gaines, Assistant Director of Personnel, The Anaconda Company, has just completed instructing senior and intermediate staff in the Principles of Supervisory Management. The course, designed for first time supervisors, will be given at a later date to all such supervisors.

The course consists of eight sessions of two hours each, and covers the field of supervisory management in:

- Planning
- Organizing
- Controlling
- Standards and Appraisals
- Communications
- Motivation

The course has been very well received by those taking it under John Gaines, and should be a real help to first time supervisors, who will be instructed by members of the Britannia staff.

### **TEN TIPS FOR SAFE WINTER DRIVING-** form WB News Bulletin

1---Have a winter Car Check;  
Make sure your radiator contains sufficient anti-freeze (your window washer, too, and, and if you are likely to be in very low temperatures, gas line anti-freeze should be added). Check battery, brakes, windshield wipers, heater and defrosters. Inspect muffler and exhaust systems to avoid carbon monoxide

leaks during “closed-car: operation. Make sure windshields, rear and side windows, and mirrors are clear at all times.

#### 2---Carry Special Equipment:

A shovel, sand or an old blanket is useful if you are stuck in rural areas. Carry a jack, tow cable, and, for long trips in low-temperature regions, plenty of extra warm clothing, and boots. Don't forget the windshield scraper and a good pair of sunglasses.

#### 3---Use Snow Tires and Chains:

Install snow tires before entering Snow Belt areas, Carry tire chains (the right fit and in good conditions) for use in particularly bad conditions. Chains are often mandatory in BC in certain sections during certain periods. Studded snow tires are helpful on ice but are not a substitute for chains under heavy snow conditions.

#### 4---Fasten Your Seat Belt:

You should do this winter an summer, but rear-end collisions and other low-speed accidents increase during adverse winter conditions. Use your seat belt constantly.

#### 5---Take It Slow and Easy:

Start gradually to avoid wheel spin, be gentle with the clutch and easy on the gas. If your car is a standard shift, start in a higher gear than normal. Once underway get the feel of the road by trying brakes occasionally, while moving slowly when no persons or vehicles are nearby. Don't expect to make time under these conditions. Be prepared to travel at lower speeds than normal and allow more time for your trip.

#### 6---Pay Special Attention To Hills:

The problems here ar4e obvious. Plan ahead. If gearing down appears necessary in order to climb a hill try to do this before starting the climb. (This also applies to gearing down for descending a hill). The object in climbing on slippery surfaces is to keep going however slowly. If you stop you may not have enough traction to move ahead again.

#### 7---Use Brakes Gently and allow Extra Stopping distance:

ON snow and ice start braking much sooner than normal. Sometimes a gentle pinging action will help. Be careful of lock from sudden or hard braking particularly with power brakes. Don't let snow tires, studs or chains make you

over-confident. It takes from 3 to 5 times as far to stop on snow or ice as on dry pavement. Keep well behind the car ahead, even at low speeds.

8---If You Skid:

**Don't Panic and Don't Brake**

Turn in the direction the rear of the car is skidding and ease off the gas until the car begins to straighten. Then straighten your wheels to prevent a skid in the opposite direction.

9---Watch For Spot Hazards:

When general conditions appear good, be careful of the following: shaded areas (ice may still be on the road long after it has left other sections); changes in altitude and topography (a one degree temperature change can mean the difference between a wet pavement and an icy one); fog patches (they can exist in low lying areas even in severe freezing conditions).

10---Watch For Snow Ploughs and Sanding Trucks:

These vehicles are on the road for your safety and convenience. Give them lots of room to operate. Obey posted signs and heed flashing warning lights. Be patient if there are occasional and unavoidable delays.

## **GIRL GUIDES**

Registration for Guides and Brownies was held on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. with a good turnout of mothers and daughters. District Commissioner, Mr. Brander was also in attendance.

Fourteen Guides registered and thirteen Brownies. However, the Brownies are still without a leader and cannot hold meetings.

Guides will meet every Tuesday night with Mrs. Wallenborn. Captain, who is looking for an assistant.

A new Mothers' group was formed with Mrs. Greenlee. president; Mrs. Pickard, secretary and Mrs. McCall treasurer.

## **'EXPO KIDS'**

To the parents of the 'Expo Kids' at Britannia. A sum of \$39. was realized from the sale of bottles collected and this amount was turned over to Mr. Baldry the evening the group left for Montreal.

Earle F Trace

## **BOATING BEAT NO WOES WITH SABOTS by Geoff Wellens**

Boating Editor, Vancouver Province  
(Copied from the Vancouver Province  
October 6, 1967, with permission)

If you placed every sabot that has ever been built stem to stern across the First Narrows inlet, you would probably come up with the answer to the new crossing problem that everyone has been seeking. The little dinghies would stretch there and back, time and again.

I mention this because earlier this week the Canadian Sabot Association sent me a copy of its brochure, which contains, in addition to a wealth of information about the little sailing boats, a plea for more members. And that also links with the fact that a number of readers have written or phoned to ask what would be a good boat-building project for the winter.

For the amateur who has never built a boat before, or the amateur who has never sailed before, there isn't a better boat to get involved with than the 4 sabot.

That's probably why some 3,000 or 4,000 have been built to date and why hundreds more will hit the water in 1968. To build one, completely rigged for racing, will cost you around \$150. and that will be repaid in pleasure in your first season.

But let's take up the sabot story from the beginning. This little craft first saw the light of day back in 1937 when the plan appeared in Rudder magazine. It wasn't until after the Second World War, however, that it came to Vancouver. Then it was adopted by a few of the founder members of the Kitsilano Yacht Club.

One of the first builders was Vancouver sail maker Gordon Hill. "I guess I built the first four or five down there," recalls Gordon. "But there have been some changes and modifications since. In fact, the sabot I built was a sort of compromise between the Rudder design, an E1 Toro and another couple of dinghies. The guys who were building them just took the best features of each.

That was the start. Over the succeeding years little fleets of the pint-sized pleasure boats began popping up all over the place. Then in 1964, another prominent local sailor, Les Alfreds, decided it was time to form an association and standardize the boat.

The Canadian Sabot Association was founded, class limitations were laid down and organized racing began. Now the association has some 500 registered members all across Canada and rarely a weekend goes by without a sabot race being held somewhere.

Why then does the association need more members? Current president, Des Leflufy of West Vancouver explains: “In the first place we don’t think there can ever be too many sabots. “But I guess the main reason is that every new boat plan we sell brings us \$3. and that is our sole source of income. If we can encourage more sabot builders we can maintain a healthy financial position. It costs money to sponsor the amount of races we run annually.

LeFlufy is certainly the right man to talk to if you are considering building a sabot. He’ll give you 101 reasons why you should own the little boat and every one stands up. “Basically,” he says, “the boat is great because of its value as a trainer. But it is the type of boat you never grow out of. There are dozens of big boat owners in BC who have never given up sailing their little sabots.” You can include Des among those. He owns a trim Aran but has three sabots.

As to the pros and cons of a fibreglass sabot against the plywood version, Des says, “There seems to be little between them. That of course is another beauty of the boat. You can make all the refinements in the world but it won’t make all that much difference in a race. one lousy tack and you have lost anyway. It’s always as close as that when sabots compete.

Sabot racers are a hearty breed. They race all year round in all kinds of weather. Two of the biggest events on the local scene outside of the BC Championship are the Grey Cup and Boxing Day regattas.

In fact, if you think you might like to set about building yourself a little sabot fun boat this winter, and want to see one close at hand, gets down to English Bay Monday. That’s when the Association holds its annual “Sabotago.” and that just about describes this day of fun and frolics afloat. If you want to see more serious sabot racing, the BC Championships will be sailed out of the Kitsilano Yacht Club on October 21-22.

If that has not wet your appetite sufficiently, you can pay your \$3. for the plans and start building in time to have your boat ready for the Canadian Championships to be sailed out of West Van Yacht Club next April. Des reckons the average man can build a sabot in less than two months so that gives you plenty of time to practice the art of this small dinghy racing.

Fr the statistically minded, the length of the sabot is seven feet, ten inches an she has a three-foot eight-inch beam. She carries a sail area of 43.5 square feet and can be rigged and in the water racing in just 15 minutes. The \$150. cost can be trimmed quite handsomely if you decide to go second or third class.

So there you are. If you’re looking for a project for the long winter months, the sabot has to be the answer. Particularly if you want to get some boat-building experience. Just drop a line to the Sabot Association at Box 2446

Vancouver they're doing a great job and could use your \$3.

If there is sufficient interest in the building of sabot dinghy's or other boats. a Boat Building Club will be formed, and the Company approached for the use of tools and other facilities. Contact Mr. W B Montgomery at the office.

### **“THE DEADHEADS”**

Members of “The Deadheads”, students of Grades 6-7 have decided to go “trick or treating” for UNICEF. The money we receive goes to needy children in foreign lands. Fifteen cents cures a child of an eye disease, five cents buys 100 vitamin pills. Please help us to help other children.

Debbie Niermeyer  
President

### **P.T.A.**

Those families who attended the first ice skating session had a great time and came back with a glowing report of a fun filled afternoon. The place is the West Vancouver Community Centre Ice Rink on Marine Drive and the time is every Sunday afternoon from 4:30 to 6:00pm. The ice is reserved at that time for residents of Britannia, Squamish and Woodfibre. The rink is not crowded and rental skates are available (35 cents a pair).

Even those who are skating for the first time are anxious to go again and young children learn quickly. This is a wonderful family activity and possibly a group of children or teen-agers can talk a parent into taking a carload in for an afternoon of fun.

At the next meeting, the possibility of a chartered bus will be discussed. This would provide inexpensive transportation. Membership in the ice skating club is \$5. per month, or \$10. for 10 Sundays per family, with special rates available for single memberships.

### **B.C.I.T. STUDENTS TOUR**

The surface tour of the second year students in mining technology of the BC Institute of Technology was made on Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>.

The group, consisted of sixteen students and two instructors, visited Jane Basin open pit, 220 leaching plant and the powerhouse before lunch. They were surprised to hear that little bugs – bacteria – were cleaning all of the copper through the old mines.

Because of the heavy rainfall, the students were all soaked and wet and seemed very tired at the end of the tour.

The tour was completed after visiting the mill. Due to lack of time, the machine shop, electrical shop, garage, and engineering office were not visited.

Guides for the tour were H Clark, G Boutwell and T Y Kim on the Jane Basin section, Bill Stern and Charles Harvey in the mill.

## **GUYS AND DOLLS**

The Guys and Dolls Club will be sponsoring a band dance on November 4<sup>th</sup> in the upper club form 8:00 to 12:00am. All teenagers are welcome.

There will be a general meeting of the members of the Guys and Dolls Club on Friday October 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Any member failing to attend without an acceptable excuse will not be permitted to use the lower clubroom in the future.

Sandra Erne  
Secretary

## **HALLOWEEN DANCE**

When shall we three meet again?  
In thunder, lightning, or in rain  
When the hurly-burly's done  
When the battle is lost and won.  
That will be ere the sun,  
W Shakespeare

Attention all witches, warlocks, werewolves (also just plain folks).

There will be a gathering to celebrate Halloween on Saturday October 28<sup>th</sup> in the upper club at 9:00pm. Prizes will be awarded for costumes, but those not in costumes are also welcomed.

There will be dancing and cold buffet. Tickets for a mystery raffle will be sold at the dance. Mixes only will be sold. Adults only.

Date	Saturday October 28 <sup>th</sup>
Time	9:00pm until ????
Place	Upper Clubroom
Admission	\$3. per couple; \$2. single

Tickets available through P.T.A. members.

Have fun and raise funds  
Sponsored by the Britannia Beach P.T.A.

### **CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE**

We have been advised that applications may still be made for the Centennial Pioneer Medal. If there are still people in our area who are eligible, will they please come forward and give us their application. We don't want to miss anyone.

If you have lived in Canada prior to July 1.1892, you are eligible. Please contact Mrs A T Smith.

### **LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

“We would like to thank our very good friends at Britannia for the lovely party and gifts we were presented with. We will always remember every one of you.

Mr and Mrs Gunnar Adolphson  
Canex Mine  
Salmo BC

### **VINDICATORS CAR CLUB**

We are glad to announce that, with the help of the Company, we have obtained a new club garage. Is located at the end of the passenger wharf. It is a 30' by 30' garage and is ideal for our purpose. Our immediate plans are to cement the floor, line the walls and paint it, so that it will be more appealing to the eye.

Our last community project was the teenage dance, which was held on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>. We hope that everybody who attended enjoyed it as much as we enjoyed organizing it. We are hoping to have more community activities within the near future.

Due to technicalities, we are unable to enter the demolition car (mentioned in the last issue) at Callister Park until next spring. In the mean time, the club has purchased a second car, which we will be working on during the winter months.

## CURLING CLUB NEWS

The Howe Sound Curling Club “rocked” open the 67-68 season with a Bo spiel. We opened earlier this year than in the past and found many of our home players from last year involved w2ith other entertainment, such as night school, first aid, and special courses sponsored by Anaconda and were unable to be with us this year. Our record of the first “Spiel” wasn’t as impressive as in former events.

The “Boys” did it again. The Tom Campbell rink took 2<sup>nd</sup>. place in the ‘B’ event with Bernice Boys playing lead. They had Al Birds’ rink worried for awhile, who laced first. Pete Boys played 2<sup>nd</sup> for L Moton and they came out of the fray with 3<sup>rd</sup> place. prize in the “C” event. Congratulations for keeping Britannia on the map.

The opening dance was held in the Elk Hall on the 29<sup>th</sup> with a record turnout. The music was good and the buffet was abundant and delicious. The successful evening was due in part form the hard work, put into it by Barry Green and Al Shemko, who share the job on the entertainment committee, Try to join us nest time – you’re really missing something.

I have contacted people here on the Beach who have curled before, but I find there are just so many days in a week and it can’t be stretched to include curling from Monday to Friday, so, how about Saturday night Commercial Curling with your rink of choice? You need not be a member to curl in this draw as you pay as you play. This league is mixed (man and wife) and it’s fun and funny, depending if you are on the ice of behind the glass being an armchair skip. If interested, contact Barry or myself for further information.

Rita North  
President of the Ladies Curling Club

## SOCCER

Date	PEEWEEES
Oct 21	Mt. Currie – Britannia
Oct 28	Britannia – Squamish
Nov 4	Brackendale – Britannia
Nov 11	Woodfibre – Britannia

Date	JUNIORS
Oct 21	Britannia – Mr Currie
Oct 28	Stawamus – Britannia
Nov 4	Brackendale – Britannia

Nov 11 Woodfibre – Britannia  
Nov 18 Squamish – Britannia

Please note; Would parents please send lunches when players go to Pemberton, Mt. Currie and Woodfibre. Also our apologies for the error re. November 18<sup>th</sup> in the Britannia Newsletter.

## **PERSONALS**

**October 16<sup>th</sup> 1967**

During the visit of the Old Vic Theatre Troupe to Vancouver, Mr and Mrs Bill Whiteside were entertained at dinner by the stars, Sir Lawrence Olivier and Miss Jane Lapotaire. Bill was associated with Miss Lapotaire at the Bristol Old Vic Theatre inn 1964.

The Jack Anderson's furniture has arrived and they are now residing in house 233.

Mr and Mrs. John Gaines, who have been residing in the Guest House while John, conducted classes in the Principles of Supervisory Management for the past two weeks have returned to New York. John is Assistant Director of Personnel with The Anaconda Company.

We are happy to hear that Mr. Van der Ham's mother, who is visiting from Holland, is recovered from her attack of pneumonia, which put her in the hospital for a few days.

Mrs. Pickard of Powell River has been a recent visitor at the home of her son and daughter-in law, Mr. Mrs. Jeff Pickard. of Minaty Bay.

Congratulations to Kar3en and Mike Levesque on the birth of a daughter, Colletta Ruth, on September 29, 1967.

Mrs. Dave Mullans was the honoured guest at a miscellaneous baby shower. The party, a complete surprise to Mrs. Mullans' was given by Mrs. LaBelle with the assistance of Mrs L Marion and Mrs. Grace Chisholm and was held in the church basement. Games and social chatter was enjoyed by the guests, after which a beautiful assortment of gaily-wrapped gifts were<sup>4</sup> presented to Mrs. Mullens' in a prettily decorated basket. The hostess and her assistants served delicious refreshments.

Mr an Mrs R Ri0pley of Oliver, BC were visiting for a few days at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr and Mrs. C Critchley.

## **KITCHEN CLAY**

Kitchen Clay modeling is a delightful arts-and-crafts activity with the homely

virtues of safety (since everything goes into a baby's mouth), cleanliness and immediate availability on your kitchen shelf. Kitchen Clay is ideal as a rainy day project for pre-schoolers as well as their older brothers and sisters.

Corn starch, table salt and water are the elements of this amazing new medium. Kitchen utensils and toothpicks make perfect sculpting tools, and cheese grater will finish or "grain" the surface, as you desire.

Mix 2 cups of salt and 2/3 cups of water in a saucepan over low heat, stirring constantly, about 2 to 4 minutes. Remove saucepan from heat; mix 1 cup of Cornstarch and 1/2 cup cold water and add immediately to the mixture. Stir quickly to combine all ingredients. The mixture should thicken to about the consistency is obtained.

Turn out on wooden board or kitchen table and knead to form a smooth mass of clay. Use immediately or keep on hand in the refrigerator. The clay will store indefinitely if wrapped in Saran Wrap.

Shape the clay and dry the modeled objects at room temperature from two to six days, depending on the size and thickness of the model. Paint with water colors, all-purpose dye, or food coloring, and finish with several coats of clear shellac. The natural texture of this kitchen-based craft lends itself wonderfully to a natural, realistically imperfect look. Color washes into each object in such a way that your non-edible edibles look sun-ripened.

Have your baby make beads on his high-chair and string them for the Christmas trees. Toddlers and the kindergarten set can flatten their clay with a rolling pin and cut it into pretty shapes with cookie cutters. String them on wire for an unusual holiday mobile – one to which everyone in the family can contribute.

## COMING EVENTS

October 19	Round Table Upper Club 7:00pm
October 19	Tea for mothers of Kindergarten and 1 <sup>st</sup> grade children
October 19	Volleyball Brackendale vs. Britannia
October 20	Guys and Dolls Club Meeting 7:00pm
October 22	Soccer Britannia Peewees vs. Mt Currie at Mt. Currie Britannia Junior vs. Mt Currie at Britannia
October 26	Golf Tournament at Squamish Golf Club.
October 28	Ladies Mine Tour 6:30pm to 9:30pm Make reservations
October 28	P.T.A. Halloween Dance, upper clubroom 9:00pm
October 30	Annual School Meeting as required by Public Schools Act Britannia Elementary School 8:00pm
October 31	Childrens Halloween Party upper clubroom 7:00pm

	Fireworks at wharf following children's party
	Bon-fire and hotdogs at ball field
	Grades 6 and 7 collecting for UNICEF
November 2	Volleyball Britannia vs. Squamish
November 2	Bible Study Discussion Community Church 7:30pm
November 4	Guys and Dolls club Dance upper clubroom 8:00pm
November 4	Soccer Britannia Peewees vs. Brackendale Juniors vs. Brackendale
November 10	Volleyball vs. Pemberton
November 11	Soccer Britannia Peewees vs. Woodfibre Juniors vs. Woodfibre at Woodfibre
November 16	Volleyball Britannia vs. Stawamus at Britannia
November 18	Soccer Britannia vs. Squamish at Squamish

### **CHANGE OF SCHEDULE ROUND TABLE MEETING**

Elsewhere in this issue, it was announced that the next meeting would be held on October 17<sup>th</sup>. To accommodate Britannia Mine & Mill Workers' Union, Local 663, the Round Table meeting will now be held on: Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> pm in the upper clubroom.

### **BRITANNIA MINE & SAFETY WORKERS' UNION LOCAL 663**

An important meeting for all Union members is scheduled for Tuesday October 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the upper clubroom. At that time, officials of Mine-Mill and Steel Workers will be present to present the new charter of Local 663. The local will retain its old name and number – Britannia Mine & Mill Workers; Union, Local 663, but will henceforth be affiliated with the United Steel Workers' of America, now that the International Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter (Canada) has merged with U.S.W.



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**“BRITANNIA, THE STORY OF A MINE”**

Christmas is coming! Have you purchased all the copies of “Britannia the Story of a Mine” that you want to give for presents?

Bruce Lowther, writing in the Victoria Colonist, said, “ I can’t complain about this book. The old photographs convey Britannia’s few moods excellently and the words amused me, and even taught me something new about my birthplace “Britannia The Story of a Mine, is amusing and edifying – and who can ask for more?” A surprising number of orders have come from Victoria as a result of review.

But orders have come too from all over BC and from:

Toronto  
Scarborough  
Falcon Bridge, Ontario  
Baie d’Urfe, Quebec  
Playa Del Rey  
San Diego, California  
Salt Lake City, New York  
Atlanta, Georgia

Many public libraries have ordered copies of our book and include:

Seattle  
Kamloops  
Prince George  
Vancouver Peace River  
Nanaimo  
Notre Dame University

But the most interesting orders are those that include personal notes.  
Excerpts from some of these are:

I spent about 12 years at the Beach – part of the time at the hospital  
when Miss Pearcey was nurse (Mr. W M Murray, Victoria)

If you are an old timer you will remember the Bert Hamilton's that lived at the  
Townsite for 37 years – until retirement... Am very pleased to have this book as  
Memories of long ago. (Mrs. Florence Hamilton, Don Mills, Ontario)

I had the pleasure of visiting the mine in 1964 and thought it one of the  
most picturesque and interesting of industrial operations. (W L Clinton Jr.  
New York)

I was born at Britannia and was living at what was then called the Tunnel  
Camp at the time of the great slide. Although I was very young, I have a  
recollection of that tragic event. My father was the W A Wyllie mentioned  
in the book. I have in my possession a very beautiful jewel, solid gold  
presentation watch given to him by the Boys of Britannia when he left there  
in 1917." (W Wyllie, Playa Del Rey, California)

Bruce Lowther's review in the Islander, Victoria Colonist Sunday Magazine  
recalled comments made by my husband, now deceased, regarding the mine  
when he worked there in the early 1900's (Adelaide C Lomas Duncan BC)

I was the Beach surveyor at Minaty Bay, it brings back happy memories.  
Both my parents have read and enjoyed it (Gwenyth Montcrieff, Gilles Bay BC)

I am delighted to see your little book. As one of a handful of young people who  
were born in the Townsite Hospital. I still feel a tug towards those high  
mountains

My father, Walter Bennett, worked for many years in the Townsite office, and  
my mother, Evelyn Bennett, was an avid tennis player on those courts beside the  
Superintendents house. I remember many a July 1<sup>st</sup>. in the pool my father  
helped to build at the townsite. (Mrs. R N Young North Burnaby BC)

So if you want to solve you're Christmas shopping problems without battling  
crowds in Vancouver. "Britannia, the Story of a Mine" is the answer.  
The hard cover edition is \$5.72, and the soft cover is \$2.99, including tax.  
They may be obtained form the office through payroll deduction or from  
Mrs. A T Smith for cash.

Mary Smith

## BRITANNIA BEACH CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

Centennial Project "Britannia, the Story of a Mine", by Bruce Ramsey

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements  
June 1965 to September 30, 1967

Receipts	\$6,985.74
Disbursements	<u>\$4,077.01</u>
Cash on hand and in the bank	\$2,908.73
Summary of Accounts Receivable and Payable	
Accounts Payable	\$4,791.47
Accounts Receivable	\$2,694.47
Retail value of books on hand	
485 soft covers @ \$2.85	\$1,382.25
94 hard covers @ \$5.45	<u>\$ 512.30</u>
	\$1,894.55
Wholesale value (54% of retail)	\$1,023.06

### Summary

Cash on hand and in the bank	\$2,908.73
and accounts receivable	<u>\$2,694.47</u>
	\$5,603.20
less accounts payable	<u>\$4,791.15</u>
Surplus	\$ 812.05*
plus inventory (at wholesale)	<u>\$1,023.06</u>
Probable surplus	\$1,835.11*

\*This will accrue to the Britannia Beach Community Club, owners of the copyright.

## BROWNIES

The Brownies were started, October 20<sup>th</sup>, 1967. We are interested in four more girls to make a pack of 24 Brownies.

The helpers are Mrs. Lydia Patry (Tawny Owl), Mrs. Donna MacGregor (Snowy Owl) and Mrs. Rose Marie Fortier (Brown Owl).

The Brownies seem to be very interested this year and we hope to teach them allot. They will be working for badges as well this year. Brownies are in three groups. The Elves, The Imps, and the Fairies.

Mrs. Rose Marie Fortier

## **MOTOR VEHICLE REGULATIONS PROPERTY, BRITANNIA**

All motor vehicles operated on roads on Company property by any person are subject to the same rules and regulations as vehicles operated on public highways, i.e., the Motor Vehicles Act, Province of BC. These rules and regulations apply to the operation of and operators of all trucks, cars, motorbikes, scooters, and other forms of power driven vehicles, also to bicycles and pedestrians.

The rules and regulations of the BC Motor Vehicle Act apply to all vehicles and operators while on Company property. some of the more pertinent of these are:

Accidents: All accidents causing personnel injury to any person, or property damage exceeding \$100. must be reported to the R.C.M.P within 48 hours and must be reported to the Company immediately.

The driver of the vehicle involved in the accident must remain at the scene of the accident until the R.C.M.P. arrive, or until a Company officer arrives. Said driver shall render all assistance possible to injured persons, to the Police and to the Company. Driver's Liquescence: All drivers must be holders of a valid BC Drivers License.

Financial Responsibility: All drivers must be properly insured i.e., must have a "pink slip". Parents are totally responsible for the actions of minor children under the age of 21 years of age, and for vehicles driven by such minor children.

Vehicles: Must be in good mechanical condition, and must be registered and have said valid drivers' license plates.

Pedestrians: Have the right-of-way at crosswalks; otherwise they must yield to vehicles. They must walk on the left hand side of the road, facing on-coming traffic.

Alcohol and Drugs: Vehicles must not be operated while impaired by or under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

- a) Bicycles and Play-Vehicles: A person who is operating a bicycle shall comply with the following rules.
- b) He shall ride as near as practicable to the right side of the roadway.

- c) He shall not ride abreast of any other person who is operating a bicycle upon the roadway.
- d) He shall not ride other than upon or astride a regular seat of the bicycle.
- e) He shall use the bicycle to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.

Speed limit: The speed limit on all townsite roads and the road to 4100 level is; 20 mph.

## **NOTICE**

To all Householders:

Commencing October 28<sup>th</sup> 1967, Stan Ward of Britannia Beach will be on duty on Saturday and Sundays to take all trouble calls. Me can be reached at the Britannia Rentals - 896-2402 form 8 am until 4:30pm or at the same # after hours.

If unable to contact Britannia Rentals at the above # phone

R Alexander                   896-2364

R N Lovilin                   896-2262

Anaconda Powerhouse 896-2221

R Lovlin

Maintenance Supervisor

## **COMMUNITY CHURCH W.A.**

A trip through Rhodesia and South Africa with Tony and Janice Crane was the entertainment at the October meeting of WA of the Community Church. Tony gave a running commentary on his excellent movies which added to the enjoyment.

The second Thursday of November we'll be doing some more "armchair travelling". Mrs. Evan Fullerton will return to Britannia that night to show us slides of their trip to Ireland. Once more the men are invited to join the ladies for the program at 9:00pm.

Hasti-notes with Frank Bruce's sketch of Britannia are still available form Mrs. J Powell or any WA Member. A package costs only \$1. and will make an excellent little Christmas gift.

Mary Smith

P.T.A.

We would like to remind members that a general meeting will be held November 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm in the school gym.

With reference to the most enjoyable Halloween Dance, we would like to thank the hard working members of the dance committee and all the other P.T.A. members who co-operated so well with them. A very special thanks to the children who made the lovely decorations and to Mr and Mrs. J Wallenborn who taped the music for the dance.

### **HOWE SOUND SKATING CLUB**

Skating every Sunday from 4:30pm till 6:00pm at the West Vancouver Community Centre, 22<sup>nd</sup> and Marine Drive. Cost is \$10. per family or 10 sessions. There are skates for rent and a coffee shop is open for refreshments. For more information, phone Mrs. Braiden 896-2459.

### **BRITANNIA BEACH SCHOOL**

Report cards will be given out on November 10. During the following week there will be interviews with each parent. These will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, from 7 – 9pm. Forms will be sent home with the children next week so that parents may fill in the time most suitable for them.

The interviews will be of 15 minute duration and please be punctual so that each parent will have equal time. If you wish more time, make an appointment to see the teacher the next week.

It is very important that the parents and teacher discuss the children's progress now so that as many problems as possible can be eliminated.

There will be a short Remembrance Day Service held in the school gym on November 11 at 11am. Any parents who wish to attend are welcome.

The "Beginning Mothers' Tea was well attended. We had expected approximately 40 guests but there were over 50. Many thanks to the ladies of the P.T.A. who looked after the food – especially Mrs. Niermeyer, who contributed a great deal of time in supervising the grade 6 and 7 girls in the cooking and decorating of the delicious refreshments.

An awards assembly will be held in the last week of November.

Mr. L Cope.  
Principle

## **ADULT EDUCATION, SQUAMISH**

The adult Education Department is developing a number of programs to meet the special needs of industry in the Squamish District. We have a number of programs that we still are hoping to start, however, there are several programs that now have been finalized.

**Diesel and Automotive Mechanics Refresher course:** This course is designed to give the general mechanic the theoretical background to help him pass his trade qualifications exams. The course and the T.O. exams are based on Kraus's 5<sup>th</sup> Edition of Automotive Mechanics. Mr. Bruce Martell who has taught a number of these courses in the Burnaby at the Vocational School will be teaching the course. The cost of the course is \$16. For those that want it, the text for the course will be an additional \$9. The course begins Thursday evening, November 2<sup>nd</sup>. at the Howe Sound Secondary School in Room A104. The course consists of 13 sessions of 3 hours each.

**Hydraulics Course:** Another course that will be of special interest to machinists and millwrights are 12-hour cram secession on the basic principles of hydraulics. This course is developed, and put on by Arvis Engineering Company. The course will start Monday, November 13 and continue each evening until Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. The course goes each evening from 7:00pm until 10:00pm. The course will also be available for another \$16. This course meets in the Howe Sound Secondary School in Room D104.

**Industrial First Aid:** Please note that there is a change in the starting date of this course. The course begins November 6<sup>th</sup> instead of October as earlier stated. The course starts in the Howe Sound Secondary School in Room A113 at 7:30pm.

For further information, contact Wayne Smith, Director of Adult Education, and Box 250 telephone # 892-5228.

## **KINDERGARTEN TEA**

A large group of spent a most informative and enjoyable afternoon kindergarten and grade mothers and other invited guests in the Britannia School auditorium on Thursday, afternoon October 19<sup>th</sup>.

Tables were set up in the auditorium and cantering each were Halloween figures drawn and colored by the pupils. Skeletons adorned the walls. The large table at the front of the hall was laden with small cakes, cookies, squares and beautifully decorated goodies of all varieties, all made by the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls at the home of Mrs Karl Niermeyer.

Mr Cope welcomed the ladies to the school and had all the small children taken into one of the schoolrooms to be cared for by some of the older girls thereby leaving the mothers free to enjoy the afternoon, then spoke on the difficult task that a small child has in adjusting in the transition from the home to the school and the importance of making a good start.

Mr. Cope then introduced Mr. Kay Pickard, the kindergarten teacher, Mrs Kay Pickard who gave a very interesting talk on the earliest beginnings of the kindergarten movement. Mrs Pickard spoke on the kindergarten in BC, which still aren't fully school sponsored, and of the different types, some good and some bad and of her work at the Beach Kindergarten, her aims, methods and programme. giving mothers a clear insight as to what their children were learning.

Mr Cope introduced Mrs. G Fairburn who has been in the teaching profession for forty years and most of them spent in teaching grade 1 here at Britannia. Mrs. Fairburn thinks that six year olds are her most interesting people and her first problem is to teach them to look at things the right way, children having a tendency to look at things from various angles. Mrs Fairburn demonstrated to the mothers the difficulties that the children had in learning by having the alphabet pinned up on the stage, then on a blackboard she had signs with odd and strange shapes which had no possible meaning or comprehension for the mothers and she told them that, that is how the alphabet looks to a child when it is first faced with it, also to learn to read from left to right.

Mrs. Fairbanks, Primary Councillor, spoke a few words on grades and levels and told the mothers not to worry if their child was not reading from the same book as her neighbour's child. The reader was not the important thing, but that the child was learning to read.

The school choir under the leadership of Mr Cope, who accompanied them on the piano, sang a number of selections, which were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Sue Conto and Mrs. Lucy Greenlee poured at the coffee urns and Mrs. Val Steenson poured the tea. Mrs. Niermeyer and Mrs. McNair helped with the preparations. Girls from grades 6 and 7 served.

## **LADIES UNDERGROUND TOUR**

On Thursday, October 26 1967 a ladies tour was made of No. 8 Mine. The group assembled at the 4100 level yard, Hats, belts, gloves, lamps, and passes were issued. On completion of the preparatory issue, the group, which consisted of 42 ladies and 5 guides entered the 4100 portal at 7:06pm. On arrival at No. 8 Mine, the main group was divided into 5 groups of 9 and 10 persons, with the assistance of 2 additional guides.

Each group, with their guides, then proceeded to their respective starting points. Areas visited were – hoist room, 4000 level, to observe skips dumping – 5100 level, loading of skips and dumping ore cars – 4100 level, mechanical and electrical shops 42 – 022 square set stope, where drilling, timbering and scraping of ore was observed.

The groups then reassembled at No. 8 shaft 4100 level stations. A short wait was required before boarding the train, while one of the young ladies recuperated from the excitement. The tour was completed at the 4100 portal at 9:07pm.

Guides for the tour were;

- J B MacDonald
- P Hoodikoff
- D Shavela
- G Rose
- D Lindley
- L Marion
- R T Baverstock

## **SOCCER NEWS**

With twenty-two teams in the Howe Sound Soccer League, divided into three sections peewees, juniors and seniors, and games scheduled for every Saturday until November 18<sup>th</sup> playing fields in the district have been getting quite a workout. Exhibition games were played on September 16<sup>th</sup> with the first league games starting last Saturday. The full fall schedule follows:

### **FIRST HALF SCHEDULE**

Peewees 9:30

20 minutes halves

Nov 4 Britannia – Brackendale

Squamish Mt Currie

Stawamus – Pemberton

Ma Rangers – Ma Celtic

Woodfibre –Bye

Nov 11 Britannia – Woodfibre

Squamish – Brackendale

Stawamus – Mt. Currie

Ma Celtics – Pemberton

Ma. Rangers – Bye

Nov 18 Squamish – Woodfibre

Stawamus – Brackendale

Ma. Celtics – Mt. Currie  
Ma. Rangers – Pemberton

Juniors

25 minute Halves

Nov 4 Britannia – Brackendale  
Squamish – Mt Currie  
Stawamus - Pemberton  
Mamquam – Woodfibre  
Nov 11 Britannia – Woodfibre  
Squamish – Brackendale  
Stawamus – Mt Currie  
Mamquam – Pemberton  
Nov 18 Stawamus – Woodfibre  
Brackendale – Pemberton  
Squamish – Britannia  
Mamquam – Mt. Currie

Seniors

35 minute halves

Nov 4 Woodfibre – Brackendale  
Pemberton – Squamish  
Nov 11 Woodfibre – Brackendale  
Woodfibre – Pemberton  
Nov 18 Squamish – Woodfibre  
Brackendale – Pemberton

Soccer standings at October 26<sup>th</sup>

**PEEWEEES**

Name	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	PTS
Mamquam	3	3	-	-	8	3	6
Mount Currie	3	2	-	-	4	0	5
Woodfibre	3	2	1	-	4	3	5
Stawamus	2	2	-	-	5	1	4
Mamquam							
Celtics	4	2	-	2	5	7	4
Pemberton	5	2	-	3	3	5	4
Britannia	3	1	-	2	2	5	2
Squamish	4	1	-	3	2	6	2
Brackendale	3	-	3	-	2	5	0

## JUNIORS

Brackendale	4	4	-	-	13	1	2
Pemberton	5	3	-	2	7	8	6
Squamish	4	2	1	1	8	6	5
Woodfibre	5	2	1	2	8	7	5
Britannia	4	2	-	2	4	4	4
Mamquam	4	2	-	2	2	5	4
Mt Currie	4	1	-	3	3	3	2
Stawamus	4	-	-	4	4	3	0

## WHAT IS A TAILGATE?

Somewhere between the fume-sprouting pipe of the tractor-trailer and the dainty white puff from the Volkswagen, we find a delightful creature known as a tailgater.

Tailgaters come in assorted sizes and shapes – mostly repulsive. You find them everywhere but mostly two feet from your rear bumper. Undertakers love them, the driver in front hates them, policemen tolerate them, empty highways frustrate them, nobody can ignore them, and God only knows who protects them.

A tailgater is ignorance with a weapon at its command...death with a gleam in its eye. stupidity with a power to kill... and irresponsibility with a driver's license.

A tailgater has the appetite of Dracula, the energy of a 400-horse power engine, the curiosity of an inspector of rear bumpers, the lungs of a stuck automobile horn, the enthusiasm of a horseman chasing Lady Godiva, and the shyness of a fullback three yards from the goal line.

No one else is so familiar with the hospital emergency room or so at home in traffic court. When you're stranded on an empty highway, he roars past with a wave. When you don't want him, he's grinning at you in your rear-view mirror. No one else can cram into 20 years of driving four smashed Fords, five-smashed Chevies, six smashed Plymouths, two-smashed Cadillacs, and one Barracuda knocked off a bridge into the river.

A tailgater is a fabulous creature. You can keep him out of your back seat, but you can't keep him out of the wreckage of your trunk. You can charge him higher insurance premiums, but you can't charge him with the murder of his victims. You can suspend his license, but you can't suspend his driving. He's your terror, your shadow, the cause of your cursing, and your constant companion on the road. But when he finally turns off at a tavern, he's a

soothing vacant behind your car, a toothache that's stopping hurting, a feeling of safety in the world.

And when he breaks your neck in a rear-end collision and comes to visit you while you're in traction, he can bring tears to your eyes with those apologetic words; I don't have any insurance, you know".

Employers Insurance of Wausau

## **BRITANNIA HORSE OWNERS CLUB**

The Britannia Horse Owners Club will meet in the Scout Hall at 8:30pm Monday November 6<sup>th</sup>. All persons interested are invited to attend whether they plan on purchasing a horse in the near future or not. This meeting should see the completion of our constitution and rules and regulations.

Anyone who is interested but cannot attend the meeting because of work or such should phone Larry Marion, 896-2403 or Lynne Evans 896-2480 and register.

Lynne Evans

## **LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

To the Editor;

Here is a little poem I made up for Halloween. If you like it, please print it for the event.

### TRICK OR TREAT

The big night is coming  
The costumes are ready  
The kiddies are waiting

We give to the youngsters  
Willing and glad  
But if damage is done  
We're sure to be mad

So be good little Goblins  
And Witches and Elves  
And on Halloween Eve  
Behave yourselves!

I would also like to suggest you want owners of pets to lock them up where no

harm will come to them or to the children who come to the doors. They often get scared and become quite nasty.

Mrs Louise Olson

## **PERSONALS**

**November 1967**

It is with regret that we report the sudden death in a car-train accident of Mrs. Penny Arkinstall, daughter of Mr and Mrs. T J MacDonald, on October 21<sup>st</sup> at Golden

BC. We extend the sincere sympathy of the community to the MacDonald family in their bereavement.

Mr and Mrs. e Van der Ham, parents of Mr L J Van der Ham came from Delft, Holland, March 1<sup>st</sup> 1967. They stayed at their eldest son's in Cincinnati, Ohio until June 28<sup>th</sup> and then came to Britannia in time to see their grandchildren in their part in the Dutch dance in full costume at the Miners' Day celebrations.

They think BC is very beautiful, and as Mr Van der Ham said "Oh, if I were only 20 years younger, this would be my country all right, how now it is back of the blue for me". (Delft is known for their blue china).

They will leave the end of November for Cincinnati and on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March will return to their home in Delft, Holland.

A wedding of interest to friends at Britannia was solemnized in the Christ Reformed Church at Abbotsford BC when Miss Edith Popma, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Alex Popma of Matsqui, became the bride of Mr. Jack DeKroon, son of the late Mr. DeKroon and Mrs. S Schraan also of Matsqui. Reverend T Heyboer officiated. The bride's street length sheath gown was of peau do doir with a long sleeved overcoat of white lace. A large white rose headdress held her veil and she carried a bouquet of red roses and white carnations.

Miss Matilda DeKroon, sister of the groom, as maid of honor wore a silvery blue street length dress of pear de soie with lace overlay and a white rose headdress. She carried a bouquet of blue tipped white carnations.

Little Marilyn Popma was her sister's flower girl and wore a pretty blue lace dress and a band of flowers on her head and carried a nosegay of blue tipped white carnations.

Mr. Harry Bok was the best man and John DeKroon, brother of the groom, and Erik Popma, brother of the bride, was an usher.

The reception was held in the church basement where seventy-five relatives and guests were gathered to toast the happy couple. Mr Wicking proposed the toast to the bride, an old friend of the family.

Fro her going-away costume, the bride wore a two-piece ensemble of pink peau de soir de luna which she had made for herself with gold accessories. Her jewellery was a lovely pink rhinestone necklace and earrings, a gift of the groom.

After a short honeymoon on Vancouver Island, the young couple will take up residence in Minaty Bay.

Mrs. Janice Stark and her daughter, heather, of Invermere BC were visitors for the past week at the home of Mrs. Stark's mother Mrs. W Gillis of Minaty Bay.

Mr. Doug North is undergoing treatment in St. Paul's Hospital, Vancouver. Mr and Mrs R Young are naming their new daughter Wendy Susan, a sister for Debbie.

Mr and Mrs. Crane and small children are back from a week's vacation on Vancouver Island.

Mr John Powell is now home and doing well after a two-week stay in Lions Gate Hospital.

Sammy Marzocco is at home with his parents and brother and sister on a month and a half furlough. Sammy recently returned from a six-month stay in Cyprus with the first battalion and at the end of his furlough will be returning to his outfit and will be stationed in Victoria.

Mr. Glynn McNair, son of Mr and Mrs. Al McNair, is gravely ill in Lions Gate Hospital. The thoughts and prayers of the community are with the McNair's at this time.

## **NOTICE TO HOURLY-RATED EMPLOYEES**

In the pay statements, which you will receive on November 7, all hourly employees will be offered the choice of receiving their future pay cheques on payday from their supervisors or of having their earnings deposited in the bank. In order to take advantage of this improvement, it is important that everyone should promptly fill out the form he will receive with his pay statement on November 7 and hand it to his supervisor to be delivered to the office.

The new procedure will take effect on the payroll for the first half of November, which will be paid on November 23.

## **FLOOD AT THE BEACH**

Early in the morning of Tuesday October 31<sup>st</sup>, following a night of heavy rain, Mineral creek broke loose some distance above the sawmill, and cut a new channel down the hillside. It cut the road to Mr. Sheer, the road to the upper parking lot at 4100. crossed the 4100-timber yard, cut the road to the mine dry, and then, taking two paths, dumped hundreds of tons of mud and rock on the lower end of the Beach copper plant. and caused extensive damage to houses 120 and 121 and the contents of these houses. Apartment house 177 had over three feet of water and nearly a foot of mud deposited in the basement.

House number 121, occupied by Mr and Mrs. Jim Brazeau and children Noella, Heather, Brent, and Laureen, was directly in the path of the mud, rocks and water and by the time the flooding was diverted, two to four feet of debris had been deposited in every room of the house. Fortunately, with the help of friends and neighbours, it was possible to save some of the furniture and personal effects. The Brazeau's lost most of their clothing; local residents have made contributions of clothing. The Brazeau family have been staying with the Hollowachuk's since the disaster.

It was miraculous that house #120, occupied by Mr and Mrs. Ulrich Buthge and sons David and Robert, did not suffer the same fate as did the Brazeau family. Although the mud and water came up to the middle of some of the windows, the glass did not break, and only a very small amount of muddy water seeped into the house. However, the basement of the house, in which was stored winter clothing, other personal effects and a valuable miniature railway layout, was completely flooded with serious damage to the contents.

Plaza apartment building number 177, occupied by Mr Ed Packer, Mrs M Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. M Rak and Mr and Mrs. M Radokovich and children Crystal, Angela and Marty, received extensive damage to furniture, washing machines and other effects in the basement.

Although the water and mud covered most of the Beach Townsite on the south side of Britannia Creek and the industrial area, extremely little damage was done to dwellings other than the foregoing. However, this area was left with up to six inches of mud and slime, which will take some time to clean up.

Considering the volume of mud, rocks, debris and water, which came down the hillside, it is most fortunate<sup>4</sup> that the damage was not greater, and that no person was injured.

A Worker's Committee has been set up to collect contributions to assist fellow workmen who suffered financially in this flooding. The Company has agreed to accept payroll deduction authorization forms from employees who wish to make

contributions by this means. The Company will contribute an amount to that donated by employees.



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**“BEAUTIFY BRITANNIA”**

The program and competition during the past summer season to “Beautify Britannia” had gratifying results. There are many beautiful gardens in the community and the majority of tenants maintain their grounds in good condition. However, there are a small number of tenants who do little or nothing to improve the appearance of their yards.

It is a condition of lease of Company property, whether in the form of housing, trailer space, or cottage permits, that a lawn and /or garden be planted and maintained by the lessee. In all leases issued in recent months, the following covenant is included: “6A. The Lessee further covenants with the Lesser that the Lessee will plant and maintain in ornamental condition a lawn and /or garden on all portions of the premises other than the site of any building, mobile home, or trailer, or pathways or driveways thereon; Provided that the Lesser shall provide all soil, seed and fertilizer for the purposes of such lawn; or without the previous consent in writing of the Lesser erect, or permit or suffer to be erected and y building on the premises.”

This covenant applies to all leases of Company property at Britannia, and tenants are advised that it will be strictly enforced in the future. In addition to soil, seed and fertilizer, the Company will also supply fencing materials for those who wish to enclose their grounds.

Requests for soil, seed, fertilizer, and fencing materials should be made to the Surface Foreman, Bill Braiden – telephone # 896-2221 local 49.

To the majority of tenants whose yards are not up to standard, you are requested to do whatever is necessary to bring them up to standard. Do not let it be said of you that you did not do your part in the campaign to “Beautify Britannia”. To the majority of the tenants whose grounds are a credit t themselves and to the community – congratulations for a job well done.

## **LIBRARY HOURS**

Tuesday                    1:30pm – 2:30pm  
                                  7:00pm - 9:00pm  
Thursday                  7:00pm – 9:00pm

Mrs. R Darby Librarian

## **GLYNN ALLAN McNAIR**

It is with sorrow we record the passing, on November 8, 1967, of Glynn Allan McNair, only son of Al and Betty McNair, and brother of Marilyn and Patricia. Glynn was born in Vancouver on January 14, 1950. In 1960, the McNair's moved to Minaty Bay.

Ardent sportsmen, Glynn was particularly keen on fishing and water skiing. He was liked and respected by a large number of friends and acquaintances of all age groups. We extend to the McNair family the sincere sympathy of the community in the loss of a loving son and brother.

## **OPERATION, CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF UNDERGROUND EQUIPMENT OFF- the JOB TRAINING COURSE**

A series of course of instruction and information regarding the operation, care and maintenance of equipment will be conducted during the winter season.

The first course, "Operation, Care and Maintenance of Underground Equipment", will consist of seven or eight sessions of two hours per session; the first five sessions will deal with rock drills, and remaining sessions will cover mucking machines, slushers, locomotives, hoists, etc.

The history and development of rock drilling machines and methods will be the subject of an introductory talk.

Demonstrations, discussions, slides and motion pictures will be used. Manufacturers are providing trained, experienced personnel to co-operate with our own job training staff to offer an interesting and instructive series similar to the one given early this year on the use of explosives.

The course "Operation, Care and Maintenance of Underground Equipment" will consist of seven or eight sessions of two hours each session, with the first session scheduled for Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup> and continuing weekly thereafter until December 14<sup>th</sup>, when a recess will be taken until after the New Year.

Each session will be given twice, at 1:00pm and repeated at 5:00pm. so that shift workers will be able to attend, irrespective of which shift they are on.

You are urged to register and to indicate the time at which you will attend. Your continued attendance a framed certificate will be provided with a textbook related to rock drills at the conclusion of this course. The first five sessions are scheduled as below; the remaining session will be scheduled for after the New Year.

Other course, to be announced at a later date, will follow the completion of this course.

### **REGISTRATION FORM**

TO The Anaconda Company (Canada) Ltd.  
Britannia Beach BC

Please register met for attendance at the course "Operation, Care and Maintenance of Underground Equipement".

I will attend the five sessions at the times circled.

Session Number	Time Circle times you will attend		Date
1 16	1:00pm	5:00pm	November
2 23	1:00pm	5:00pm	November
3 30	1:00pm	5:00pm	November
4	1:00pm	5:00pm	December 7
5 14	1:00pm	5:00pm	December

Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_ PR # \_\_\_\_\_  
Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Please sign and turn in to your foreman or shift boss by November 13<sup>th</sup>.

### **LITTERBUGS**

One of the things which most detracts from the appearance of any community is an accumulation of trash. Britannia has this problem, particularly in the store, Chatterbox, Community Club area. There are a number of trash receptacles

placed at convenient places throughout this area. but many people, adults and children, fail to use them.

Do not be a litterbug. When disposing of candy wrappers, soft drink cans, unwanted trash, mail and other rubbish, place it in the proper receptacles – do not scatter it around the grounds.

Visitors are prone to judge a community by first impressions. The impressions of the many people held up by the road closure, and who only see the parking lot area must be very poor indeed.

Let us all do everything possible to keep this and other areas of the community neat and tidy.

Do Not Be a Litterbug

### **W. A. REPORT**

Mrs. E Fullerton to the W A at their monthly meeting described Nineteen days in Ireland with the help of slides.

Mr and Mrs. Fullerton rented a Mini-van and travelled completely around the coast of Ireland. They avoided the main roads and took the byways, which are all beautifully paved, if very narrow in places. The Giants Causeway, the sight of St. Patrick's first mission, Galway Bay, Cork, Dublin, etc. were all described. A number of pictures of a copper mine in Limerick, managed by a Canadian friend, Horace Cherry, were shown. Mrs. Fullerton was particularly interested in the new re-forestation program. She said that Ireland, once heavily treed, had for years been practically treeless and until very recently no efforts had been made to reforest it.

President Mrs. J Graney thanked the speaker and presented her with a copy of "Britannia, the Story of the Mine" a farewell gift, which was not available when the Fullertons left the Britannia charge.

Mary Smith

### **BRITANNIA SCHOOL NEWS**

Awards Day will be held on November 29<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm in the school gym. The child who has ranked first in each grade will receive a book, those who have ranked second and third will receive a certificate, Also, the child in each grade who has been the most co-operative but has not achieved academic grades will receive a book. Since it would be very difficult to judge a child's academic work in kindergarten, there will be a book given to the most co-operative

student. Members of the P.T.A. executive will assist in presenting these awards. Parents are welcome to attend.

A Remembrance Day Service was held at the school on Friday November 10<sup>th</sup>. The choir sang several hymns. William Whiteside, Gordon MacDonald, Deborah Niermeyer and Lu Ann Lovlin from Division 1 each read a composition on the meaning of Remembrance Day. The Rev. Boulger of Britannia gave an excellent address on the uselessness and tragedy of war. His talk was presented in such way that even the kindergarten children could understand.

On Halloween night the grade 6 and 7, Division 1, children collected \$40. for UNICEP.

### **GIRL GUIDES**

A "fly-up" was held on November 7<sup>th</sup>, when Kathy Greenlee, Valerie Shavela, Vicki 'Andrezejczuk and Sonja Van den Hoek flew up to Guides and Susan Heinke and Deborah Holowachuk walked up. District Commissioner Mrs. Brander, attended as well as the Brownie mothers and leaders.

The Guides are planning to hold a sale of Christmas tree and home decorations about mid-December. The date and time to be announced in the next Newsletter.

The Mothers Group with the help of the Brownie Pack will hold a Bake Sale and Tea accompanying the Guides Christmas sale.

If anyone in the community wishes to donate to the bake sale, it would be greatly appreciated. You may contact Mrs. Greenlee, Mrs Adams, or Mrs Fogarty in this regard.

Does anyone have a Guide or Brownie uniform for sale? Please contact Mrs Greenlee or Mrs. Wallenborn if you have a uniform.

Evelyn Wallenborn

### **P.T.A.,**

The regular meeting of the P.T.A. scheduled for Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. was cancelled because of the parent-teacher conferences. The meeting will be held Thursday, November 23, at 8:00pm. in the school gym. Miss Kennedy of the Colleen Kennedy School of Irish Dancing will put on a demonstration of Irish Dancing at the P.T.A. meeting. Parents are invited to bring their children to see this dancing.

## INVESTIGATION OF AN UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE

### RAMPAGE OF MINERAL CREEK – 31 OCTOBER 1967

The meeting was held in J C Moore's office on November 8<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm.

Present:

B B Greenlee	Manager, Britannia Operations
J C Moore	Administrator Assistant –Operations
A R C James	District Mines Inspector
R N Lovlin	Maintenance Supervisors
W Braiden	Surface Foreman
A T Smith	Leaching-in-Place Supervisor
W Gillis	Union Safety Committee Representative
J Balderson	Surface Rigger
E Malm	Surface Mechanic
H Bohan	Union President
E R Leblanc	Acting Safety Officer

At approximately 7:00am. on October 31 it was discovered that a mud slide occurred, covering the lower part of Britannia Beach Copper plant and the road at the Copper plant bridge. By 7:30 the water had changed course and was coming down over the 4100 lower parking road cribbing and down the draw, behind houses 120 and 121, bringing with it debris. Both houses were evacuated. At approximately 9:30 am the Beach area south of Britannia Creek was also evacuated.

Immediate investigation revealed that mine waste rock and ties from the 2700 level fill and dump had plugged the culvert running under the incline, diverting the creek down the old incline railway bed for approximately 2000 feet, where it swung north at a right angle to the incline, through the penstock, across the 2200 road and down across the 4100 level yard to the Beach area. It was also found the excess flow of water had moved baffles at the disposal dump culvert, lugging the culvert, causing the creek to flow down the 2200 road, joining the main stream at the second curve of the road at point of breakthrough from the incline.

Damage done was as follows:

- 1) Took out 200 feet of 3" wood stave, domestic pipeline at approximately the 3500-3600 level on the old incline;
- 2) Cut a ravine from four to thirty feet deep for the 2000 feet it coursed down the incline and in so doing washed out six power pole, resulting in cut-off

of power to 2200 powerhouse, Victoria Shaft, No 7 Shaft and No 8 Shaft hoisting;

- 3) Knocked out approximately 75 feet of one of the two 20" steel penstock;
- 4) Washed out the road to 2200 at the junction of the road with the Construction Aggregates road directly above 4100 level;
- 5) Deposited an estimated 2500 yards of gravel and silt throughout the 4100 level yard, loco repair shop and car repair shop;
- 6) Washed out the crib which carried the road to 4150 parking lot;
- 7) Deposited 4000 to 5000 yards of gravel on the Beach Copper plant;
- 8) Filled houses 120 and 121 with gravel and silt;
- 9) Filled the basement of apartment 177 with mud and silt to a depth of 3 ½ feet;
- 10) Spread a layer of silt throughout the whole industrial area school grounds and Britannia Store parking lot.

After much discussion as to the probable causes, it was agreed that an excessive flow of water caused by the warm rain and melting snow had cut away at the 2700 waste dump and that mine waste, rock and ties had been carried to the culvert at the incline where it had piled up and backed up the flow of water until it spilled over the blockage, cut a channel, and flowed down the incline where a sloping grade caused it to swing northwest across the incline, through the 4 penstock and on down towards 4100 yard and Beach flat.

Further investigation revealed that the Maintenance Superintendent had checked the flow of Mineral creek at 2700 level October 5th and no signs of build-up of debris had been noted.

The Government authorized meteorological station at the 2200 level power house reported that there had been 1.8 inches of warm rain during the hours of midnight and 6:00am October 31<sup>st</sup>. melting the de inches of snow on higher levels.

The 2200 level power house operator coming off shift shortly after midnight October 31<sup>st</sup> stated that he had not noticed anything unusual as he crossed the culvert at the disposal dump, indicating that the breakthrough occurred sometime between midnight and 6:00am.

Normally, Mineral creek runs down the mountainside from the Daisy flats, past 2700 Portal and through a large culvert under the incline, at approximately 100 feet south of the disposal dump down a natural draw and joins Britannia Creek just above 4100 level powder magazine.

It was reported that in 1918 Mineral Creek went on the rampage and that at one time there was a large culvert or canal extending from the incline north to Britannia creek, just above 4100 yard.

To prevent a recurrence of the October 31<sup>st</sup> events, it was decided that

- 1) Mineral Creek would be flumed through the 2700 waste dump;
- 2) A channel would be cut through the incline grade to re-establish the natural course of the creek;
- 3) Course of flow in creek at disposal dump to be cleared of any possible obstruction
- 4) Penstock be well supported on timber frames at point where Mineral Creek crosses under penstock
- 5) A survey be made of the area above 4100 level, to determine if the old canal course could be reopened, or to find a suitable course for a similar one.

## **WORKERS COMMITTEE FLOOD LOSSES**

At the suggestion of a number of residents of Britannia, a Workers committee was set up to solicit donations to a fund to assist the victims of the flooding of last October 31<sup>st</sup>. The Company offered to match, dollar of dollar, the subscriptions of individual employees and residents.

The response to this fund was tremendous. Two hundred and thirty-two individuals subscribed a total of \$922.84, which the Company contributions brought the total amount of the fund to \$1,845.70.

The Workers Compensation talked to those suffering losses, and viewed the results of the flooding. They decided that property which could be made useable by washing, drying, cleaning, or repairing should have this work done. Property not cleanable or repairable would be recompensed for at its pre-flood value. The Committee then assessed the losses of each family, and made the distribution of funds to cover actual losses and the costs of reconditioning.

Have a Merry and Safe Holiday Season.  
Britannia Beach Volunteer Fire Department

Due to the generosity of the contributors, more monies were received than required to cover the flood losses. The Committee will retain these extra funds and will distribute them in the future as the need arises.

In addition to donations of money, a number of residents donated clothing and accommodations, and helped in other ways.

The workmen and residents who donated so generously in this emergency are to be highly commended. It is very gratifying to see this response of workers to the misfortune of their fellow workmen.

## **CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE**

The Centennial Committee received the following letter; it should be of interest to Britannia old-timers.

“There has just come to my attention a copy of a book which your Company printed this year, copyrighted by Britannia Beach Community Club, the publishers. It is called “Britannia, The Story of a Mine”, author Bruce Ramsey.

“I have been unable to ascertain the cost of copies of the aforementioned book; if I had been able to do so, I would enclose my remittance herewith for several copies. I am very eager to obtain one or more copies of the book promptly.

“ My eagerness to obtain copies of the book is prompted by the fact that my father, Emil Richter, served Howe Sound Company for over 50 years. He is now in his 80<sup>th</sup> year, and I know that he would enjoy reading about the history of the Britannia Mine as written by Mr. Ramsey.”

Very Truly Yours,

Robert Richter  
#7 Old Nursery Drive  
Wilton, Connecticut

## **PERSONALS**

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Al McNair was operated on in the Lions Gate Hospital on November 13<sup>th</sup>, Al is reported to be coming along very well and hopes to be home this weekend.

John Ciolek, host of the lower club is a patient in the Squamish Hospital.

Larry Marion, who was seriously injured on February 24<sup>th</sup> last, reports that the rebuilding job on his teeth and jaws is just about complete. The lens of his right eye was damaged and had to be remove, it will be replaced by a plastic contact lens.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Garry Bysouth on the birth of their son, Douglas Bruce, born August 5<sup>th</sup>.

Mr and Mrs. Alfred Burgoyne became the parents of a son, Jonathan Alfred, born October 30<sup>th</sup>.

A son, John Robert, was born on October 20<sup>th</sup> to Mr and Mrs. Gilbertson.

## **MOVIES**

Approximately 100 persons attended the showing of 16mm Color sound moves in the upper club on Tuesday evening. The event was the first time the new projector and screen, recently purchased by the Company, had been used.

This equipment, a 16mm sound projector and 70X70 inch screen, is available for local organizations or groups, which may wish to borrow it. Contact the Personnel Department for details.

## **NOTICE**

Bingo will be on Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>. The change of nights is for one week.



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**On the occasion of the one hundred anniversary  
of the Confederation of Canada  
the Centennial Medal is conferred on  
J C S Moore, Esquire  
in recognition of valuable service to the nation  
July 1, 1967**

Jack says that, like the Mayor of Vancouver, he was surprised and honoured to receive the Centennial Medal.

In his acknowledgment to the Secretary of State, he will tender thanks for the recognition which he feels is bestowed on behalf of the Centennial Committee and the many other residents of the community who contributed to the success of our Centennial project, "Britannia, The Story of a Mine".

Editors note; We wish to commend Jack and his Committee for doing an outstanding service, not only to the Community but to the Province of BC, in producing a work of lasting historical value which was a great undertaking considering the size of the community. In addition to being achievement the book was also a financial success, in that with the grants from the provincial government, the sale of the book has repaid the Community Club for all expenditures. Not many communities can match such a record.

### **MRS. MARY G FAIRBURN**

At the School Awards Program, November 30<sup>th</sup> Mrs. Mary Fairburn was presented the Centennial Medal in recognition of her 42 years of teaching in the Province of BC. Mr J MacDonald presented the medal.

Mrs Fairburn taught in Quesnel before coming to Britannia in 1943 as principal of a 2-room school. She taught grades 5,6,7, and 8. In 1947 Mrs Fairburn was asked to teach the primary grades which she has taught ever since.

She has educated several nieces, her son and is this year teaching her grandson in grade 1. Mrs. Fairburn has taught longer than any other teacher in the entire School District # 48.

## **TELEVISION**

Geoff Pickard has found very good response to his request for assurance that financial support will be forth coming to upgrade the television service. However, not all of those with whom he left pledge forms to sign have responded. Please decide and turn the pledge form in by December 15<sup>th</sup>. if Mr. Pickard has not heard from you by that date, he will assume you are not interested in the service and you may expect the cable ot be removed from the premises you occupy.

## **NOTICE TO HOUSEHOLDERS**

We draw your attention to the terms of your lease, which make you responsible for the welfare of your living quarters in so far as you have control over it.

Cold weather can catch a house unaware if the occupants are elsewhere over holiday time. It is no fun to come home and find burst pipes have things in a mess.

If you are absent, set your automatic heat controls well above freezing. if your house temperature is manually controlled, have a friendly neighbour keep your house safe for your return.

**HAPPY CHRISTMAS**

## **OPERATION, CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF UNDERGROUND EQUIPMENT OFF-JOB TRAINING COURSE**

The informational courses which are being held Thursdays of each week have been well attended, and judging by the interest shown, the efforts of those taking part has been appreciated – as well as the doughnuts.

On Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, Mr Don Gallup and Mr. Pete McGuire, technical and sales representatives for the Gardner Denver Company, gave a talk on stoper drills as well as the big cradle mounted drifters that drill the long blast holes. Mr A Fitzer of Hard Metals of Canada gave a talk on the use of drill

steel and drill bits. Mr Frank Ashdown, of Production Supply, Ltd. talked about rock drill lubricants.

### **MINE SAFETY DEMONSTRATION**

On November 29<sup>th</sup>, a group of the members of the North Vancouver Search and Rescue attended a session on the use of mine rescue equipment by our Mine Rescue Organization under the leadership of Jom Greer.

Those who attended from North Vancouver were;

- D Brewer
- G Brewer
- A Bunbury
- R Peters
- R Coxhead
- L Korinek
- R Smart D Urdea
- B Jansen
- M Buckmaster

Those taking part in the demonstration were;

- W Anderson
- E Piehler
- G Rose
- H Millahn
- Y Esseiambre
- P Hoodikoff

### **BROWNIE – GUIDES MOTHER’S CLUB**

In conjunction with the Girl Guides sale of Christmas ornaments, the Brownies-Guides Mothers’ Club is sponsoring a tea and bake sale – same time, same place – the church basement, December 13<sup>th</sup> 2 to 5pm.

We are hoping to have a wide selection of holiday “goodies” for you to buy as well as items to ease your dessert problem during the busy weeks ahead. Mrs. Doris Hansen has promised to make one of her beautifully decorated cakes for us to raffle. See it at the Bake Sale.

Will you help us make these event successes by donating baked goods or candies? We would like any type of cookies, cakes, breads, candies, - you name it, you make it. we sell it!

Please bring it to the church basement by 1:00Pm on December 13<sup>th</sup> or call one of the following mothers to call in and pick it up during the morning.

Mrs Braiden            896-2459  
Mrs. D Clark            896-2382

Mrs. Adams                896-2289  
Mrs Fogarty             896-2282  
Mrs Greenlee            896-2305

Mrs. Andrzejczuk and Mrs. Van der Hoek will be in charge of the tea tables; Mrs. MacGregor's Brownie group will assist in serving you tea and cookies.

We are very proud of our Brownies and Guides and their leaders. Please give them a helping hand – have a cup of tea with us on the 13<sup>th</sup> and see our Christmas sale tables.

Lucy Greenlee, President  
Brownie-Guides Mothers' Club

### **GIRL GUIDES**

The Guides sale of Christmas tree and home decorations will be held December 13<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 5pm. in the church basement.

It has been two years since the Guides had a Christmas sale. At that time, they realized a very good profit enabling them to carry on independently. The Guide Company also received a handicraft certificate at that time. This certificate is only good for two years and we hope to renew it again this year.

E Wallenborn

### **CUB SCOUTS**

Ten Cubs, under the leadership of Derek Lovlin, went on a hike November 25<sup>th</sup>. They were transported to the 2200 level in cars. From there, they hiked to the old 2700 level camp where they ate lunch and then hiked home.

Mrs Dave Evans is instructing the Cubs in model airplane building.

The Cubs have a change of time for their meetings. The new time is 6:00pm to 7:30pm Mondays.

### **GUN CLUB**

Those interested in joining the Britannia Gun Club should fill out the following application form and send to either Don Gentry or Jim Ainsley at the engineering office. The next meeting will be December 21 at 6:30 in the upper clubroom.

**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP  
BRITANNIA BEACH GUN CLUB**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
AGE \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

A membership fee of \$5. is required. Please check one of the following:

\_\_\_ Fee Enclosed      \_\_\_\_\_ Payable before December 31 1967

**P.T.A.**

The general meeting of the Britannia P.T.A. was held November 23. A good turnout of the membership, which has now reached 71, enjoyed the Irish dancing of the students of the Colleen Kennedy School of Irish Dancing.

The committee, which made a study of the bursary made their report and recommendations, were adopted. A committee is being formed to make plans for awarding a \$100. bursary to a high school student at the end of the year.

A committee for the children's Christmas party was formed, and under the chairmanship of Mrs. Lovlin are now busy making plans.

It was decided to start the movies again. Information on this appears elsewhere in the paper.

**BRITANNIA COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Britannia Women's Association will meet December 14<sup>th</sup> at 8:00pm in the Church basement.

The Official Board of the Community Church will meet in the church basement on December 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm.

**P.T.A. MOVIES**

The first movie of the "Child's Own Theatre" programme will be shown on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00pm in the school gym.

The title of the movie is "Five a Dog a Bone" a musical story of what happens to a family who "couldn't care less". These films are written and produced especially for the children in the 5 to 12 year age group.

Admission will be 25cents for children and 35cents for teenagers and adults. Children under 5 will not be admitted unless accompanied by a teenager or an adult.

The same rules and regulations for maintaining discipline, which apply during school hour, will also be enforced during the movies. Anyone not co-operating will be sent home.

The second film in this series will be shown the following week December 9<sup>th</sup>. at the same time. No more films will be shown until January of the New Year.

### **COMMUNITY CLUB**

The Community Club would again like to remind you that annual New Year's Dance will be held on December 31<sup>st</sup> starting at 9:00pm. Due to the rules and regulations of the BC no liquor license will be issued to allow drinking until 12:01 a of January 1<sup>st</sup> 1968.

Come dance and eat prior to that time, then line up for the bar, which will open at 12:01am.

To give you room to dance, breath, eat and more thoroughly enjoy you, the attendance will be limited to two hundred people. Make your reservations early call Marge Adams of Doris Stern

### **VINDICATORS CAR CLUB**

With the establishment of a new garage in the building at the end of the wharf, the club has been revitalized. It is a three-car garage and is well built. A good deal of renovating has been done on the building before work can begin on cars.

The members have already put a 2-1/2 inch concrete floor and lights in the building and we are now striving to install benches and proper heating system. Soon we hope to be able to move in with out gear and equipment.

The Vindicators have almost completed their first year in service, bringing about the election of a new executive. Nominations for the executive will be taken on December 17<sup>th</sup> and the election will be held on January 7<sup>th</sup>.1968.

There will be no meetings on December 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>.

Driving Tip for Teenagers: Take off your mages, because the salt put on the roads has a corrosive effect on them.

## **BRITANNIA BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEWS**

Members of the P.T. A presented the awards for the first report card to the children on November 30th.

They were:

Division 1	Grade 7	Debbie Niermeyer Gordon MacDonald Debra Hoodikoff
	Citizen	Lynne Stenbridge
Division 11	Grade 6	Linda Niermeyer Cynthia Switalski Alan Greenlee
	Citizen	Valerie Shavela Susan Heinke Margit Lovlin Diane Essiambre
Division 111	Grade 4	Sylvia Vukoslaveceвич Victor Lindley Jane Niermeyer
	Citizen	Heather Brazeau
Division 1V	Grade 3	Janet Husted Laurie Green Wendy Andrzejczuk
	Citizen	Ian MacDonald Gordon Lovlin Kerry Affleck Jennifer Braidon
Division V	Grade 1	Tanya Blances Kenneth Knudsen Gloria Holowachuk Thorn Fairburn
	Citizen	Charles Kerr



## **PERSONALS**

**December 1967**

Welcome home to the Powell's, Eileen and John, from their annual holidays spent in Elk, Nevada, Salt Lake City, Utah and waypoints. They tell us that the weather was perfect until the journey home, when they ran into every conceivable type of weather except hurricanes!!

Willie and Perry West are kept busy trying to keep up with the schedule of their active children. They have a cheerleader, 2 gymnasts, 1 flute and 1 electric guitar player in the family – not bad for 3 children.

Em and Lloyd Pollish are settling down to their new life in Salt Lake City. The children are anxiously awaiting the arrival of the snow – especially the skiers in the family.

Doug North is recovering well from his recent major heart operation. He expects to be home sometime in the next week or so.

Al McNair is home from the hospital and doing well.

Mr and Mrs Dave Mullen became parents of a 6 lb. 7 oz. boy on the 25<sup>th</sup> of November. He has been named David James.

Mrs Saaski is here from Ontario to visit with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr and Mrs. Dave Mullen and new son.

We are pleased to report that Spencer Turley has had a successful operation on his leg. He says that as yet he is not permitted to walk on it, but is not suffering pain. He expects to return to work in January.

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs. Stan Cucek on the birth of a son, Frank bore on October 9<sup>th</sup> 1967.

We are happy to see that John Ciolek is back as host of the lower club after his 2-week stay in the Squamish hospital.

On November 14<sup>th</sup>, a son, Stan Rickey, weighing 6 lbs.  $\frac{3}{4}$  oz. was born to Mr and Mrs Stan Ward.

## **COMIING EVENTS**

December 2                      P.T.A. Movie 2:00pm School Gym

December 6                      Tour of Underground Property by Grade 9 students

of Britannia High School, Vancouver

- December 7            Operation, Care and Maintenance of Underground  
Equipement 1:00pm – 5:00pm
- December 9            P.T.A. Movie 2:00pm School Gym
- December 1            Guides Christmas tree and Home Decorations Sale  
Brownies-Guides Mothers' Club tea and Bake Sale  
2:00pm – 5:00pm in the church basement
- December 14           Operation, Care and Maintenance of Underground  
Equipement 1:00pm and again at 5:00pm
- December 14           Meeting of W A of Community Church 8:00pm  
in church basement
- December 21           Britannia Elementary School Christmas Concert
- December 21           Meeting of Gun Club 6:30pm Upper Club
- December 25           CHRISTMAS



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### CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The other night I had occasion to be out in my car after dark, and noticed the increasing number of Christmas lights and decorations and the beautiful star erected by the electricians on the old tram tower behind the mill. I was prompted to take a leisurely tour of the whole community, returning home with a feeling of warmth and goodwill, and wish to extend to you all my hope that you have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

B B Greenlee

### IN RETROSPECT

Another year is drawing to its close, so what better time to reminisce on the events and happenings of the year. Some things can be recalled with pride and joy, some with sadness and remorse, but on the whole it can be said that, individually and collectively, the Community has advanced and improved during the year.

The highlight of the year has been the celebration of Canada's 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday. Countrywide, the focus was on Expo 67, which was visited by a number of local residences. Our own Centennial Project, the publication of the history of Britannia Beach, under the title "Britannia, the Story of a Mine" by Bruce Ramsey, reached its climax with the receipt of the first copies of June 30<sup>th</sup>. The book had been two years in the making, Centennial Committee having been organized in June 1965. Other events sponsored by the Centennial Committee were the visit of H.M.C.S. St Croix, the Centennial Pageant on Miner's Day, the operation of the "Booth" to promote the sale of the book, and the visit of the Centennial Helicopter. A most successful Centennial Project was wound up with the presentation of Centennial Medal to Mr. J C S Moore, Chairman of the Centennial Committee.

The many residents of Britannia Beach who took part in and assisted in our Centennial Project are to be congratulated on a job well done.

The Copper Queen was celebrated as usual on May 20<sup>th</sup> this year with Debbie Niermeyer being crowned as Copper Queen.

The second annual Miner's Day celebrations were held on July 1<sup>st</sup>, and were bigger than ever, with a program of machine mucking, rock drilling, women's sawing and nail driving, tug-of-war and the Centennial Pageant. Pioneer Medallions were presented to six Britannia old-timers.

The Community was saddened with the passing of James Martin on February 21, Fred Tiplady on September 11, Penny Arkinstall on October 21, and of Glynn McNair on November 8.

Near tragedy struck on October 31<sup>st</sup>, when Mineral creek was diverted by a plugged culvert, and swept down through 4100 yard and the industrial townsite, causing extensive damage to two houses and contents, and flooding an apartment basement. Mud and silt were widespread on the Beach flats. Fellow workmen donated most generously to assist the victims of the flood damage.

As is common in a mining community, there were many changes in the list of residents residing here, with families moving in and others leaving. Among those moving to Britannia were the Reverend Michael Boulgers, minister of the Community Church, and family; Mr L R Cope, principal of the elementary school; Mr Hack Anderson, mine superintendent, and family.

A large number of clubs and organizations were active in Community life. Of these, the Community Club covered areas of sports, notably boy's soccer, men's and ladies softball and swimming; Miner's Day; a number of dances; the library; and other activities.

The P.T.A. continued to be very active – the only active P.T.A. in the Howe Sound area.

The Mine Safety Association had a busy year, with local competitions held on May 13<sup>th</sup> and with good representation at Nanaimo on May 27<sup>th</sup>.

The Guys and Dolls Club continued to function, using the lower club facilities on Friday and Saturday evenings.

The Vindicators Car Club was hard hit when their garage at 2200 burned down on June 25<sup>th</sup>. They are again active, using the shed on the passenger wharf as headquarters.

The Boat Club continues to operate, and a concrete launching ramp was built in the spring of the year.

New clubs organized during the year were the Horse Owners Association and the Gun Club.

The Guides and Brownies continued as an active organization. Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for the Scouts and Cubs, for, although the Cubs are still active, the Scouts have been in need of a Scout Master. Mr Albert Blanchette has recently been appointed Scout Master, and Scouts are once again active.

The "Beautify Britannia" competition was again held, with some excellent gardens being on display.

The Company promoted two courses for employees, the "Care and Handling of Explosives" in May, and the "Operation, Care and Maintenance of Underground Equipment" currently under way. One hundred eleven employees took the first course, while about 125 are attending the second course.

The Community Church, under the ministry of Reverend Boulgers, was active in many ways in the life of the Community.

The Newsletter was started in March, published monthly at first, and in June going to two issues per month. The Newsletter is offered as a community service for the mutual exchange of ideas, for publication of information of general interest, as a sounding board of public opinion, and to let residents know what has been, what is, and what will be going on in the community.

Notices, announcements, reports, bulletins, etc., will be accepted for publication from any local group, club, or organization. Letters to the Editor will be printed provided they are of general interest. All material submitted for publication must be signed; non-de plumes are not accepted, and will not be used, subject to the discretion of the Editor.

The Secretaries of all local organizations are asked to send in regular written reports of all the activities and plans of their respective groups. Such reports should show the name and the title of the reporter.

Social and Personal items will be run. Residents are asked to 'phone in such items to the personnel department.

To all readers of the Newsletter, a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

W B Montgomery

Editor & Publisher

## **NOTICE – CHRISTMAS, BOXING DAY & NEW YEAR HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

In accordance with our Collective Bargaining Agreement the holiday schedule will be as follows:

CHRISTMAS & BOXING DAY: There will be no work after the end of the day shift on Sunday December 24<sup>th</sup> and work will resume on Wednesday December 27<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am.

NEW YEAR: There will be no work after the end of the day shift on Sunday December 31<sup>st</sup> and work will resume on Tuesday January 2<sup>nd</sup> at 8:00am.

Maintenance crews required working schedules other than the above would be notified by their supervisors.

In order for an employee to qualify for holiday pay he shall work his last scheduled shift before each holiday and his first scheduled shift after each holiday.

## **HIGH TIDES**

Exceptional high tides combined with strong winds in recent weeks caused some flooding and damage along the waterfront.

Water backed up into part of the Hospital Townsite, several basements were flooded at Minaty Bay, and cribbing and fill were washed away adjacent to the passenger and loading docks.

The basements were pumped out. and about 2000 yards of rock fill, obtained from the highway contractor, were dumped at the erosion points.

## **CHRISTMAS TREE SAFETY**

The evergreen Christmas tree can be a serious fire hazard if improperly handled. The most important factor is the moisture content, a condition over which you have a surprising degree of control. There are 3 simple steps to a safe tree;

- 1) Do not purchase a dries out tree. Trees that are too dry have brittle branches and shed their needles easily.
- 2) Store tree outdoors until it is to be used. If stored indoors, re-cut butt and put the tree in water. Maintain water supply.
- 3) When tree is brought indoors, re-cut the butt diagonally. Stand the tree in water and maintain water supply for the duration.

Two important limitations to this method are:

- 1) If the moisture content has dropped to a critical point before immersion the tree will not recover, but continue to dry out. Check your tree in 24 hours, if any sign of lessened flexibility in the needles and twigs, removes the tree.
- 2) flame at its base. Highly combustible material under the tree, such as tissue wrapped gifts, presents a fire hazard from which the tree and household furnishings will not be immune.
- 3) It is a good idea to check other Christmas decorations for faulty plugs, A tree with 100% moisture content will not withstand a complete ring of cords, etc. Use decorations made of non-combustible materials and lighting equipment bearing the Canadian Standards Association label of approval.
- 4) Use of a fire-retardant chemical spray on your tree is no substitute for butt immersion and is not recommended.

## **CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

The Britannia Beach Community Club is conducting a competition for the best decorated premises in the Christmas motif. Prizes offered are:

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> Prize | Christmas Ham           |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize | Christmas Turkey        |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize | Christmas Cheer (25oz.) |

Judging will take place between Christmas and New Years. The judges are:

Frank Bruce, Chairman  
 Archie Smith  
 Barney Greenlee

Editors note; In the November 16<sup>th</sup> issue, the Newsletter carried a letter from Mr. Robert Richter. Mr. Greenlee wrote to Mr. Richter, and a copy to his reply follows:

Dear Mr. Greenlee;

Last week I received your most thoughtful letter to me of November 20<sup>th</sup> in reference to the book. "Britannia – The Story of a Mine". Last evening, the copy of this book which you sent for my Dad arrived at my home an I wish to express to you my warm appreciation fro your kindness and generosity toward me and my father. I will have to forward the book and your latter and the

Britannia Beach Newsletter to Dad; he live over on Long Island. I know that you will hear from him directly but it may be a few weeks because he is away on a trip now.

Your information was very correct: I did order and I have received 4 additional copies of the book. I thought that perhaps my exceeding interest in this book merited some explanation. In as much as you have displayed such thoughtful consideration of my Dad, I will give you some of the background.

My Dad, Emil Richter, became associated with the Schley family about 1906 when he was 18 years old and his association continued in various capacities with Howe Sound Company in particular until he retired in the late 1950's. At the time of his retirement, he was Vice-President and Treasurer and a member of the Board of Directors. He never lived at Britannia Beach his office was at 730 Fifth Avenue in New York City, but he made numerous trips to Britannia, as well as to Howe Sound's other properties at Chelan, Washington, El Potosi in Mexico, Snow Lake, Manitoba, (Gold), and Blackbird mine in Idaho.

Ever since I was a little boy, I learned to get quite excited about metals and minerals because of Dad's association in the industry. This, of course, explains my own association with Asarco. When I completed my undergraduate work at college in 1935, Dad asked me whether I would like to spend the summer of that year before going on to graduate school in the autumn, at Howe Sound's Britannia property, working on a piper line. I was delighted with this prospect and I subsequently learned that the opportunity had come to me through the auspices of Mr. W J Ougley, then President, whose picture appears on page 70 of the recently published book.

Well, I went to Britannia for the entire summer of 1935 and what a wonderful memorable summer it was!! In those days, the only way to get to the Beach was by boat from Vancouver. I lived in a bunkhouse at the Beach (10cents a da6y rent, I think), took my meals in the mess house (\$1.00 per day for three meals, as I recall) and my pay was about \$17.50 a week. Dad paid my way out and I was to save enough from my summer labours to pay my own way back East. I worked for Slim Lowther who is referred to on water over the mountain from South Valley to the top of the mill. It was a wood stave line with steel bands around it, about 3 to 4 feet in diameter, as I remember it; our job was to keep the pipe line free from brush and dead trees which might fall upon it. Also, it was continually springing leaks and we had to stop the leaks.

I can recall packing many steel rods up the rail together with wood patches and steel plates so that we s=could use them to patch leaks that developed in the line. I think that it was about 5 miles form the Beach to South Valley; when we were working out at the far end of the line, we would often spend the night at this cabin instead of returning to the Beach. Slim regarded me with a coolness for the first several weeks I was on the job; but when he decided that I was

willing and able to do my share of the work, he gradually warmed up. Underneath his gruffness Slim was quite shy and sensitive. I knew that he wrote poetry; for many years after this experience during the summer of 1935, Slim and I corresponded regularly until one day I received a letter from his wife, Winnie, telling me that he had died.

During that summer I had the great pleasure and privilege of getting to know Mr. C P Browning, his wife, Mary, and their family, Jackson, Oliver, and Emily. Even at the tender age of 22, I could see that Mr. Browning was an inspirational leader at Britannia. People liked and trusted him; but his was because he never ceased working to earn people's respect and trust. The tribute paid to Mr. C P on his retirement, described on page 112 of the book, is just what I would have expected. Incidentally, Mr and Mrs. Browning celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in June and I was in touch with him through an exchange of letters at that time. They presently reside at 16903 Acena Drive, San Diego, California 921128.

I met many fine people while I was out at Britannia. Names like Munro, Matheson, Brennan, Charlton come back to me from the recesses of memory. There was a fine little man named Oba (?) Wiser who worked in the lab and who used to make this acid (I believe) and at the bottom of each sheet, were the words "Copper – The Everlasting Metal". I remember Browning's lake, the skip up to the mine, the store, the ships, which used to come for pyrites and many other things. It was a terrific summer and I think that I made it back home with a couple of bucks in my pocket.

Upon graduation from business school, I joined Asarco in 1937. My present responsibility is that of Manager of the Tax Section. In the course of my work, I have gotten to know several of your colleagues at Anaconda, particularly Charlie Martin, former Tax Manager, now retired. We have many areas of common interest in the tax field and work together on many problems.

The reason that I ordered several copies of the book was to give two copies to a couple of other people who worked at Britannia years ago. One is J J Pearcey who was on Asarco's staff until he retired last year. Jack told me that he worked at Britannia in the early 1920's when he first got out of college (UBC). Jack had two sisters who lived at the Beach for many years. The other man for whom I ordered a copy of the book is C C Dodson, who is in the top picture on page 94 of the book, although I think that he is the first one kneeling with a cap on. Chris became affiliated with the US Internal Revenue as an Engineer around 1941 and retired about 5 years ago. I still see him occasionally and I knew that he would appreciate the book.

Once again, thank you for your kindness and thoughtfulness in writing to me and in sending Dad a complimentary copy of the book together with the copy of the Newsletter. I know that he will enjoy seeing them and he will in due course

make direct acknowledgment to you. Incidentally, I have a very good friend, John Greenlee, who is Manager of the Tax Department at Hanna Mining Company in Cleveland.

With kind regards and warm appreciation for your thoughtfulness.

Very sincerely yours

Robert Richter

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There will be a silver collection taken at the door. This money will be the contribution of the students at Britannia towards the Canadian Centennial Fund in which all schools in Canada have, as their Centennial Project, raised money to be used to provide education for underprivileged children in all parts of the world.

School will be dismissed for the Christmas vacation on December 22. The 1968 term will begin January 3.

L Cope  
Principal

### **CHRISTMAS**

Twinkling lights and snowball fights.  
And Turkey and minced pie.  
Lots of presents under the tree,  
To delight the children's eye.  
Christmas carols and tinsel stars,  
And skies that are quiet and clear,  
All these wonderful, wonderful things  
Make our Christmas cheer.

Delaine Pickard  
Div 1 Grade 6

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### **BRITANNIA COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Announcement:

December 17<sup>th</sup> 11:00am there will be a special Sunday school presentation. Parents please note no regular Sunday school again until January 7<sup>th</sup> 1968.

There will be no worship service on Sunday December 24<sup>th</sup> but instead a Christmas Day Service will be held on December 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am. This will include a time of worship and the Christmas story.

Sunday School Christmas Party, December 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the church basement.

Watch for our Junior Choir, which will be carol-singing some evenings before Christmas. The Choir is NOT soliciting funds but merely singing to brighten our lives at Christmas time.

### **A MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTER**

My wife, Lillian, joins me in extending to you at this time our sincere best wishes for a joyful and meaningful Christmas.

When I come off work in Victoria Mine in the late afternoon, the first thing I see when I step out of the man-train is a brightly lit Christmas tree about 200 feet from the Portal.

This is a sign to me that the Spirit of Christmas invades our every-day life and I feel spiritually warmed, I remember that no matter how dreary the work, how exhausting or unpleasant, our precious Saviour did not think it beneath him to appear on this earth and share with us this burden of weariness and care.

I sincerely hope that you too might look at Christmas this way, and, when you think of it this way you can realize that Christmas is no mere sentimental interlude of generosity and good-will, but rather Christmas marks a birth and this birth is of crucial importance, for it means that God cares for His children; that God acts to save His people by involving Himself in our life to change us according to His image. If we take this matter seriously, our daily existence can never again be meaningless.

May God's Blessing be upon all of you at this time of the anniversary of our Saviour's birth.

Kindest regards,  
Rev Michael and Lillian Boulger

### **BROWNIES – GUIDES MOTHERS' CLUB**

The tea and bake-sale held in conjunction with the Guides Christmas ornament sale was a great success. At this time we wish to thank everyone for helping to make it such a big success. A more detailed report will be in the next issue of the Newsletter.

Lucy Greenlee, President

### **COMMUNITY CLUB**

Sales of the Centennial book "Britannia, The Story of a Mine" are still being made through the treasurer, Mr Balash. orders trickle in from all points of the compass. The book would make a nice gift for some of the old friends. If you need a gift for someone – buy the book.

While still on the subject of books, "Twenty Letters to a Friend" by the daughter of Joseph Stalin, will soon be available at our local library. In addition to this book, an atlas, a dictionary and a book on sewing will also be purchased.

The sports program is about wrapped up for the year, with the possible exception of a group of about 15 men who are interested in hockey. Anyone interested in hockey see either Emil LeBlanc or Roy Fogarty.

The NEW YEARS DANCE will begin at 9:00pm – the music will begin at that time. The restaurant at Darrel Bay will cater the buffet. The bar will open at 12:01am. January 1 1968. The drinks will be poured from the new free flowing dispenser which had been purchased.

Tickets will be available at the main office until Friday afternoon, December 29<sup>th</sup>. Remember; NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR. Tickets will be numbered and a door prize will be awarded to the holder of the lucky ticket.

### **THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS**

Twas the night before Christmas and all through the cassa  
Not a creature was stirring. Caramba! Que Pasa!  
The stockings were hung con mucho cuidado  
In hopes that St. Nick would feel obligado  
To leave a few cosas aqui and alli  
For Chico and Chica (y something for me)  
Los ninos are snuggled all safe in their camas  
(Some in vestidos and some in pyjamas).  
Their little cabezas all-full of good things  
They are all esperando que Santa will bring.  
Santa esta at the corner saloon  
May borracho since mid afternoon;  
Mama is sitting bedside la ventana  
Shining her rolling pin para manan.  
When Santa returns to his home zigzagueando,  
Lit up like the Star Spangled Banner, cantando,  
And Mama will sent him to bed con a right  
Merry Christmas a todos, y a todos, good night.  
Contributed by E Packer

### **NOTICE – CHATTERBOX CAFE**

The Chatterbox Cafe will be closed as follows over the Christmas and New Year holidays:

December 24  
December 25  
December 26  
December 31  
January 1

## **RESULT OF HOWE SOUND ASSOCIATION FOR THE RETARTED CHILDREN GREY CUP DRAW**

R I Robson	Squamish	1 – 7
R Josephson	Squamish	1 – 17
W Richmond	Squamish	1 – 24
F Barnfield	Squamish	tie
E R LeBlanc	Britannia	draw

## **BRITANNIA VISITS BRITANNIA**

About 45 Grade 9 students from Britannia High School, Vancouver, accompanied by two teachers, toured the Britannia operations on December 6<sup>th</sup>.

Fourteen students and one teacher were taken underground, under the guidance of R Baverstock, D Lindley, J Greer, and G Rose.

The remaining students and teachers were taken on a tour of the surface operations, copper plant and mill under the guidance of A T Smith, H Clarke, E Packer, C Harvey and R Dickinson.

## **WATCH OUT FOR SCHOOL BUSES**

Sgt. V D R Wilson of the Squamish RCMP detachment, urges all motorists to be particularly careful when in the vicinity of a school bus. He points out that buses have been operating since September.

“Remember the red flashing light on a school bus signifies that students are either entering or leaving the vehicle,” he said.

He stated that all vehicles following or meeting a school bus are required to stop when the red light is flashing urged drivers to be courteous and careful.

He cited the portion of the Motor Vehicle Act, which says: “The driver of a vehicle upon a highway, upon meeting or overtaking a school bus

- that is designated as a school bus
- that is stopped on a highway, and
- upon or near which a sign or signal is displayed indicating that the school bus is receiving or discharging school children shall stop the vehicle before reaching the school bus and shall not proceed until the school bus resumes motion or until the school bus driver signals to other drivers that it is safe to proceed.”

## PERSONALS

Miss Vivian MacDonald will be home from Wilcox, Saks, for the school Christmas holidays on December 23<sup>rd</sup>. returning to school Jan 5<sup>th</sup>. Constable Guy MacDonald will be home on five days leave for the New Year holiday from Mynarski Park, Alberta RCMP Training Centre.

The second Annual Firemen's Ball was held on Friday night, November 24<sup>th</sup> and once again, those lucky enough to get tickets to the exclusive affair reported a wonderful time.

Many residents were disappointed at not being able to attend, but, because of the lack of space, it was necessary to limit the sale of tickets.

Mr and Mrs H Dodyk and the Misses Jenny and Willa Smith were weekend visitors at the home of their parents, Mr and Mrs Smith.

Dave Baxter and Miss Lila Dick spent the weekend with his parents at Minaty Bay. Taking advantage of the sunny Sunday they took a trip to Pemberton along with Harry and Mary Louise Dodyk in the hopes of bagging a deer but nary a deer was to be found, but they got lots of exercise and enjoyed the trip.

Mr and Mrs. A McNair had a busy weekend moving from the home that they have occupied for the last seven years, at the end of Minaty Bay, into the house just vacated by Mr and Mrs A Crane also at Minaty Bay. Mr and Mrs Crane moved into House 206 on the Lower Crescent.

Reverend and Mrs Michael Boulger have moved into the house recently vacated by the McNair family.

Mr and Mrs J Graney held a pre-Christmas family dinner party, with gifts, a decorated tree, turkey, and all the trimmings, on Sunday December 12<sup>th</sup> for their son Bruce who unfortunately won't be able to home for Christmas. Bruce has taken a position as junior engineer with the Westfrob Mines and leaves by plane at 5am December 11 for Tasu in the Queen Charlotte Islands.

Mr and Mrs Ronnie Havell and three daughters form Hanna, Alberta, will be the Yuletide guests of Mrs Havell's brother Mr Tom Locke and his aunt Mrs Gertrude Filgate at Minaty Bay.

Mr and Mrs Walter Hansen will enjoy a full family Christmas with a visit from their daughter, Leslie, and her husband Dave Webster and their grandchild from Merritt, BC.

Mr Bob Craig, former resident of Britannia and recently Inspector for the Department of Mines, passed away suddenly on December 12<sup>th</sup>.

Friends of Doug North will be happy to hear that he is home from the hospital after his recent heart operation.

Lavona Lovlin is coming from Saskatoon to spend the holidays with her family, Mr and Mrs R Lovlin. Brenda will be coming home from Simon Fraser University for the holidays also.

Mr and Mrs. A T Smith received the following letter which they felt might be of interest to many of you.

Dear Mary and Archie;

How are you all? We often think of you and hope to be down that way soon. I am being ordained here tomorrow, having completed the lay supply course this summer. We have been given notice that we will be leaving Texada by the end of June.

“We saw Montcrieff’s copy of “Britannia, The Story of a Mine” and would appreciate receiving a copy. Enclosed is my cheque.

Sincerely

Edward Dinsley

PS. We understand that Archie’s professional touch enhanced the many photos in the book.

#### **NOTICE – HELP WANTED**

The Women’s Association of the Community Church is interested in **HIRING** a responsible person to clean the church each week. Anyone interested apply to Mrs N Steenson President, 896-2467 or Miss Joan Ehler, 896-2221.

#### **NOTICE**

The Anaconda Metallurgical Research Department at their new headquarters in Tucson, Arizona, have requested the services of Bill Stern. We are happy for Bill that he may take advantage of this advancement and opportunity to use his abilities to a fuller extent. His work will not be primarily research, but will be a combination of research and operations, acting as a liaison metallurgical engineer between the research group and the operating groups.

Bill’s transfer will be effective January 1, 1968. His family will be moving to Tucson in January and we all wish them every success and happiness in their new home.

Ed Packer has been appointed Mill Superintendent effective January 1. His assistant will be announced when his availability has been determined.

## **MEETING CANCELLED**

The Gun Club meeting scheduled for December 21<sup>st</sup> has been cancelled due to the annual school Christmas Concert.

D Gentry

## **COMING EVENTS**

December 19 and 20 <sup>th</sup>	Scouts Christmas tree sale behind the Guest House 4:30 to 6:00pm
December 20	Children's Christmas Party Grades 5-6-7- 7:00pm School Gym
December 21	School Christmas Party 7:30pm School Gym
December 22	Children's Christmas Party Grades 1-2-3-4- 1:30pm Upper Club
December 22	Children's Christmas Party Pre-schoolers & Kindergarten 3:30 pm Upper Clubroom
December 25	Christmas
December 27	Sunday school Christmas Party 7:00pm Church basement
December 31	New Years Dance 9:00pm upper clubroom
January 3	School classes begin