

### KERRISDALE COMMUNITY COMPLEX

(Kerrisdale Pool, Kerrisdale Centre, Kerrisdale Arena)

Operated jointly by the Kerrisdale Community Centre Society and the Board of Parks & Recreation, City of Vancouver, B.C.

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# KERRISDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE ANNUAL REPORT 1987-1988

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## **Kerrisdale Community Centre**

### 1988-1989 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President - Gerald Massing

Past-President Marion Drake

Vice-President - Peter Ferris (resigned)

Vice-President - Lorraine Martin

Treasurer - Pauline Thompson

Secretary - Marjorie Ross

Solicitor - James Dent

Recording Secretary - Doris Pinkham

Ken Cantor Nicole Mackerrow

Marguerite Cornwall Sharon Martin

Bill Daniel (resigned) Rose Mikelberg

Bill Duncan Nick Omelusik

Nora Haberstroh (resigned) Ron Usher

David Howden Millie Wright



MINUTES of the 44th. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the KERRISDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE SOCIETY, held in the seniors' wing, 5851 West Boulevard, Vancouver, B. C., on Wednesday, February 24th. 1988, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

### Chairman - Gerry Massing

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order and members thanked for coming.

The chairman read the Notice of the 1987 Annual General Meeting.

Five guests were introduced: Park Commissioners Allan Bennett, Rolly Skov, George Wainborn and Christopher Richardson, and West Area Recreation Manager, Gordon Lindal.

On behalf of the commissioners of the Board of Parks and Recreation, Allan Bennett presented the Kerrisdale Community Centre with a plant and a certificate as a living legacy in commemoration of the 100th. anniversary of Stanley Park and the Board of Parks and Recreation.

Minutes: There were two sets of minutes from the Annual General Meetings of January 29th. 1986 and February 24th. 1987.

It was moved by Marion Drake and seconded by David Howden that:-

"the above minutes be adopted as circulated."

### Carried

**Reports:** The annual report for 1986-87 containing reports from the President and committees was distributed. These reports describe the activities of this complex over the past year.

This is the first year of operations for the new seniors' activity wing. The level of attendance is evidence of success. It has been a year of transition due to considerable changes in staffing. Dorothy Asuma, the former West Area Manager, retired and was replaced by Gordon Lindal; Len Cederholm, our Centre Coordinator, was moved to Britannia and was replaced by Cliff Lemire; and Sharon Alexander, the Pool Programmer, is being replaced by Eileen Wilson. We regret losing staff who have provided us with a number of years of dedicated support and service. However, we look forward to working with new people and welcome them to the Kerrisdale community.

The chairman thanked all staff, directors, and participants for the success of the past year.

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Minutes if the 44th. A.G.M. of the Kerrisdale Community Centre Society (2)

Motion: It was moved by Peter Ferris and seconded by Hugh Fuller that:-

"the reports be received as circulated."

### Carried

Short biographies of the candidates were distributed with ballots. Nine candidates' names were to be marked for two-year terms. The Board can appoint five Directors for a one-year term. Those not elected but interested in serving on the board will be considered for a one-year term. Commissioners George Wainborn and Rolly Skov were appointed as scrutineers.

Motion from the Floor:

It was moved by Hugh Fuller and seconded by Gerry Massing that:-

"a vote of thanks be given to Parks Board for the beautiful trees planted adjacent to our property."

#### Carried

Treasurer's The audited annual report of the auditors was presented to the meeting.

The balance sheet shows very steady progress throughout the year. In the statement of operations there was increased activity over the previous year, with a significant increase in both income and expenses. The special project reserve was closed. The Building Trust Fund consisted of funds developed over a period of years for the development of this building. The balance will be used for further developments.

Motion: It was moved by David Howden and seconded by Pauline Thompson that:"the financial statements for the year ended August 31st. 1987
be approved as submitted."

### Carried

Other None. Business:

Guest During the counting of the ballots Allan Bennett mentioned the Speakers: memories brought back by the Kerrisdale Community Centre logo.

Commissioner Bennett was on our board for fifteen years and worked with Marion Drake on development of this centre.

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### Minutes of the 44th. A.G.M. of the Kerrisdale Community Centre Society (3)

Guest

He is proud to be part of it and part of the relationship between Speakers: the Society and the Board of Parks and Recreation. The buildings and land are the property of the City. Staff is hired by Parks Board, but the Board of Directors and volunteers provide many hours of work and are extrememly important.

> He thanked the Board of Directors for the time put in on behalf of the Parks Board for people who use and enjoy the centre. The logo was selected from submissions in a community competition. David Howden pointed out that our logo is used in many different ways. On her retirement Dorothy Asuma was given a silver pendant with the logo on it, and others have been given silver jewellery in various forms with the same motif.

Two members of staff were introduced to the meeting: Cheryl Armstrong, Programmer, and Pam Smart, Arena Programmer.

Result of George Wainborn and Rolly Skov returned with the result of the Elections: elections, and the names of the nine candidates elected for two-year terms were read out by the chairman.

They were:

Kenneth Cantor Marguerite Cornwall

James Dent David Howden Sharon Martin Gerald Massing Marjorie Ross Pauline Thompson Millie Wright

Rolly Skov spoke of the fact that members and volunteers of community centres are positive support and provide the basic structure in community recreation. He thanked the previous board of our Society for its efforts, and felt that with the same support the new board will function just as well.

George Wainborn thanked us for inviting the Commissioners, and thanked the volunteers who make everything work so well.

It was moved by Peter Ferris and seconded by Kenneth Cantor Destruction of Ballots: that:-

> "the ballots be destroyed." Carried

### Minutes of the 44th. A.G.M. of the Kerrisdale Community Centre Society (4)

 $\textbf{SWEARING IN:} \quad \textbf{The successful candidates were asked to come to the front}$ 

where they were sworn in by Commissioner Allan Bennett.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no other business, it was moved by Jim Dent

that:-

"the meeting adjourn." Carried.

Adjournment took place at 8:40 p.m.

Recorded by Doris Pinkham

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### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT: 1988

It has again been a pleasure to work with the membership, staff, volunteers and directors of this Society to complete another year of successful programming. On reflecting back over the past year's operations I have enjoyed taking a step back from the immediate concerns and problems that always need to be addressed, and note the high level of participation and general progress of development in the centre's many activities. In conjunction with the Board of Parks and Recreation, and with the support of the community, we have developed one of the largest, most successful and highly innovative community recreation facilities in this country.

In many ways the past year has been one of consolidation. The Board has had to adjust to the growth in demand for existing resources, acquire familiarity with the demand for, and best use of, the Seniors' Activity Wing, and appreciate the nuances of changes in staffing and in the demands made upon staffing. Over the next year we hope to look ahead from that base to the long term development of these facilities.

The new Board will be challenged by the continued growing demands for community recreation, by the need for appropriate consideration in the next capital plan of the Parks Board, and by the need to ensure that we continue to serve the needs of a community whose demography and interests are changing.

ALL OF WHICH IS RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Gerald W. Massing

# COMMUNITY CENTRE STATISTICAL SUMMARY September 1, 1987 - August 31, 1988

### MEMBERSHIPS:

Age Group	Current Year	Past Year
0 - 5	1,030	879
6 - 12	1,451	1,420
13 - 18	536	529
19 - 64	3,430	3,085
- 65+	1,891	1,439
TEAMIN MEMBERCHING	TOTALS 8,338	7,352
*FAMILY MEMBERSHIPS *(included in above	figures) 1,332	1,159
SPORTS & FITNESS	<b>88</b> , 434	90,032
ARTS	29,706	25,513
GROUP ACTIVITIES	31,304	28,223
MEETINGS	3,170	3,378
SPECIAL EVENTS	18,392	11,003
CASUAL	5,638	5,416
RENTALS	16,761	21,744
RECREATION/EDUCATION	6,204	6, 980
FUND RAISING	1,084	-
COURTS	3,247	3,349
	203,940	<u>195.638</u>

### COMMUNITY RECREATION CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

The "A.G.M." is an opportunity for all of us to reflect on the many accomplishments of the past year and to review and set new goals and objectives for the coming year. The "A.G.M." also provides the impetus for the Board's Nominations Committee to focus on recruiting new members to the Board of Directors. Opening the avenues to community participation is invaluable for the revitalization of the Board and for the continuing development of the Recreation and Leisure Services offered through the Kerrisdale Community Centre.

The accomplishments, improvements and successes have been many and perhaps are best reflected in the community's response to the leisure activities offered through the Kerrisdale Community Centre Society. In the past year, over 205,000 participant appearances have taken place in the programs. Administratively, we have stepped into the "computer age". As a staff group we are now experiencing the rewards and frustrations of trying to master the technology that should enable us to do our jobs more efficiently. Along with the computers other equipment purchases range from tables and chairs, ping-pong and pool table to fitness mats and a gym sound system. Physical improvements to the facility include the replacement of carpet in the Auditorium Lounge and circulation fans in the Seniors Multi-purpose room. The Park Board has repainted the pool deck and inside area and is now in the process of installing a computerized energy management system.

This year will mark the 40th Anniversary of the construction of the Kerrisdale Cyclone Taylor Arena. This facility continues to be a training centre for many young hockey players and figure skaters, as well as a leisure exercise area for adults. The Rink Advisory Committee chaired by Rusty Primeau is working hard to communicate the deficiencies inherent in an ageing structure. Re-roofing and other repairs must be attended to if the facility is to continue to serve the needs of the area.

In the Community Centre, if the level and quality of service are to be maintained, the challenges for the coming year will include:

1) further developing the level of participation on the Board of Directors, 2) renovating the facility based on a community needs assessment and 3) developing standards as to the level of the leadership, administration and support staff required to function effectively. While much has been accomplished in attaining the Senior's facilities there is still more to be done. The anticipated renovations to the Pool and upgrading of the vacated premises of the The anticipated former "Health Unit" have tremendous potential. Future improvements and growth, like past development, are dependent on the Board Members whose considerable talents and extra-ordinary qualities of generosity of time, experience and creativity have produced a unique asset for the Kerrisdale community. It is the Board members keen interest in the community and the relationship with staff that have made the recreational facilities and services a success. The strength and advocating effectiveness that Association volunteers bring in community needs cannot sufficiently be acknowledged.

Many staff changes occurred over the year. Eileen Wilson, has taken over as Pool Programmer. Bruce Macpherson after more than 10 years of part time service has been hired as the second full time pool SIA.

### COMMUNITY RECREATION CO-ORDINATORS REPORT - CONTINUED

In the Seniors Wing Grace Pirie was assisted by Mary Plant who was hired through the New Horizons grant to work as a facilitator. Also hired in the Seniors area was Isabel Hendry as cook; Oliver Kearnes as general utility person and Francis Bendal and Shirley Okane as the evening and weekend receptionists. Pam (Scott) Andrews, Rink Programmer has transferred to Champlain C.C. and is temporarily being replaced by Dawn Redahl; Darlene Hundal, Pool SIA left at the end of December to take on a job as a Safety Trainer. One of our biggest losses was the death of Lois Marion, a long serving program instructor who is missed by all of us and especially by the young carpenters and adult painters she inspired.

In closing, I would like to thank Gerry Massing the Board Chairman, the Board Members, and the many volunteers for their initiative and dedication. I would like to also thank Len Cederholm the former CRC for his "legacy" and his consultation over the year. The success and atmosphere that exist at Kerrisdale can readily be attributed to Cheryl Armstrong the Centre Programmer, Patti Beaudry our new Programme Aid, to Shirley Beechinor, Kay Miles, Betty Viveash, Nola Frost and Rosina McKay our office staff and Onno Bakhoven the Society bookkeeper, to our accomplished part time instructors and to our maintenance staff who keep the facility so spotless. Thank you all for making this initial year for me at Kerrisdale an enjoyable and a rewarding experience.

Respectfully submitted Cliff Lemire, C.R.C.

## CENTRE RECREATION PROGRAMMER'S ANNUAL REPORT Sept. 1,1987-Aug. 31,1988.

Another busy year has gone by and as I look back, several significant events and programs come to mind. Although our annual participation statistics increased only slightly (approx. 4%), the centre must be proud to have one of the highest participation rates in the city. We also have a very large membership. With approx. 8,338 members this year, we showed an increase of 12% over last. The attached statistical report provides a detailed breakdown on our statistics.

Throughout the year, the staff and board members have all been so co-operative with our computerization. A special thank-you goes out to the Board for purchasing our computer system and supporting the change over. We have all had to spend a great deal of time learning how to operate them and restructure our system. In the long run, it is inevitable that the centre's administration will be much more efficient.

Kerrisdale Community Centre jumped on the Bandwagon this year. We have been able to bring in some top entertainers for our family members. The response to the series has been very positive and therefore, we have continued the series for a second year.

One of the year's biggest success stories is that of KIX. Kix is our new teen club which meets on Friday evening. For so long, teens were not encouraged to come to the centre at all. Now we have a very popular teen club where they are welcome to drop-in and take part in many of the activities we have available to them. On an average Friday evening, you can find up to 40 teens in either the gym, video room, games room or participating in a special activity or outing.

I would like to thank Cliff Lemire (Co-ordinator) and the Board for their work and support in securing a part time programmer assistant. Patti Beaudry was hired late in Aug.88. She has been a tremendous help to me and has contributed a great deal to the introduction of computerization to our system, training of staff on computers, the Kix Club and all our large special events.

It was very exciting being involved with the planning and organizing of the Vancouver Park Board's 100th Birthday. Stanley Park was full of performers and residents who all helped in celebrating both the park and the Park Board's 100th birthday.

Although its easy to remember these big events, I also think of all the support and assistance I get from the dedicated staff, board member and volunteers on a day to day basis. I feel fortunate to be apart of such a great team. It is for this reason that Kerrisdale Community Centre is such a nice place to work. Thank you all!

Sincerely, Cheryl Armstrong

### KERRISDALE POOL PROGRAMMER'S REPORT FOR 1989

I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks for the support given by the Kerrisdale Community Centre Society and the Pool Committee during the past year as Kerrisdale pool was for some months not fully staffed.

We have had an additional Swimming Instructor Attendant added to the staff, Bruce McPherson, bringing the total to two S.I.A.'s. The pool lost Darlene Hundal, our other S.I.A., in December and that position will be filled in the coming year.

The year 1988 had an additional closure in June when new filters were installed and the pool deck had an anti-slip surface applied. The maintenance staff continues to keep the chemistry of the pool balanced and the facility is enhanced by clear sparkling water. There is still a problem with the heat and ventilation in the changing rooms and hopefully this will be corrected soon.

The lesson programme, seniors' swim and waterfit classes continued to grow this year. Although our patronage was slightly down due to closures, we were able to exceed our projected revenue. The Vikings Summer Swim Club continues to grow each summer and the Water Polo component continues to practice each fall at Kerrisale Pool. It is rewarding to see so many young people represent Kerrisdale community around the province when competing in Swim Meets and Water Polo games.

A Hallowe'en party on deck was well attended by little ghosts and goblins who played games and had a good time. The Seniors' Swim luncheon was well attended in the seniors' wing before Christmas and presented Darlene Hundal with a farewell gift. Staff were thanked for their continued support in making the program enjoyable and offering beneficial exercise programmes.

The pool committee has requested funds for an expansion in the form of a whirlpool, sauna and exercise room in the 1989 Park Board budget. The air support structure over the pool is showing signs of wear and tear over the years. It is discoloured and shows some some tears in the fabric. A new permanent roof would seem to be required in the near future. The community like the outdoor facility concept in the summer, particularly as the past few summers have been warm and attendance was good during July and August.

I am looking forward to an interesting and rewarding year in 1989 at Kerrisdale Pool.

Respectfully submitted, Eileen Wilson
Pool Programmer



### ARENA PROGRAMMER'S REPORT

Many changes have occurred throughout the year. Pam Andrews, the Arena Programmer, had transferred to Champlain Heights Community Centre on January 10, 1989. She will be missed but we wish her the best in her new position.

Improvements have been made in some areas o f the arena. The seats at the west end of the rink have had plastic put over them. The skater's lounge lobby and lower men's and women's washrooms been painted. During the summer, the Operation Division removed the kickboards and caulked the 'gap' to prevent loss of ice around the edges. However, this did not work and this summer the problem will be rectified. A new compressor was put into operation in September.

Some popular special events this year were: New Year's Skate which was attended by Percy Penguin and 227 participants; the Spring Break Skate with 145 children and Percy the Penguin; Back to School Skate on September 26; Halloween Skate was very successful because of the mini-carnival booths, apple-bobbing and games; Graffiti Skate was attended by 128 adults who enjoyed the gum blowing contest, games and 50's music; Hospitality Skate had free hot chocolate and cookies for the 51 participants; With Santa had an area blocked off for kids to build snowmen and to paint on the ice and murals.

The arena hosted the Vancouver Adult Hockey Association Playoffs from April 1 to 13. The Vancouver Ole Blues Spring Tournament was April 8 to 10.

The main dry floor rental groups are the Vancouver Burrards and Western Ball League. The Burrard's had showcases placed in the arena where ther display their memorabilia during their season. Other summer events held in the arena were: SPCA organized a Pet Show with an attendance and used washroom facilities: the Kerrisdale Flea Market was very successful with all 129 tables booked and the event was attended by approximately 1500 people.

I would like to thank the arena and maintenance staff and the Arena Advisory Committee for making 1988 a success. Without the dedication and support of all these people, the arena would not be what it is today - a facility programmed to meet the needs of the community, whether it is for leisure, social, fitness or competitive reasons.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Redahl

Acting Arena Programmer

### PROGRAMME COMMITTEE REPORT

The Programme Committee traditionally meets on the second Wednesday of the month to oversee all aspects of the community centre's programming. The committee's major areas of concern are the community centre programmes, including their initiation, development and evaluation; fee structures; registration procedures and the promotion of programmes through the Westside Recreation brochure and other means; overall utilization of community centre facilities. Committee members lend frequent volunteer assistance in such areas as registration, processing of evaluation forms, and organization of "Special Events", (Canada Fitness Week, Easter and Hallowe'en parties, Dessert With Santa and the Flea Market.) In addition, the committee responds to queries and suggestions and concerns brought forward by members of the community.

Membership in the Programme Committee in 1988 has included Cheryl Armstrong, (staff rep.), Grace Pirie (seniors' staff rep.), Rose Mikelberg (Chair), Karen Chadwick, Lisa Donovan, Bill Duncan, Lorraine Martin, Shelley Mintz, Teddy Madden and Valerie Witchelo.

Some items of special note in 1988 include:-

- the continuing popularity and development of community centre programmes overall, and the expansion of programming for seniors in particular.
- expansion and improvement of the Kerrisdale Community Centre brochure to accommodate our diverse programme offerings.
- a successful summer day camp programme.
- the institution of a popular, well-attended teen programme (KIX).
- the continuing popularity of our fitness classes.

Respectfully sumbitted, Rose Mikelberg

### ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1988

### SENIORS' OPERATIONAL COMMITTEE

1988, the second year of the operation of the Seniors' Wing began with the receipt of the first installment of the New Horizons' grant for our "Facilitator-Developer". Mary Plant was hired in May of 1988 to work with this committee and its various subcommittees, with members of the Board and staff to improve communication and inter-personal relations, to develop skills so seniors can take a more active part as decision makers within the seniors' centre and as a resource to the centre. has since become well acquainted with the needs and problems in developing the potential of our membership. She has assisted us in providing the Society with job descriptions for a Utility person and an Evening Security person as well as providing assistance in recommending a re-evaluation of the job description for the Srs. Coordinator (programme worker) of the centre. has held workshops to develop goals, skills, committees, volunteer office and kitchen assistants. Currently she focussing on coordinating volunteers and developing methods of identifying potential leaders, using members' skills to do things for ourselves and to recruit more volunteers. Our various subcommittees are looking for additional members and those involved are becoming more active in the process. Several new committees have developed. Her final report will be submitted in May 1989.

Many specific problems concerning rentals, programming, complaints about equipment etc. have been ironed out to everyone's satisfaction.

The Finance sub-committee formulated a budget for the centre which was accepted by the Society Board and included in its overall budget. It has also received approval of many οf expenditures, recommendations concerning the handling insurance coverage for volunteer drivers taking other members to dancing, entertainment and other seniors' functions. Other items approved were equipment for the dining room, fans for the multi-purpose room, exercise mats, new carpets for the bowlers, patio furniture etc. Funds have been raised to carry out these projects by various seniors' groups - crafts, boutique, dancers, choir and individual donations from members, and from a vastly increased membership. The Kiwanis Club donated part of the cost of a new regulation sized pool table.

Our Outreach Committee is attempting to address the problem of the lonely and depressed, the withdrawn seniors who live in apartments and do not go out to socialize but depend entirely upon their managers to meet their social needs. We are also concerned about those who have limited and fixed incomes and are faced with high rents which force them to move away from the area.

### SENIORS' COORDINATOR - 1988 REPORT

This past year has again seen a steady upward trend regarding participation.

The Fall statistics show our membership at 1,723 (65+) and participation at 20,914.

New programs and the introduction of cultural evenings proved to the Program Committee that this type of social activity is in great demand. The average attendance at these functions is 150.

The popularity of our dining room is evident and it also provides a chance to meet new friends whilst enjoying a great meal.

Thanks must go to our many volunteers who donated 7,598 hours to the centre during the fall session. Fund-raising is an ongoing project of the "Busy Bees" and the ladies who run the Saturday morning boutique.

One of the many duties of the volunteers is to conduct tours of the centre, and most visiting groups combine the tours with lunch. Weekly visits from residents of the Youville Nursing Home give them something to look forward to and the chance to mingle and talk with others in a different environment.

The future goals will be to enhance our programming to encourage new members to volunteer and be part of this very exciting seniors' wing.

I would like to thank the Board of Directors, Seniors' Operational Committee, all committee members and staff for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Grace Pirie

newsletter "The Monarch", and has done a good PR job. It is a very valuable tool for publicizing the day to day activities of our seniors. One of its members has become an expert publicity person for the centre.

The Operations Committee as a whole has assisted the Society in developing a position on parking problems, a highway crossing on West Boulevard, use of staff for bus trips, security measures etc. We have not totally resolved the question of the coordinator accompanying seniors on bus trips.

We are a very busy centre of retired citizens and we say thanks to all who have made the centre what it is today. Evidence of the participants' enjoyment came at the "Mid-Winter Antics" held in February 1989 when we entertained, discussed our feelings and made suggestions in groups led by various volunteers. We then had tea and cakes and over 200 people jammed the centre and enjoyed themselves. It was obvious we needed more rooms and more volunteers.

Respectfully submitted,
Mildred M. Wright(Millie)
Chair/Seniors' Operational Committee

### CENTENNIAL PARK COMMITTEE REPORT 1988

1988 saw the beginning of a four year programme to update the landscaping surrounding the Kerrisdale Community Centre. The major changes included moving and relocating the children's play equipment. Finishing details will be completed in the Spring of 1989.

The entrance to the Seniors'Wing was landscaped anew, and improved posting of the various entrances is being provided. We appreciate the continuing interest of the Park Board staff in these endeavours.

Respectfuly submitted,
Marjorie Ross
Liaison/Centennial Park Committee

### KERRISDALE COMMERCIAL ASSOCIATION

By attending a number of the Kerrisdale Commercial Association's meetings we have maintained a working relationship with many of our neighbours. Concerns of mutual interest such as parking and traffic flow were reviewed.

Respectfully submitted,
Marjorie Ross
Liaison/Kerrisdale Commercial Association

