

KERRISDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE SOCIETY

(Kerrisdale Centre, Kerrisdale Pool, Kerrisdale Arena)

ANNUAL REPORT 1994-1995



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BOARD COMMITTEES 1994/95

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE Chair: Gerard Kelly
David Harvey Bill Watson

FINANCE COMMITTEE Chair: David Harvey
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David Howden Bill Watson
David Muller

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Trish Gabriel Michael Koseruba Bill Watson

RENTALS COMMITTEE Chair: Bill Harris
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June Butler Yvette Hardwick Helen Underhill
Marion Drake Nina Lorimer Vi Smyth
Lillian Gordon-Bell Miryam Norton

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Gordon Englehart Shaun Tanassee
Carole Forsythe Catherine Quet

NOMINATIONS: Lorna-Gail Peterson

ARENA LIAISON: Marion Drake, Ed Stephenson, Catherine Quet
Advisory Committee: Daisy Chin, Stew Jordan, Jeff Lerner, Gordon Lindal, Ray Noble, Michelle Von Beckmann

BRIDGE LIAISON: Marion Drake

KERRISDALE SOCCER ASSN: President, Neil Howard

KERRISDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE STAFF

1994/95

Community Recreation Coordinator	Stew Jordan
Centre Programmer	Susie Barreiro
Centre Programmer	Brian Swartz
Pool Programmer	Eileen Wilson
Retired Citizens Programmer	Grace Pirie
Arena Programmer	Bruce McWilliam
	Daisy Chin
Recreation Facility Clerk	Manjit Dhaliwal
	Lee Tarrant
Office Staff	Frances Bendall, Fleur Bennett, Diana Bracken, Nola Frost, Marnie Jarvis, Laura Jenkins, Shirley O'Kane, Colleen Proudfoot, Georgia Rumball, Karen Stephenson, Betty Viveash
Pool Cashier	Vera Gilbert
Swim Instructor Attendants	Karen Hillman, Bruce McPherson
Accountant	Onno Bakhoven
Board Secretary	Sheila Forster
Building Supervisor	Ritchie Chow, Chris Gielty, David Gillis, Steve Gillis, Neil Keating, Rob Zimmerman, Noel Carino, Surinder Ludu.
Building Service Worker	George Dercaloustian, Tim Goard Clayton Myketiak

MINUTES OF THE 51st ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE KERRISDALE
COMMUNITY CENTRE SOCIETY HELD IN THE SENIORS' CENTRE, SOUTH
ROOM, 5851 WEST BOULEVARD, VANCOUVER, B.C. ON WEDNESDAY 22nd.
FEBRUARY 1995 AT 7:30 P.M.

Chair: Kathleen Bigsby, President.

A quorum being present the meeting was called to order.

The Secretary read the Notice of the 51st Annual General Meeting which was called for the purpose of receiving reports and financial statements and conducting any other business that might be brought to the meeting.

MINUTES: MOVED by Gerard Kelly, seconded Marion Drake that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of February 23rd 1994 be accepted as circulated. CARRIED.

REPORTS: The Annual Report for 1993-1994 containing reports from the President and committees was distributed.

The 1993 Board members present were introduced and the President thanked all members of the Board for all their efforts in the past year.

MOVED by Sandie McKeachie, seconded Bill Harris that the Annual Report for 1993-1994 be accepted as circulated. CARRIED.

FINANCIAL: David Harvey reported.

Copies of the Auditor's Report and Financial Statements as at August 31, 1994 were circulated.

MOVED by Delia Grant, seconded Ronni Gregor that the Auditor's Report and Financial Statements be accepted as circulated. CARRIED.

MOVED by David Harvey, seconded Lorna-Gail Peterson that the firm of Lilly, Johannesson, McWilliams be appointed as Auditors for the year ending as at August 31st. 1995.

BY-LAW CHANGES: Proposed changes to the By-Laws were circulated. These had been posted 14 days prior to the meeting.

1. **BE IT RESOLVED AS A SPECIAL RESOLUTION** that the By-Laws of the Society be amended by replacing reference

to "the Provisions of the "Societies Act", being Chapter 362 of the Revised Statutes of British Columbia 1960" with a reference to "the provisions of the Society Act, being Chapter 390 of the Revised Statutes of British Columbia 1979" and to replace all other references throughout the By-Laws to the "Societies Act" with "Society Act". APPROVED.

2. BE IT RESOLVED AS A SPECIAL RESOLUTION that By-Law #9 be deleted and replaced with the following:

9. The fiscal year of the Society shall commence on the 1st day of September in each year and shall terminate on the 31st day of August in the following year. APPROVED.

3. BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law #12 be deleted and replaced with the following:

The Annual General Meeting of the Society shall be held at such time and place during the month of February as may be determined by the Directors. APPROVED.

4. BE IT RESOLVED that By-Law #21 be amended by adding to the end the following proviso:

provided that no person who is an employee, or a member of the immediate family of an employee, of the Society or of the Board of Parks and Recreation of the City of Vancouver shall serve as a Director of the Society. NOT APPROVED.

5. BE IT RESOLVED that the By-Laws of the Society be amended by replacing:

a) the reference in By-Law 53 (dealing with notices of general meetings) to "five (5) clear days", and

b) the reference in By-Laws 55 (dealing with general meetings to amend the By-Laws) and 56 (dealing with meetings to consider extraordinary resolutions) to "five (5) days",

with references to "fourteen (14) days". APPROVED.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Lorna-Gail Peterson reported.

This Committee is constituted annually to develop a list of candidates prepared to stand for office. A short profile of each nominee was distributed with ballots.

Scrutineers: Trish Gabriel, Sandi McKeachie.

During the counting of the ballots Art Williams and Allan Graham

once again entertained the meeting with a musical selection.

ELECTION RESULTS:

The names of the successful candidates were announced by the President.

2 year term: Cathy Buckham, Lindsay Chang, Dean Crawford, Gordon Englehart, Carole Forsythe, Yvette Hardwick, Gerard Kelly, Lorna-Gail Peterson, Bill Watson.

1 year term: Faith Bloomfield, Pamela Oram,, Willie Poon.

The President thanked all who stood for election and assured those not elected to the Board that they were needed and would be contacted to sit on a committee. Thanks to Lorna-Gail Peterson for chairing the Nominating Committee.

Commissioner Duncan Wilson, who is now our liaison from the Board of Parks and Recreation, was introduced and swore in the new Board members.

MOVED by Margaret Hurst, seconded Trish Gabriel that the ballots be destroyed.
CARRIED.

MOVED by Gordon Englehart that the meeting adjourn. CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Recorded by Sheila Forster
24 February 1995.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT
1994/95

1994-1995 has been another busy year at the Kerrisdale Community Centre. We had 275,000 patron visits -- the highest number of any community centre in the City -- and a tribute to the quality of our programs and special events. The Exercise Room built by the Society last year continues to be well used, almost beyond capacity.

You will have seen the improvements made to the Pool: the bright new roof, easier access, increased lighting and pleasanter change areas, and experienced the benefits of the new ventilation equipment. The Board is grateful for Bob Trydal's (Park Board Facilities Branch) diligent efforts on Kerrisdale's behalf to get the project completed on schedule.

Your Renovations Committee continued its work to define the Centre's space needs for the coming decade. With the assistance of architects Russell Chernoff and Jane Cameron, we now have a building renovation plan which was refined after meetings with different user groups and a public meeting with the community. We feel confident that everyone's ideas and concerns were addressed as well as could be given the limitations that exist.

Now that we have a plan -- one which can be implemented in four phases - the challenge is to assemble the necessary funding, approximately 2.2 million dollars. It is clear that the Park Board will not be able to provide money for the whole project. If Kerrisdale Community Centre is to receive the renovations it badly needs to meet the community's needs, the bulk of the money will have to come from the community. The Board has commissioned Compton International Fundraising Ltd. to advise it on the best approach for raising the necessary money.

While new projects are always the interesting ones to talk about, the regular operations of Centre are essential to its continued success. Programs are developed, advertised and run, lessons are taught, space is rented, questions are answered, furniture and equipment are refurbished or replaced, lunches are served, instructors and staff are hired, computers installed and bills are paid. The Community Centre owes much to the Board Committees, ably supported by excellent staff and dedicated volunteers, which keep all these things happening efficiently. Their reports follow with the details.

We welcomed three new full-time staff members to Kerrisdale this year: Daisy Chin as Arena Programmer, Lee Tarrant as Recreation Facility Clerk (Office Manager), and Victor Griffiths, Stationary Equipment Operator at the Arena. We hope that they and all the staff are happy at Kerrisdale Community Centre. Our Centre Coordinator, Stew Jordan, has worked hard to assemble a first-rate team. The Centre and the community benefits greatly from their skills and commitment.

Many thanks are due to members of the Board of Directors for the past year, especially the Executive and the Committee Chairs, whose dedication to the Centre is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted
Kathleen Bigsby

PROGRAMME COMMITTEE REPORT
1994/95

The Programme Committee meets monthly, with the exception of August and December. It is made up of 12 volunteers and two staff programmers. The attendance and commitment of this group has been exemplary. Three Board members on this Committee act as liaison with the Board.

Sincere appreciation and thanks is extended to all committee members for their dedication and input.

A detailed report of activities and involvement is included in the Centre Programmers' report. The K.C.C. continues to serve the community with considerable success at all levels. This can be seen in the statistics which place programme participation and attendance ahead of all other community centres.

Respectfully submitted
Katy Hughes
Chair, Programme Committee

SENIORS' COUNCIL REPORT
1994/95

The Council embarked on an interesting experiment this year - being elected rather than appointed. A full slate was elected following the good work of the nominating committee. Significantly there were two men and eight women. (A matter of surprise was the establishment of one of the men as chairman.)

The Council held its regular monthly meetings and there was a good participation by all. Norman Biel became our able secretary and produced our record.

The usual activities were carried on as in years past. On registration we tried a new innovative approach by providing for registration by phone and at the desk - this avoided lineups and the "rush".

The kitchen continued to supply great nutritious food at reasonable cost. The advent of Isobel's giant cookies was a popular event.

We filled the year with programmes and special events - which are already a matter of record - and fulfilled the mandate to provide services and culture and entertainment for our members and guests.

It is ever more evident how dependent we are on the contributions of our volunteers. Some of them had problems related to health, but they continued to assist as they could. We lost a few and remember them with affection.

Our membership numbers are hard to pin down, but with our new computer (capable of Internet) we will establish the numbers with greater certainty. We anticipate that we will spend more time on membership and keep better records.

We continued to benefit from donations from the community and these will be put to good use.

It is important to repeat what we have said so many times in the past and that is the need for members to participate in the administration of our Seniors' Centre. Please consider volunteering to serve on the Council and committees.

A tribute is due to the members of the current Council who devoted considerable time to making the centre work. The need for them is so obvious.

With best wishes for a new year.

Cordially
George J. Campbell
Chair, Seniors' Council.

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE
1994/95

The Building and Maintenance Committee members were Bill Watson, David Harvey, Stew Jordan (staff) and Gerard Kelly. Unfortunately we lost Marion Drake who concentrated on the Arena committee.

Some of our achievements this year have been: getting our NNR request for insulation in the Arena past the second step in the process for approval (not an easy feat); the installation of a spot light at the east entrance, various cabinet repairs, installation of notice boards, installation of venetian blinds in the front office and programmers' offices, installation of shelving in various storage rooms and obtaining quotation for work that was not done, as well as work planned in the new year.

Special thanks to David Harvey for overseeing the never-ending problem of furniture maintenance.

We look forward to continuing our work in 1996.

Respectfully submitted
Gerard Kelly
Chair, Building & Maintenance Committee.

**RENTALS COMMITTEE REPORT
1994/95**

The Rentals Committee met formally once in the last year to formulate and approve a return to a former pricing method. Community Centre staff involvement ensured this was a preferred method of doing business and allows an easier control of costs.

Several mini meeting were held with Mr.S. Jordan, Ms. E. Wilson, Ms. G. Pirie and Ms. D. Bracken to discuss different rental contracts that were being looked at. The committee wishes to thank the centre staff for this input and help.

Respectfully submitted
Bill Harris
Chair, Rentals Committee.

**PROMOTIONS & COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT
1994/95**

1995 was a technologically challenging year for members of the Promotions and Communications Committee. The committee succumbed to advances in computer technology and produced their first-ever, desk-topped newsletter (fall 1995).

Having reached that milestone, the committee went on to produce the Winter 95-96 newsletter; a seasonal tribute to life in and around the Kerrisdale Community Centre.

Committee members look forward to continuing their role as information providers to members of the Kerrisdale Community Centre and the community at large.

Individuals interested in assisting the committee in their role should contact the committee chairperson.

Respectfully submitted
Catherine Buckham
Chair, Promotions & Communications Committee

RENOVATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT
1994/95

"The Renovations Committee is an ad hoc committee of the Board of Directors of the Kerrisdale Community Centre appointed to plan and oversee renovations projects planned for 1994-95." -
(from Terms of Reference)

Our partnership with the Park Board and with the community in the development of a renovation plan for the Kerrisdale Community Centre which will see us into the new century, continued through 1995.

The architectural firm of Chernoff, Thompson was engaged by the board to do a study of the Kerrisdale Community Centre. This included a thorough structural analysis. Then, through a consultative process which culminated in a public meeting, the needs, wishes and realities of the facility and members were synthesized into a three phase plan. The next part of this planning processes will be to assess the will of the membership to implement it. Fund Raising options are being considered.

The transformation of the Racquetball Court into an exercise room proved to be an extremely popular move. Attendance figures have been high and all equipment put to rigorous use. Enlargement of exercise facilities has been included in plans for the future of the centre as well as a refurbished martial arts area.

Renovation plans also include a face lift for the reception area. Kerrisdale is a high volume recreation centre and a more user-friendly reception area is a must to handle members and guests more efficiently and to provide them with a welcoming place to take their ease. Another top priority is to move and up-grade the Pre-school and to carve out a dedicated space for a Youth Program in the centre.

Renovations to the Pool finished in the new year with a Grand Re-opening on January 24th. The frame supported fabric roof will be a year-round roof and will not be coming off in the summer months. An improved outdoor viewing area and refurbished change rooms add to the pool's new look.

As in previous years we think about the future of this vital community asset, the Kerrisdale Community Centre and are hopeful that by careful and consultative planning along with the support of the Park Board and our membership, that we will be ready to meet the needs of our community.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the
Renovations Committee
Lorna-Gail Peterson

**KERRISDALE SOCCER CLUB
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1994/95 was another successful year for Kerrisdale Soccer. Over 900 boys and girls participated in over 60 teams. This would not have been possible without the dedication of hundreds who participated as board members, coordinators, coaches, managers and supporters of Kerrisdale Soccer.

As always, it was a busy year for the Board and a number of significant events took place:

- Thanks to Carole Wiens, Awards Nights '94 was a great success with the Community Centre assembly room packed with winners.
- Bill Gardiner and Davis Rollins, our Uniform Coordinators, introduced new contemporary colours and a new logo. These are being phased in and the response to date has been excellent.
- Thanks to Jim Dowler and Mike Hunter's efforts lights were finally installed in late Spring '94 at the Kerrisdale School north field. This provided welcome relief for scheduling practice times throughout the past season.
- The budget situation continued to improve throughout the year thanks to a healthy registration and the club will end this fiscal with a surplus.
- A new and expanded Kerrisdale Club guide was introduced at Fall '94 registration and provided to all coaches, parents and other team members. It offers a number of suggestions for conduct and behaviour for coaches, referees and parents.
- In October, a new policy of field lining was instituted. Ian McMeiken became the lining shed coordinator and also took on the responsibility for lining all fields for divisional play for a negotiated fee. This policy was closely monitored by Carol Wiens and improved lining procedures were put in place early in the new year.
- In December the Board passed a motion that requires silver and gold players in divisional to attend try-outs at their own age level. The intent is to make Kerrisdale gold and silver teams more competitive and ensuring the coaches are aware of all eligible players.
- In the new year the Board agreed to put aside funds for player development following a presentation by Eric Harris and Graham Leslie.
- Yet another successful Kerrisdale Dinner Dance was held in

February, this time at the Vancouver Lawn Tennis and Badminton Club. About 150 enthusiastic guests attended.

These are but a few of the highlights of a busy year at Kerrisdale Soccer. I am confident the momentum of 1994/1995 will continue throughout 1995/1996 as we approach yet another registration weekend. Regrettably, I have decided to step down at President at the conclusion of this season. Business pressures are such that I can no longer devote the appropriate time and energy this club needs.

I have enjoyed the past 3 years immeasurably. I believe it is time to move on and to make way for some fresh thinking and new ideas.

In closing, I would like to thank Lynn Ahwee, the Club's secretary, who has provided rock-solid support to the Board and myself; I would like to thank my colleagues on the Board who have dedicated the first Monday of every month to the challenges facing youth soccer in Kerrisdale; and, of course, I'd like to thank all the coaches, managers, parents and supporters without whose commitment to soccer, the Club would not be possible.

Neil Howard,
President, Kerrisdale Soccer Association.

KERRISDALE POOL REPORT 1994/95

The lesson programme at Kerrisdale Pool continues to be popular during the year, but last summer, due to a boiler failure in the first week of July and the poor weather, there was a slight reduction in enrolment for the summer program.

Our morning water fit classes and Senior's Swim held a potluck luncheon in June. Approximately 80 swimmers participated and are looking forward to the renovations, which will take place in the fall.

The Pool Advisory Committee, chaired by Katy Hughes, worked very hard with the Renovations Committee to finalize the plans to replace the pool roof and upgrade the lighting and ventilation system within the pool area. The pool was closed from September to December 1995 for the construction to take place. Our staff was temporarily relocated to other Park Board facilities.

I would like to thank the Kerrisdale Pool staff, the Kerrisdale Pool committee and the Kerrisdale Community Centre Society for their support this year.

Respectfully submitted ~
Eileen Wilson, Pool Programmer.

COMMUNITY RECREATION CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT
1994/95

It is an honour to report to the membership in regards to the activity at our Community Centre during the past year.

Our statistics show that Kerrisdale is the most utilized of all of Vancouver's recreation facilities. Certainly the activity I witness daily bears this out. I like to believe that our patronage is due largely to the quality of our programs. We are blessed with some superb instructors. By way of this report, I would like to pay tribute to their good work and promise our unqualified support in the coming year.

The membership will be able to help in this regard. Our building is not as functional as it could or should be. Our Board recognizes this and had embarked on a quest that will ideally result in a fully renovated facility. Many long hours have been put into a design that we feel suits your needs. The staff wholeheartedly support the plan. You, as members, will hopefully have an opportunity to pledge your allegiance both financially, through a fund raising initiative, and politically, in November's Capital Plan Plebiscite this year. I hope that our members recognize the virtue of having an inviting, invigorating facility as a focal point in the community and commit their support when the time arises.

I would allude to our pool as an example of a success that can be realized when citizens support capital ventures. Our new roof has made for a brighter, more inviting atmosphere. It's completion brings to a close a process started two capital plans ago. The upgrade was sorely needed. The pool should now be functional for fifteen years, when again its viability should be re-examined. Despite the fact we are still working out a few glitches, the pool re-opened on schedule. A lot of work went on behind the scenes and I'm proud of the commitment of all of those involved.

I would like to conclude this report by thanking the Board and the staff for all of their generous support. We have a wonderful working relationship between our Board of Directors and our staff. Examples of collaboration are most often witnessed at the committee level. Our programmers and committee members are to be congratulated for their efforts. I would like to personally thank Kathleen, your President, for all her assistance. It certainly helps me as the Co-ordinator to know that any concerns I might have get her immediate attention. Finally, I would like to thank you, the members for your patronage and wish you all another successful year of participation.

Stew Jordan
Community Recreation Co-ordinator

CENTRE PROGRAMMERS' REPORT
1994/95

Has another year already gone by? This like other years has been a busy year for programs at Kerrisdale Community Centre.

This year marked the opening of the new exercise room. The conversion of the racquetball court began in the Fall and we officially opened up the space January 21, 1995. In total we have had close to 8,800 visits to the new space. It has proven, as we all had hoped, to be very successful and popular with the community.

We have continued to offer an array of programs. Preschool gym and variety classes, children's gym and dance programs, ESL, pottery, fitness and adult sport programs are some of the more popular ones. Some of the new classes this year have been preschool pottery, preschool music, drama for children, pre-teen drop-in, teen leadership development, weight management for youth, women's self defense, Tibetan and Kundalini Yoga, sushi making, Cree beading and leather work.

Children's Spring Break programs offered were well attended and included pony, horseback riding, golf and snowboarding lessons, magic camp, junior emergency first aid course, soccer camp and daycamp. The daycamp was coordinated by a Langara College practicum student from the Recreation Facilities Management program.

The Kix teen club, which meets Friday evenings, had a very successful year. Social and recreational activities offered were planned by a youth council in consultation with staff. A pre-teen drop-in program was implemented on Friday nights part way through the year and was very well received. An outcome has been the great success of several Pre-teen dances, each a sell-out, with more than 200 pre-teens attending each one. An extensive youth needs survey was completed in collaboration with four other Centres by a research team funded by a UIC Section 25 grant. The research data has been compiled into a comprehensive report and the recommendations will be implemented into future youth programming. Due to a growing demand for increased services for youth, factors such as dedicated space and additional funding for staff will be addressed in the coming year.

Special events continue to be very popular and attendance was high at our annual children's Halloween, Christmas, Easter events as well as our Annual Tennis Tournament. We wish to thank the local merchants for their generous support in their provision of prizes and donations to these events.

This summer we were fortunate to receive funding from the Federal Government to hire post secondary students to work as

leaders in our summer daycamp program. We also took advantage of a new grant aimed at hiring secondary students and received additional funding to hire 4 leaders in training who were able to augment the staff/child ratio. The 4 regular grant staff really appreciated having the extra support. The nine week program was a big success with an average enrollment of approximately 35 children per week. The staff planned an exciting summer of out-trips, games, crafts and special theme events. The summer staff provided a fun and enjoyable program for participants as well as a rewarding work experience for volunteers.

Our thanks to all our volunteers, staff and instructors who contribute daily to the success of our Centre.

We would also like to thank the Program Committee for all their direction and support. They play an important role in this Centre and its program development.

We will continue to strive for quality programs and encourage any feedback and suggestions.

Respectfully submitted by,
Brian Swartz and Susie Barreiro
Centre Programmers

RETIRED CITIZENS PROGRAMMERS REPORT
1994/95

1995 was an eventful year in the Seniors Centre, starting in February we had for the first time in 9 years an Annual General Meeting and election of Officers. The Operational Committee had their name changed to Seniors Council and the members were given an opportunity to vote, question and talk to candidates.

During the first three months we celebrated Burns, Chinese New Year, Peruvian, St. Patrick's and St. David's Day, held Tax Clinics, a Bazaar and Volunteer Luncheon in addition to regular programs.

In co-operation with the Kerrisdale Legion we organized a Commemorative Day to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of V.E. Day. The 500 tulip bulbs that were donated from the Parkinson's Association for this special occasion were in full bloom and made a spectacular display and background for the Official Ceremonies.

This year the weather co-operated as we celebrated Canada Day on July 1st.

A variety of day tours were offered through out the year and several new programs introduced.

In the month of December members were entertained by school choirs, Cubs and various groups from within the centre. Both Christmas Lucheons were sold out and for the first time we ran a New Year's Dance with a live band. The program committee worked hard this past year on programs and special events. Volunteers were treated to a Christmas Luncheon and given the opportunity to meet others from our large volunteer core. In all a very busy year.

Memberships to date:	65 years	-	1440
	Adults	-	111
	Family	-	20
	Life Members	-	<u>103</u>
	TOTAL	-	1674

Fall, Winter and Spring sessions saw an increase in participation. Summer time was about the same as the previous year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Volunteers, Council, Staff and Board members for their support during the past year.

Respectfully submitted
Grace Pirie
Retired Citizens Programmer

KERRISDALE CYCLONE TAYLOR ARENA REPORT
1994/95

The start of the 1995 ice season began at a fast and furious pace. The overall usage of the arena by a variety of organizations and individuals was overwhelming. The 1995 proved to be a very busy and prosperous year.

Attendance during the weekend public sessions and over the holidays was extremely hectic (numbers reaching 200-300 per session). The free daytime public skates have the local schools taking advantage of this time as well as, most of the morning ice slots for private rentals.

The transition in programs from the Learn to Skate to Canskate plus the change in the registration process has been met with relative ease. Judging by the enrollment figures, the program still remains as popular as ever.

The noticeable lack of available ice time speaks very highly of Kerrisdale Arena's pivotal role in accomodating large volumes of user groups and participants. Such groups include the Kerrisdale Figure Skating Club, the Vancouver Thunderbird Minor Hockey Association, a variety of non-profit community organizations and the local surrounding schools.

The '95 dryfloor season seemed to follow in the footsteps of the ice season. With the increased popularity of in-line hockey and ballhockey, the available floor time was heavily booked. Various other events such as the SPCA Pet Show, the Antique Car Show and the Shaughnessy 10 Km Run also successfully took place.

During the August refit closure, some improvements were made within the structural and operational facets of the building, thus assisting in the Arena's endeavour to maintain a quality facility. The new year offers many new challenges and improvements for this historic venue - we hope to service all the community needs as best we can and look forward to another successful year!

Respectfully submitted
Daisy Chin
Arena Programmer