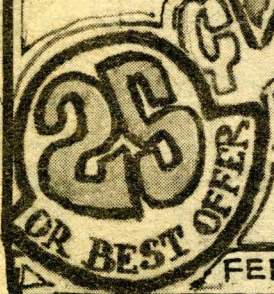


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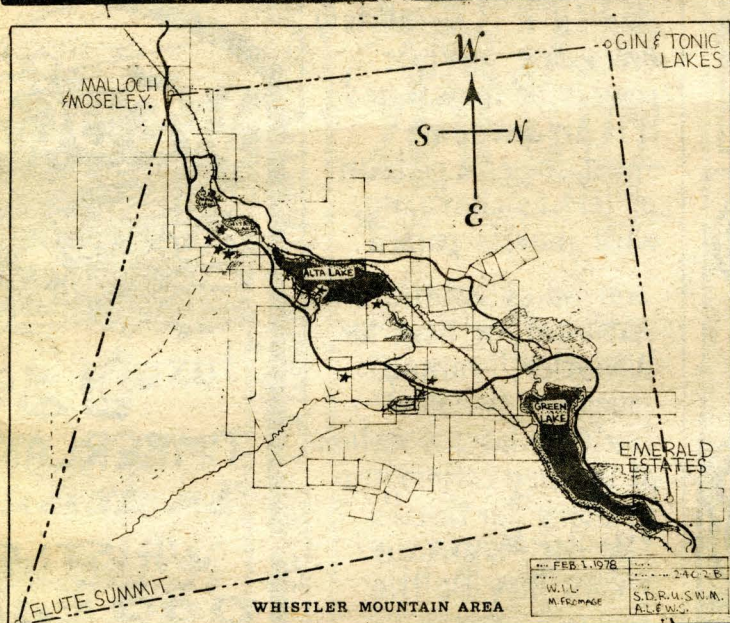
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## WHISTLER TO SECEDE?

The inaugural meeting of the Whistler Independence League took place on the evening of Feb. 13th. The league, commonly known as W.I.L., is dedicated to the formation of an independent state in the Whistler area.

The proposed geographical base for this new state would be the total area bounded by Malloch and Mosley Flute Summit, Emerald Estates and Gin and Tonic Lakes.



(W.P.) MAP SHOWING PROPOSED NATIONAL BOUNDARIES.

The meeting was chaotic throughout, but this reporter was able to corral Rene Le Fromage after the meeting to find out what the platform of the W.I.L. is based on.

The ultimate goal of the W.I.L. is, of course, total separation from Canada, British Columbia and the Commonwealth. Mr. Le Fromage (known by his friend as Le Grand Fromage) indicated he had not

yet made up his mind on exactly what means he would use in implementing the split. He did say though, that once the valley was an independent state, he would probably have the liffies act as the military force to protect the boundaries of the new state. His only apparent reason for this scheme is the fact that the liffies are the only ones in the valley with uni-

forms. Supplemental to this standing army would be a Laser Navy and, of course, hang glider Sue maintaining aerial surveillance.

Fromage was initially interested in forming an independent state because of what he calls 'the downfall of democracy' and that is the fact that by law it is illegal to open the bars on election day. Under his plan, which he calls super participatory democracy, the bars would be open only on voting day. Drinkers have nothing to fear about this plan because he would have an election every day. It is his opinion that if there was an election every day, the voter turnout would be so poor that as long as he and members of his cabinet voted for themselves everyday, they would maintain office indefinitely.

Mr. Fromage seems to be counting his turkeys before they hatch as he already has a name for his proposed country. It is The Sovereign Democratic Republic of the United Subdivisions of Whistler Mountain, Alta Lake and the West Side. The reason given for such a lengthy name was that he wants to have the largest name plate in the General Assembly of the United Nations.

He did his undergraduate work at The Redundancy School of Redundancy and later obtained post graduate degrees from the University of Tierra del Fuego and The Arthur Murray School of Dance, of which he graduated Non Compos Mentis. During this long and diversified scholarly career, he has been influenced by the Unrealists, the Waltz-

ers, the Non-Idealists and finally the Hot to Trotskyites.

He has proven, in his own life, that downward social mobility is indeed possible in Canadian society. His first job was as a college professor, then as a high school teacher, then as a driving instructor, then a janitor, next a postal worker, then finally his present job as an aspiring political leader. He states that he has finally sunk to his appropriate level of incompetency.

Fromage was reluctant to elaborate further on his dubious career as he felt it would be more productive to discuss his proposed foreign policy for the new state of Whistler. He stated that he expects a peaceful co-existence with the other major countries for the simple reason that he plans to align Whist-

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ler with a major power bloc and the combined power of these nations would be sufficient to deter any aggressive acts against Whistler.

The alliance he plans to make is with Liechtenstein, Andorra, Monaco, Disneyland and several large icebergs. He elaborated "If it is absolutely necessary, foreign powers be forewarned, it is an awesome sight to see a platoon of lifties charging with shovels poised.

Instead of having a national anthem for Whistler, Fromage proposes the new country have a national medley consisting of John Hartford's "Up the Mountain Where They Do the Boogie," Foggy Mountain Break-down, the Beatles' "Fool On the Hill" and finally, Fromage's yet to be released single, "I Got the Broke My Bindings in Harmony Bowl Blues."

When asked about the cool reception his plans and ideas have been getting, Fromage ignored the question and asked me "What is the difference between ignorance and apathy?" Before beating a hasty retreat, this reporter responded with, "I don't know and quite frankly couldn't care less."

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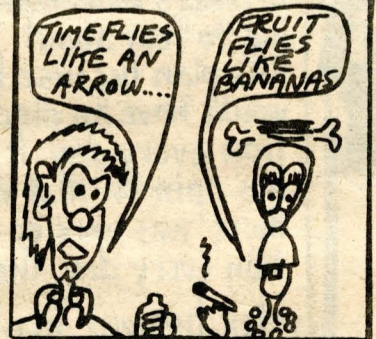
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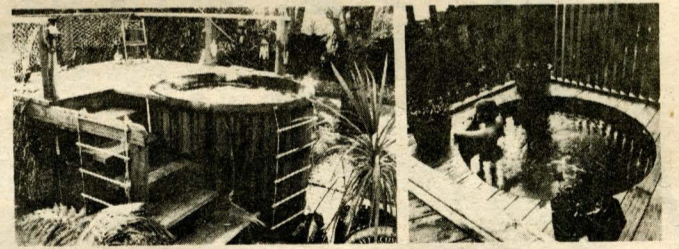
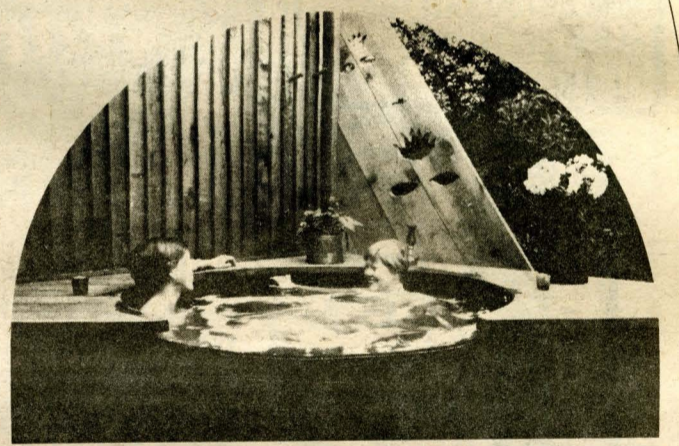
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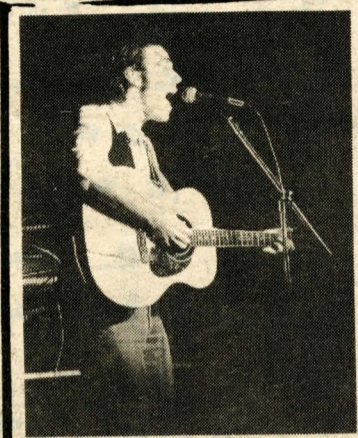
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In the past couple of months more top quality musicians have performed here than ever before. Waves and Flying Mountain have been very favourably received at the Keg. Whistler Promotions has brought John Hiatt, Bruce Miller, Pied Pear and Valdy. Most of these entertainers are known well here and elsewhere for their excellence in musicianship.

However, it seems that very few know of the talents of John Hiatt. He is a talented, somewhat twisted songwriter and resembles Randy Newman to a certain degree. When the audience of twenty or so brought him back for an encore, he commented, "Thank you. You really know how to treat a sick man." I hope that if he returns to Whistler, he gets the turnout that he deserves.



JOHN HIATT



Our research staff has found that St. Valentines Day is (along with Christmas) a rather thinly disguised pagan holiday.

The Ancients believed that the birds began to mate at this time. The Roman feast of Lupercalia (Feb. 15) celebrated Juno, the queen of the gods, as well as the goddess of marriage, and Pan, the god of Nature (neither a stranger to love. A holiday of romance and affection.

However in 496, the Pope changed it all to Valentine Day after a saint of the same name.

What with our salaries here at the Answer, we can't really afford to see all the shows but also worth mentioning are Crowcuss (will my hearing ever return?) Chad Allen, Roadside Attraction, Joe Conroy and the often present Doc Fingers.

The dulcimer as it is known most popularly today in North America is the Appalachian style dulcimer, which some speculate is a descendent of the Swedish h mnel. It is a fretted stringed instrument made of wood, traditionally with heart-shaped sound holes (an ideal Valentine's gift) and a tear-drop or violin shaped body. There seem to be no classical standards in dulcimer construction, playing or tuning, but most have four strings with two of those tuned as an identical pair, mandolin fashion (usually D), and are played lap style with a pick. They have 7 or 8 frets per octave (depending on who built it) which follow more or less, a diatonic scale (i.e. do, re, mi...). It is a relatively simple instrument to play, although changing tunings to facilitate playing in some keys adds a certain amount of complexity.

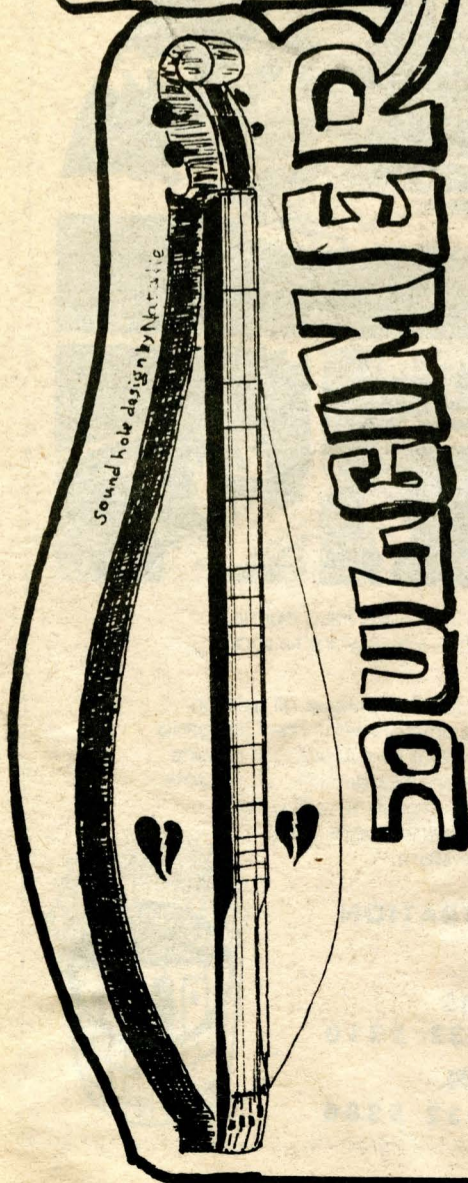
B.C.'s most widely known proponent of the dulcimer is probably Rick Scott of

Pied Pear (and Pied Pumpkin). In addition to playing one, he also builds them and holds workshops periodically for you to build your own, if you're interested. Workshops take three days or so, and cost is around \$125 for top quality materials and instruction. Rick can be reached through Gahndavara Music, 157 E. Cordova Street in Vancouver (tel. 685-2579)

Whistler now has at least 3 dulcimers, although they seldom come out into the open.

Some places where you can hear some dulcimer playing are:

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- Joy Will Find A Way:
- arrows of light
- In The Shining Dark:
- vagabondage
- Joni Mitchell:
- Miles of Isles & Blue:
- a case of you, all I want
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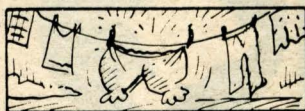
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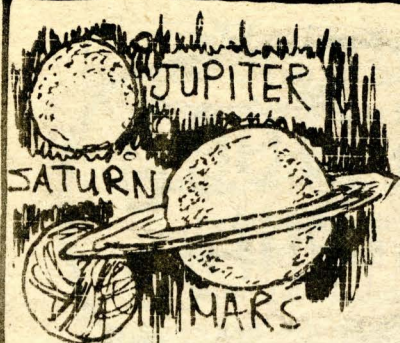
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Hanging by his feet 40 feet above the ground, Harry Houdini was able to free himself from a straitjacket!



Bloomers were *not* invented by Amelia Bloomer. They were actually created by Mrs. Elizabeth Miller, daughter of a New York congressman, and only popularized by the famous feminist.



I have heard that the tides are affected by the moon. That's amazing, considering it has to come through all sorts of space to get here. The sun has to come even further, 'course it's a hot one.

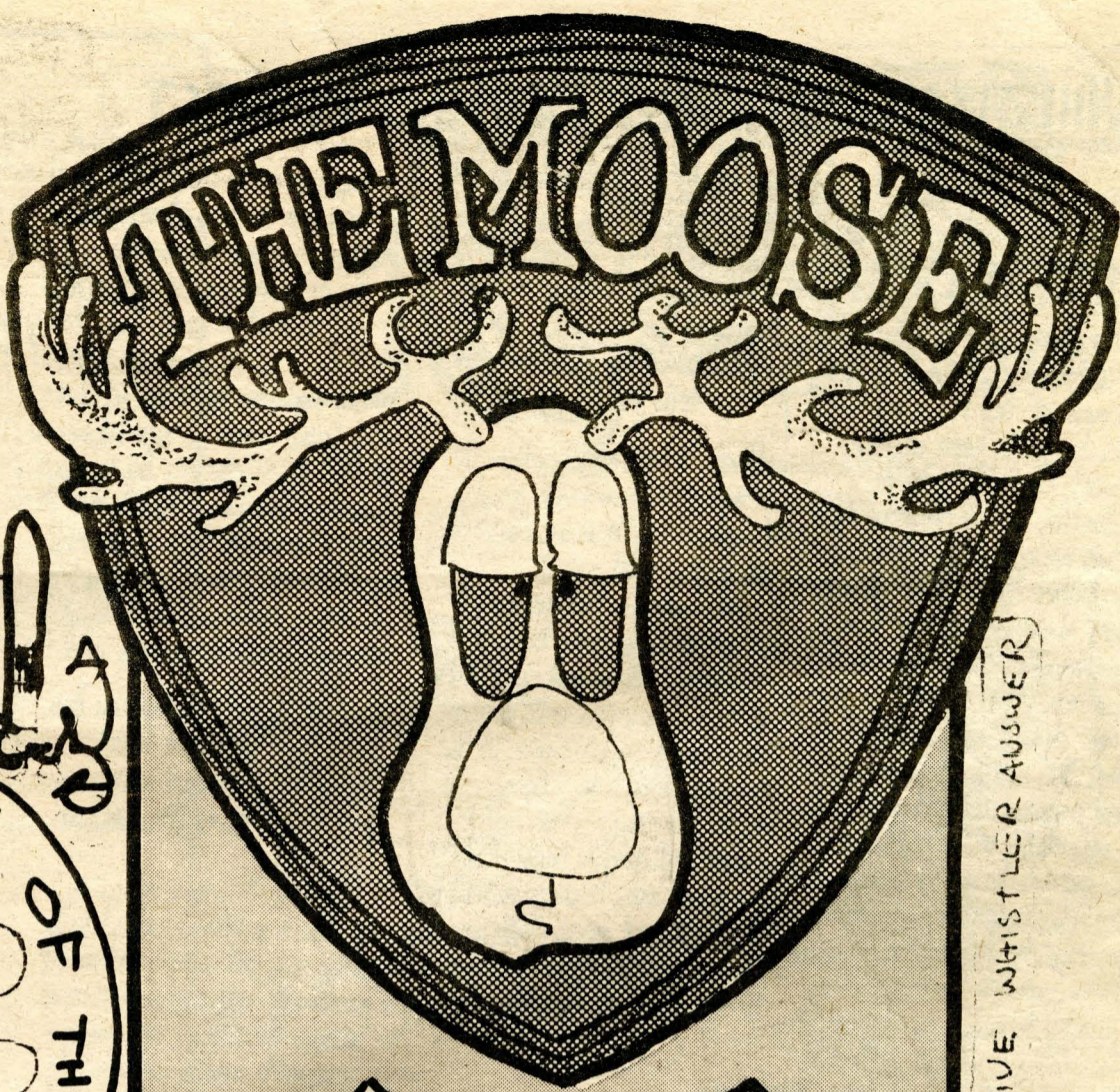
Did you know that Jupiter, Saturn and Mars are in the sky also this month? Take a look around for the brightest star in the sky. It comes up in the early evening around Wedge Mtn. and goes down behind Sprout Mtn. in the early morning. Notice also that it doesn't twinkle like the other stars. That's Jupiter. Now look up at about 10 o'clock and find a bright star that is a bit or-

ange or reddish. I'll let you guess that one. Well you're facing the right direction to find Saturn but you might need binoculars. Look on the horizon with the binoculars and find the star with the rings around it down below Jupiter and Mars.

With the full moon happening the 22nd of February and three full planets, I wonder how that affects the tides?

**PHASES OF THE MOON**

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 Full Moon - Feb. 22  
 Last Quarter - Mar. 2  
 New Moon - Mar. 8  
 First Quarter - Mar. 16  
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 Remember the coyote howl, in the moon-  
 light of the night  
 Now in light the beauty in sight appears  
 The freedom is going to be so fine  
 Across the fluff and through the light stuff  
 I'm breathing, and floating, in moments of waves  
 The silent sounds of my running sur-  
 face so smoothly descending the steep-  
 ness with ease  
 The rush of life, over the cornice  
 To heaven into the blue.

Chris Fink

# WHISTLER CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING PROJECT

Have you heard? The story is out. Something is happening. People are trying to get it together. Over the past few years many of us have become acutely aware of the housing crisis which exists here in the Resort Municipality of Whistler. But somehow most of us have managed to cope. We either have found, cheap rent, worked for our keep, crammed ourselves in with fourteen other people or else gone squatting. We all know that the constant increases in rent, escalating land prices and a shortage of suitable accommodation have combined with the relatively low employment opportunity in creating a serious living problem for those of us wishing to make our future here. How many of us can afford a twenty-two thousand dollar lot let alone a house? And yet, how many can really afford to pay off someone else's mortgage by renting? It's a prob-

lem many of us share but at the same time it's one that collectively we can answer.

The answer being co-op housing. The dictionary defines "co-operation" as "work-together" ... concur in producing an effect. "Working together to achieve a common goal; to provide themselves with a service at cost."

In Canada the history of co-op housing goes back to 1857 in Nova Scotia and since then it has developed into a force of growing significance in the housing field. Why? Because it puts housing in the hands of people, not profit motivated corporations. Houses should be to live in, not speculate in. It is speculation that has led to our present housing crisis.

### The Trip

Building co-ops are created to help their members buy their own homes and unlike continuing non-profit co-ops only operate for a short time. The co-operative

group ceases to exist once the homes are built and individual mortgages are arranged.

The primary benefit of building co-ops is that of cost. The objective is to provide home ownership for members at a cost below what is available on the open market. By forming a co-op the group is able to share skills in organization, development and construction of their homes. (sweat-equity co-op). Building co-ops also

save money in construction thru bulk purchasing of land, materials and appliances as well as reducing the labour cost factor.

Obviously this type of co-op approach is better suited to the valley not just simply in terms of investment but because it could become the focus for community spirit and a vehicle for the sharing of innumerable skills, both of which at present are lying relatively dormant.

As was stated initially, we don't yet have all the answers, just a plan. The following info stems from meetings with local real estate firms, the Townsite Development team, C.M.H.C. and the Land Management Branch.

### Land Acquisition

At present we are in preliminary negotiations on a parcel of land which should yield approximately thirty lots of average size. The land has been offered to us at a very reasonable rate conditional on a zoning change and CMHC approval in principal.

### Financing

Aside from the savings accomplished through sweat-equity and bulk buying power, savings also occur because there are no marketing costs or profit. The co-op is the development corporation.

Building co-ops are, at the same time, both a form of business enterprise and a group of private individuals. As such they are eligible for a variety of mortgages, both individual and collective.

The following financing is available;

- CMHC ensures a mortgage from a private lender covering the full cost of capital expenditures at below market interest rates
- The AHOP plan & the Interest Reduction loan

- Direct gov't subsidy for those with children

### Design & Costs

Building co-operatives have traditionally built modest single family homes on individual lots. The only restrictions placed upon us by C.M.H.C. concerning design is that they fall within the AHOP price maximums for the area (\$42,000). However, the co-operative will have to decide on a plan of development which fully utilizes the bulk buying power advantage. This does not mean that all houses will have to be the same. We can overcome this through good design.

### Membership & Decisionmaking

The co-op housing alternative is for people who want to work together to find their own answers to their housing needs. Since this is the most important aspect of the co-op movement, it is essential that all members be permanent residents of the valley and potential users of the homes. Because of the anticipated demand they should at present not be homeowners.

### The Need for Assistance

The co-op housing project was started by a small group of people concerned with the specific problem of housing in the area. To date we have supplemented this group with others who share our ideals and concerns and who have proven to be extremely helpful in the initial conceptual design.

However, after three open organizational meetings and considerable work on our part we have come as

far as possible without expanding our membership. We are about to embark on the actual development process and consequently it is important that all prospective co-op members decide and agree on exactly what it is they want to do - how they are going to build the houses, where, what kind of houses they will be, and how much time they will be able to afford in working on the project. Through this process we will get to know each other better and determine exactly what skills each member can offer.

At this time there is much work to do and no definite

steps to proceed on. Rather, it seems that the various tasks must be undertaken concurrently, before we reach the first concrete step. For instance, before a co-op can buy property it must become incorporated. This simply makes the group a legal entity, able to receive mortgage and buy property collectively. It also protects the members of the co-op, since individuals are not liable for the debts of the corporation. It is an easy step, in fact we have a step by step guide, it's

just a matter of doing it. A more urgent requirement is the search for professional assistance. Such "experts" can offer valuable advice on a volunteer basis, not only saving money on consultant's fees but also minimizing the time spent getting advice when the group does not know what to decide.

At present we need a lawyer to help draft our constitution and by-laws and receive money in trust for us as well as handling the legalities of buying property and applying for mortgages.

We also need an architect and or some plans, engineer, accountant and others. It is important that these people are prepared to work with the group and not just for it.

They must understand the aims of the co-op and the member's needs. If you know of any such people please put them in touch with us.

So you see folks, it's not just some half baked brain storm of some backwoods burnout nor some senseless scheme of a wide eyed socialist. In this valley a building co-operative represents the most viable method of providing soundly construct-

ed good looking homes at a low cost. The only major stumbling block being participation. If its going to work we need your help. We must expand our energy base. Watch the Post Office for the next meeting or contact Brian Wasyluk, Geoff Hesthammer or Brad Sims.

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## WHISTLER HOCKEY

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In other recent action the Green Machine rolled up an impressive victory smashing their way to a 7-2 triumph over the Air Canada Baggage at the Seafair Coliseum. Led by big number 19 Earle "the Pearl" Carroll who fired two cannonading drives past Baggage netminder and displayed desperate defensive manoeuvres throughout the contest; the local ski bums turned Canucks won their first historical game in convincing fashion.

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Many people, both tourists and locals alike, tend to pack away the canoes and kayaks at the first sign of winter. A big mistake!!! Those in the know, know that this area offers some of the finest winter white (and sometimes brown) water in the Northern Hemisphere. And don't forget those rods!! These three boating spots are but a few of the many in Whistler, so if you find a good one you'd like to share, drop us a line.



TRIP Function Lake  
GRADE Lake  
LENGTH 4  
CAMPING Illegal  
TIME Unpredictable

One shouldn't pass through Whistler without a stop at scenic Lake Function, just a minute's walk from the highway. It is conveniently located directly over the road to Cheakamus Lake and the sanitary landfill site. Good fishing for brake bass and hub carps. No power boats please.



TRIP Roy's Rapids  
GRADE 5+  
LENGTH 6  
CAMPING all RV hook-ups  
TIME Unpredictable

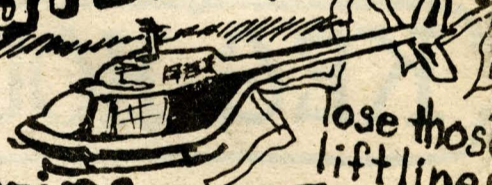
Roy's Rapids offer a challenging ride for those who dare. Not for beginners.



TRIP White Gold Gorge, formerly Boot Chutes  
GRADE 4 down, 5+up  
LENGTH 5  
CAMPING lowest in town  
TIME 3 to 1

The gorge is especially exciting for anyone going upstream. Watch for roadblocks.

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coach to try to intimidate us in the early going. This strategy worked well for the Baggage as we were worn down steadily as the game went on and came away tied at three goals each.

In postgame encounters of the traditional kind we were surprised with a generous stock of Hi-Test and we didn't let the disappointment of blowing a two goal lead dampen our spirits too much.

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As this issue hits your favourite newstand, the Green Guys are headed for another historical first; our long, awaited road trip to Banff. If last week's practice is a good indication of the team potential, readers can expect to be well represented in the Rockies. Our big line of "Slick" Sadler at centre with Moose Moffat and Lean Dean Lockwood on the wings, is going to be relied upon to come up with strong offensive tactics. And between the pipes, our oft lamented spiritual guru Danny

"the toothless wonder" Paul, is going to be relied upon to come up with several key saves.

The team is going to be accompanied by several local funseekers who, to protect their reputations, shall remain nameless, and we look forward to their keeping us keyed up throughout the trip.



# DANCE

I would like to say thank you to Ruth and Herb Bleuer for the use of the Youth Hostel for the Dance/Movement Workshop held here last November.

A more perfect setting couldn't be had - the common room providing a large work area of hardwood floor with a picture window looking out over the lake - no dance studio in Vancouver can compare. It was a successful 2 day workshop with 7 people travelling from Vancouver to participate. There were several local people whose curiosity was aroused and who joined in. Perhaps another workshop for interested locals? Modern Jazz? Contemporary? Belly Dancing? I'm open for suggestions.

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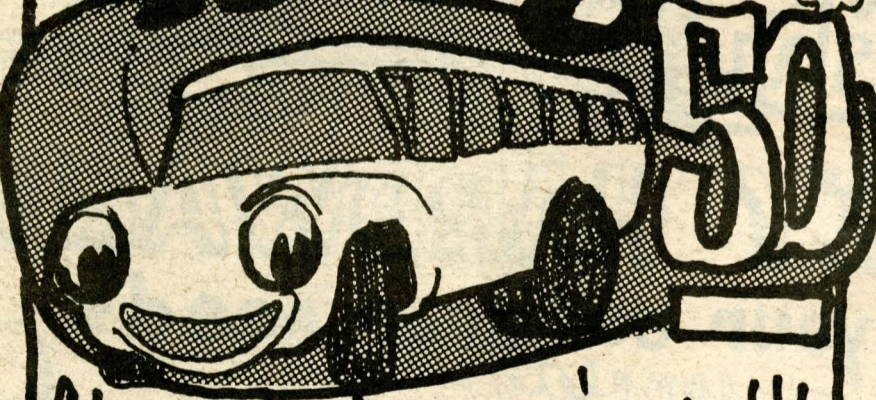
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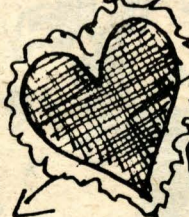
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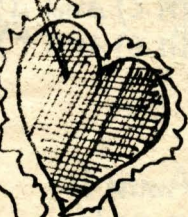
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# News from NESTERS



It has come to the attention of this newsmagazine that a certain percentage of the population here at Whistler, due to the relative remoteness and inaccessibility of competent media coverage, may have a certain lack of knowledge of current events. As members of the journalistic fraternity we are dedicated to being responsive to the readers interests and in filling any informational voids that may occur. To gauge readership knowledge and interest we are presenting this comprehensive quiz for our readers. Completed quiz forms can be sent to The Answer, General Delivery, Whistler, B.C.

1. Do you care what happens outside the confines of Whistler?

Yes No

2. Not even if what happens is a nuclear war?

Yes No

Circle correct answer:

3. Margaret Trudeau is:

- a) a photographer
- b) an actress
- c) a socialite
- d) the Prime Minister's wife
- e) a schizophrenic
- f) all of the above

4. The rookie of the year in the C.F.L. in 1977 is:

- a) Leon Bright
- b) Jack Bright
- c) Margaret Trudeau
- d) Harry Belafonte

5. Anwar Sadat is:

- a) president of Camel cigarettes
- b) president of Egypt
- c) Margaret Trudeau's latest beau
- d) a waiter at the Keg

6. In 1977, Jack Horner made news by:

- a) quitting the Conservative Party
- b) joining the Liberal Party
- c) attending a cocktail party
- d) sitting in the corner
- e) both a) and b)
- f) both c) and d)
- g) both e) and f)

7. Idi Amin is:

- a) your uncle
- b) the Ugandan dictator
- c) on the Philadelphia Flyer negotiation list
- d) coming over for dinner

8. Canada is best known internationally for:

- a) the R.C.M.P.
- b) hockey
- c) Margaret Trudeau
- d) beavers
- e) Anne Murray
- f) question too subjective for realistic answer

9. René Richards is:

- a) the Quebec Premier
- b) a quick change artist
- c) Anita Bryant's doubles partner
- d) one of Charlie's Angels

10. Prime Minister Trudeau was quoted as saying:

- a) Life is a jig saw with most of the pieces missing.
- b) Each August 18th, I celebrate in commemoration of the day I smoked my first marijuana cigarette.
- c) Mange le Merde.
- d) I am the state.
- e) La plume de ma tante est sur la table.

11. Roman Polanski made news by:

- a) saying 'Rosemary's Baby' wasn't his
- b) making a movie entitled 'Close Encounters with the Third Grade'
- c) saying something about 'butchering'
- d) issuing his rendition of 'Good Morning Little Schoolgirl'

12. As an assumed intelligent reader you would like more journalistic focus on:

- a) Sex
- b) Politics
- c) Literature (i.e. poetry, satire, etc.)
- d) Chico's Recipes
- e) U.F.O.s
- f) advertisements
- g) other

The Whistler Hostel, along with everyone else, is enjoying a more normal winter this year. It's nice to be surrounded by enthusiastic skiers. The relatively cool temperatures have made the lake very nice for cross-country skiers, and the hostel has hosted several weekend x-c courses.

On the weekend of Feb. 10-12, an advanced course was held and the highlight was a trip up Sprout Mountain (facilitated by Okanagan helicopters).

The hostel has been used alot this winter by outdoor clubs and families who take advantage of the mid-week package. One of our more exciting visitors recently was a mountain lion, seen by Herb Bleuer on the banks above the railroad tracks.

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Pour rosewater and scent oil into saucer; stir briskly and set aside. Empty safflower oil into a suitable saucepan, and warm slowly until it feels hot when you dip your finger in it. Pour in the rosewater/oil and turn heat down low. Stir constantly until the mixture becomes translucent. Funnel into bottles while the mixture is still warm. As it cools, the solution separates, so shake well before using.

Look for a book called "THE MESSAGE BOOK"

**THE ROYAL WE**

According to Mark Twain, only three people should be permitted to use the royal We ("shall we take our medicine?") Kings & Queens because they speak for themselves and God, editors, and people with tapeworms.

One day Raine Brooksbank was buying cigarettes and the inside of her matchbook said "How to earn four bucks an hour in your spare time: JOIN THE PACKING CREW."

The men thought of it with great indignity. However, it's reported that in a soft moment even a cynic will give in to reality and Mr. James Tattersfield consented to the progressive move.

Ms. Raine can be seen punching in at 4:00 a.m. and driving one of those big orange machines through sun rise. The remainder of the crew is still laughing and swearing and acting seedy in a normal fashion. And it still keeps snowing. First the Packing Crew - then the Pro Patrol.

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# COMMON SENSE

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Well, with Wolfgang lost to romance in Ottawa and Leopold lost to demon alcohol, we were afraid the working man would be voiceless this issue when off the mountain comes this madman in the familiar green vest, calls himself Joe Grouser and stuffs this note in my pocket:

"We're sick and tired, disgusted, distraught and downright plain fed up. Who's we? We are the 15 or so (nobody exactly knows how many of us there are) burnt out weirdos who drive around in the dark, in circles, in in big orange tick-all machines. We drive around and around and around killing bumps cause we hate bumps, we despise bumps, we think that this world would be alot better off without bumps, which is why we do what we do, what we do, what we do.

And we're mad at all those heel-jamming sons of bitches with their faggy little skis with tips at both ends who keep turning all the fucking time.

As far as I'm concerned the only remedy to the "pivot check; pivot check" syndrome is the "aim and shoot" therapy.

Bumps form on flat runs in hours and we've had it so hear this: If all you fools with short skis don't stop turning every three feet on flat runs we are going to go out and terrace Chunky's, Goat's Gully and Jimmy's Joker. No more mister nice guys.

In parting I'd just like to say, short skis suck, long skis truck and danger, keep clear 50 feet (please, we mean it it's our nerves and your lives)."

Flatteringly yours,  
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