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EDITORIAL PAGE

On April 11th voters will determine whether the Municipality will spend \$1.925 million to implement the Whistler Recreation Masterplan.

The Masterplan was commissioned after six years of dedicated non-professional local planning and is a very broad based 5 year scheme.

We are to vote on a scaled down three year plan that will centre on certain priorities.

- 1) To acquire and protect important natural recreation areas
- 2) Develop a multi use trail system to connect residential areas with parks and emnities.
- 3) Develop park areas for a variety of active and passive uses.

Certainly no one can deny the merits of these goals. People these days however are ultra sensitive to any raise in taxes and rightly so. What good is a trail system if you can't afford to live near it. In answer to this problem, John Randall, municipal accountant has devised a plan which locks the development in at todays prices while the tax payer will not have to bear any brunt until 1983, when the broadened tax base will bring down individual payments. We're told that our cost will be well in line with other recreation budgets.

Many believe it should be brought on board as quickly as possible. Nothing is getting any cheaper and in a few years our top heavy power structure will be more reluctant to spend money on something that doesn't have direct tourist return like local recreation. "We've been planning for six years... it's time to act," stated Trev Root of the Recreation Commission. Land acquisition could be impossible in a few years.

Another concern is where the money could go! As the plan seems to have some grey zones its conceivable that a lot of money could disappear through beauraucratic bungling etc. Look at Town Centre. I think a professional manager versed in these kind of projects should be hired to avoid a re-run of the Lost Lake scene. (Fisheries problems lack of permits, lack of public relations)

An alternative is to work more slowly (with the \$219,000 already set aside in the municipal budget for recreation) solidify the planning, engineering, acquire as much right of way as possible and perhaps have a referendum in the spring.

But this is all fence sitting! The choice is ours and as Colebrook would say, "it's a real pancake." Apparently the price is right, the idea good, and I'm glad it's a secret ballot.



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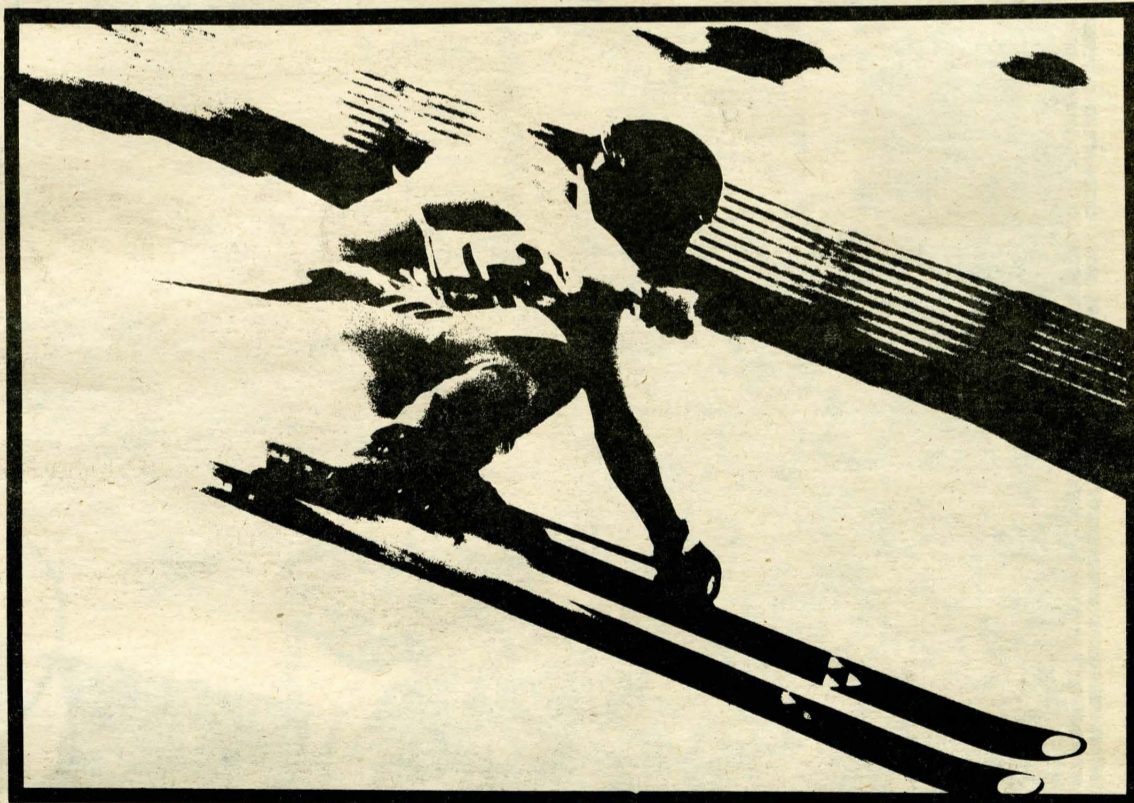
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Steve Podborski at Aspen. Photo: George Benjamin

The Answer would like to welcome home the National Ski Team and congratulate them on one hell of a year. It's good to see you home, Dave. And to Pod... well, what can we say? Next year! And to the rest, Dave Irwin, John Ritchie, Robin McLeish, Brian O'Rourke Todd Brooker, and Bob Styan, you kept us on our toes. Thanks!

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ANSWER 4 YEARS OLD!

The Whistler Answer's fourth birthday was on April Fools day 1981. I find it difficult to believe sometimes myself, but sure enough, four years ago Robin Blechman, Micheal Leierer and myself were in Robin's cabin in the woods deeply under the influence of Ben's killer weed when the idea struck.

You see 1977 was a bad year for snow. The post cards from Hawaii were piling up and we figured it would be easier and more fun to send the latest gossip in a newspaper format than to answer the post cards seperately. UIC was providing us with more than a little surplus spare time so the idea grew. Tim Smith arrived home from Hawaii, became interested and we decided to see if any of the local businesses would kick in a few bucks to pay for printing and due mainly to Robin's 'hut-zpa' we had six full pages of advertisements purchased, cash in advance.

This was no mean feat when one considers our collective publishing experience was doodely squat! It so impressed our printer Claude S. Q. Hoodspith that he offered any or all of us jobs with his paper. It was necessary, of course, to demur as any real job would have cut too heavily into our skiing time.

The office during production was quite a sight in those handlettered days, with Robin wrist deep in ink, Chico elbow deep in rubber cement and everybody knee deep in paper.

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Brad Sills, Bosco, Tim Smith, Robin Blechman and Charlie Doyle gather outside first Answer office, 1978.

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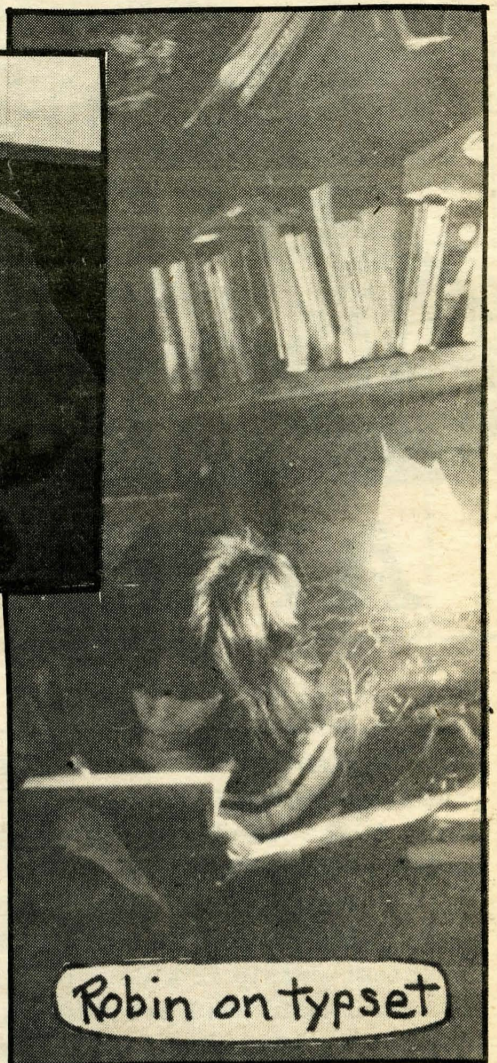
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Robin on typeset

A mysterious manila envelope arrived somewhere around our sixth edition, from a Mr. R. Colebrook containing an article on Whistler seceding from the Dominion of Canada and an accompanying note advising that our chance of receiving a Pulitzer Prize without his services were indeed slim. This was the first of local "authors" to grace our pages. Brad Sills piece, "Eight Hours Hard Pogey", which extolled the virtues of U.I.C. skiing at Whistler was even stolen and printed by an Australian Ski Magazine. Jim (Mogul) Monahan, probably our most prolific writer over the years, has produced a legacy of pulp fiction that defies categorization. Our stable of cartoonists Ian Verchere, Gord Harder and Malcombe Murray provide a rare commodity- a cartoon section that is entirely concerned with and conceived in Whistler.

Photography has become an element of the Answer that has received much praise, and we are justly proud of all of them. Greg Griffith, George Benjamin and Chris Speedie are all renown professionals, while Duncan Bell Irving's darkroom skills have even found seed in our own Michael Leierer who handles all of our darkroom work now.

Around a year ago Diana Peckford bravely stepped into the fray to assume command of the typewriter. Soon her duties expanded to include delivering much needed kicks in our collective ass.

The answer was conceived as a medium of expression for local artists, photographers, writers, calligraphers, and poets and the response was so positive that after producing six issues the first year, we went monthly and except for an occasional lapse have remained so. For the first two years the Answer had the distinction of being probably the only completely hand lettered news magazine in the world, but ultimately it's growth (not to mention the loss of ultra-calligrapher, Robin) necessitated a switch to print.

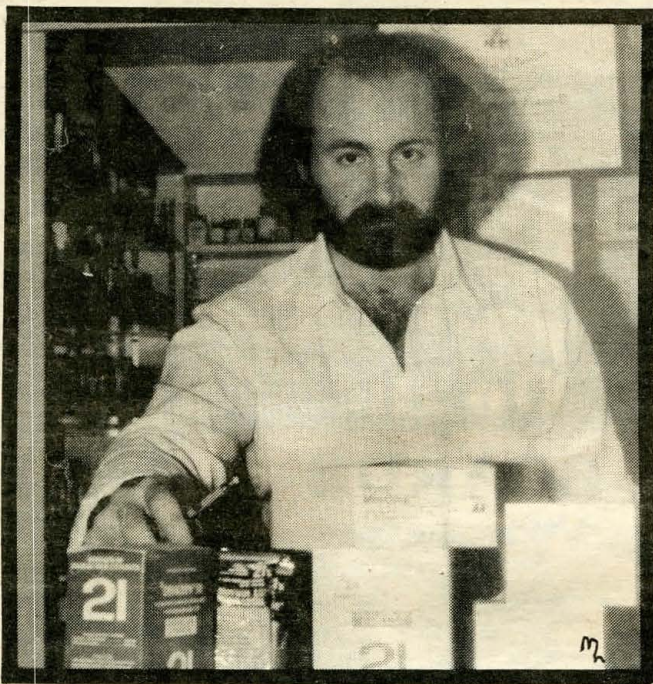
It hasn't been four trouble free years. Local publishing has become a cut throat business and our approach has been far from dog eat dog. Also the situations that arise when four or five volatile, artistic temperments are hard at work at a single project need not be reviewed here but can easily be imagined. Our financial situations are also one scenario that is best left to the imagination. Call it brinkmanship.

It has occasionally been a fear of ours that the Answer would become a one or two man show. In fact a few issues have come dangerously close to doing just that, but generally community response has been heartening. So encouraging that this was in part, that everyone from Squamish to Pemberton received free Answer's through the mail.

And what's the future to bring? It's been called a labour of love and my banker agrees with that. How long the love affair works depends, I guess, on how much input is offered. Our direction is to further our technical development with color, continue to be relevant to our surroundings, showcase local talent, provide a venue for our advertiser, and entertain. If you think you'd want to help give us a call!

A Word From Your Friendly Neighbourhood Apothecary

Problems with Oral Contraceptives.



Oral contraceptives may alter biological, chemical, and/or physical properties within the female. These effects may vary depending on the type of oral contraceptive and the particular woman.

Results from a few investigations and recent reports in the American Journal of Obstetric's and Gynecology have indicated that there is an incidence of vitamin deficiencies, in females taking oral contraceptives, which is greater than women not taking the pill. The most prevalent deficiency involves vitamin B₆ (Pyridofrine). Approximately 25-40% of woman taking the pill will have low levels of this vitamin. Vitamin B₆ (Pyridofrine) is involved in protein synthesis, absorption of zinc, and the utilization of a certain protein called tryptophan (found in high concentrations in meats and milk). When and if there is a deficiency of vitamin B₆, (Pyridofrine) typtophan may not be properly used which could be the reason some women develop depression on the pill.

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Other vitamin abnormalities involve a decrease in the amount of serum (ie, blood) vitamin B₂ (Thiamine), which occurs in 15-20% of women, vitamin B₂ (Riboflavin) which occurs in 20%, vitamin B₁₂ (Cyanocobalomin) which occurs in 5-10%, vitamin C (ascorbic acid) which occurs in 25% of women and an actual increase in vitamin A stores. Although these reported occurrences of vitamin deficiencies and increases are unlikely to occur in an individual who eats a well-balanced diet, the fact is most people don't!!

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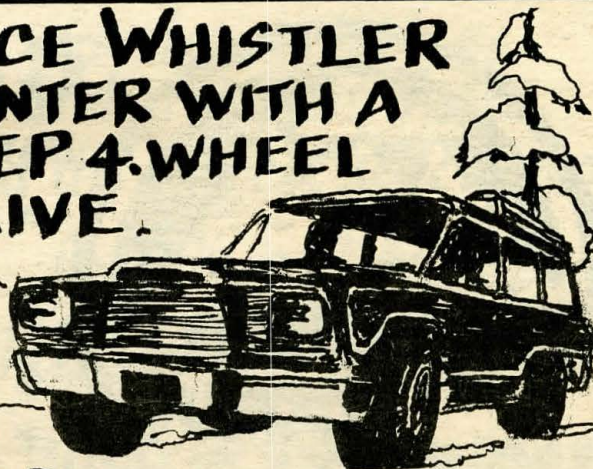
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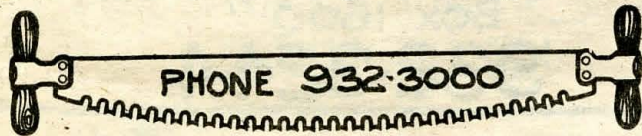
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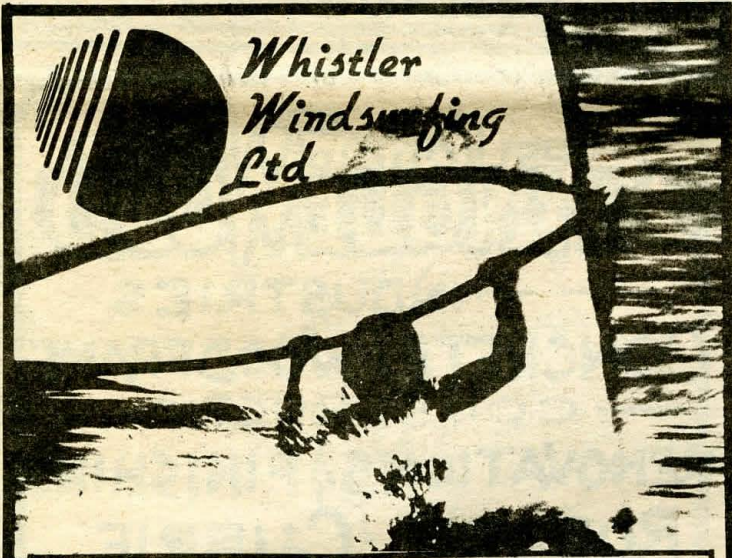
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A used board that has been sailed regularly will show signs of wear and tear but not necessarily be worn out. If you are buying a used board here are some things to look for:

First remove all tape as it is used to cover holes, soft spots, splits, tears, loose screws, and almost anything else that goes wrong.

The Board

Buy a board of moulded plastic rather than fiberglass. Remember that all boards have a foam core and that foam absorbs water. Any signs of holes or patches are a potential water problem so find out the weight of an equivalent new board and compare it. If it's heavy go home.

Pressing hard with your thumbs check the entire board for soft spots. If you find some knock the price down. If you find a lot... forget it.

Very carefully check the seam of a two part board. Poke at it with your thumb nail.

Mast and Boom

Check the fibreglass mast for cracks, splits or stress marks especially at the base and where the boom attaches.

Immerse the boom in water and make sure its water tight. Check to see if the cleats are worn out. Is the rubber coming off? Is the aluminum dented? - Is the wood cracked or split?

Skeg and Daggerboard

The daggerboard is a good indication of care given by previous owner. If its damaged you can assume that the board has been run aground. Check the dagger board well for cracks and tears. (a common problem here)

Take the skeg off and check for softness or cracks in the groove.

Universal

Its very important to have a tight fit into the board. Make sure the joint rotates freely but is not sloppy. Check for an easy fit into the mast base. If made of wood check for cracks and secure screws. Boards are often soft around the mast step!!!

Sail

New sail cloth is stiff and wrinkles while when old the same cloth has a soft, thinner and lighter feel. Sails stretch with use so beware. Check all stitching and batten pockets.

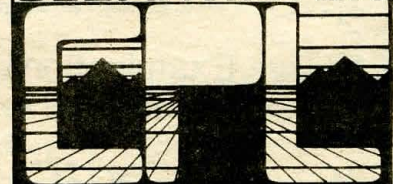
As you can see there are many points to consider, buyer beware. If you are in doubt ask someone who knows or go to your local windsurfer dealer.

The more perceptive of you may have noticed our new magazine stands, perhaps you found this very copy resting in one.

These are the results of Chico and I spending several month's in intensive planning, double that time procrastinating and finally whipping them off in an afternoon.

I don't know where Fritz dug up the swell smoked plexiglass but thanks anyway.

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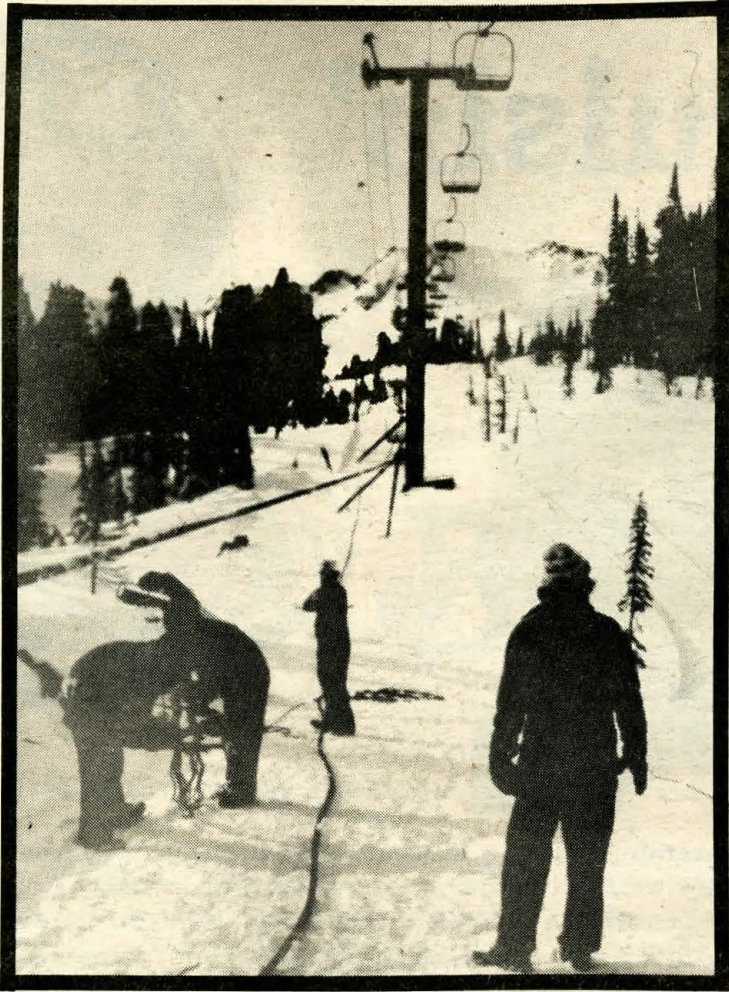


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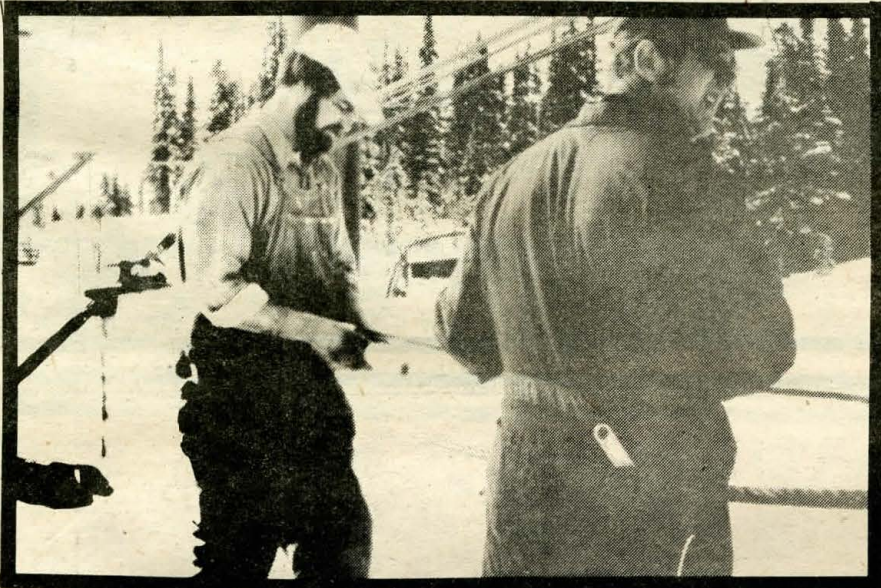
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High above the sleepy town center, amongst the mist enshrouded crags and wind torn forest, stands Seppo's run on Whistlers north face. Originally known as N 16, the new Black Chair is the top lift in a series of three, with the Village and Olympic chairs, now in service on Whistler North. Manufactured by Yan Ski Lifts of America, the lifts are similar to those installed on Blackcomb Mtn. and the word is that the two clubs have done some sharing in stock piling some of the more expensive electrical parts.

One of the major problems with first year operations is cable stretch. The new cable will lengthen in early usage, causing the counter-weight to pull back, until eventually, tension is lost on the line. The solution, braved by Blackcomb maintenance over a busy Christmas rush, is to cut a chunk of cable out and re-splice. Simple, well not exactly.

First the counter-weight is disengaged, the cable remains in place on the towers because it's natural weight continues to pull downhill. The cable must be lifted using a small A frame and come along set up, in this case from towers 20 and 21, and lowered to the ground. Here a block and tackle rigging is used to pull about 100 ft. of cable together enough, that about 35 feet of the wire rope can be removed. Whistler staff began the operation at the close of a normal working day and continued on until the very wee hours of the morning.

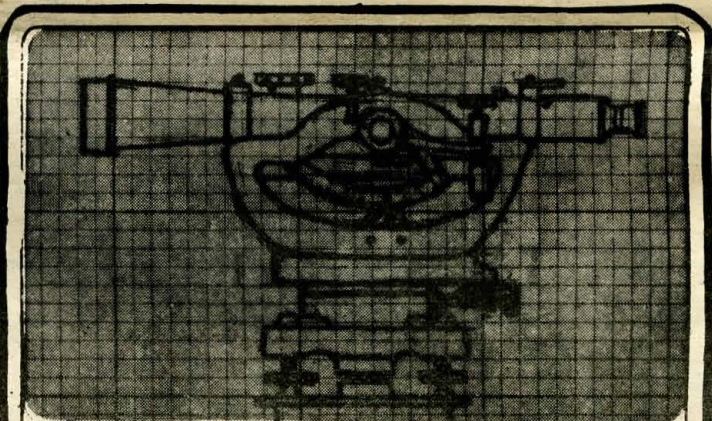


R. J. Knight is a good ol'boy from Missouri and one of the best perhaps half dozen cable splicers in North America. He does all of Yan Ski Lift's work at something like eight hundred a day plus expenses.

First you cut the cable, peel back the ends, then wrap this one over here, that one over there. Simple, well you might have to do it a few hundred times. A real expert can mend the break so smoothly, you can run your hand over it and never know it's been apart.

About eleven o'clock R. J. Knight checked his watch and assessed progress on the job. He had someone radio Mary Wilton in the Alpine Office to phone Vancouver and book him an afternoon flight. By twelve-thirty he was on his way to Medford, Oregon and another ski lift.

All the Whistler boys had to do was tie the five chairs they had removed from the line and haul it back up into place. Some truly courageous power and high wire work by Guy Labelle, Doug Mansel and Billy Steel and they were back in business. Total down time: one day.

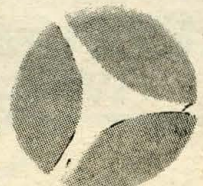


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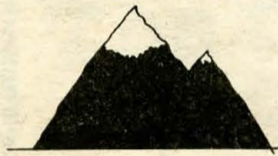
Harder Peaking on a Peterburger

I can well remember when a Mac attack at Whistler was desperate business. It meant a 22 mile drive over what was usually treacherously stoned territory to Phil's Drive-In in Pemberton. In those days a burger and a side of fries set one back not much more than a buck (modestly served in their own little cardboard plates wrapped in napkins) but one had to be a bonified addict to put in those kind of miles.

There are now no fewer than nine spots at Whistler in which one can enjoy what is probably the zenith of North American culinary tradition: the hamburger. And Wimpy wouldn't recognize these babies-Mid-Station Burgers, Stoney's Burgers, Rainbow Burger, Peter Burgers, and Teriyaki Burgers. He would also have a little more trouble "re-paying you Tuesday for a burger today" as inflation pushes the price of these 'King of Snacks' up towards the \$5 mark.

But to be fair these creations are a long ways from a cardboard encased quarter pounder. Graced with a salad and a mountain of fries these monstors will quell the hardest of mid-day mountain appetites.

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The culinary heights to be scaled would reduce a French chef to tears. Imagine grilled pineapple and teriyaki sauce with Mumm's on the terrace. I'm still moved!

Or for the more practical among you a stacked, whole wheat bunned burger from Blackcombe Day Lodge (Rendezvous 765) Rumour has it they topped the B.C. junior ski racer's burger poll around B.C. ski areas. For those of you into volume the Stoney size burger would fill about 30 refugees.

But enough of this- I feel a distinct gnawing that I'd like to eliminate. If you feel the same consult the burger chart and cruise.

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Bennies	3.95	***	***	FF&Gar	1	***1/2
Rendezvous 765	2.40	**1/2	***	none	4	***
L'Après	4.25	**1/2	***	FF	4	**1/2
Roundhouse	2.50	**	***	none	3	**
Squarehouse	2.40	**1/2	***	none	4	***
Russell's	5.25	****	****	FF&Gar	5	****
Stoney's	5.50	****	***1/2	FF&Gar	2	****
Whistler Creek	4.25	***	***	FF&Sal	3	***

French Fries The above chart is based on five star ratings. Quantity is affected by price. Quality is affected by products used, ie; whole wheat bun. And only Nadia is perfect!

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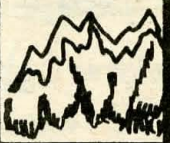
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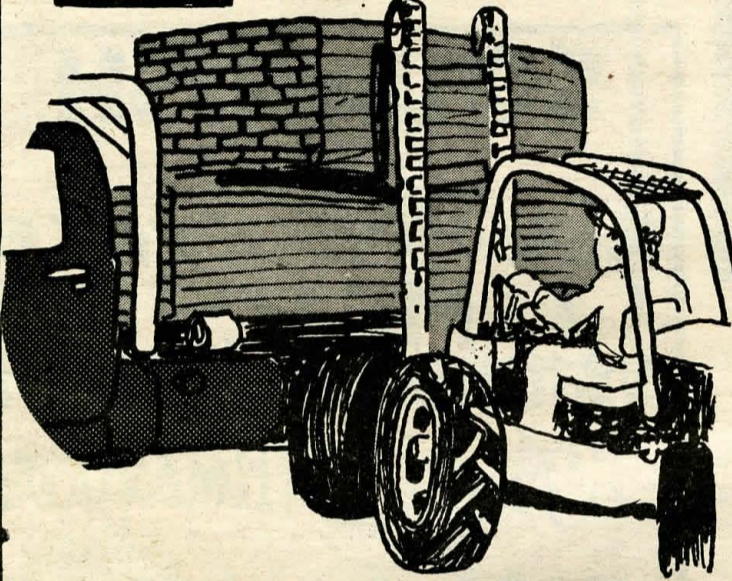


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A mountain top wedding in the spring brings out romantic notions in us all, even if only for that moment.

The marriage of Lorne Borgal and Nancy Treiber on Blackcomb Mtn. was no exception. Lorne being Administrative Manager of Blackcomb added a uniqueness to the affair not to mention an easing of certain logistics problems associated with getting the substantial party of skiers and non skiers up and down the mountain.

The ceremony took place in a glade just below the Squarehouse. After weeks of sunshine the weather had turned to snow. This was the only day the management complained of falling snow this season. As the ceremony began the clouds parted a bit and the winds became calm. There was even a ray or two of sunshine flashing on the wedding rings.



Tourists crazy Tourists



by Monahan and Lieriere

World renowned guide, outfitter and naturalist Dorothy V. Gow of Banff, Alberta graced the Coastal Ranges with a visit this past week. In tow and on "travels with Dorothy" was none other than charming young Dianne Fleming, daughter of Banff physician and surgeon Dr. R. W. Fleming.

Dorothy was born in Banff about the time of the Great war (for our own protection we'll not suggest which one), or more properly in a Warden's Cabin, part way between Banff and Lake Louise in the shade of Castle Mountain. Silvertip has spent a lifetime guiding and outfitting, "dudes" as she calls'em, across the great divide, in the blue Canadian Rockies. The one time owner of the Horse Thief Ranch in Wilmer, B. C., she has a tendency to get a little "bush wacked" in town and soon heads for the big hills. Her most recent summer spent in a mining camp near Slocan B.C., she has a wealth of stories from Shadow Lake and the Upper Spray Valley near Banff. She spends winters helicoptering into Mt. Assinaboine to a fabulous cross country ski camp. (Skied longer, further and worse...)

Dorothy has two daughters, married and living in the old country (eastern Canada) as well as son Harry, a push with the governments Via Rail plan. Her most famous son, for skiers at least, is John Gow, Area Manager at Sunshine Village. She has of course a much larger, shall we say underground/overground family and following in Banff that are believe me, too numerous and outrageous to mention.

Dianne Fleming has spent the last two summers racing chuckwagons on the rodeo circuit. I asked her how she did in Cheyenne, Wyoming and she answered "ah, we won their hearts". Dianne is currently employed as a meter reader during the day and drives a Pizza wagon at night. (gettin dizzy pal, it's the truth... just dial B-A-N-F-F)

So these dolls got off the train at 7 a.m. in Vancouver after, what was hinted as being, a bit of a session in the Dome Car (there was the Australian Dorothy was going to marry in a gondola car at Sunshine, then the fisherman who was going to take them both off to Alaska in his boat, the brakeman conductor etc.). Finding that there was no transportation to Whistler until eight in the evening, and rather than waste a day, they back packed across the Georgia Viaduct, then it was the 25¢ municipal bus to Horseshoe Bay. They hitch-hiked the last seventy five miles to Whistler. Ha Ha! Way to go gals, they sure don't make em like they used to!

Silvertip by Bill Meilen

I can turn the stems
of dandelions
spin the silver petals
of the moon
I can seek the heart
of mountain caves
and sing the songs
the coyote knows
I can breathe
the daytime flowers
and wear the cloak
of midnight stars
for I am blessed
by the Old Ones
who guard the high rocks
and measure the dance
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Shadow Lake, June 1974

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Most people rarely notice birds; others are stricken by that all-consuming mania called birdwatching. And there are those who just like having birds around the place. If you are one of the latter, then this article is for you.

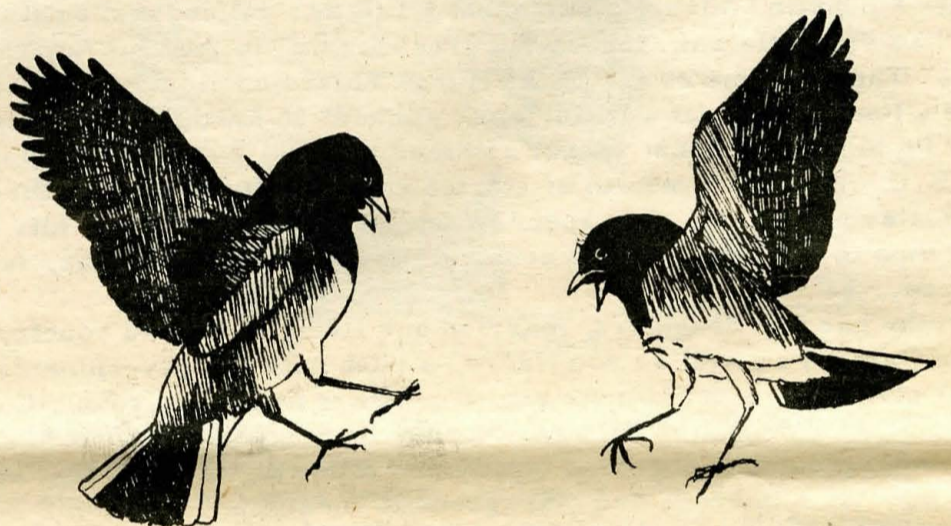
The successful recipe for attracting birds contains two ingredients—food and shelter. Give the birds enough food and a place to nest, and find shelter from danger, and they will do the rest. Unfortunately, the well-manicured garden, with its small measure of shelter, is no match for an untidy, overgrown, vacant lot in attracting avian tenants. However, planting the right shrubs and trees, in the right places, we can have a tidy garden and birds too.

Of course, there is more to attracting birds than planting a few shrubs in the right place; there is knowing what birds you can attract and what attracts them. Coniferous trees provide cover and their mature seed cones attract Crows, chickadees, Pine Siskens, and Warblers. Mountain Ash and Willow bushes attract insects and insect eating birds.

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Hummingbirds are a welcome guest in the spring and are easily attracted by either commercial feeders or a test tube with a rubber stopper and a bit of bent glass tubing. Despite the continuing debate about the 'right' mix to feed hummingbirds, four parts plain water with one part granulated sugar plus a few drops of red food coloring is as good a combination as any.

Next to creating an attractive environment, and providing food, there are few better ways of attracting birds than with nest boxes.

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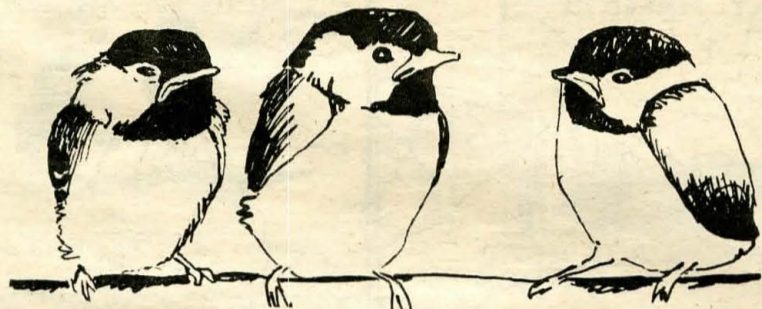
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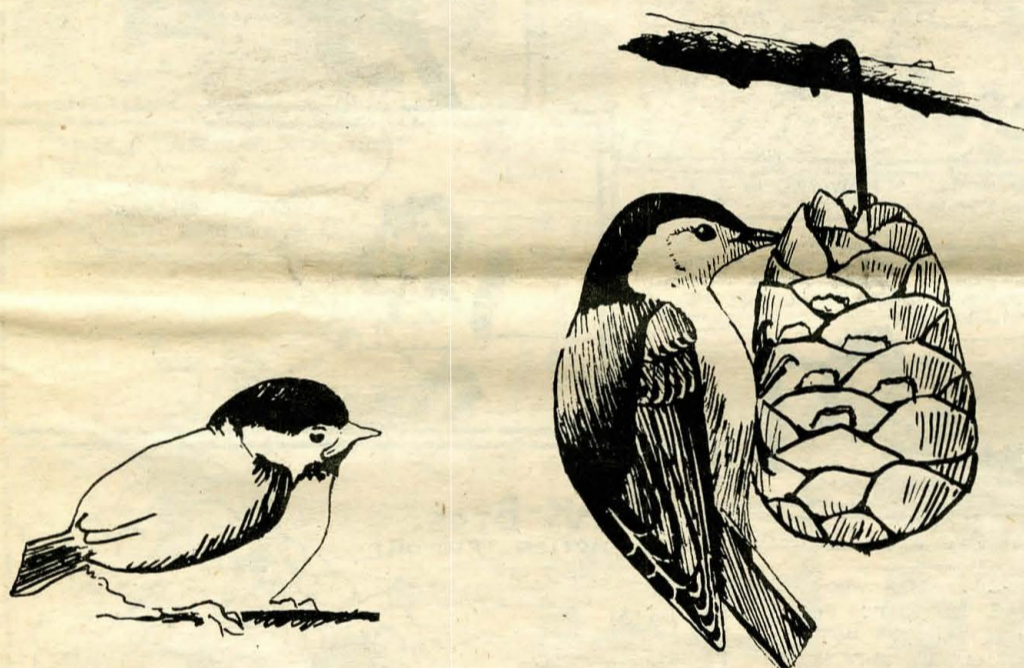
There are almost as many reasons why people feed birds as there are people feeding birds. Mostly we just want to 'help' the birds—a valid reason but one which fails to recognize that birds seldom need such help. In nature, the law of supply and demand is always working to balance the number of birds (the demand) that occupy an area, against the amount of food (the supply) available. A bird feeder adds to the supply and subsequently the demand. So, once started, feeding must be continued. If feeding is stopped—particularly in severe weather—some birds will not survive.

The food you offer at your feeder does not usually replace the natural food of the birds; it supplements that food. Watch the birds at your feeder. They don't sit on the feeder and eat and eat. They come and go, foraging for hours over their territories for every few minutes they spend at the feeder.



But these issues cloud the real reason why we feed birds and that is because birds are fun to watch. They bring a new world to our window. Often, with their curious antics, they allow us to momentarily forget our own cares.

Bird feeders should be situated to provide cover from predators, designed to keep cats and squirrels out (cover post with sheet metal) and be visible from inside your house.



Little expertise is required to build nest boxes; they need not cost a lot and they can be fun to make. All of which makes building nest boxes an ideal project for youngsters.

In his book *Nest Boxes for Birds*, published by the Canadian Wildlife Service, William Carrick describes a useful formula for calculating the dimensions of a nest box for a specific kind of bird. The formula is based on the overall length of the bird, a figure available in most field guide publications. On this basis then, the...

entrance diameter = $\frac{2}{3}$ the length of the bird
side of floor (square) = $2\frac{1}{2}$ x the entrance diameter
vertical depth = $2\frac{1}{2}$ x the side of the floor.

The design of your nest box will depend on the species you wish to attract but several principles prevail no matter what the species. The nest box must be durable and as weatherproof as design permits; it must be properly ventilated, have a removable lid for cleaning and for checking the contents; and it should have a sloping roof, and holes in the floor, for drainage. Most important, it must have the proper floor area to accommodate the next, the young or eggs, and the incubating bird.

There is probably no better way to attract birds to your garden than with a supply of fresh clean water. Sparrows warblers and thrushes find water irresistible. They bathe, cool themselves, drink, dunk food and generally frolic in it. Ideally a bath should be $\frac{1}{2}$ " to 4" deep with a rough bottom but even a running sprinkler will attract them.

If you don't already know what birds come to your yard you'll soon want to and for this good field guide is the Answer. The two standard works are Peterson's *Field Guide To Western Birds* and *Birds of North America* by Robbins Bruun and Zim.

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CRACK!

QUICK SPARROW! PIN MY LEGS! I HEAR YA!!!

MEANWHILE, SOMEWHERE IN HOLLY WOOD...

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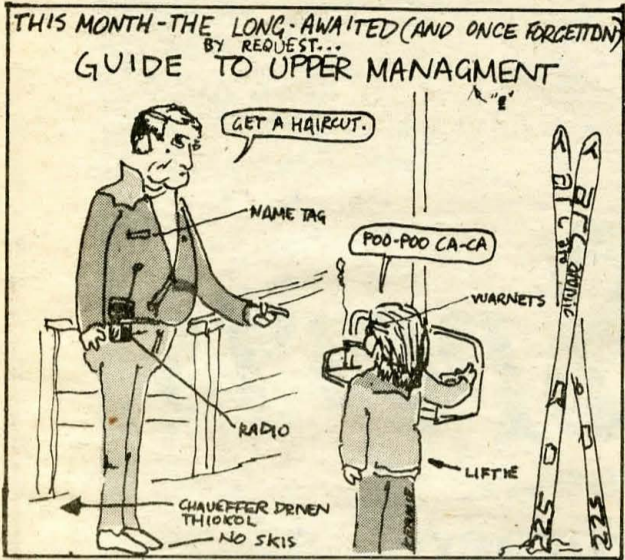
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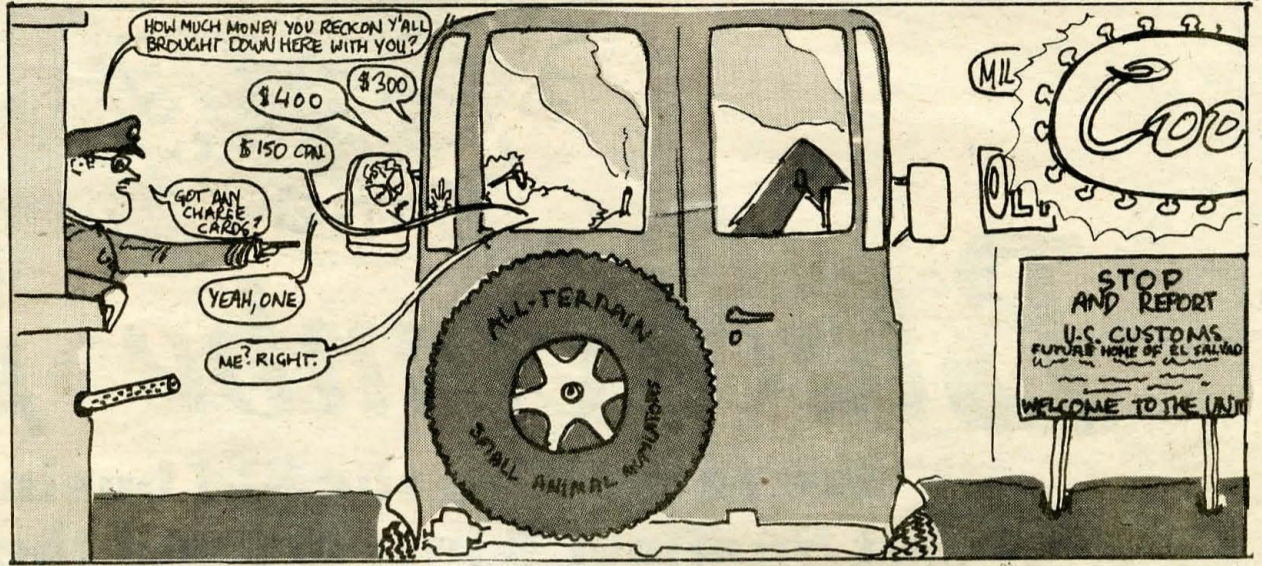
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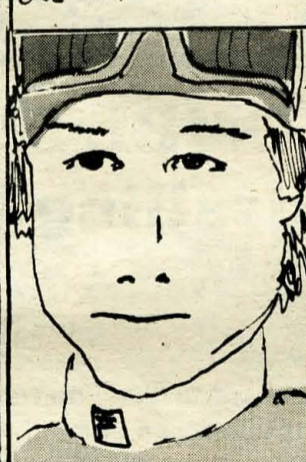
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