

# FAIRBRIDGE GAZETTE

Newsletter of the Fairbridge Canada Association



*This group arrived at the  
Prince of Wales Fairbridge Farm School  
on May 31, 1947  
Can anyone put names to the faces?*

# Spring 2014

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*The May 1947 group travelled on the RMS Aquitania*

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**Reunion 2013**

# Reunion 2014

*Friday & Saturday*

**September 19-20**

See page 4 for 2014 Reunion Information.

The 2014 Registration Form will be included with the Summer Gazette and posted on the website.

Check the FCA Website for Reunion 2014 updates

<http://www.fairbridgecanada.com>

## Let's Keep Current

*Send in your change of address and/or email address.*

**Fairbridge Canada Association**  
 Membership Fees should be sent to:  
 Ron Smith  
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Donations to the Fairbridge Alumni Bursary Society can be sent to:  
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Please note that the FCA and FABS have separate accounting systems.

**Fairbridge Canada Association Membership**  
**Fees are due in January each year—\$30.00 year**  
 Membership forms can be found on the FCA website at: <http://fairbridgecanada.com>

See page 8-9 for where to send DONATIONS for the Fairbridge Chapel

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## Roddy Mackay FCA President

Greetings all: our 2013 FCA reunion was an out-standing success, enjoyed by all. Yes, our numbers may be down slightly but we all felt

that only brought us closer as a family. *Family* was our theme, and the family feeling really did reach all who attended.

Prior to leaving for our various homes across the country, many of us recapped the activities. Our special guests Margaret Humphreys, the founder of the Child Migrant Trust and one of the C.M.T. Directors, Ian Thwaites, were well received. At the banquet Margaret gave a short presentation of current C.M.T. activities as related to our Fairbridge; she also made every effort to meet with all our members. This was great but throughout the gathering I was also impressed with the camaraderie of our members. The perspective, from mine and from others, was that we had participated in a Family Gathering.

In that spirit, many felt we should change the reunion format to an annual gathering rather than the biannual.

**It was also decided that we would return to weekend dates.** Mainly, that will allow our offspring to drive us to it. The FCA board agreed with this concept so we have booked the Oceanfront Suites at Cowichan Bay for September 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> 2014. Please see preliminary details on page 4 of this Gazette and on the Fairbridge Canada Association website at: <http://www.fairbridgecanada.com>

Like many of you my plans and activities are predicated on the state of my health. I decided some time ago that I would take life one day at a time and enjoy it day by day. The family gathering with my Fairbridge school mates was the first item placed on my 2014 calendar. Please join us on Sept 19<sup>th</sup> / 20<sup>th</sup> 2014 for our gathering at the beautiful Cowichan Bay Ocean front Hotel.

*The loss of Jock Bennett was felt by all. Farewell to a devoted F.C.A Board Member, my fellow Scot and good friend. Our deep condolences go to his lovely wife Gayle and family.*

Everyone please take care and do your best to stay healthy.

Yours aye,

*Roddy Mackay, March 1, 2014*

## Family Celebration



Phillip Field and his brother Ray

**Phillip:** I was 8 years old when my Dad died, I had only happy memories up until this point but then everything fell apart. My brothers and I were all placed in Middlemore Homes and later 4 of us were sent to Canada, leaving my youngest brother behind.

Over the years I have often struggled to make sense of why this happened to my family. I think my youngest brother found it particularly hard. He eventually managed to find us as an adult and relocated to Canada.

Fortunately I was able to share this emotional journey back to England with my little brother.

Accessing my records helped us both understand that things are often more complicated than they seem. It gave us both an opportunity to talk openly about our experiences and I realise how much it hurt him being separated from us.

At 80 years of age I am so glad of the opportunity to share this experience with him. Our family is incredibly large but we were able to come together and celebrate getting to know one another, which will be our legacy to our children.

Phillip Field's Family Reunion

The article on the Field's Family Reunion in Britain was written and printed for the Child Migrant Trust Magazine.



**Come join us for the  
September 2014 FCA Reunion  
at the Oceanfront Suites,  
Cowichan Bay**

*Below: Ronnie Auton, Jock Bennett, Brian Strawbridge, Mr. Brown, & Ernie Hodge in background*



## Britain's Family Restoration Fund

For information see the CMT Website:

<http://www.childmigrantstrust.com/services/family-restoration-fund>

## Fairbridge Canada Association September 2014 Reunion

**WHEN: Friday and Saturday  
September 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> 2014.**

**WHERE: Oceanfront Suites at Cowichan Bay**  
1681 Cowichan Bay Road, Cowichan Bay, BC V0R 1N0, Canada  
<http://www.oceanfrontcowichanbay.com/>



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When contacting the Oceanfront Suites at Cowichan Bay please identify yourselves as attending the **Fairbridge Reunion** for September 19 – 20, 2014.

To ensure you can get a room for the weekend - you need to book ASAP.

The Oceanfront Suites at Cowichan Bay have a refund cancellation policy of 48 hours, so if you are not certain whether you can make it, you can book now and have time to cancel as September approaches, if you find that you are unable to attend.

**Room Rates** – for those wishing to arrive early and/or stay longer – the hotel will give this special rate for up to two days prior to the reunion and two days after:

1 bedroom suite @ \$120.00/night plus taxes

2 bedroom suite @ \$160.00/night plus taxes

**COST for the Reunion: \$60 per member.**

*The costs have stayed the same as the 2013 Reunion.*

Note – this is an all-inclusive reunion fee which covers the Meet & Greet, the Banquet, as well as other expenses, such as the meeting rooms, audiovisual equipment, and other miscellaneous costs associated with putting on the reunion.

For more information, contact your Reunion Committee:

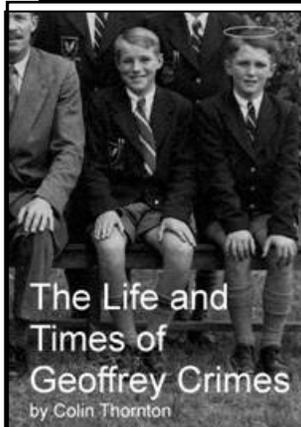
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*It is interesting to note that both the Molong and the Rhodesian Fairbridgians are also holding 2014 reunions.*

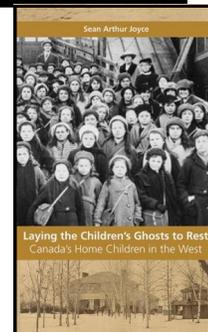


Colin Thornton, a Rhodesian Fairbridgian, has a new book on child migration and the history of Rhodesia Fairbridge Memorial College, called: “The Life and Times of Geoffrey Crimes.” Contact Colin for information on how to get his book: [colin@nor.com.au](mailto:colin@nor.com.au)

### Book News

Sean Arthur Joyce’s book, “Laying the Children’s Ghosts to Rest: Canada’s Home Children in the West,” will be out later this spring. Joyce said there is some hard stuff in his chapter about Fairbridge. Joyce asked if the Fairbridge alumni would be interested in hosting a reading/book launch?

See the publisher’s website for details:  
<http://www.hagiospress.com/books/detail/laying-the-childrens-ghosts-to-rest-canadas-home-children-in-the-west>



The Gazette is coming out earlier than usual to ensure everyone gets the news about the upcoming **September 2014 FCA Reunion**. The registration forms will be with the early Summer Gazette and posted on the FCA Website. <http://www.fairbridgecanada.com>

## Correspondence Highlights

### December 2013

- Gayle Bennett regarding Jock Bennett's passing.
- Kerrie Gill, Education Officer, Woodstock Museum National Historic Site—wrote asking if the FCA knew the whereabouts of any of the former Havelock boys.
- Will Garnett (son of former Prince of Wales Fairbridge Farm School Principal, Bill Garnett) re the Halloween article in the Christmas 2013 Gazette, page 4: *I was amazed to read the article on the Halloween Party of 1947. One of the judges, Mrs Livingstone, was my granny - she was my mother's mother, from Kendal in the Lake District.*
- Lorie Krogel, Fred Bishop's daughter, regarding the Christmas 2013 Gazette and the back cover photo of three boys hovering over the pot of 'soup.' "The boy with the ladle is my father, Frederick Bishop and the boy peering into the pot is Stan Blake. Dad remembers the day of the photo op well and says it was actually just water in the pot. Dad said that the photo was taken in Strathcona J cottage with cottage mother MK Broadhurst, but is not certain who the smaller boy sipping out of the ladle. is. (Note: It has been suggested that it could be Kenny Arnison, John Cowans or Malcolm Macdonald. Fred sent along two other photos—see page 9.
- Marilyn Harding for her father Tich, regarding the names of the children in a Fairbridge photo used in a Beautiful British Columbia magazine article.
- Best Wishes to you and yours! From, Pam Wilson. Former Secretary from the Pinjarra Fairbridge
- Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Hugh & Virginia Taylor & *Thank you for the latest Gazette.*
- Peter Gould, former Rhodesian Fairbridgian—with details of the Fairbridge reunion being planned for the spring in Christchurch New Zealand.
- The Molong Fairbridgians are also planning their 76th Reunion this March 2014.



### January 2014

- Janice Murray looking for information on her father, Kenneth Jones.

### February 2014

- Colin Thornton regarding his new book. See page 4 for details.
- Maureen Speed sent along historical information on Tom Speed. Look for this article in the Summer



*How many can claim to have 5 from their group attend a reunion nowadays? These 5 from the 1941 group attended the September 2013 Reunion  
Hugh Taylor, Eric Foster, May Goldie, Roddy Mackay & Roy Myhill*



*Fairbridge Reunion Strata Tea*



*Pam Morrison and her daughter, dancing after the Banquet—Ray Phillips brought the band, Myra Rogers, Gary Rogers & Dan MacMillan*

## WANTED COLUMN

**A Victoria law firm is seeking contact info for the family of a former Fairbridgian, Jessie Craft Carver, (Newbold) Deceased.**

**Please contact Barbara at Velletta & Company.**

**Telephone: 250-383-9104 or**

**Email: [Barbara@victorialaw.ca](mailto:Barbara@victorialaw.ca)**

## REUNION HISTORY .

by Tom Lisle

For a number of years, I have routinely thrown Fairbridge stuff in a filing cabinet and, as I closed the drawer, acknowledged the requirement to eventually organize it. Well, it is a mess but I have started. I spent a number of years in the 1980's and 1990's working on the Alumni lists and, looking at the early files at about the same time as the 2013 reunion, got me thinking about the heady times 30 years ago when close to 200 Fairbridgians attended the Fairbridge reunion.

When the school was winding down, I was one of the last dozen or so remaining students and my number came up in December 1951. From that point on, Fairbridge became less of a focus until 1962. A group of the older Fairbridgians had organized a reunion that was held in West Vancouver. Being one of the later and younger additions to the school I knew very few of the people there but, one name I do recall was Pat Hood. A lasting impression of that event was how much the group enjoyed the party.

Fairbridge remained well off my radar until March 1981 when I received a call at my office from a Ken Armstrong. When I moved to Vancouver in the 1950's I had become friends with an Armstrong family that included sons Len and Ken, so a telephone call from a Ken Armstrong was not out of the ordinary. A short time into the call however, I realized that something was amiss, so I pointedly asked again who he was, and he replied Ken Armstrong, and after a pause, from Fairbridge. My mind went into overdrive thinking and wondering if I recalled a Ken Armstrong at Fairbridge. The best I could do was to ask to let me have a look at him so we met over a cup off coffee, and gradually the picture came back

We covered a fair bit of ground in an hour. Ken was living in Cobourg, Ontario. He was out on holiday and visiting and looking up Fairbridgians on the west coast. He wondered whether anyone was doing anything about a reunion and was keen to initiate one. Whatever the message, it resonated, and I called up John Hardy and explained the visit so Ken and I went over for dinner. We discussed the issue at length and came to the view that a reunion would require a significant effort, but was a worthy project to take on. At that point, a process that would ultimately lead to the grand reunion on August 26 and 27, 1983 had started.

Ken returned to Cobourg, but stayed involved from a distance. John and I started contacting people who were much more knowledgeable about Fairbridge than we were, and our first target was Molly Harris. Molly had recently become the caretaker of the Fairbridge Files with the untimely death of Mary Duffy (Kirkpatrick), and we asked her to be spokesperson for the group. We next contacted Pat Webb and Brenda Crellin (Clarke) and Don Morton. (My records show we had a committee of seven. I am not sure if Ken was included as a seventh, or perhaps another Fairbridgian, Roy Hughes.)

At that point we had the nucleus of an Ad Hoc reunion committee that over the next two years would grow to take on responsibilities as the reunion neared.

Unknown to many of us at the time, was that there was still some structure to Fairbridge in Canada. The Fairbridge Society in London still maintained a presence in BC, and was locally represented by Mr. G.M. Berkefeld, Esq. of Burford Management Services in Vancouver. The Canadian "Old Fairbridgian Association", dating back to at least the early 1960's was also active and Pat Hood, along with other old Fairbridgians had been instrumental in its organization.

At the outset, I visited Mr. Berkefeld and collected files that included original lists of children with name, date of birth, and dates on which they arrived at the Prince of Wales Fairbridge Farm School. I visited with Pat Hood a couple of times at his law office in Chinatown, getting background and seeking advice. The address lists of former students and staff contained a large number of unknown addresses, and if the planned reunion was to be successful, the lists would require a significant revision.

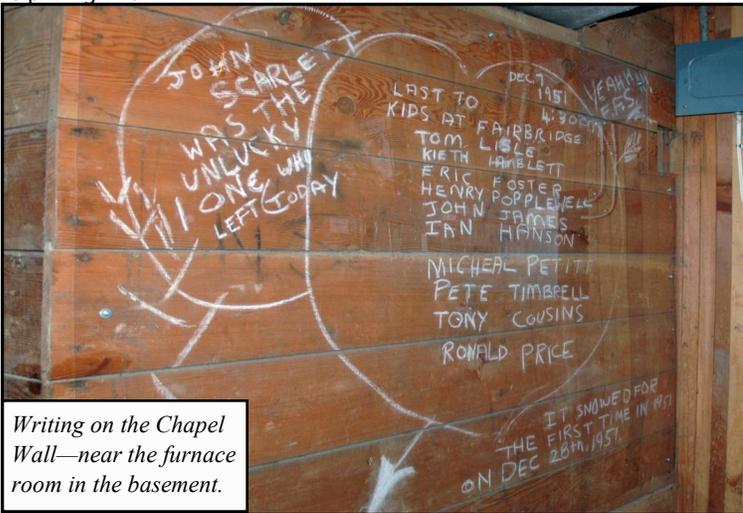
My main contribution to the exercise was helping to update the address lists of both students and staff, and to contact as many of them as possible about the reunion. A large number of Fairbridgians (75)?, were reported to have served in the armed forces during the war years so we contacted the Department of National Defense. We contacted Community TV and local news media throughout the province, and also the provincial archives. We spent a considerable amount of time on the telephone and mail, and some of our better success was through networking with Fairbridgians located in different parts of the province or Canada. Gradually the address list improved. We were able to reach 150 boys and 70 girls. At that time, 32 of the students were deceased, and 10 were known to have returned to England. The 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary report of the Fairbridge Society reported that 'close to 200 old Fairbridgians attended the reunion'.

Due to the nature of my work, I travelled widely throughout the province and was able to connect directly with some Old Fairbridgians, none of whom I knew. One time I found myself staying overnight in Kamloops and called the first name on my Kamloops list, John Danks. When he found out what the call was about, I was immediately invited to their home for a barbeque dinner.

Another time, travelling through Port Alberni late one rainy evening, I spied a telephone booth and found the name Alec or Ray Phillips. The conversation lasted some time, and many years later Ray Phillips sought me out at a function to personally thank me for making that call. It apparently set in motion events that would lead to a reunification. During 1982, I spent time working in the Revelstoke area and looked up both



Tom Lisle  
Ken Armstrong photo



Writing on the Chapel Wall—near the furnace room in the basement.

Doreen Pleasant and Jim Lally. Doreen was on staff at the local RCMP detachment and Jim was retired. When I told Jim the nature of the call, I soon found myself in his front room having tea.

While many of our enquiries resulted in a positive response, one or two did not, and at the time it did not make much sense to me. Today, after reading Gazettes from past years, and other background on the Fairbridge Farm School, it makes perfect sense.

Much was written about the success of the August 26-27 reunion, but I think Molly said it best when she reported to the Fairbridge Society: “the enthusiasm and fellowship among the group, is, I feel why so much effort was put into the planning for the reunion and why the response was good”.... “In the weeks following, many, many telephone calls and letters were received from Old Fairbridgians commenting on the success of the reunion and what it had meant to them”.

On reflection, there are a couple of other things about the 1983 reunion and the reunion committee that I think are of interest.

Perhaps the most important outcome of the 1983 reunion was that its success acted as a catalyst to generate interest, and to put the later Fairbridge Alumni Association on a sound footing going forward.

The reunion group evolved for a specific purpose within a time frame of about two and a half years. The group was small, loosely structured and operated enthusiastically with a common purpose independent of the ‘Old Fairbridgian Association’ of earlier years. The committee included students from parties from 1935 up to 1947 embracing a wide range of age and interest of the Fairbridge community. The addition of Don Morton injected a perspective that only a respected senior staff member could bring.

A colleague of mine opened his preface to a technical journal with the following line “The time to take inventory is when the store has few customers.” By 1981, about thirty years after the schools closure, not only former students, but their families were beginning to search their history, and individual student files were becoming available in England and Canada. A total of 329 students went through

Fairbridge between 1935 and 1951, some of them spending a good part of their youth in the system before being cut loose. Their experiences at Fairbridge, good or bad, would form a significant part of their memory bank, and it would be natural, particularly if the memories were favorable, to want to revisit them. Between the early 1960’s and 1980 there had been a number of Fairbridge reunions that appear to have been limited in attendance to those from the first and early years of Fairbridge. Coupled with the high numbers of unknowns in the address lists of students and staff, many Fairbridgians would be unaware of, and would have had no ongoing connection to Fairbridge. Our reasoning was simple. If the idea of a full reunion was appealing to us, then it was likely that many other Fairbridgians would agree. To use the above analogy, in 1981 it was time to take stock.

So what happened to the 1981-83 reunion group?. Most of them went on to become part of the Fairbridge Alumni Association. Molly became the face of Fairbridge Canada and the ‘go to’ contact for anything Fairbridge up to 2006 when she retired. Brenda moved, I think, to the Okanagan after a few years, and Ken relocated to Australia. I remained for a few years working on the address lists, and returned for a few years in the 1990’s to again help Molly with the lists.

Time took its toll on Pat Webb, Roy Hughes and Don Morton. All of them gave freely of their efforts on behalf of Fairbridge.

John Hardy. Well, he is like the proverbial battery bunny. He keeps on drumming. He has stayed continuously with the Fairbridge executive since 1981, and served in most positions from director to president. With other Fairbridgians, he worked tirelessly to ensure that the Fairbridge Bursary Society was well structured and on a sound footing. For his efforts, he should be awarded a Fairbridge Tie and an Iron Man Trophy. *August 31, 2013*

*L-R Peter Frankish, Patricia Lisle, Tom Lisle, tea time at Benington Place—a Fairbridge Society Hostel in England.*

*Photo courtesy of Tom Lisle*



**Jock (John) Bennett: October 10, 1928—December 1, 2013.**



Jock was born Oct. 10, 1928 in Prestonpans Scotland, the fourth oldest of 6 children, two of whom were sent to Fairbridge, Robert (Bob) and Jock in 1940. There is only one sister left living and she is in Gibsons. Jock loved playing sports at Fairbridge especially Soccer and Boxing. His other love at Fairbridge was tending the cattle (not so much the pigs). Jock showed the cattle a few times when he first left Fairbridge and was offered to be put through Vet school as he was so good with the animals. Being young turned this offer down and joined the Merchant Marine, sailing out of the



West Coast for 5 years, then sailing out of the East Coast for another 5 years. Jock worked at Ocean Falls, Vancouver and then finally settled down in Gibsons. Jock worked for Howe Sound Pulp and Paper for 30 years, retiring when he was 60 years old. Jock loved his community in Gibsons and was instrumental with three other men in starting up the Youth Soccer League on the Sunshine Coast which is still going strong today. He also was a founding member of the Gibsons Curling Club and the Gibsons Yacht club. Jock belonged to the Royal Canadian Legion for 45 years and had remained active with the Legion the rest of his life. Jock was also a strong Union man and an NDP member. Jock met and married Gayle in Gibsons 40 years ago, enjoying helping to raise 5 stepchildren, now there are 11 grandchildren and 1 great granddaughter.

**Shirley Jean Shelley (nee McConnell) May 18, 1931 - January 31, 2014**



Shirley Shelley passed away after a brief illness. She married James Shelley (Jim arrived at the Prince of Wales Fairbridge Farm School on November 24, 1938) in Vancouver on August 27, 1949. Jim and Shirley raised their children in New Westminster where they were both very active in lacrosse and curling and where they began their lifelong love of gardening. Jim and Shirley operated several businesses of their own ending with The White Hart Tea Shoppe in Duncan, B.C.

**Joan (nee Vallentin) Martin: February 25, 2014**

Joan Vallentin arrived at the Prince of Wales Fairbridge Farm School on September 21, 1937.  
(Ed. At this time I have no other information on Joan Martin.)

**New Tax Breaks For Donations to the Fairbridge Chapel**  
**Ron Smith**

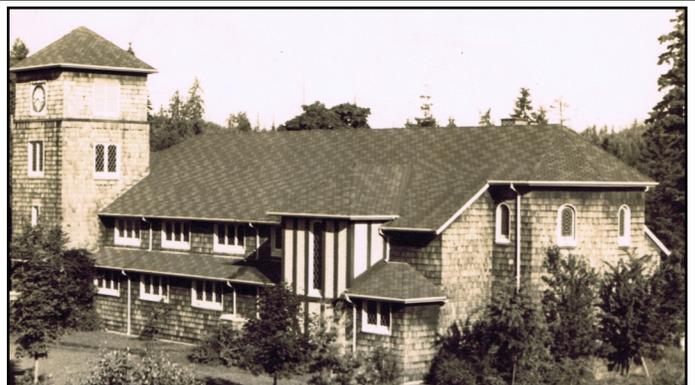
At the beginning of 2014 the Federal Government is giving individuals who donate to charities a larger tax credit in Canada. Instead of receiving just a 15% credit donations of the first \$200 they can now receive a 40% credit towards any personal income taxes. This is one of the most significant changes in years. Also, for donations over \$200 it raises from 29% to 54%.

This new change is aimed to support the initiatives fostered by Governor General David Johnston and would help many historic buildings and grounds, such as the Fairbridge Chapel, stay afloat given the always increasing costs to maintain the hundreds of important community and national sites often managed by local volunteers.

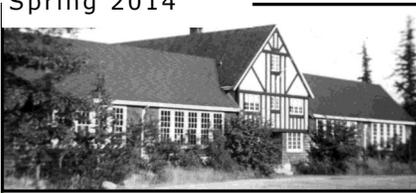
As most Fairbridge Canada Association members are aware the Fairbridge Canada Heritage Society can issue official tax receipts that you are able to include with your tax filing and it thus reduces any monies owed to the government.

It requires a minimum of \$10,000 to keep the wolves away from the front doors of the chapel each year. This includes our costs for insurance, maintenance, and the usual unexpected problems that seem to come about once or twice a year.

**Send Fairbridge Chapel DONATIONS to:**  
**Fairbridge Chapel Heritage Society**  
**4791 Fairbridge Drive,**  
**Duncan, BC V9L 6N9**  
*Include a return address for your income tax receipt.*



# Fairbridge Alumni Bursary Society



This is the first year where the FABS Bursary money will be administered by the Cowichan Secondary School. A report will be included in the next Gazette.



Photo courtesy of Ken Armstrong

Fairbridge Alumni Bursary Society  
Registered Charity Number  
89079 2047 RR0001  
Incorporated October 17, 1989

Letter from Kelsey Kilbey, one of last year's bursary recipients: "I wanted to send my heartfelt thanks... the grant has helped me immensely with my education... The FABS award has contributed significantly to my university experience. Thank you for providing me with this opportunity."

## CHAPEL NEWS

### Ron Smith

The Chapel was the scene of the annual Fairbridge Carols on December 14<sup>th</sup> and featured the Sunrise Waldorf School Grade 6 Choir as well as our Fairbridge Community Children's Chorus. This event has been held for the past 25 years and everyone in the community looks forward to the afternoon gathering.

Over the past few months we have been able to undertake just a few projects including cleaning a few lower gutters. The work Libra Tree Service was going to do in the fall was postponed until early spring. Over the next few months we intend to clean the rest of the gutters, paint some of the trim around the windows and the porch of the school house. We will also be doing other repairs including replacing some of the cedar shingles on the clock tower that blew off in the wind a few weeks ago. A bucket truck will be needed for this work. Repairs to the clock will also be undertaken as the hourly strike

happens about 5 minutes to the hour so we have to get the minute hand aligned.

The **Station Magazine** will be featuring a few pictures of the chapel in its upcoming March issue. This will likely include a photo of the clock as well as the angels. They are focusing on unique interiors of a number of religious buildings in the Cowichan Valley. The Cowichan News Leader Pictorial is the publisher and they have an internet site you can access which includes the magazine which hits the news stands mid month.

Over the next few months we are also going to be upgrading our web site, [www.fairbridgechapel.com](http://www.fairbridgechapel.com). This will include adding new pictures and stories. We also post more information on the quarterly *Fairbridge Chapel News*.

Finally, the Board of Directors wants to thank all who have supported the Society over the past year and being a registered society we can provide everyone with a tax receipt for their much appreciated donation

Boys from Strathcona J cottage...front left to right are: John Cowans, Fred Bishop, Jack Lowe, Bill Cockburn, Rob Anderson, Kenny Arnison and James Harris. Back row are: Ron Crawte, Art Kane, John Dee, Tom Kemp and Stan Blake



Fred Bishop sent in these two photos:

Right—l-r: James Harris, ?, Fred Bishop, ?, Bill Cockburn, ?, Kenny Arnison

Both photos taken by mum Broadhurst in front of the Strathcona Cottage.

# Fairbridge Gazette

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**Next Gazette:  
Summer 2014**



## *FCA 2013 Reunion*



Do you have a story or a photo that you would like to share? How about a story about previous reunions or perhaps of *spring planting at the Fairbridge Farm School*? Send it in for the Spring Gazette.

The deadline for submission for the next issue is:

**June 1, 2014**

## **WANTED COLUMN**

Are you looking for a long lost friend?  
Confirmation of a Fairbridge Memory?  
Send in your requests to our  
**WANTED COLUMN.**  
*We will do our best to help.*