

FAIRBRIDGE GAZETTE

Newsletter of the Fairbridge Canada Association



*Put down your rakes & shovels and come to the
2011 FCA Reunion*

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Fairbridge Canada Association

2011 Reunion

September 16-18, 2011

Spring 2011

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Fairbridge Strata Tea 2009 Reunion

Pat Skidmore photo

Laugh of the season

Little Bruce and Jenny are only 12 years old, but they know they are in love. One day they decide that they want to get married, so Bruce goes to Jenny's father to ask him for her hand.

Bruce bravely walks up to him and says, "Mr. Smith, me and Jenny are in love and I want to ask you for her hand in marriage."

Thinking that this was just the cutest thing, Mr. Smith replies, "Well Bruce, you are only 12. Where will you two live?"

Without even taking a moment to think about it, Bruce replies, "In Jenny's room. It's bigger than mine and we can both fit there nicely."

Still thinking this is just adorable, Mr. Smith says with a huge grin, "Okay, then how will you live? You're not old enough to get a job. You'll need to support Jenny."

Again, Bruce instantly replies, "Our allowance, Jenny makes five bucks a week and I make 10 bucks a week. That's about 60 bucks a month, so that should do us just fine."

Mr. Smith is impressed that Bruce has put so much thought into this. "Well Bruce, it seems like you have everything figured out. I just have one more question. What will you do if the two of you should have little children of your own?"

Bruce just shrugs his shoulders and says, "Well, we've been lucky so far."

Mr. Smith no longer thinks the little turd is adorable!

Sent in by Joan Martin

During a visit to my doctor, I asked him, "How do you determine whether or not an older person should be put in an old age home?"

"Well," he said, "we fill up a bathtub, then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup and a bucket to the person to empty the bathtub."

"Oh, I understand," I said. "A normal person would use the bucket because it is bigger than the spoon or the teacup."

"No" he said. "A normal person would pull the plug. Do you want a bed near the window?"

Sent in by Peter Gould, Rhodesian Fairbridgian

Membership Fees are due for 2011

For a full-fledged membership: **\$30.00** year

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Let's Keep Current

Send Pat Skidmore your change of address

NOTE: the Fairbridge Alumni Bursary Society and the Fairbridge Canada Association have two separate accounting systems. If you are sending a donation to the Bursary Society, please send them to the Bursary Treasurer, Bill Cockburn, FABS Treasurer. If you are sending donations or FCA Membership fees, please send them to Barry Hagen, FCA Treasurer.

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Please include a return address so we can send you an income tax receipt.



**FCA President:
John Hardy**

**Why attend a reunion
anyway?**

Greetings from all of us on the FCA Board. We're working hard on your behalf, trying to make this coming reunion a good one.

So be sure to book time to come to it now and enjoy meeting your old school chums, the trip to the school, meet and greet, banquet, and most important the general meeting. Come and have your say in the what the FCA is doing or should be doing. And by the way, if you have any ideas on what you want at the reunion, be sure to let us know!

People have asked what the value is of the association. Just look at the items in this Gazette to see for yourself what has been accomplished.

Starting with the Child Migrants Trust and the Family Restoration Fund. We covered the CMT and the Apology given in Britain in earlier Gazettes, and now you have one positive outcome of our involvement with them, funds to help you find family members in Britain.

Do take advantage of this Fund. It's there for you. And you will find the people at the Trust office very willing to help, both getting you to Britain, and finding family when you are there.

Another reason you should come to the reunion

this September: meet Margaret Humphreys. She is trying to make it over here, and let's hope she does because she really is a remarkable lady and she needs to know we are here as well.

The FCA started a Bursary Fund in the late 1980's. It represents the desire of Fairbridge Alumni to help students who are seeking to improve themselves at recognized vocational schools, colleges and universities. Grants help defray costs of fees, books, and related items. Through the Fairbridge Alumni Bursary Society our history will live on.

You know, to many people living in the Cowichan Valley, the name Fairbridge means a housing development out there on the Koksilah Road. It's important to let people know we existed.

Then there's the chapel. It's the heritage site so important to many Old Fairbridgians. You should take time to talk with Ron Smith while you are at the reunion, and come out for the Sunday service at the chapel. Ron deserves a great round of applause from all of us. He has faithfully steered the chapel as a heritage site and looked after the maintenance all these years. Be sure to let him know you appreciate it.

For many of you reading this Gazette and news of the reunion it all seems to apply, not to you, but to other folk. Well, if you haven't come to a reunion it's time you gave it a try. You might be surprised at how much enjoyment there is at one of these gatherings.



2007 Reunion



Fairbridge Strata Tea 2009 Reunion

Top photo Chris Brookshaw



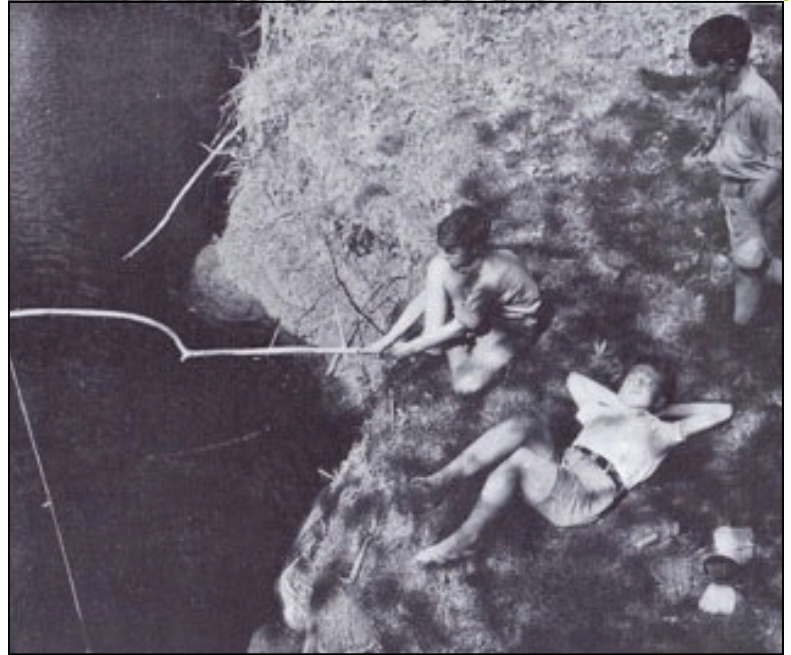
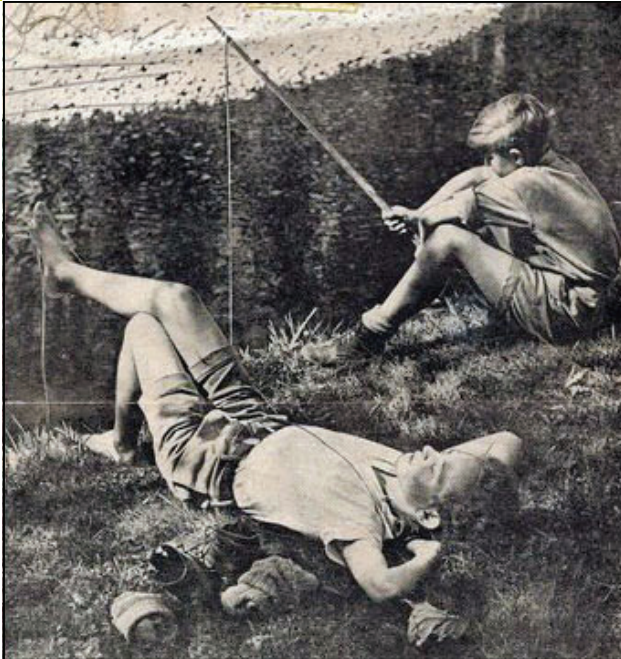
2009 Reunion



Bottom photo Jock and Gayle Bennett

Lazy Days of Summer

Roddy Dedicates the 2011 Fairbridge Reunion to our New Generation.
 I hope all are enjoying good health and enjoyable summer.
 We are also encouraging everyone if possible to invite a younger relative to our reunion.
Roddy Mackay FCA Vice President



Roddy sent in this Leon Field photo of Brian Atkinson and Leon Field "Fishing At Fairbridge"

It is a photo by CPR Photographer, Nicolas Morant, 1947

I found these other 2 in The Fairbridge Society Brochures. The top right photo is from: "The Fairbridge Story: 1908-1952. Forty-three Years of Successful Work for Children and the Empire." London: Watmoughs Ltd. 1952. Page 6, and the bottom photo in the Pamphlet: "Fairbridge Farm Schools Thirty-Sixth Year, 1945." London: The Baynard Press. 1945. Page2.





Past President's Message

Greetings to all. I hope you had a Happy Easter. This will be brief. We are in a financial crisis. We do not have sufficient funds to pay our expenses. Pat, our editor cannot afford to mail out the upcoming gazette! She has to put it on the internet! What must we do?

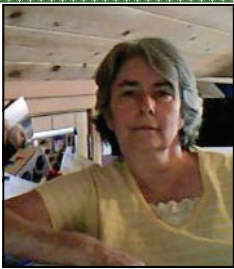
Two things: 1.) Reduce expenses. 2.) Increase income. We are reducing gazette expenses, but we don't want to lose the gazette. The gazette hangs us all together and keeps us informed. Pat and others have worked hard, without pay, to build up a high level publication.

I am communicating with a chap in Portland, who is in charge of the late Jim Harris' foundation. Strangely enough it is called the Fairbridge Foundation. He named his 75 foot boat the Fairbridgian! This gentleman is very supportive towards the Fairbridge Canada Association and has us "in his sights" he told me. I am sending him "stuff" about Fairbridge.

However our private efforts are still very important. We should all pay our dues and make donations, as possible. Also, this will encourage extraneous support, as we can't count on anything else, yet. So please pay your dues and make a donation, no matter how small. Also, as president John has mentioned, come to the reunion in September and review old memories and friendships! We are organizing a great reunion and you will receive details shortly.

Best wishes and may the warming spring sun continue (finally) to heat your bones.

Ron



Spring Greetings from Pat

As you can see, there has been some changes to the Gazette. It has become too costly to print out and mail in the format that it has grown into so we are exploring other options—with the most cost effective one being the posting of it on the Fairbridge Canada website. (<http://fairbridgecanada.com/>)

Please attend the Biannual General Meeting, held during the reunion, on Saturday September 17 at 9:30 to help direct the future of the Fairbridge Canada Association, the Fairbridge Gazette and the Fairbridge Alumni Bursary Society.

One of the bits of information we have been trying to get out to everyone is on the **Family Restoration Fund** set aside by former Prime Minister Gordon Brown after his Formal Apology in February 2010. This Fund is being administered by the Child Migrants Trust. See page 10 for further details.

It is a fund set up for all former child migrants, which allows them to visit family wherever they are in the world. The Child Migrants Trust are experts on family research and will help find family members if they are not known. They will also help fill out the necessary forms. They do not expect you to travel alone, so for most cases, they will also provide funding for a caretaker/companion to travel with you.

My mother, Marjorie and I have accessed the fund and we are heading to London in mid May. The Child Migrants Trust have helped organize a meeting between a younger brother and Marjorie. This brother was born after Marjorie was sent to Canada and she has not had the opportunity to meet him yet.

Contact me if you want more information on this.

Pat Skidmore



Corresponding Secretary News

December:

- Ron and Touy Smith—many emails regarding the website design
- Australian and New Zealanders regarding the ability of the offspring of Child Migrants to obtain a British passport—it appears to be possible for offspring of Prince of Wales Fairbridge Farm School male migrants but not for female migrants. There is a way that their children can get British passports: Right of abode provided they spend five years in England.
- John Hardy—letter to Margaret Humphreys re invitation to the 2011 Reunion
- Bill Cockburn—re Tich Harding’s wife, Alma—was in the hospital. Our thoughts are with you Tich and Alma. “Too Late to Wave Goodbye”
- Phone calls with Molly Harris—who has been battling health issues—we are thinking of you Molly.
- Lynne Forrest, Peter Forrest's eldest daughter. It is with great sadness I have to tell you of Dad's death on November 27, 2010.
- Roddy Mackay—re the card and photo sent by the Child Migrants Trust
- Ian Thwaites, Child Migrants Trust: The UK Department of Health are currently preparing commemorative DVDs of the UK apology, and part of that presentation will include a brochure, outlining several case studies to help explain the background to the Apology.
- Ian Thwaites: re the Family Restoration Fund: The £6 million Family Restoration Fund was announced by former UK Prime Minister, Gordon Brown, on 24 February 2010 as part of the apology to former child migrants. The Fund has been set up by the Child Migrants Trust with a grant awarded by the UK Government to support family reunions for former child migrants who were sent to Australia, New Zealand, Canada and Zimbabwe (the former Rhodesia) as part of child migration schemes. Applications and inquiries can be sent direct to: cmtfrf@aol.com; or write to: Child Migrants Trust, 28A Musters Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham, England, NG2 7PL www.childmigrantstrust.com
- John Stocker: Season Greetings included in part, the following—World update...Now that the Wiki leaks have also alarmed the world! The English are feeling the pinch in relation to recent terrorist threats, and have therefore raised their security level from “Miffed” to “Peeved”. Soon, though, security levels may be raised yet again to “Irritated” or even “A Bit Cross”. The English have not been “A Bit Cross” since the blitz in 1940, when tea supplies nearly ran out. Terrorists have been re-categorized from “Tiresome” to “A Bloody Nuisance”. The last time the British issued a “Bloody Nuisance” warning level was in 1588, when threatened by the Spanish Armada... Australia, meanwhile, has raised its security level from “No worries” to “She'll be alright, mate”. Three more escalation levels remain: “Crikey!”, “I think we'll need to cancel the barbie this weekend”, and “The barbie is cancelled”. So far no situation has ever warranted use of the final escalation level.
- Ernie Hodge: with information on the photos from the Christmas Gazette—see page 19
- Jean Conlon—with updates on her health battle
- Joan Martin—with Christmas Greetings and an E-Card.
- Georgina Montgomery: I was going to email you yesterday to thank you once again for putting out such a great issue of the gazette. The website looks really attractive and well organized, too. Well done, as ever!
- Gordon Dewhirst: It is good you finally have the Fairbridge web site up and running.

Pat Skidmore & Marjorie Skidmore Roddy Mackay: London Apology February 2010
Margaret Humphreys



- Beryl Young, author of “Charlie” She wrote” Lots going on with Charlie - I was invited to present it to the Parliamentary library in September and what a thrill to think of my father's story in that august place. Do let me know if you think I could speak at the 2011 reunion - I'd love to meet Fairbridge people. I now have a Power Point presentation of slides from the book and give a talk called "Telling My Father's Story (when he didn't want me to)."
- Marion Crawford: LOVE the gazette. OK if I set up your link to the F. Society on the MAS site? Have you thought about the Alberta made quilt for the reunion as well.?
- Kim Ayer: Bursary recipient: My thanks and best wishes to everyone associated with the Fairbridge Alumni Bursary Association. I hope you have a merry Christmas season and happy holidays.
- Bill Cockburn—re Jim Harris’ passing. There was a notice in the Oregonian: James G. Harris May 17, 1931 - December 04 2010. James George Harris was born in London. Separated from his family at age 6, he was sent to the Fairbridge School on Vancouver Island, BC
- Darlene Wise—with news about her mother Irene, who fell and broke her wrist and had to get stitches in her chin. Hope you are feeling better Irene.
- Ken Armstrong—Thanks Pat a great job on the Gazette hope we never lose you, have a great Christmas and New Year ... fine to get his Gazette on-line and included his updated email: amelia34@bigpond.com Marcel Moss: former Rhodesian Fairbridgian with Christmas Greetings.
- Madeline Coward, James Winthrop's daughter, telling me that her dad passed away March 17, 2010. I just received a copy of The Fairbridge Gazette and thought you would like to be notified.
- Hugh and Virginia Taylor: with two items—1) Doris Taylor was not one of our siblings, and 2) We will sign on for receiving the Gazette via email.
- Jean Conlon: Christmas recipe: see page 18-
- Jimmy Hewitson: Hi Pat. Seasons Greetings and a short note to say thanks for keeping us Rhodesia lunatics in touch.
- Beryl & Jim Reid, Jim was a Molong Fairbridgian
- Carrie Ann Smith, Pier 21: Hi Pat and happy holidays, tis the season to ask for favours. Do you happen to have any digital pictures of the Fairbridge children ice skating? We are opening a temporary exhibit on the 15th of January about skating and winter sports as a from of integration and I am getting desperate for images.
- Will Garnett: Greetings from (at last) not freezing, icebound Kendal!! It's been horrendous here ...I have accessed the new online Gazette, which I think is brilliant, and have already heard from Mike McIver's daughter and from Bill Cockburn - the latter interestingly talking about the Boys' Council - which I hadn't come across before. I'm hoping others will come forward, but it's an encouraging start. One small correction - I see I'm listed as a 1 t Garnet instead of 2.

January:

- Tony Holt: Rhodesian Fairbridgian— re Child Migration Timeline and magazine article from the "Journal of British Studies" by Ellen Boucher of Furman University (South Carolina, I think) called "Race, Welfare and the Interwar extension of child emigration to Southern Rhodesia"
- I sent a letter to John Stirek, who is looking after some of Jim Harris’ fund set aside for supporting worthy causes, I gave him information regarding the present day Fairbridge Programs and spoke of their worthiness.
- Roddy and Betty Mackay: Christmas Greetings.
- Steve Turnbull looking for information on where to look for his father’s records
- Brittany Williams—2010 Bursary recipient—”I would like to thank you very much for awarding me with the FABS Bursary...and thank you for finding other means of funding to aid students in the upcoming years.
- Eric Lewis—an email regarding the photo on the Home Child Stamp—is of a boy ploughing at Dr Barnardo's Industrial Farm in Russell, Manitoba about 1900.
- Eric Lewis and Roddy Mackay Eric found this information: The BC Government had given Lady Tweedsmuir Sphinx Island in the Strait of Georgia. She donated it to Fairbridge School, whose staff could build a summer camp there for the Fairbridge boys. Roddy answered- I was in the Duncan Boy Scout Troop approx. 1944- 48

they never took us camping to that Island. Very likely it was sold and the money returned to the Fairbridge coffers in London. Does anyone have any information on this?

- Hugh Taylor: Saw in the Wednesday (Jan.19th) issue of the Comox Record that Les Snaith died on January 12th, 2011.
- Eric Lewis—forwarding an email from Les Snaith's daughter, Sharon. She is looking for photos or information on her father.
- Gill Woods, Fairbridge Society in London—I find that the publication, over which you take so much trouble, the Fairbridge Gazette, makes really interesting reading, the Christmas edition particularly so. And—with the news that the Fairbridge Society and the Prince's Trust are merging. Official announcement was on Tuesday, January 25, 2011. See page 19-

February:

- Rudy Smith sent in some photos—see page 18
- Eric Lewis sent in some photos. See below.
- Roddy Mackay – is working hard to get the word out to everyone he can reach on the Family Restoration Fund – he has asked the Child Migrants Trust to send all Fairbridgians on the address list an information package
- Jean Conlon – wondering who was entitled to access the Family Restoration Fund
- Mike McIver's family sent in news clippings about the Prince's Trust and the Fairbridge Society's merger.
- Will Garnett regarding the book he is writing about his father – he plans to attend the reunion in September.

March:

- Old Fairbridgian's Newsletter – Pinjarra – outlining the proposed projects for 2011
- Steve Turnbull – seeking directions to the Farm School
- Roddy Mackay, the Hagens and myself – attempting to keep the address list up to date.



Do either of these two photos bring back memories?

Sent in by Eric Lewis

Family Restoration Fund

Child Migrants Trust: <http://www.childmigrantstrust.com/>

For further information on the Family Restoration Fund and for the necessary forms—see the Website at: <http://www.childmigrantstrust.com/services/family-restoration-fund>

The Family Restoration Fund is a UK government funded programme. It will help to reunite former child migrants with their families so that they can build relationships, be involved in significant family events or urgently visit relatives in times of crisis such as serious illness or death. Its funding is provided by the Department of Health as part of the UK government's package of support to former child migrants and their families.

The Fund is open to any former child migrant sent before 1970 from England, Northern Ireland, Scotland or Wales as part of child migration schemes. To apply, you must have been sent without a parent when you were below school leaving age to Australia, Canada, New Zealand or Rhodesia by a voluntary care agency or local authority. You must also be able to demonstrate a need to build or develop family relationships, be involved in significant family events like weddings or funerals, or travel urgently due to a family crisis such as a serious illness.

Only former child migrants, or their appointed representative in cases of incapacitation, can apply to the Fund. Applications cannot be accepted from the children or siblings of former child migrants or from second generation family members where the former child migrant has died.

If you are too ill to travel and the application is to help family members visit you, the application must still be made by you rather than by your family.

For advice about the Family Restoration Fund or help to complete the application form, please contact the Child Migrants Trust's offices (below) or email: cmtfrf@aol.com

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Help with citizenship applications

The Child Migrants Trust has campaigned effectively on the issue of citizenship for Child Migrants. As a result, the usual application fees have been waived in recognition of the unique position of former child migrants. Please contact your local office of the Trust for advice and information on questions of citizenship.

Retrieving files from Government Departments

Retrieving files from both migrating agencies and government departments is often a vital step in building a more detailed picture of family backgrounds and early childhood.

Over the past twenty years, the Trust has helped to change both policy and practice on this issue and there is now a much better appreciation of the needs of former

child migrants to access these records.

The Trust has developed good working relationships with a wide variety of agencies in different countries which may hold relevant information. Please contact your nearest Trust office if you need any advice or assistance to obtain these records.

See addresses above.

You will find the September 16-18, 2011 Reunion Registration Form on page 12 .

Send you Registration Forms in early and book your rooms at the:

Travelodge Duncan, Silver Bridge Inn
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**PLEASE REGISTER
EARLY**

Let them know that you are with the Fairbridge Canada Association

Knowing the number of people attending ahead of time allows your Reunion Committee a chance to better organize your reunion.

Fairbridge Gazette News

The Spring 2011 Fairbridge Gazette can be found on the Fairbridge Canada Website at:
<http://fairbridgecanada.com/>

From the Editor:

Due to financial constraints we are unable to print and mail the Gazette at this time.

We will attempt to put out a Summer Gazette. Come to the Biannual General Meeting during the 2011 Reunion and let's find a way to keep the Gazette going.

For those who do not have a home computer, ask your children and grandchildren to print the Gazette out for you. You can also access and print the Gazette at your local library. The help desk would be able to show you how to do it.

We will try to accommodate those who are unable to find a way to print out the Gazette. Please contact Pat Skidmore at patskidmore@shaw.ca or mail at 1101 651 Nootka Way, Port Moody, BC V3H 0A1



Chris Brookshaw 2009 Reunion Photos

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Banquet, Saturday night 5:30 – 12:00 p.m.

*Friday night's *Meet & Greet* **\$10.00**

*Saturday night's Banquet **\$50.00**

*Friday night's *Meet & Greet* and Saturday night's *Banquet*: total for both nights- **\$60.00** per person:

**Please note that included in these costs are the Reunion administration costs, the FCA Sponsored Dinners as well as the Meeting Room Rental costs for the Friday night Meet and Greet, the Saturday morning BGM– (please attend and have a say in your Association,) and the Saturday Night Banquet.*

Number of people _____ Enclosed is my payment of: \$ _____

Name (s) _____

(Please Print)

Address _____

Postal Code _____ Telephone _____

Name(s) and /or nickname(s) for name tag(s) _____

Companion's Name _____

Make cheques payable to: **FAIRBRIDGE CANADA ASSOCIATION (FCA)**

Mail your 2011
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... It will help the Reunion Com-
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**Reserve early and say you are with the
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**20 rooms have been set aside
for Fairbridge Members**

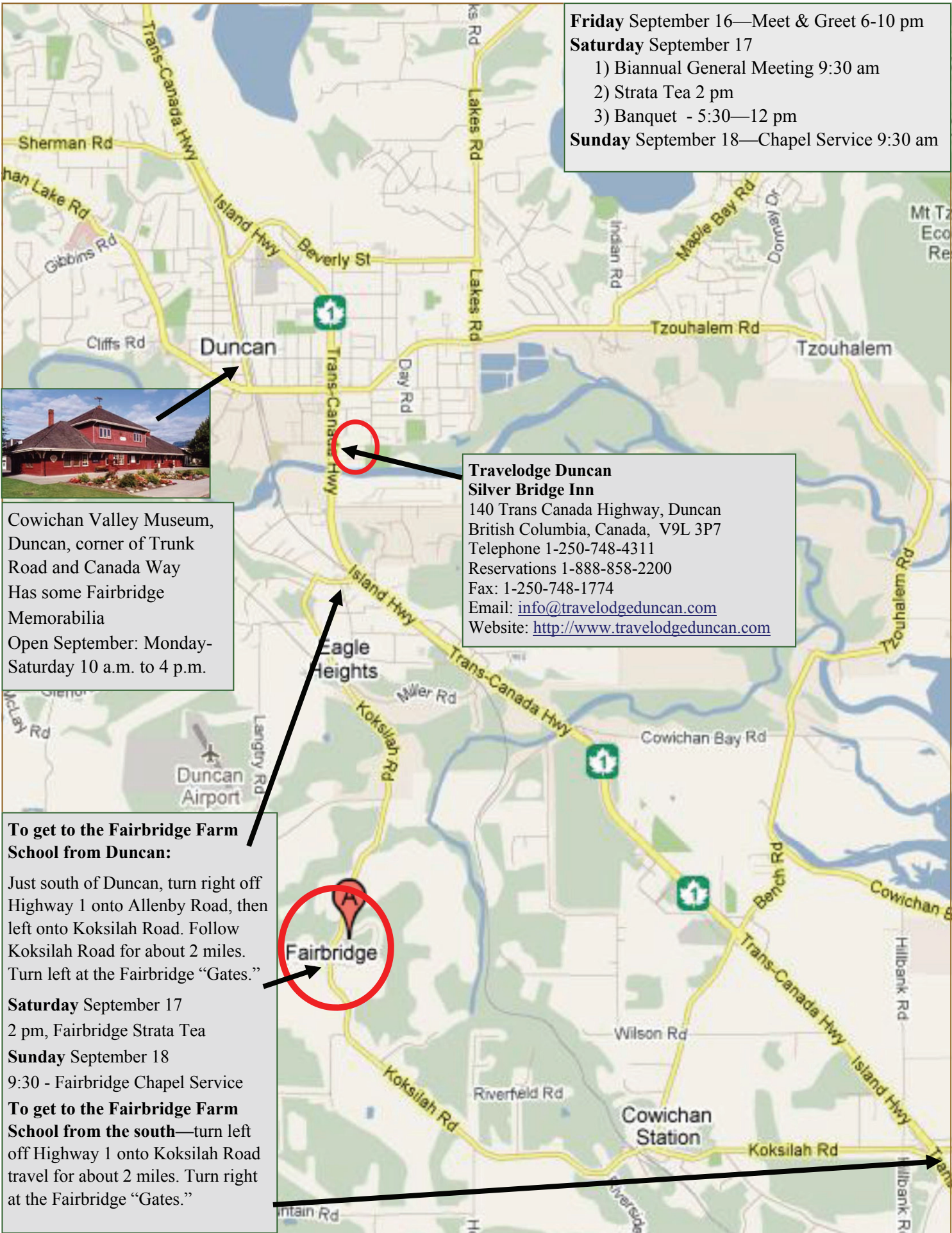
**These rooms will be held until
September 1, 2011**

REGISTER EARLY

Here are some ideas for things to do in and around the Duncan area:

- The Cowichan Valley Museum is located in the Duncan train station in the Heart of Duncan B.C. The Archive has a small collection of Prince of Wales Fairbridge Farm School memorabilia.
- Old Downtown: Duncan features a number of heritage and vintage buildings and a large array of small, exquisite shops and restaurants catering to all tastes.
- Tour the Totems: Follow the yellow footprints through the Downtown core to discover the totems.
- Russell Farms Market: 2711 Mt Sicker Road, Chemainus or corner of Trans Can Hwy at Crofton turn-off (10 minutes north of the Cowichan Valley Inn). Family-run business since 1951, the only farm market in the Cowichan Valley that actually has a farm. Also, lunches & ice cream parlour.
- Winery and Vineyards: The south Cowichan Valley wine & cider industry is growing in size and reputation.
- Hiking is limitless. One of the favourites is the hike to the top of Mount Tzouhalem or Mount Prevost.
- Scenic Drives: Maple Bay Rd, Genoa Bay Rd., Cowichan Bay or the quiet village of Shawnigan Lake.
- Old Koksilah School Museum: Tours by appointment year round. An historic one-room school house has been fully restored and offers a peek into the unique classroom history -Duncan area. www.koksilah.iwarp.com
- Koksilah River Provincial Park
- BC Forest Discovery Centre: Located - north end of Duncan. Thursday to Monday: 10 am to 4:30 pm
- Quw'utsun' Cultural and Conference Centre
- Bamberton Provincial Park
- Bright Angel Park
- Chemainus River Provincial Park; Chemainus BC is 17 km (11 mi) north of Duncan.
- Cowichan River Provincial Park
- Somenos Marsh Bird Sanctuary
- Quamichan Lake

Friday September 16—Meet & Greet 6-10 pm
Saturday September 17
 1) Biannual General Meeting 9:30 am
 2) Strata Tea 2 pm
 3) Banquet - 5:30—12 pm
Sunday September 18—Chapel Service 9:30 am



Cowichan Valley Museum,
 Duncan, corner of Trunk
 Road and Canada Way
 Has some Fairbridge
 Memorabilia
 Open September: Monday-
 Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Oranges and Sunshine—a new movie about Margaret Humphreys work with Child Migrants

Britain's child migrants

Veronica Lee

The Guardian, Saturday 2 April 2011

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/lifeandstyle/2011/apr/02/britain-child-migrants-australia-commonwealth/print>

For decades Britain forcibly shipped children in care to Commonwealth countries. They were sometimes even told their parents were dead – many were used as slave labour, many were abused. The scandal was discovered by social worker Margaret Humphreys

In 1986, Margaret Humphreys was a social worker in Nottingham, specialising in child protection. One day an Australian woman contacted her, to say she was trying to find her mother. The woman said she had been taken from a children's home in Nottingham and sent to Australia by boat, aged four, during the 1950s. Could Humphreys help? It was to lead to a quest that would take Humphreys across the world and uncover a scandalous policy used to forcibly ship thousands of British children to Australia and other Commonwealth countries after the second world war.

By chance, another woman in a post-adoption support group run by Humphreys had recently mentioned a brother in Australia. This woman hadn't seen him since he was taken from the children's home where they had both been living. The two incidents sparked Humphreys' interest but when she asked an official at the Australian high commission in London if they had any information about children who had gone to Australia during the 1940s and 50s, she was referred to a senior member of staff. "He said: 'These records were sent to Canberra several years ago,'" Humphreys remembers. "I was absolutely stunned. These records? That meant there had to be far more children involved."

She placed advertisements in Australian newspapers, asking people with similar stories to come forward. A dozen or so did. Many of the children had been given new names and told that their parents were dead. "We soon discovered that the parents hadn't died. They were very much alive. And that was quite a revelation – and quite a moment."

Twenty-five years on, Humphreys' extraordinary story – and the story of the child migrants she has helped over the years – has been made into a film, *Oranges & Sunshine*, in which the role of the social worker is played by Emily Watson. However, movie-land is far removed from Humphreys' life: she is still in Nottingham and her office, in which we chat, is above a sandwich shop near Trent Bridge cricket ground.

Many of the children – mostly aged between seven and 10, some as young as four – became child labourers on farms. It wasn't the lives of sunshine and plenty they were promised by the officials who packed them off on a boat as if they were heading for an adventure holiday. Cut off from their families, they were intensely vulnerable and some were subjected to appalling physical and sexual abuse; one destination, Bindoon, near Perth, run by the Christian Brothers, became particularly notorious. As one boy, who spent his childhood there and helped to build the dormitory he slept in, said: "My blood is in those stones."

It's difficult to understand why such a misguided policy – which ran from the 1930s to the late 1960s – was ever allowed to happen. But the fact is that the British government, along with the Australian government and various local authorities, church

groups and Barnardo's, took part in an operation aimed, largely, at getting rid of a costly social problem – the migrant scheme almost invariably involved children from deprived backgrounds who were in some form of social or charitable care – and solving Australia's problem of a dwindling workforce. Many of the children were told their parents were dead; their parents were given scant information about where the children were going and many didn't even know they had left the country.

Did Humphreys – who founded the Child Migrants Trust to help people who suffered under the policy – have any idea of what she was getting into when she started to uncover the scandal? "No, not at all," she says. "We never knew it would be this big or that we would still be doing it more than 20 years later. But we got to a point where it was so wrong and so awful that you knew you had to take it to the government, who we thought would do something straight away. And then when they did nothing, you had to carry on."

In the film, Humphreys' son, Ben (she also has a daughter, Rachel – both are in their 30s), is asked at a

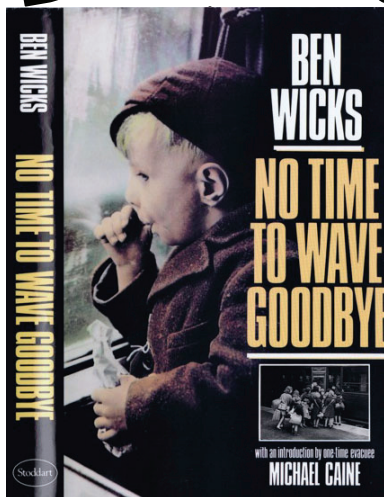
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<p>fundraising Christmas party what he has donated to the raffle. "I gave you my mother," he tells them, hinting at the fact that – then aged 12 – he has hardly seen her all year because of the hours she has worked for them. Did she become obsessed with her job – and did her own family suffer? "It was never an obsession," Humphreys maintains. "But I was very focused on what I was trying to do. But each time I thought that would be the end of it – I'm going to find this person's birth certificate, or I can reunite this woman with her mother – and then go back to my normal life. It never turned out like that. Every time, something else happened – more people coming forward, more information about the policy."</p> <p>Do her children feel they suffered because of how hard she worked? "Would we as a family look back and say we wish this would have been different ... ? They were in a family of social workers [her husband, Mervyn, is also a social worker] and knew that family was at the heart of our lives."</p> <p>Humphreys, 66, didn't visit the set during filming or offer her services as a consultant. "I'm a social worker, not a celebrity," she says. "I took the view that we're both professionals and I have my skill and Emily [Watson] has hers. I trusted her and Jim [Loach, the director] to do right by us, and they did."</p> <p>Humphreys took some persuading to agree to the film. Loach had read her book, <i>Empty Cradles</i>, and contacted her several times about making a film but she demurred as she didn't want the story of the migrants to be about her rather than the people who had suffered under the policy. Then, she reconsidered. "Jim came at the right time – the political developments were slow, the funding was abysmal and I thought this [film] would get the message through. Every week you were seeing people dying [the parents of migrants, many by now elderly]. And you don't do a thing like this for yourself, it's for those people there."</p> <p>She gestures to a board that fills almost a whole wall, on which are pinned hundreds of photographs of child migrants, many taken at events that reunited them with their families.</p> <p>Coincidentally, soon after filming started in autumn 2009, the then Australian premier, Kevin Rudd, made</p>	<p>She gestures to a board that fills almost a whole wall, on which are pinned hundreds of photographs of child migrants, many taken at events that reunited them with their families.</p>	<p>an apology in the Canberra parliament for the child migrant policy. A few months later, the British prime minister, Gordon Brown, also apologised in the House of Commons, and money is now forthcoming in both countries for the trust's work. Humphreys was also made a CBE.</p> <p>She expects the film to encourage more migrants to come forward – she guesses that the trust has had contact with about three-quarters of the estimated 3,300 children shipped to Australia since the second world war – but it is, she says, a problem that will take another few generations to sort out.</p> <p>Are the family reunions happy occasions? "People may think they are wonderful but it's not that way at all because you know, at that moment, all that's been lost. It's quite profound, realising what needn't have been."</p> <p>Of the thousands of people the trust has helped, the person who most stands out, says Humphreys, was the son of a child migrant who came to see her after his father's death. "He had nothing but anger and sadness and bitterness, and we helped him understand those feelings and why his father had been so harsh. At the end of that process, he took his dad's ashes back to where he was born in Britain because that's where he wanted him to rest.</p> <p>"That will always stay with me because it was about understanding and forgiveness – exactly what the trust is about," she says.</p>
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		<p>In the late 1980s, Humphreys' health deteriorated for a while and she was diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder. "It was a huge challenge, but I think I'd be less than human and I couldn't do my job as effectively if there wasn't an emotional cost, because you can't stand outside of everything – you wouldn't be human if you could." Taking into account all it took, was the personal cost worth paying? There's a pause before she says quietly: "I don't know ... I don't know."</p> <p>Seeing my surprise, she immediately rallies. "But I'm still standing – and there's a lot more work to be done."</p> <p><i>More information, childmigrantstrust.com</i></p> <p>This article appeared on p3 of the Family section of the Guardian on Saturday 2 April 2011. It was published on guardian.co.uk at 00.05 BST on Saturday 2</p>

- Suggested reading sent in by Bill Cockburn— “No Time to Wave Goodbye” by Ben Wicks, about the evacuation of thousands and thousands of youngsters from London when war broke out. (Toronto: Stoddart Publishing Co, 1988)

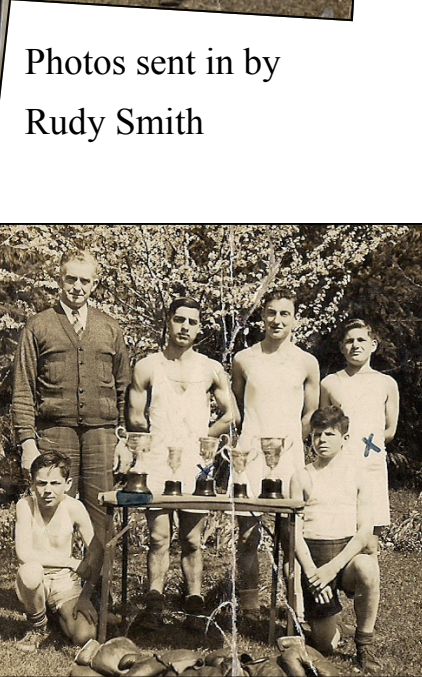
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Photos sent in by Rudy Smith



Jean Conlon's

Tequila Christmas Cake

Once again this year, I've had several requests for my Tequila Christmas Cake recipe so here goes:

- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- 1 cup water
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 cup brown sugar
- Lemon juice
- 4 large eggs
- Nuts
- 1 bottle tequila
- 2 cups dried fruit

Get ready for an early Christmas cheer!

**Sample the tequila to check quality
Take a large bowl; check the tequila again to be sure it is of the highest quality**

Repeat.
Turn on the electric mixer. Beat one cup of butter in a large fluffy bowl. Add 1 tsp of sugar. Beat again. At this point, it is best to make sure the tequila is still OK. Try another cup just in case.
Turn off the mixerer thingy. Break 2 eggs and add to the bowl and chuck iin the cup of dried fruit. Pick the fruit up off the floor. Mix on the turner.
If the fried fruit getas stuck in the beaterers, just pry it loose with a

drewsriver.
Sample the tequila to test for tonsis-ticity.
Next, sift 2 cups of salt, or some-thing.
Check the tequila. Now shift the lemon juice and strain your nuts. Add one table. Add a spoon of sugar, or somefink. Whatever you can find. Greash the oven.
Turn the cake tin 360 degrees and try not to fall over.
Don't forget to beat off the turner
Finally, throw the bowl through the window.
Finish the tequila and wipe the counter with the cat.
Cherry Mistchras.



Youth Charities Join Forces

Issued: 25 Jan 11 see the websites at: <http://www.fairbridge.org.uk/> <http://www.princes-trust.org.uk/>



Youth charities The Prince's Trust and Fairbridge are uniting to offer more support to disadvantaged young people across the UK. The two charities will merge on 1 April 2011 with a vision of delivering a more joined-up, wide-ranging service for an increased number of disadvantaged young people.

The announcement comes as the UK Government calls on the voluntary sector to ensure effectiveness and efficiency in order to secure funding. The two charities are confident their decision to integrate will help drive more funds into the youth sector at a critical time for disadvantaged and unemployed young people.

The united organisation, which will be called The Prince's Trust, will help around 50,000 young people over the course of the next year alone – with a view to helping a growing number in the future.

Martina Milburn, who is chief executive of The Prince's Trust and will remain chief executive of the united organisation, says: "With youth unemployment at a record high, the work of charities such as The Prince's Trust and Fairbridge is more relevant than ever. We are keen to combine our efforts to ensure young people are given as much support as possible at this crucial time."

Andrew Purvis, chief executive of Fairbridge, will sup-

port the integration process until he steps down at the end of March 2011. He says: "This is an exciting development for the young people who use our services and for our supporters. By joining forces, Fairbridge and The Prince's Trust will continue their vital work in communities across the UK and deliver a broader, more cost-effective service to young people who need our support."

A spokesperson for Clarence House commented: "The Prince of Wales welcomes any opportunity that allows disadvantaged young people in the UK to achieve their potential."

Fairbridge's 15 centres across the country will continue to provide the first step for disengaged young people.

The Prince's Trust aims to develop this provision by planning a new Fairbridge centre in Yorkshire and The Humber.

The Fairbridge programme will sit alongside established Prince's Trust schemes such as the Enterprise Programme which helps young people into business.

For more information, please contact the Fairbridge press office on 0207 199 6044

http://www.princes-trust.org.uk/news_2011/110125_fairbridge.aspx



Ernie Hodge sent in the following names from the Christmas Cover Photo from the Sept. 21, 1938 party:

Bottom Left Joe Jessop, Doris Taylor (in life saver are) Percy Millman, Betty Palser & Fred Henderson, John Meers and Barry Hodges.

Middle row, Frank Wallace John Roberts, Billy Emmerson. The girl on the steps top left is Molly Preece, the girl in the lower middle of steps is Silvia Cowans. Dorothy Phillips is on the steps top right.



N cottage hiking with Miss Endicott

Left to right—Eric Lewis, ? Ken Bennett, Charlie Shelley ? Denys Beechy, Ted Collins, Miss. Endicott, ? Don Collins, Arthur Fewings.

Fairbridgians who passed away.

Our sympathy to the families.



James G. Harris
 May 17, 1931 - Dec. 04, 2010

James George Harris was born in London. Separated from his family at age 6, he was sent to the Fairbridge School on Vancouver Island, B.C. At 16, he entered a trade school while working at BC Hydro Utility, followed by working in construction servicing heavy equipment. He found that this was not his calling.

At 29, seeking other career options, he moved to Hawaii with his wife Lillian, where he found employment selling heavy equipment. Working for various equipment manufacturing companies, he moved from the islands to San Francisco, Chicago, and finally Portland.

In 1978 he became an equipment leasing broker after purchasing a small leasing company in Lake Oswego. It was the beginning of Alco Enterprises, Inc.

Jim believed in total independence and a hard work ethic to accomplish his goals. Entrepreneurship agreed with him as he was able to put all of his energy into helping businesses become successful through leasing. Being a self-educated man, he read financial papers avidly. He often said, "To get a real business degree, read *The Wall Street Journal*."

Alco Enterprises became a very successful company, which he sold in 2005 to pursue other interests.

Jim thoroughly enjoyed life and among his many activities he found that boating was a good diversion for him. He tried to spend as much time as he could on his boat on the Columbia River as well as the San Juan Islands. His ultimate trip was piloting to Alaska and back for the summer. Another adventure he

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loved was the thrill of white water rafting. Trips to the middle fork of the Salmon River in Idaho, the Deschutes River in Oregon, and annual trips for over 25 years on the Rogue River were special events for him. He also loved swimming and got up early every morning for many years to swim laps before going to the office. Deep sea fishing expeditions in Mexico added to his enjoyment.

He remodeled his home to be the ultimate entertainment place and then took full advantage of it—entertaining and teaching others his culinary expertise while drinking a martini.

Jim was married twice but left no direct descendants. Ann Lewis and John Mazanek, Lillian's youngest siblings, lived with them when they were teenagers and remained close to the end. Jim often said they were like a daughter and son to him.

In later years, his concern for how he could leave the world a better place became important to him. His focus turned to those willing to work to help themselves but, because of lesser backgrounds or challenges, needed additional help. To this end, he established the Fairbridge Foundation to fund and develop a program to identify those who would benefit. The program's eventual goal is to have those who have been helped, participate by helping others in return.

Jim died peacefully in his own home with his close friends and his companion, Jean Nations, by his side.

He has left behind many, many friends who will miss him immensely. What he liked to say was, "It's been a helluva ride." Jim's legacy will be that he left the world a better place.

His life will be celebrated at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12, 2010, in the Columbia Edgewater Country Club, 2220 N.E. Marine Drive, Portland, OR 97211; 503-285-8354.

He requested that in lieu of flowers, donations be sent to the Fairbridge Foundation c/o Hodges and Hart, 6915 S.W. Macadam Ave., Suite 145, Portland, OR 97219.



John James died on December 25th. He came over with the March 31, 1947 Party. The write-up reads in part:

“ It is with great sadness we announce the sudden passing of John on December 25, 2010. Born in

Redruth, County of Cornwall, England, United Kingdom on July 4, 1936 John immigrated to Canada as a “Fairbridge Boy” and thereafter grew up in the Cowichan Valley at Fairbridge Farm where he learned many trades and a life-time willingness to work hard. He is predeceased by his daughter Kelly Ann (2004) and survived by his daughter Janice (Duffy), 3 grandchildren, Hall, Jodi and Donny as well as 3 great grandchildren. John’s working life as a young man began at the Youbou Mill, after that he became a trucker and drove for Hearshey Transport for many years, then for G.S. Doman and finally for Centurion Lumber right up until his retirement. Everyone knew John and is truck as the “Big Purple Truck”. He kept it shiny and spotless.

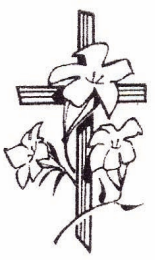
John was a hard working, kind hearted, generous man, with a strong will and determined view of right and wrong. He believed in, and lived, a life of honesty, fairness and hard work. He will be sadly missed by his family and fondly remembered by his friends.”

Les Snaith: 1925 —2011 Les Snaith was born in England on January 3, 1925 and passed away in Cumberland, BC on January 12, 2011 at the age of 86. He was predeceased by his son Geoff in 1969, his father in law Ted Sandulak in 2007 and by his daughter in law Lora Snaith in 2008. Les is survived by his wife Carol, mother in law Kay Sandulak, children Marilyn (Dell) Johnson, Sharon (Dave) Rumbaugh, Jack, Leslie, Mitch (Lois), and Bert (Michelle) and by numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren. At the age of 10, Les immigrated from England to Fairbridge Farm School in Duncan. He served in the Royal Canadian Navy from 1942 — 1945 and worked numerous years in the Nimpkish Valley for Canadian Forest Prod. Les was an avid dog man his entire life, breeding some of the finest German Shepherds in



North America. He had just recently become a life time member of the Canadian Kennel Club. Les will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him. In lieu of flowers a donation can be made to Cumberland Palliative Care Unit or to the SPCA. An open house Memorial Gathering will be held on Friday, January 21, 2011 from 12:00pm — 3:00pm in the Glacier Tea Room at Piercy's Mt. Washington Funeral Home, 440 England Ave. Courtenay. A private family interment will take place at a later date.





Isobel (Wylie) Galbraith: passed away on January 5, 2011 in Vancouver at the age of 81. Pam Morrison sent in the following from her obituary: “Isobel was beautiful. She was kind and generous, supportive and encouraging, she had a great sense of humour and an infectious laugh. She was interesting and progressive, years ahead of her time, and she shared her knowledge and clever ideas. She had a sense of adventure and was the salt of the earth—she loved the little things in life. Isobel was known for her great style, a unique fashion sense, classic and elegant, impeccable dressed. A very beautiful and classy lady. She will be lovingly remembered. Isobel was an awesome mom to her children, they could talk to her about anything—she was always there for them. She loved her grandchildren and cherished the time she shared with them... No service by request.”



Back Left Stan Blake Fred Harding Brian Strawbridge Ken Ryan Bill Cockburn George Turner Ernie Hodge Sarah Falcus Pam Morrison Nancy Scott Audrey Richards Phyllis Gay Lillian Kemp Major Wilson Front L. Jock Bennett Ted Carr Derek Garside Dick Todd Victor Smith Bill Dowler Doreen Pleasant Isobel Wylie These cadets were the Sergeants and Officers of the Fairbridge Cadet Corps.

Ernie Hodge Photo

Peter Forrest: - his daughter, Lynne Forrest wrote: It is with great sadness I have to tell you of Dad's death on November 27, 2010.

James Winthrop: Madeline Coward, Peter’s daughter, wrote that her dad passed away March 17, 2010. She just received a copy of The Fairbridge Gazette and thought you would like to be notified.

5 Fairbridge boys - sitting on a bench outside a cottage: James Winthrop, Herb ?, Keith Hamblett, Brian Atkinson, John James

Ken Armstrong photo

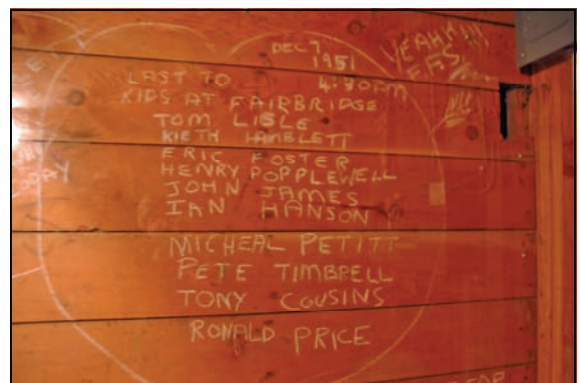


James Winthrop at the Farm School *Ken Armstrong photo*

Ronald Price: July 23, 1936 - April 1, 2011



With great sadness and love we announce the peaceful passing of Ron Price on April 1, 2011. Ron was a loving husband, dad, papa and dedicated friend to many. A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, April 29 at 2:00 p.m. at VanDusen



Botanical Garden's Floral Hall. In lieu of flowers, a donation in Ron's memory can be made to the B.C. Lung Association (COPD Research).

Writing on the Fairbridge Chapel Basement wall.
Pat Skidmore photo

Alma Harding: April 15, 2011—her daughter wrote -It is with immense sadness that we announce the passing away of Alma Harding. Mom passed away quietly on April 15, 2011, after having suffered a stroke in November 2010. Mom is survived by her husband of 58 years, Fred Harding.

Fairbridge Chapel News

Spring 2011



The **Fairbridge Carols** event was held last November 28th to a packed audience. The event has been organized by Harwood and Lauren Reimer for well over a decade and this year they had *Encore! Women's Choir* directed by Christine Dandy as our special guests.

This coming summer we only have two **weddings** booked so far. In addition, the Fairbridge Canada Association will be holding their reunion in Duncan this September and there will be an afternoon tea hosted by the Fairbridge Strata Saturday afternoon and of course the Sunday morning chapel service.

The Society has been asked by **Farm Credit Canada** to resubmit our application to assist us with a number of improvements to the school house. Hopefully we will be successful this year. We will not get a decision until sometime in November, however, so any work would not start until 2012. We are also progressing with our application to the **Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada** for recognition of Fairbridge, and especially the Fairbridge Chapel Heritage Site, as a nationally important location.

Two of our Board members are planning to move from the Fairbridge community this year. Cliff Rabey, who has been maintaining the Chapel grounds for many, many years, has his home for sale while Erik Henriksen is planning to construct a new home in Cobble Hill this spring. Both may or may not want to remain on the Board, but certainly their day to day involvement at the Chapel will be far less and likely we will need to contract our work such as cleaning the eve troughs in coming years.

In January there was a collapse of the ground around our septic tank that services the Chapel and located where we often park cars for weddings. We were lucky that no one was walking over the area at the time as the hole was about 3 metres deep. The Society had the area repaired in two days at a very modest cost thanks to Cliff and Erik as well as a local contractor.

Over the summer there are a number of **projects** that we will likely tackle around the Chapel. This includes improvements to the landscaping; the grass that is in need of thatching and the thick moss removed from the front lawn, fixing the irrigation so it operates correctly. Painting around the higher window trim on the outside as well as applying a water sealant to the interior of the windows, clean all windows, repairs some of the eve troughs on both buildings and apply a moss spray on the roof shingles of the two buildings in certain areas. There is also a need to repair the front sign and replace a few of the cedar shingles on the siding of the Chapel. The Strata also helps our each spring with a general clean-up of the community, which includes the chapel grounds. This year the event will be on April 30th and of course it is always greatly appreciated.

Finally, the Society will continue to add to their web site, fairbridgechapel.com and will include more photos, new reports and stories of interest.

Ron Smith

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Fairbridge Alumni Bursary Society News

The 2011 Fairbridge Alumni Bursary Society Form can be found with this Gazette and also on the Fairbridge Website at: fairbridgecanada.com.

...and click on the Bursary tab. You will find the link to the 2011 Bursary Form down under Sub-Links on the right hand side.

For those sending in a Bursary application—please note the deadline—June 15, 2011.

There were 3 successful applicants for 2010.: Kim Ayer, Christina Brown and Brittany Williams—who wrote: I would like to thank you very much for sending me the FABS Bursary, as it has truly helped supplement my post secondary education.

Donations help to ensure that the Fairbridge Bursary Society has a future.

Thank you

2010 Executive Members:
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Steve Turnbull is looking for information on the following photos printed in the Fairbridge Glimpses. (I have included what information I have, Pat)

1. Page 27 (students at the train) - I believe this is the September 21, 1938 party.
2. Page 44 (5 boys in short pants)
3. Page 49 (boys boxing team)
4. Page 63 (boys with cottage mother) could be a photo by Nicholas Morant a CPR photographer
5. Page 67 (crowd of children & adults in the rain) This was put in the Fairbridge Gazette, Spring 2008, p 10—Frank Danks and Ernie Hodge sent in the information on it.
6. Page 69 (top right) photo by Nicholas Morant a CPR photographer

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