



Riding Mountain Lookout

June - July 1987

HOW IMPORTANT IS A VACATION?

Each year 7-800,000 people visit Riding Mountain National Park. Most are repeat visitors who enjoy summer facilities. However, an increasing number are now enjoying spring, fall and winter visits.

The more complicated our lives become, the more important it is for us to take time out for recreation and relaxation. National parks offer us the opportunity to recharge ourselves in a variety of ways.

The town of Wasagaming has many facilities, attractions and services. As well, we hope that you will explore the more "natural" side of the park, from the coyotes and waterfowl of Arrowhead Trail to the elk, deer and wolves of Central Road. Wildlife, wildflowers and much more awaits you throughout the park.

Our summer Interpretive Programs begin on June 26, and staff are looking forward to sharing the park with you. However you choose to spend your time, we hope that you enjoy your visit to Riding Mountain. May your stay be relaxing and memorable.

M. H. Estabrooks
Superintendent

AROUND TOWN . . .

The temperature in Wasagaming is beginning to heat up, and so is the action around town! Wasagaming Summer arts will sponsor a number of activities this season beginning June 22, with a showing of local photographers' works titled "Spirit Of The Prairie Mountain". Exhibits in Wasagaming Summer Arts will change every 2 weeks, so drop by to see what's new. Also, test your bargaining skills at their art auction on July 17th.

You'll be sure to find something special at the annual Rawhide and Jellyroll Craft Sale on July 25th and 26th. Or just do some window shopping where the windows come to you at the Wasagaming Mer-

chants' Fashion Show and tea on June 28th. Both events will take place in the community centre.

The Riding Mountain National Park Plus People Incorporated will sponsor the Children's Festival this year on Sunday, July 26th, with fun galore guaranteed for the kids.

Swimming lessons will be of-

fered by our trustworthy lifeguards from July 1st to August 31st. Continuing in the water, a Red Cross Small Craft Water Safety clinic will be held on the main beach on July 23rd and 24th.

Coming Soon: Chamber of Commerce Weekend - August 8 & 9 and the Clear Lake Triathlon - August 16.



IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

- * RCMP (Wasagaming) - 848-2442 or Zenith 50000
- * Medical Centre - 140 Ta-wa-pit Drive - open June 26 to Sept. 7, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. daily except Tuesdays
- * Hospitals located at Erickson and Dauphin
- * Ambulance - call Erickson Hospital at 636-2521
- * Fire - call - 1 - 726-0777
- * The Warden Service is responsible for law enforcement as well as search and rescue. Call 848-2811, 24 hrs.
- * Problem bears and other nuisance animals should be reported to a warden immediately.
- * Lost and Found - at the Information Centre

COUNT YOURSELF IN !

This summer, the University of Manitoba (University Research) will be conducting a major survey of park visitors in Riding Mountain. The survey is intended to provide a better understanding of the needs and aspirations of both summer and winter users of park facilities and services. The survey will be administered in two ways: one portion as a mail back, the other as a personal interview. The survey will be ongoing throughout the summer and winter months. Should you be approached by one of the surveyors, your co-operation will be greatly appreciated.

Steve Langdon
Visitor Services



Backcountry Report



Hi folks! Winter has once again left an abundant amount of maintenance work for the trail crew. Strong winds have toppled many of the trees in the area of the 1980 forest fire, and the crew is busy clearing off the hiking trails. Extensive work has been done along the Clear Lake Trail, repairing bridges, wet sections, and areas damaged by winter ice movements.

On the whole, most trails have been checked and all deadfall removed. All primitive campsites are in excellent condition with adequate wood and water supplies.

With the warm weather, we have observed many different animals and birds. While on a trail check near Omminek Marsh, I thought I sighted one of the rarest looking beavers ever, paddling

near the dam. After coming closer, to my humorous amazement I found it to be only Ian of the trail crew. He had apparently slipped and fallen in while working on the beaver dam. The water in this area is very deep and very, very cold. While he was emptying his chest waders, I tried to get all the details of the incident. For some reason though, he wasn't able to fully express himself until later on in the day. I wonder why?! Good hiking!

Mitch Kondratiew
Trail Crew Foreman



Wildflowers

Walking through the park, you will undoubtedly see a wonderful array of wildflowers. Whether it be a common harebell or a rare lady's slipper, they all make our stay here a more enjoyable one.

Please treat them with care and collect them only with a camera.

WELCOME TO MOON LAKE . . .

For the second year in a row, Moon Lake Campground has a very special addition. Brandon residents Bill and Fern Downey have been visiting Moon Lake for over 20 years, and are generously volunteering their time to be Campground Hosts for the summer. Knowledgeable and friendly, Bill and Fern will be happy to fill you in on places to see and things to do around Moon Lake, as well as answer any questions you might have about the park. Stop by campsite #26 whenever you see the Campground Host sign up.

BEAR - HUMAN CONFLICTS?

Location:	Throughout the park
Home Team:	Bears - large, fast, powerful; variety of sizes - 100 - 400 lbs Intelligence - based on instinct; advantage of home court.
Visiting Team:	Human - variety of sizes, well equipped, however, slower and smaller Intelligence - variable but can be an advantage if used!
Prizes:	Coolers, food, garbage, tents, etc.

Increase the odds in your favour! Read and follow the advice in the "You are in Bear Country" brochure.



THIS STUDY "BEARS" CO-OPERATION!

An encouraging venture in cooperative wildlife management has begun in and adjacent to R.M.N.P. The Park and the Provincial Wildlife Branch are collaborating on a three year study designed to increase knowledge of bear populations and habits. Research will focus on hunting impact on bear populations around the park; how unnatural attractants modify distribution and behavior; seasonal habitat use; mortality; denning sites; and food habits.

Bears will be live trapped, radio collared and subsequently monitored. Some bears will be trapped where unnatural attractants occur; others will be captured in areas remote from attractants.

Research results will help the Park to better understand and manage its bear population, and at the same time will provide the Province detailed information to base both con-



sumptive and non-consumptive bear management strategies upon.

Wildlife biologist Paul Paquet, has been contracted to co-ordinate the study. Park Wardens will be assisting with in-park collection of information. All visitors and staff can assist by reporting any bear sighting quickly to Paul Paquet (848-2235) or Pat Rousseau (848-2811).

PARK UNVEILS MARKETING STRATEGY

Stepping boldly into the 1990's, Riding Mountain has become the first national park in Canada to develop a marketing strategy to promote its wilderness and visitor facilities.

This move recognizes that greater awareness and appreciation is required for parks,

to ensure their growth and public support for the future. Increased promotion, packaged experiences, greater use of radio and TV, and increased opportunities for use of the park in all seasons are included in the proposed solutions to increase attendance at the park.

CO-OPERATING ASSOCIATION SIGNS AGREEMENT WITH PARK

A co-operating agreement has been signed between Riding Mountain Park Plus People, Inc., and Environment Canada, Parks.

The co-operating association has been in the formative stages over the past two years, and the signing of this agreement marks the final step in Riding Mountain joining with residents and visitors to work towards common goals in the promotion and

preservation of the park.

The association will be holding a reception in honour of the signing of this agreement on Saturday, July 4th, 4 - 6 p.m. at the Wasagamung Community Centre. If you are interested in joining the association, you are cordially invited to attend.

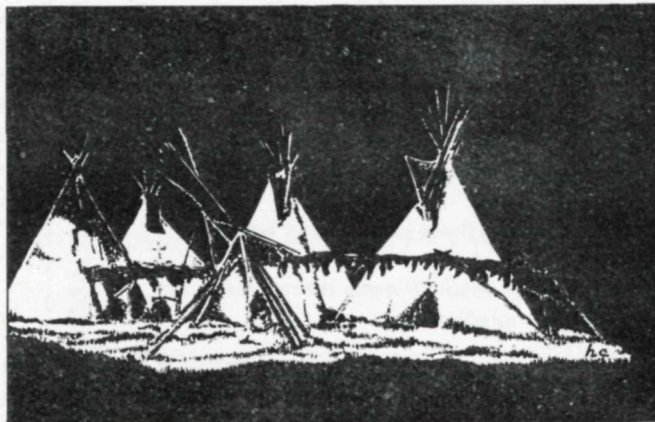
See you there!

RIDING MOUNTAIN ALWAYS POPULAR!

Even 1,000 years ago, people were coming to Riding Mountain. At that time, it wasn't quite the holiday spot it is today, but it still had its attractions. Cree Indians came to our wooded forests to seek shelter from the cold winter winds of the prairies. While on the mountain they took advantage of local resources and hunted bison and snowshoe hare.

In the late 1600's Assiniboine Indians began moving into Manitoba from the north-eastern United States. They became strong allies with the Crees, and the two nations often lived and hunted together.

The Plains Ojibway or Saul-



teaux were the next group of people to inhabit the Riding Mountain area, arriving in the early 1800s. The Cree and Assiniboine people were in the process of migrating south and westward, and the Saulteaux simply filled in the

vacated space. They settled in the region, and have remained in the Riding Mountain area until present day.

Hélène Chabot
Park Interpreter Trainee

IF YOU GO OUT IN THE WOODS TODAY. . .

You're in for a big surprise!

This year, the park's Interpretive Service is offering several guided overnight hikes into the backcountry.

These hikes are designed to both introduce novice backpackers to the enjoyment this activity brings, and to permit those seeking to know more about the "other side" of Riding Mountain (the one beyond the townsite limits...) an opportunity to do so in the company of an experienced naturalist.

For more details, ask at the Interpretive Centre.

HIDDEN SPOTS

About this time of year, the elk calves that have survived the hazards of early infancy have grown leggy and agile. At one month they demonstrate some of that graceful running speed that is the glory of their kind.

But the newborn of most deer, including elk,

aren't fleet and for a short time adopt a strategy of their own, acting as if they were a different species. Except at feeding time they have little to do with their mothers. They are programmed, instead, to hide, alone, in places where their brush-stroke white spots blend most deceptively with dappled sunlight. Their mothers collaborate in this scheme by pretending to ignore them, feeding and resting apart, conveying the impression to would-be predators that they have no calf. "Who, me? Elk veal? Never!"

Let the hungry, sniffing predators chase the fleet-footed mother. While she's running their legs off her calf bides his time in the shade, hiding in his spots, waiting for the time when he, too, can run like the wind.

Bob Waldon
Park Interpreter



CO-OP ASSOCIATION HOSTS SUMMER EVENTS

"Kidstuff in the Park" returns again for the summer of 1987. Games, music, magic and more await children of all ages on July 26th.

This year, the park's brand-new co-operating association, **Riding Mountain Park Plus People, Inc.**, is organizing the event, in conjunction with the Manitoba Department of Culture, Heritage and Recreation.

The day's activities all take place on the lawn by the main beach. Cost is \$2.00 per person for the whole day (includes supplies), or \$5.00 per family.

The fun begins at 10 a.m., with face painting and crafts, followed by Brian Ramsey with "Jug Band Stuff" from 11 til noon. Games races, parachute fun and laughs will keep everyone busy until 1:30, when Brian Cox - "The Incredible String Man", takes over for an hour. From 2:30 - 3:00, the face painters will be back in action....

Riding Mountain Park Plus People will also be hosting the summer's roster of guest speakers on Wednesday nights. Ask at the Interpretive Centre for details.

For camera buffs, a "Wildflowers & Bison Photo Safari" will be held at Lake Audy on the July 18th. Registration fee is \$5.00. Sign up at the Interpretive Centre.

Watch for other special events sponsored by the co-op throughout the summer!

WELCOME HOME

Welcome to Riding Mountain! You are in a wilderness preserve, home to many plants and animals. As visitors, it is up to us to follow the "house rules". By doing so, we'll help to preserve this "home" for its year-round inhabitants.

Camping is permitted in designated areas only.

Campfires - please use the fireplaces provided or your own portable stove or barbecue.

Backcountry Camping - for your own safety, you must register in and out at the Information Centre or warden stations throughout the park.

Everyone loves Wildflowers. Thank you for leaving them for others to enjoy.

Wild Animals do not benefit from eating human food! Please do not feed, approach or harass them. Bears are especially unpredictable.

For the sake of both wildlife and your pet, pets must be leashed at all times.

Fishing is allowed in most lakes. Pick up the details and your National Park fishing licence at the Information Centre. (A Provincial fishing licence is not valid.)

Garbage receptacles are provided in the park and free litter bags are available for backcountry travellers. Thanks for leaving a clean trail and campsite behind you.

For more information, drop in to the Information Centre.
Have a great holiday!



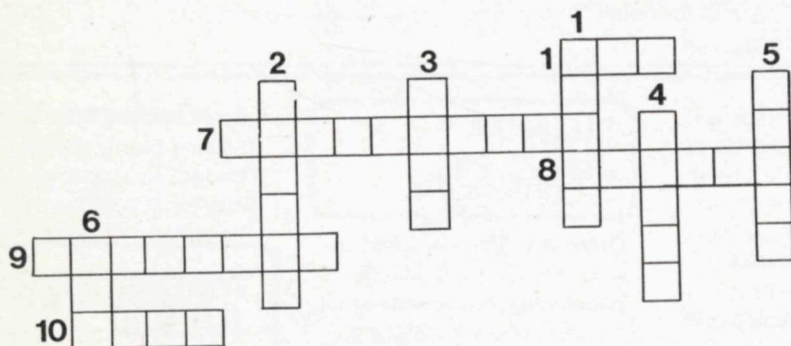
Riding Mountain **PARK PLUS PEOPLE** Inc.

kidstuff



Hey Kids! Tired of keeping your parents out of trouble? Looking for good times and adventure? We've got games, nature hikes, arts and crafts and much more -- just for you! Come and join us for tons of fun!

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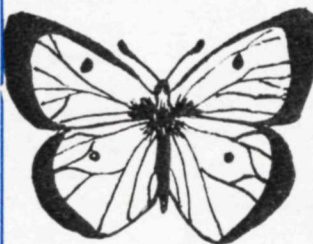
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2. The roadrunner's enemy
3. Smokey the _____
5. Big, shaggy brown animal that lives in grasslands
6. Wise as a(n) _____

ACROSS;

1. Night flying animal
7. Bird that drills holes in trees
8. Manitoba's provincial flower
9. A buzzing pest that loves to bite you
10. Sleek black and white bird found on the park's lakes

Junior Interpretive Program

June 30 - August 20
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays
10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
Meet at the Interpretive Centre Theatre
No charge
In the event of overattendance, children will be given the opportunity to reserve a place in the following day's program.
Limit: 40 children; age limit 6 - 12



Wasagaming Summer Arts

July 10 - August 17
Mondays, Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays
10:00 a.m. - noon or 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.
Meet at Wasagaming Summer Arts
\$4/child/day (includes supplies)
Enrollment limit: 12
Programs will focus on the study of natural environments through arts and crafts
Ages: 6 and over

KIDSTUFF IN THE PARK

GAMES, MUSIC, MAGIC AND MORE await you on July 26th - a day filled with fun galore!

10-11 a.m.	Face painting and crafts
11-noon	Jug Band Stuff with Brian Ramsey
Noon-1:30 p.m.	Games, races, parachute fun, and laughs
1:30-2:30 p.m.	Brian Cox, The Incredible String Man!
2:30-3:00 p.m.	Face painting

All activities take place on the lawn by the main beach.
\$2.00 per person for the whole day (includes supplies),
or \$5.00 per family.

This event is being sponsored by Riding Mountain Park Plus People and the Manitoba Department of Culture, Heritage and Recreation.



INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMMING

JUNE 26 - JULY 30

Welcome to another summer full of fun and informative programming offered by the Interpretive staff here at Riding Mountain National Park. You're welcome to participate in a number of events - everything from evening programs at the Interpretive

Centre Theatre, to guided hikes to campfire programs at our outlying campgrounds. Take time to visit the park's Interpretive Centre on Wasagaming Drive. It's open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily. Ask the staff for details about any of our programs.

This year's staff naturalists - Bob Waldon, Julie Beaudette, Beth Woodger, Shelley Gellatly, Greg Prynne and Hélène Chabot - are waiting to help you learn more about the park through a variety of guided activities. Come and join us!

FRIDAY JUNE 26

The Lost Forest: How did it get here? During the hike we'll stop for lunch (BYO) beside a cool, sparkling stream. Sturdy footwear essential. Meet Beth at the Birches Picnic Site at 10:30 a.m. (2 1/2 hrs.)

Yogi, Smokey or Demon? None of the above, the Black Bear is a fascinating element of Riding Mountain's wildlife. Join Bob for slides and bear stories at 8:00 p.m. in the Interpretive Centre Theatre.

SATURDAY JUNE 27

Picnic On The Parkway: A family car cavalcade, with short walks for explorers with a yen for hidden places. Bring lunch for a noon picnic. Meet Bob at 10:00 a.m. sharp at the Wishing Well

Burned To Death? Is there life after the raging crackling flames are extinguished? Find out in the Interpretive Centre Theatre at 8:00 p.m.

Wild Mowing Machines: Moose, elk and deer: these massive plant eaters captivate all of us. Meet Julie at

the Lake Katherine firecircle at 8:30 p.m.

Wolves & Woodsmoke: Join Bob for fireside yarns about the Park, the wildlife and history of Riding Mountain. Fire lights up at 8:30 p.m. at the Moon Lake firecircle.

No Place Like Home: Bison in the Boreal Forest would feel as out of place as Dorothy did in Oz. Find out why every animal has it's own favorite place in Riding Mountain, with Greg at 8:30 p.m. at the Lake Audy firecircle.

SUNDAY JUNE 28

Dive Into Another World: Take a plunge with Julie, to explore the wet and wonderful world of underwater wildlife. Interpretive Centre Theatre at 8:00 p.m.

Dusky Doings: Put off bedtime just a little. Come and see how animals welcome the night. Meet Beth at 9:30 p.m. at the Boat Cove. (1 1/2 hrs.)



MONDAY JUNE 29

Omminik Marsh: Meet Julie on the Omminik Marsh boardwalk. A cart-load of paraphernalia will help us explore the Marsh's wildlife. 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Winter Lows - Summer Highs: Come and discover how the Saulteaux Indian people beat the winter blues and enjoyed the summer sun as they journeyed through Riding Mountain. Join Hélène at the Interpretive Centre Theatre at 8:00 p.m.

"Round-em-Up": Git along little doggies and join our leisurely car caravan headed east along Hwy.#19. Corral a variety of interesting tidbits and unique experiences with herder Greg at 8:00 p.m., heading out from the Brûlé trail parking lot.

TUESDAY JUNE 30

Time Warp: Pass through the ages and discover how prehistoric and Indian people used Riding Mountain. Meet Hélène at the Lake Audy parking lot at 10:00 a.m. for a 1 1/2 hour stroll through time.

To Bird Or Not To Bird: Pink flamingo or gray jay? Join Shelley as she shares in-

sights into the trials and tribulations of the novice "birder". Interpretive Centre Theatre at 8:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY JULY 1

Wetlands Galore: The marsh wildlife awaits your visit! Meet Julie at the Omminik Marsh trailhead at 8:00 a.m.

TODAY IS CANADA'S BIRTHDAY! Watch for special activities happening throughout the day.....



THURSDAY JULY 2

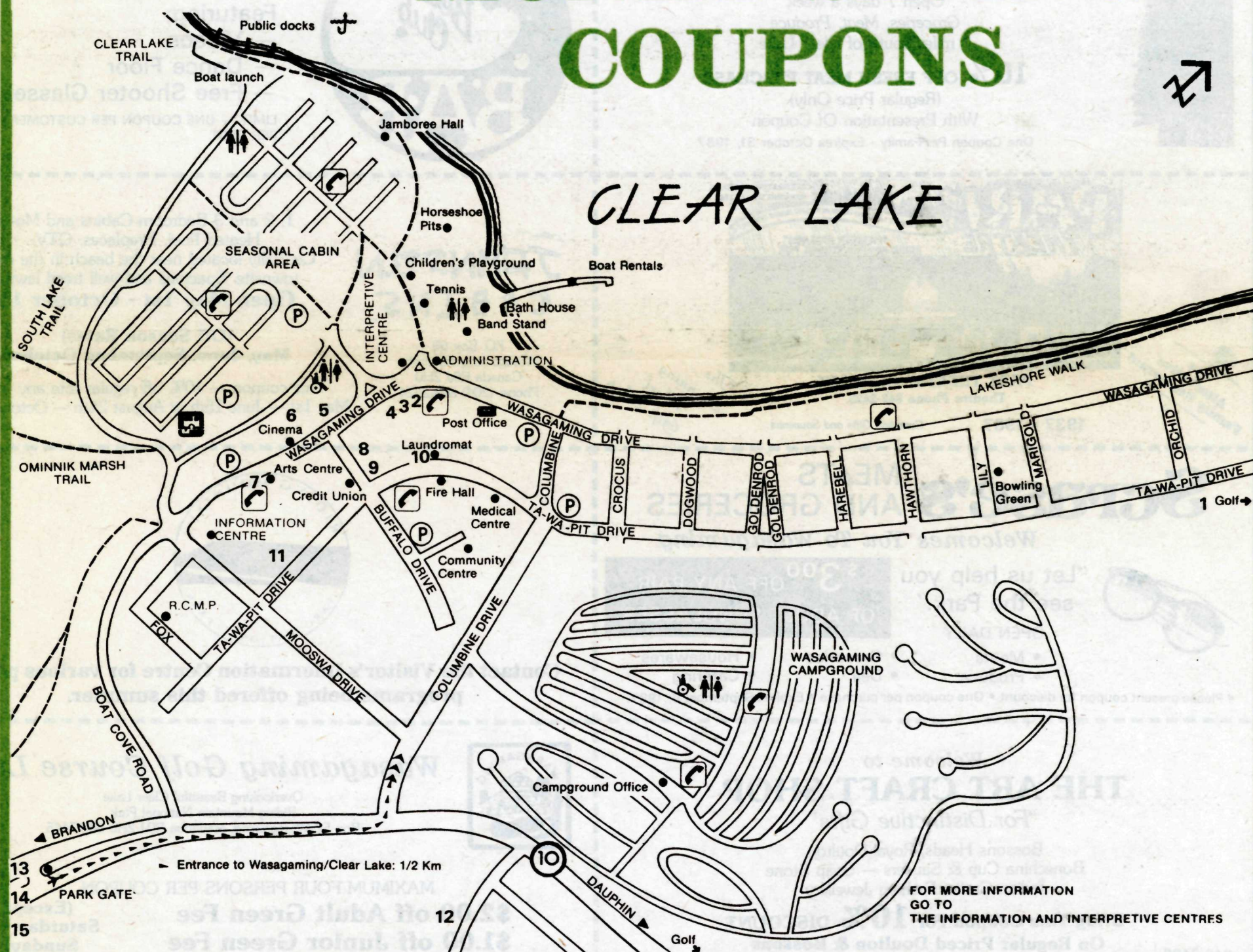
Ochre River Ramble: Explore the upland part of the Ochre River valley for 2 hours through prime moose and elk habitat. Walking shoes or runners advised. Meet Bob at 9:30 a.m. at the Ochre River Trail parking lot.

Ghost Mill Trek: Discover remnants of by-gone days. Explore the abandoned Kip-

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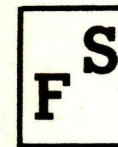
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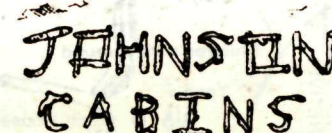
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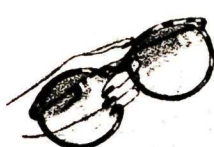
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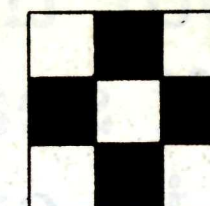
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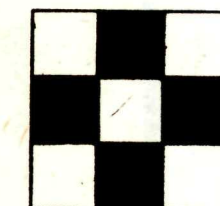


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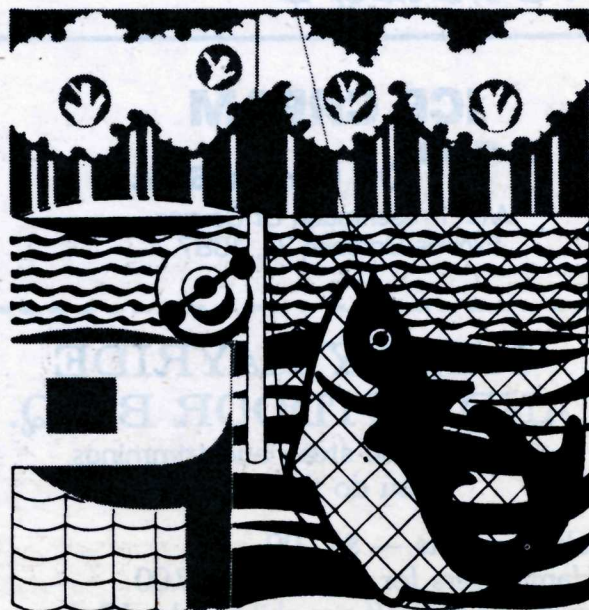
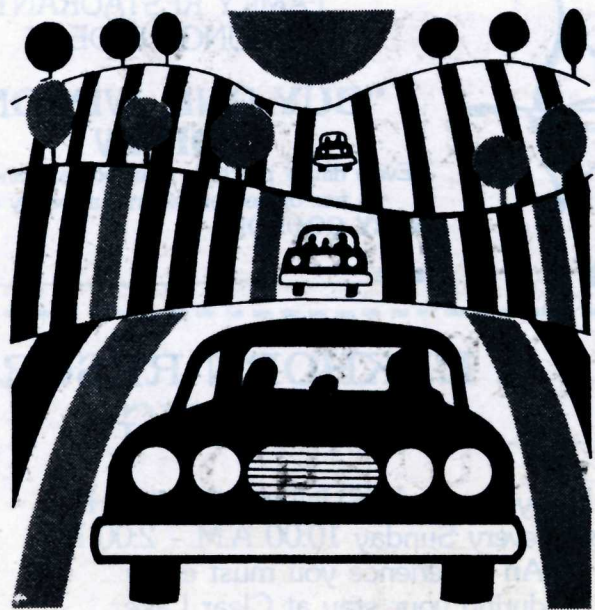
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throughout the winter.
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are in effect
in the spring and fall.



pan's Mill logging camp with Shelley. Meet at the Hilton Trailhead, 7:00 p.m. (1 1/2 hrs.)

Riding Mountain Night Court: Meet the park's own Judge Harry T. Sloane and the public defender as we put the National Parks on trial. Guilty or innocent? You be the key witness at 8:00 p.m. in the Interpretive Centre Theatre.

FRIDAY JULY 3

Go East! Explore Manitoba's misplaced eastern forest. Meet at the Birches Picnic Site at 6:30 p.m. Sturdy footwear essential. (2 hrs.)

Buffoon Or Bad Guy? Misunderstood, the Black Bear's true nature makes him one of Riding Mountain's most intriguing animals. Learn more, hear a few bear stories, with Bob at 8:00 p.m. in the Interpretive Centre Theatre.

SATURDAY JULY 4

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"Walk On The Wild Side": Get intimate with the park and spend a night in the wilderness! Join an experienced guide who is eager to introduce you to a very special experience. Advance registration necessary at the Interpretive Centre.

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Smokey The Trickster: Smart, adaptable and powerful, the Black Bear is a survivor. Enjoy slides and bear yarns with Bob at the Interpretive Centre Theatre at 8:00 p.m.

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Hwy.#19 Or Bust! Hitch up to our automotive wagon train as we move out down Hwy.#19. Find out what lies just beyond your view as we circle the wagons and get off the beaten path. The caravan leaves with Greg at 8:00 p.m. from the Brûlé trail parking lot.

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Go East! Explore Manitoba's misplaced eastern forest. Meet at the Birches Picnic Site at 6:30 p.m. Sturdy footwear essential. (2 hrs.)

Innocent Or Guilty? Judge for yourself whether the Black Bear is as dangerous as some people think. Join Bob for bear stories and slides in the Interpretive Centre Theatre at 8:00 p.m.

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GO FOR IT!

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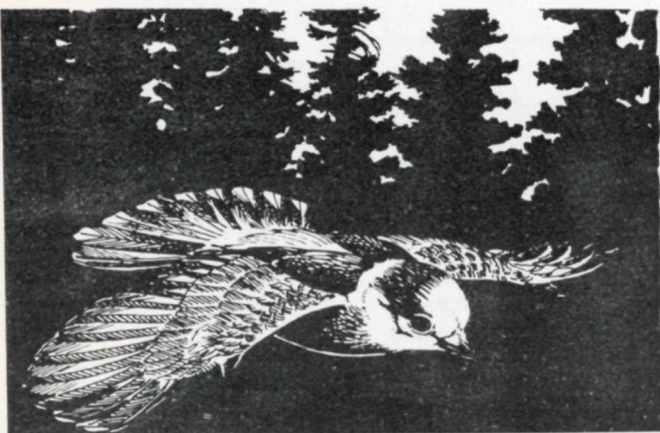
The three-sport event promises to be even bigger than last year's, with up to 250 participants on the course.

The triathletes will be challenged by a 1.5 km swim in Clear Lake, a 40 km cycling route, and a 10 km run along the park's roadways. You can enter a team (each member specializing in one of the dis-

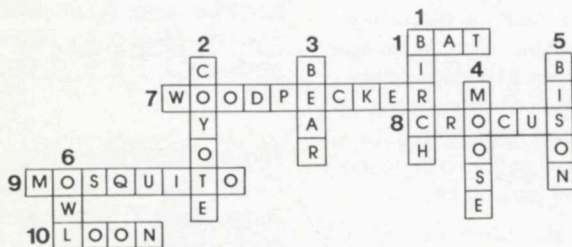
ciplines), or you can face the challenge on your own!

The race is a volunteer, non-profit event, designed to promote the development of triathletes in Manitoba.

If you're not athletically inclined, but want to share in the excitement, a triathlon is a great spectator sport too! For those of you who want to get even closer to the action, the race organizers are looking for volunteers. To register for the race or to volunteer, write to: The Riding Mountain Triathlon, 179 Brock Street. Winnipeg, MB, R3M 0V7.



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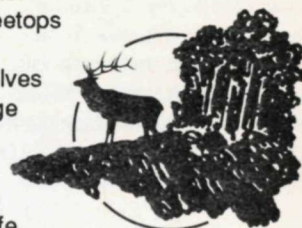
DISCOVER ...

Trails that Talk
Walking on Water
Towering in Treetops

EXPERIENCE ...

Howling for Wolves
Hiking the Gorge
Bugling for Elk

LEARN ... Park naturalists can guide you to places, introduce you to wildlife, and bring the past to life. Enjoy adventures to last a lifetime! Ask about our scheduled programs taking place throughout the summer. See you there!



LOON LORE

Did you know that....

...a young loon rides around on its parents' backs for the first two or three months of its life? It does this until its feathers have grown in.

...loons can, by compressing their feathers, and forcing the air from their lungs, make themselves less buoyant, and sink below the water when they have been disturbed or want to escape quickly.

...the placement of the loon's legs at the back of their bodies makes it almost impossible for them to walk on land, yet aids them greatly in swimming and diving.

...under stress, a loon can stay under water for up to three minutes, but ordinarily dives do not exceed one minute in duration.

...loons cannot take off from land - only from the water.

...usually there is only one pair of loons to a lake, although larger lakes may have two or more pairs.

...that if you take a quiet stroll around one of Riding Mountain's many lakes in the evening, you'll hear the loon's haunting call - a sound synonymous with the Canadian wilderness.

Do you have any comments or suggestions for the newspaper? We'd appreciate hearing from you! Please send your ideas to the Chief Park Interpreter, Riding Mountain National Park, Wasagaming MB, R0J 2H0.

DIRECTORY OF SERVICES IN & AROUND RIDING MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK

ACCOMMODATIONS

Aspen Ridge	848-2964
Clear Lake	848-2345
Doner's Buffalo Resort	848-2404
Elkhorn Resort & Conference Centre	848-2802
Gray's Cabins	848-2512
Idylwyld Bungalows	848-2383
Johnson Cabins	848-2524
Lee's Holiday Bungalows	848-2511
Manigaming Motel	848-2459
McMorran Agency	848-2432
McTavish's Motel	848-7366
Mooswa Bungalows & Motel	848-2533
On-a-Nole Motel	848-2523
Riding Mountain Guest Ranch	848-2265
Riding Mountain Inn (New Chalet)	848-2892
Southgate Motor Hotel	848-2542
Thunderbird Bungalows	848-2521

RESTAURANTS

Alternative Food Co.	848-2829
Chicken Delight	848-2887
Club House Restaurant	848-7677
Danceland	848-7500
Elkhorn Resort Dining Room	848-2802
McTavish's	848-7366
Mooswa-Fireside Inn	848-2533
Jim's Restaurant & Ice Cream Bar	848-2347
The Old Hotel Cafe	848-2966
Pizza Place	848-2920
Southgate Motor Hotel	848-2542
Sportsman's Park	848-2520
Whitehouse Bakery & Restaurant	848-7700
Wigwam Restaurant & Lounge	848-7752

NATURE TOURS AND OUTFITTERS

Agassiz Wilderness Trail Rides	835-2253
Birdtail Valley Outfitter	859-2088
Elkhorn Resort Riding Stables	848-2802
Riding Mountain Nature Tours	636-2968
Riding Mountain Trailriders	859-2482
Trailhead Outfitters	848-7649

SERVICES

Erickson Credit Union (Wasagaming)	848-7746
Gulf Service Station	848-2535
Head First (hairdresser)	848-7449
Ideal Esso 76	848-2562
Texaco Service Station	848-2554
Wasagaming Laundromat	848-2553

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Ambulance Emergency Calls	636-2521
Dauphin General Hospital	638-3010
Erickson District Hospital	636-2521
Fire Emergency Calls	1-726-0777
Medical Centre - 140 Ta-wa-pit Dr.	848-2891
(June 26-Sept 7, 5p.m.-7p.m. daily except Tuesdays)	
R.C.M.P. (Wasagaming)	Zenith 50000 or 848-2442
The Warden Service is responsible for law enforcement as well as search and rescue - 24 hrs	
Problem bears and other nuisance animals should be reported to a warden immediately.	
Lost and Found - at the Information Centre	
848-2811	

RECREATION AND ENTERTAINMENT

Clear Lake Marina	contact Main Pier
Danceland	848-7500
Interpretive Centre	848-2811
Park Theatre	848-2423
Sportsman's Park	848-2520
Wasagaming Bowling Green	848-2858
Wasagaming Golf Course	848-7445
Wasagaming Summer Arts	848-2993
Wasagaming Tennis Courts	848-2342

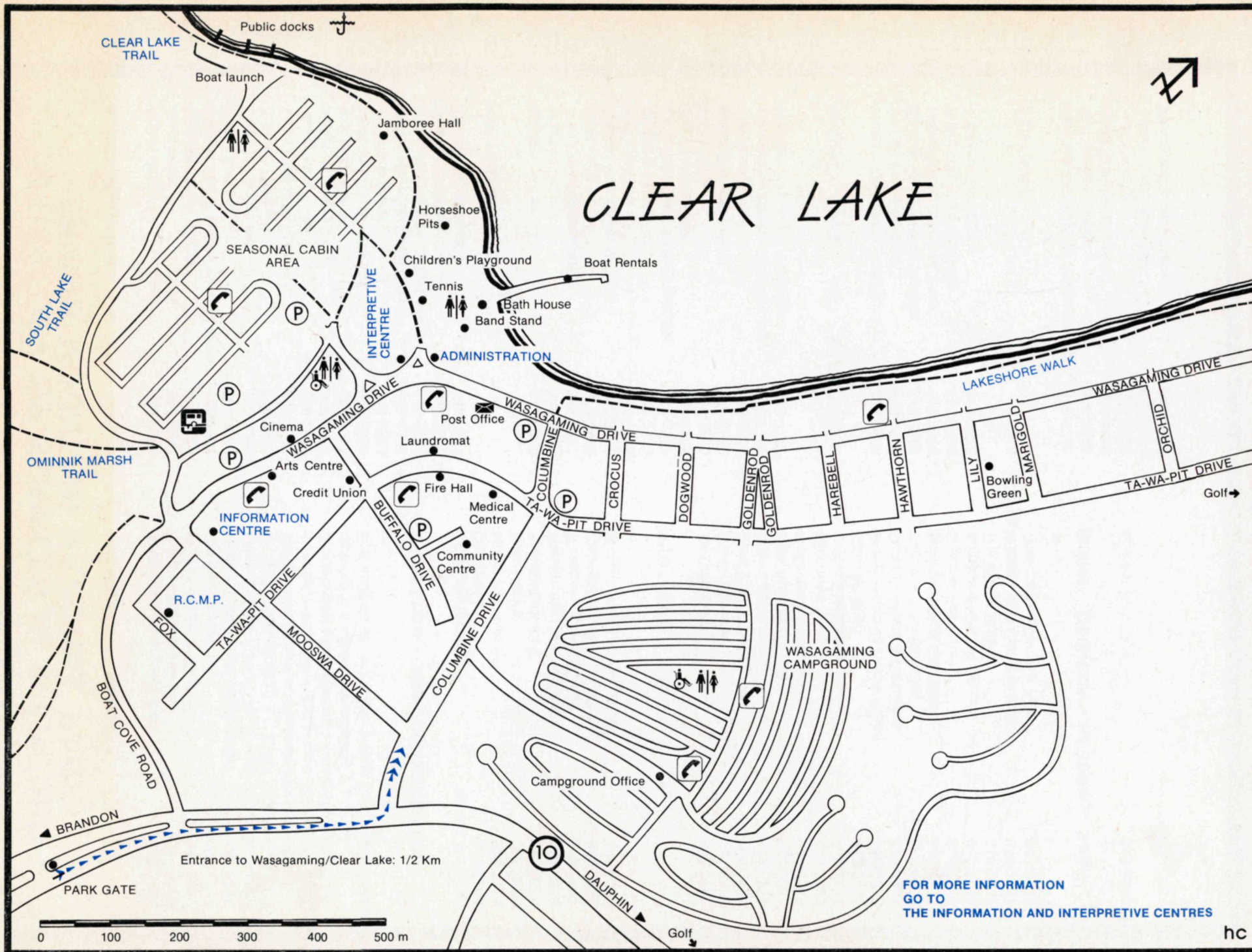
SHOPPING

Art Craft Shop	848-2492
B & D Hardware	848-2959
Clear Lake Creative Arts	848-2429
Clear Lake Trading Post	848-2366
Lake Audy Emporium	848-2257
McTavish's Bookstore	848-7366
Meldrum's	848-2322
Onanole Hardware	848-2870
Pine Gift Shop	848-2432
Riding Mountain Native Crafts	848-2289
Scrase's Meats & Groceries	848-2452
Seagulls & Sandcastles	848-2398
Spinning Wheel Gift Shop	848-2423
Summer Fashions	848-2816
Summer Place Gift Shop	848-2596
The Village Market	848-2937
Wasagaming Cottage Crafts	848-2427
Wasagaming Summer Arts	848-2993

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All Enquiries	848-2811
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