

# PEPP-TALK

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Monday was Labor Day and quite a number of our citizens trekked south of the border to Northport's popular annual beef barbecue.

The day started off with a big parade in which Rossland is represented by floats from the Eagles and the Legion. This parade starts out at the school in the far end of town and winds up at the entry to the bridge over the Columbia, quite a step when you have to concentrate on keeping in step.

The American Legion boys got smart this year and commandeered a jeep to carry them along at the head of the parade. Maybe we'll do something like that next time around.

The lineup for the barbecue formed at around noon and when we got ready to leave around 3 p.m. it was still a pretty formidable length. The sun was hot and the number of people in the close proximity of the beer booth was quite understandable. There were lots of people from the Canadian side to be seen on every hand.

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Friday will see the action

one of the brochures the committee has prepared, you can truly say, "No one has been left out!"

Another popular annual event that is slated for Saturday is the Pucksters golf tournament, master-minded by Glen Harper. The event caters mostly to the younger set of our golfing community. I glanced at the list on the wall of the clubhouse at the upper course on Tuesday and there were thirty-odd names on it. I noticed the names of several ex-Spokane hockey players among the entrants, I would very much have liked to go out with them but my commitments to the Legion and the Retirees Curling Club in connection with the fair are such that I cannot make it, so, all I can say is, go out there and enjoy it, fellas, I bet you'll have a real good time.

One new event at this year's celebration is the mixed slo-pitch ball tournament to be held at Centennial Park over the weekend. I'm not sure how many teams are entered, I know the Legion has one and at one time inquiries were coming in about this event so we could have a pretty good tourney.

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chance to see what the kids have got to offer.

I see that Lloyd McLellan has called on Ken Koshey to assist him with the Warriors this year. Ken did the job once before and seems to have the right ideas about handling the young ones, could be an excellent move

on Lloyd's part to have Kenny to back him up with the kids, especially if he has a lot of young ones who will need some expert handling to develop.

With September moving towards the halfway mark and the leaves starting to clutter up the fairways on

the upper course, I guess it's time to start thinking of brooms and rocks and hockey games instead of balls and clubs and long walks around the fairways, the garden produce has to be taken care of and the little tasks to prepare for snow-time have to be looked

after, so it looks as if we'll be kept pretty busy from here on in.

Anyway, our way of life now that we have lots of time to spare does not seem to rest too heavy on us, for myself, I'm enjoying every minute of it, hope you are too!

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Friday will see the action concentrated on the museum and mine tours plus gold rush mining claims at the old theatre lot. There will be bingo at the Eagles Hall in the evening and a street dance from 8 to 11 p.m. and the Fireman's Ball at the high school starting at 9 p.m.

On Saturday the action really heats up with the big parade, the Golden City Grind at 9 a.m., bike races, kids' soccer, a rugby tournament, kids' carnival and the fall fair at the arena. There will be a teen dance at the high school and the Legion will have dances on both Friday and Saturday evening.

Sunday will see more bike races, kids' soccer and kids' sports, sponsored by Local 480 and the always popular Credit Union beef barbecue, when you get down to study

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I haven't had a chance to ask him yet but I think Rich and I will be taking care of things next week and then on Thursday we will be taking a trip over to Christina Lake to join those fellows for an invitational round.

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I had a chance to talk to Robby Martin on Saturday evening about the Warriors. Robby has been working out with the hopefuls all summer and his comment as the team takes up its dryland training was, "Well, it will be the youngest Warrior club in a long time!" I'm told that the ice will be going in as soon as the fall fair is over so we shall get a