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# PEPP-TALK

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Well, the big hoorah is over and we hope it will be at least another four or five years before we have to go through that again. Even in Kootenay West, Bob Brisco managed to rally the support around him to get the job done. Let's hope Brian Mulroney's ideas will now be put into place. It would be a great thing to see our country's fortunes change for the better.

I don't know if it was the aura of the election but we had 40 out on the Rossland course on Tuesday morning and they moved around the course with alacrity. We were led by our perennial early-starting foursome of Jim and Willie Scott, Ernie Primeau and Harvey McKay. These boys are on number one tee every week by 7:30 and yesterday the whole group moved along quite well and all were in the clubhouse well before 11 a.m.

The delicious breakfast put up by Debbie and Munro at an absolutely minimal cost, is really well received. Tuesday being election day, there were no refreshments to be had, one thing a lot of us look forward to after a sometimes exasperating round of golf.

Anyway, Al Turner took on the job of master-minding this week's event and did a real good job. Al's usual golf partner, Noland Garrison, was off on a visit to Calgary this week, so Al didn't bother going out to play. It was low net, low gross, long putt on number nine and a couple of hidden holes. In the low net competition I must have done something right for a change as I came up with a

33 to take top honors for that class. George Pearson had a 43 to take low gross, Bob Glover, a relative newcomer to our retiree ranks, sank a 16-footer to take the long putt on number nine. In the hidden hole low it was Roger McKeown with a five on number six in a draw with 13 others and Bernie Ferrey took the hidden hole high with an eight on number seven.

As to next week, we will be out there on the course but our numbers could suffer because that is the day the ladies invite us to play Birchbank with them.

Still on golf, the annual invitational from Christina Lake is on Thursday and it's a real pleasure to join all our group on that trip. I understand the end of this month will see the official closing of the Rossland course. A skeleton crew will remain, I'm told, and the retirees will be offered the chance to run things down there until the snow flies.

I have to tell you about two Trail athletes, Eileen Volpatti and Carla DiBiasio, who were sponsored by the Legion to take part in a national track meet held at St. Mary's University in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Eileen and Carla come from athletic families in Trail and came back from the meet with three bronze medals.

One of the Golden City Days events this year is a soccer tournament, teams competing will come from Coeur d'Alene, Castlegar, Fruitvale and Grand Forks as well as the Rossland Retreads. First games in the tourney will be played

in Rossland's Jubilee Park and Haley Park in Warfield at 6 p.m.

And so, with that, we'll say, till next time!