

E.K. Board Plans Major Parks, Playground Changes

It was announced this week through the office of the coordinator of Parks and Recreation for East Kildonan, Mr. R. Reid, that several major changes will take place in the parks and playgrounds this summer.

Of prime importance is the creation of a new city park, to be called East Kildonan Centennial Park. This park will be located on Raleigh between Linden and Dunrobin.

The Centennial Park is a beautifully treed eight-acre site and when completed it will be one of the most attractive family parks in Metro Winnipeg.

Building on the site will be starting very shortly and it is expected that most of the facilities will be available for use in early July.

Included in the park will be a new playground designed especially for the young tots, a modern wading pool with complete filtering equipment, a day camp area with benches, tables and tenting sites, picnic areas for up to 200 people complete with barbeques and running water.

There will also be a large free play area as well as plenty of parking space.

Another step being taken this year will be the supervising of seven playgrounds in the city. There will be a trained leader at each of the following sites: Sherwood Park, Bronx Park, East End Community Club, McLeod Avenue Community Club, Roc-Lin Tot Lot, Fraser's Grove Park and the Centennial Park.

The leaders will be on duty starting July 3rd through till August 25th. Hours will be posted at each site.

It is planned that a full playground program will be offered at each park that will include games, sports, arts and crafts, drama, music, special events, etc.

Of special interest to the boys and girls, who are more

physically inclined, there will be an inter-playground program of sports, including softball, track and field, bowling, swimming, and possibly a few others. All of these activities will be handled by a sports specialist.

In addition to these playgrounds, there will be other playground sites available for use, but not supervised. These include Morse Place Community Club, Prince Edward Tr. Lot, St. Alphonsus School, Dounreay Bay, Durness Bay and Melrose Park Community Club.

For those people living in the Melrose Park area plan call for the installation of a new playground site on the community club grounds for this year. The Y.M.C.A. will continue to operate their very popular Summer Fun program in this area.

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FO. D. J. McNAIR

Flying Officer D. J. McNair, of East Kildonan, has successfully completed the RCAF radio navigator course at the Air Navigation School in Winnipeg.

He received his Wings from Brigadier A. J. Tedlie, D.S.O., C.D., Chief of Staff Training, Training Command Headquarters, Canadian Forces Base, Winnipeg.

F.O. McNair obtained his senior matriculation at Elmwood High School prior to joining the RCAF under the Regular Officer Training Plan in 1952.

E.K. Residents Open Doors For Pan-Am Athletes

A few East Kildonan couples already have signified their intention of hosting two contestants in the Pan-Am Games