



# POWELL RIVER HISTORICAL MUSEUM & ARCHIVES

## FONDS DESCRIPTION

<b>FONDS NUMBER</b>	48
<b>ACCESSION NUMBER</b>	None provided.
<b>TITLE</b>	Powell River & District Agricultural Society fonds. Title based on contents of fonds.
<b>DATE(S)</b>	1933-1990
<b>EXTENT</b>	60 cm textual records – 6 photographs
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY/BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH</b>	<p>The Powell River &amp; District Horticultural Society was the precursor to the Powell River &amp; District Agricultural Society. The Horticultural Society began in 1933 and was the result of the Cranberry Ratepayers and Community's successful fall fair in September 1932. In 1936 the name was changed to Powell River &amp; District Agricultural Society and the assets were transferred at the same time. The Agricultural Society functioned from 1933 - 1939. After WWII it re-commenced in 1954 and continued until 1982. After a lapse it was re-incorporated in 1987. This Society was organized mainly for the purpose of promoting the culture of fruits, vegetables and flowers. They also hosted a Fall Fair and from 1954 - 1976 sponsored the Miss Powell River competition. The Association promotes fairs and displays of 4-H and agricultural products and helps to administer the Paradise Exhibition Park. They sponsor the Powell River Fall Fair and the Open Air Market.</p>
<b>CUSTODIAL HISTORY</b>	<p>Donated by Vivian Pulsifer 1991, 1992, 1993, 2005.          Donated by Elaine Steiger in 1994.</p>
<b>FONDS DESCRIPTION</b>	<p>The fonds consists of the Powell River &amp; District Agricultural Society records. Includes Certificate of Incorporation and Constitution and by-laws, minutes, correspondence, financial records, legal documents, reports, Miss Powell River, lists, rules and regulations, newsletters, history, clippings, and the Powell River Paradise Exhibition Park sous-fonds.</p> <p>Series 1: Incorporation and Constitution &amp; Bylaws          Date(s): 1936-1953, 1971-1973          Extent: 2cm of textual records</p> <p>The series consists of a Certificate of Incorporation and the Society's Constitution and By-Laws.</p> <p>Title based on contents of series.</p> <p>Series 2: Minutes          Date(s): 1933-1940, 1953-1973, 1977, 1979, 1982, 1991          Extent: 15cm of textual records</p> <p>The series consists of minutes of the Society.</p>

Title based on contents of series.

Series 3: Correspondence

Date(s): 1953, 1955-1959, 1963-1964, 1968-1972, 1981-1988

Extent: 6cm of textual records

The series consists of correspondence regarding the running of the annual Fall Fair, the Paradise Exhibition Park and the organizing the Miss Powell River contests.

Title based on contents of series.

Series 4: Financial Records

Date(s): 1933-1939, 1954-1967, 1980-1991

Extent: 4cm of textual records

The series consists of financial ledgers and records pertaining to the Fall Fair, the Miss Powell River contest and the Agricultural Society.

Title based on contents of series.

Series 5: Legal Documents

Date(s): 1953, 1963-1964, 1972-1979, 1982

Extent: 5cm of textual records

The series consists of contracts for BC Entertainments Corp., Pacific Show Ltd., Alberta Slim's, Lot 5113 East, timber licence permission, West Coast Amusements, Department of Agriculture.

Title based on contents of series.

Series 6: Reports

Date(s): 1954-1968, 1987

Extent: 2cm of textual records

The series consists of reports by managers of the Fall Fair and the Miss Powell River contests.

Title based on contents of series.

Series 7: Lists

Date(s): 1936-1939, 1978-1990

Extent: 4 cm of textual records

The series consists of lists of Directors and members of the Society.

Title based on contents of series.

Series 8: Rules and Regulations  
Dates: 1933-1977  
Extent: 22cm of textual records

The series consists of rules and regulations for the exhibition, Fall Fair and the Miss Powell River contest.

Title based on contents of series.

Series 9: Newsletters  
Date(s): 1972-1973  
Extent: 1cm of textual records

The series consists of newsletters to the members.

Title based on contents of series.

Series 10: Notes  
Date(s): 1955, 1961-1963,1966  
Extent: 1 cm of textual records

The series consists of handwritten notes about the Miss Powell River contests.

Title based on contents of series.

Series 11: History  
Date(s): 1936, 1957,1978  
Extent: 1 cm of textual records

The series consists of typewritten and handwritten notes about the foundation of the Society.

Title based on contents of series.

Series 12: News clippings  
Date(s): 1955-1983  
Extent: photocopies of 4cm of textual records

The series consists of photocopies of newspaper articles regarding the Fall Fair, the Agricultural Society and the Miss Powell River contest

Title based on contents of series.

Series 13: Ephemera  
Date(s): 1967- 1968,1984  
Extent: 1cm of textual records

The series consists of programmes of the Miss Powell River contest.

Title based on contents of series.

Series 14: Photographs

Date(s): 1950,1957,1960, 1962,1964,1969,1973

Extent: 6 photographs

The series consists of photographs of the Miss Powell River contestants and include images of: Gerry Moore, Jo-Ann Taylor, Kathryn Millar, Elaine Shirk, Dianne Taylor, Annabelle Ashworth and Louise Beadman.

Title based on contents of series.

Title: Paradise Exhibition Park sous-fonds

Date(s): 1973-1988

Extent: 4cm of textual records

The Paradise Exhibition Park was formed to operate the Park as a joint venture for the Powell River & District Agricultural Association and for the Powell River Riders Horse and Saddle Club.

Title based on contents of sous-fonds

Series 1: Constitution and Agreements

Date(s): 1973

Extent: 1cm of textual records

The series consists of the Constitution for the Society.

Title based on contents of series.

Series 2: Legal Agreements

Date(s): 1973-1983

Extent: 2cm of textual records

The series consists of agreements between the Powell River Regional District, Robert Pitton and the Powell River Trail Riders

Title based on contents of series.

Series 3: Minutes

Date(s): 1975-1976

Extent: .5cm of textual records

The series consists of minutes of the June 19, 1975 meeting.

Title based on contents of series.

	<p>Series 4: Correspondence Date(s): 1988 Extent: .5cm of textual records</p> <p>The series consists of correspondence pertaining to the Park.</p> <p>Title based on contents of series.</p>
<b>NOTES</b>	