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Interested in joining fellow talons on a sports team?

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Get involved in drama, band, or one of the numerous clubs offered at Gleneagle.

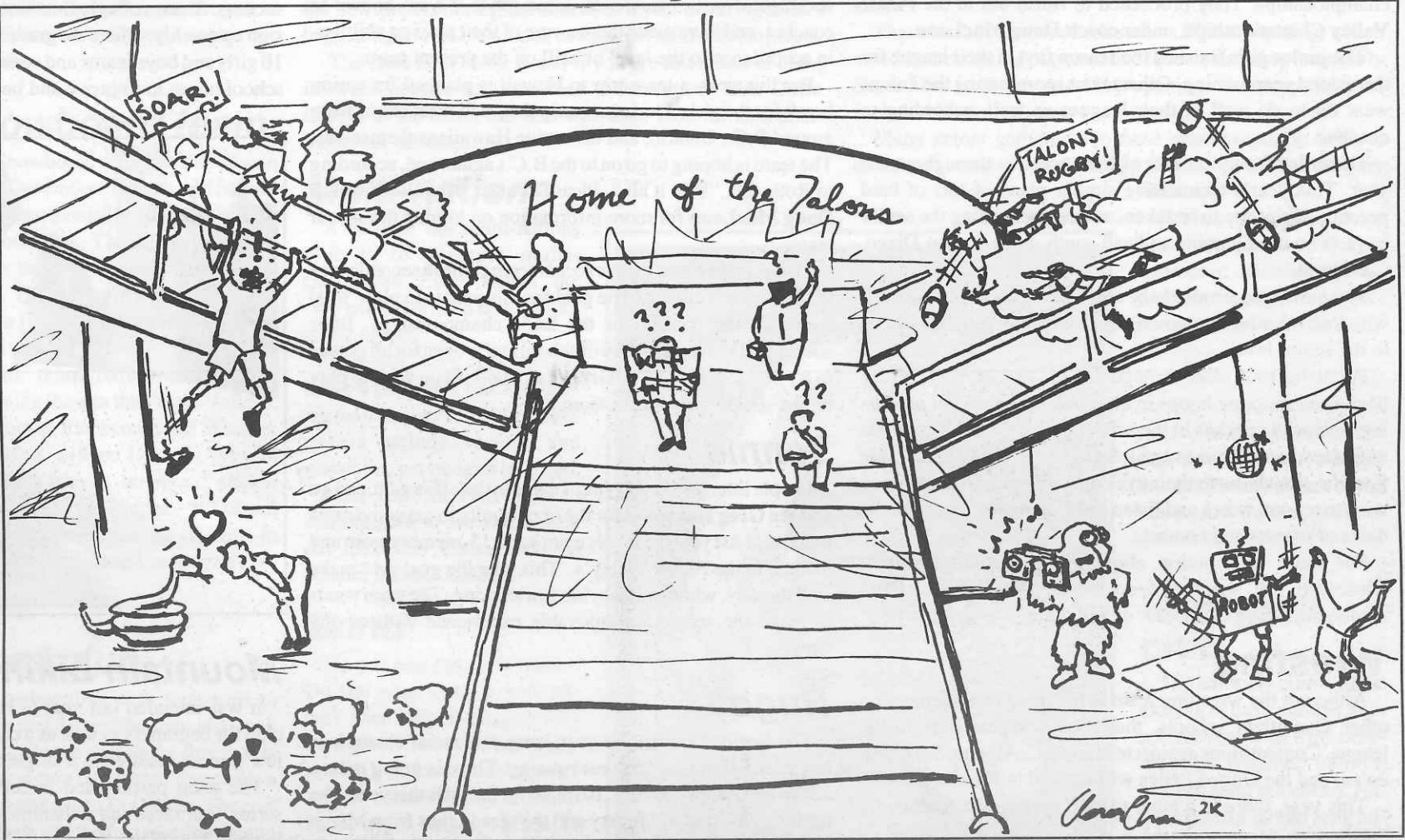
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You Said It! What every single Gleneagle student should know.

Guide to Gleneagle

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Spread your talon wings and prepare to soar into a new year at Gleneagle!



Student council wants participation from all interested students

Gleneagle's student council is in the midst of preparing for the new school year and is looking for new members who are interested in participating. All students in any grade are welcome to join, since input is needed from every grade within the school to make the council effective and successful.

Anyone interested in joining is invited to attend the meetings for the first two weeks of school. These meetings take place on Thursday mornings at 8:00am in room 213 sponsored by **Marilynn Sims**, career resource coordinator.

Due to people constantly bringing new ideas to the group, each year's student council organized activities are different. However, they will be sticking to a few of the events which have become a tradition.

One thing done every year is helping out with the Terry Fox Run in September by holding a water station along the route. Food hampers are also a big event for the student council around the middle of December, and they also coordinate a Thirty Hour Famine in March to raise funds for World Vision.

Among other things, the student council is the force behind the Lollipop Fridays. "Boy are they tasty, there are so many flavours it's hard to try them all, but I have," added **Farhnaz Yekanifard**, grade 12 student council member since 1997.

The profits from the sale go towards scholarships for graduating students and has bought the school a number of benches for the hallways in the past. Lolligrams are a special service that the student

council provides during major holidays such as Christmas and Valentine's Day. "You can send them to anyone, even anonymously if you're too shy to send one to your crush," said Yekanifard.

"I think that the student council works very hard throughout the majority of the school year to give the school special events that range from pyjama days to hat days and even very large and rowdy gym riots. I think that this year's student council has a lot of great members that are sure to give our school a wonderful sense of pride," said Yekanifard.

The students in the council also plan and organize a number of school dances for the students, the first of which is tentatively scheduled for October.

CARE week, which takes place May 7 through to the 11, is a time when the council gives students the opportunity to become more aware of issues facing them such as drugs and prostitution. Various speakers come in during the week to talk to students and classes during this time.

A Talent Show is something the council tries to plan for late May, but the show needs to attract a lot more interest from the students to be possible. Prizes are awarded as an incentive to perform.

Overall, the council is looking for people who are dedicated and are willing to work hard. "It is a great opportunity to make new friends. All, and I mean all, of my friends are members of the student council," said Yekanifard. "It can help people gain valuable experience and have a lot of fun."



Ready to go: the administration are ready to meet students. l-r: Principal Gary Conley and VP's Christine Lauzon, Ken Lemmen and Dennis Secret.

Administration welcomes students to the 2000-2001 school year

On behalf of all Gleneagle staff we would like to welcome back all of our grade 10, 11, 12 students and extend a new welcome to all of our grade 9's.

Hopefully all of you have had a very enjoyable summer vacation and are anxious to be back at school!

There are many in-

formative articles in this first edition of *The Edge* and we want to thank our journalism students for doing such an excellent job on the paper.

There are many clubs, teams and groups to get involved with and we really encourage students to join an activity of your choice. Extra-curricular activities are an impor-

tant part of school life and our staff provide outstanding opportunities for all students.

We wish you all a very successful 2000-2001 school year and we look forward to working with all of you.

Gary Conley
Christine Lauzon
Ken Lemmen
Dennis Secret

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Play a sport, join a club

Basketball

Basketball teams for Gleneagle consist of male and female teams for grade 9, junior (grade 10), and seniors (grades 11-12). The grade 9 boys placed second in league play, and the grade 9 girls team came out in first place in the district championships. They proceeded to finish 8th in the Fraser Valley Championships, under coach **Doug MacLean**.

The junior girls finished the season first in their league for the second year running. Other teams representing the Talons went on to do well in their leagues as well, according to coaches.

There was hours on end of hard practice throughout the year. This year's teams have similar plans of lots of hard practice. Trips are to be taken, among them being the senior boys, who are planning to head south down to San Diego, California.

Some changes are also to be seen among the coaching staff, with **Patty Anderson** moving up from junior girls' coach, up to the senior level.

Practising took place throughout the summer. Players may have been shooting hoops in their own driveway, or practising hard with coaches in the school gym. This will continue until the season resumes again for this year's play. The grade 9 teams already have their eyes on some players, but if you wish to try out, watch and listen to the announcements for the dates of tryouts and contacts.

For more information about the basketball teams at Gleneagle, see coaches **Tony Scott**, **Doug Binns**, **Patty Anderson**, **Doug MacLean**, or any other involved teachers.

Wrestling

Although the wrestling team is involved in a league with other Coquitlam schools, they also compete outside the league. Competitions against teams in BC, Alberta, Saskatchewan, and the United States will be held in Kamloops.

This year, there is a hope to start earlier and train every week.

The season runs from late October, early November to the end of February. Anyone interested in joining the team should contact coaches, **Mark Tustin** or **Doug Mancell**.

Soccer

Last year, the Senior Girls soccer team qualified in the Fraser Valleys, and went on to place third in the Provincial Championships.

At this point, there is not a junior girls soccer team, due to shortage of girls. However, some grade 9's are known to coaches, and have made them aware of their playing abilities, in accordance to the level of skill on the present team.

For this year, a team trip to Hawaii is planned for spring break for the girls. During this trip they will meet teams from around B.C., Ontario, and the native Hawaiians themselves. The team is hoping to go on to the B.C.'s again, and, according to Rothwell, "Win it all." Please contact **Brian Rothwell** or **Doug MacLean** for more information on joining the soccer team.

Last year the Senior Boys soccer team came in second place in the Fraser Valley's. The goal for this year is to play "total football" and qualify for the BC's championships. Boys soccer will start on first day of school and is open for all grades to try out. Please contact **Greg Haywood** if you wish to play on the senior boys soccer team.

Tennis

People interested in playing Tennis in the off season, can go and see **Greg Haywood** for the opportunity to get some extra practise. Last year the tennis team had a 15-member team and made it to the Fraser Valley's. This year the goal is to make it all the way, while the team has fun learning. The team wants to make the season an enjoyable experience without any stress.

Rugby

The Senior Girls rugby team were provincial champions last year, for the second year running. There is going to be a senior and junior (grade 9, 10) team for the girls this year. The training will start in January and the season runs from March to May. For girls that are not playing other sports in the fall, club rugby is available. A trip to Calgary is planned for this year. Anyone is welcome to join and if you are interested contact **Chris Turpin**. "There is a spot for everyone," said Turpin.

The Senior Boys rugby team came first in their league last year. Last year, the junior team won the Coquitlam-Maple Ridge Championships. Next year, there are hopes of development. The season runs from February to May, but there is also touch rugby on Wednesdays. Anyone interested in joining contact **Dave Foster**, or **Peter Poka**.

Cross country

The cross country team practices at Mundy Park in the mornings. Last year's team came out with strong standings, and the same is expected for this year's team.

New runners are welcome to join, and the season runs from this month until November. If you are inter-

ested in joining the cross country team, and keeping in shape, visit the P.E. office, and ask for **Mark Tustin** for more information about practice times, and competition dates.

Track, field

With a wide array of different sports, track and field is a great team to join. With high standings last year, cross-country can test your abilities. A wide variety of events is included such as discus, shot put, long jump, and the 4 by 400 meter relay. Anyone in grades 9 through 12 are welcome to join. All students interested in joining see **Doug Binns**.

Swim team

Last years swim team made it to the Fraser Valley championships. **Bill Alley** commented that the year was more of a learning experience since so much of the team consisted of new members. Alley has high hopes for this year's team since there should be more second year and third year swimmers that are on the team.

Volleyball

The volleyball teams last year were coached by **Art Abram**, **Joanna Horvath**, **Pauline Fleming**, **Mark Liao**, **Isabella Jakubiec** and **Wayne Reid**. Their dedication and the students' commitment to the sport contributed to Gleneagle's success. Since volleyball is in the fall students may want to sign up quickly. There are grade 9 girls and boys teams, grade 10 girls and boys teams and senior girls and boys teams. The school hopes to improve and become champions this year.



Mountain biking

It was intended last year to have a school mountain bike club for beginners as well as a competing team for races. The low turnout resulted in a single racing team.

The team participated in S.P.O.K.E., a school-age race series, four races and a championship race. The season starts in early March to mid-May.

Mark Liao, who ran the team last year, is not planning to be with the team this year, but does hope that a program will be available for beginner riders this year.

Badminton

There was a good turnout for the junior badminton team last year with 21 students joining the team. The team will practice three times a week according to **Ken Ipe**, coach. Ipe is very optimistic about the team saying, "I want the team to go to the Fraser Valleys this year."

There is more space available. If you are interested see **Ipe**, **Robert James** or **Barb Nichols**. Nichols won the provincial championships for badminton when she was in high school.

Dragon boating

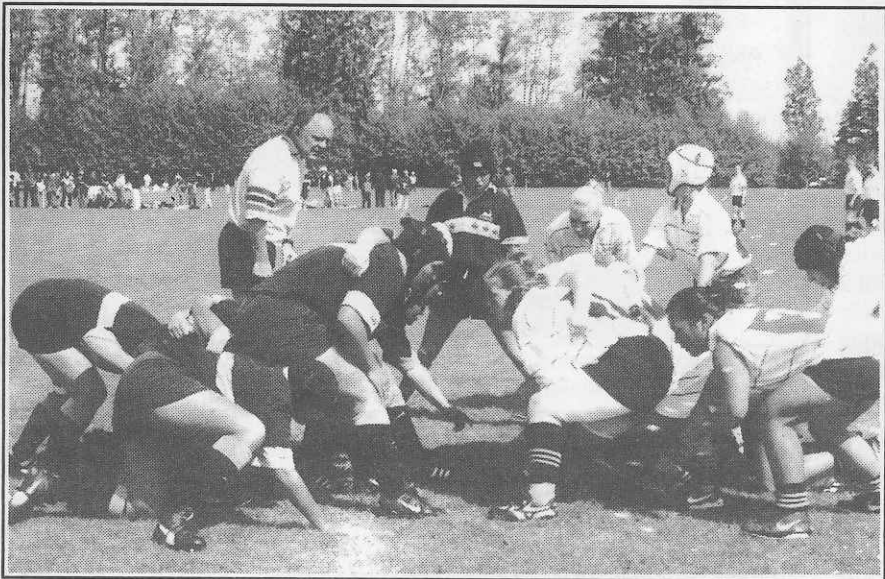
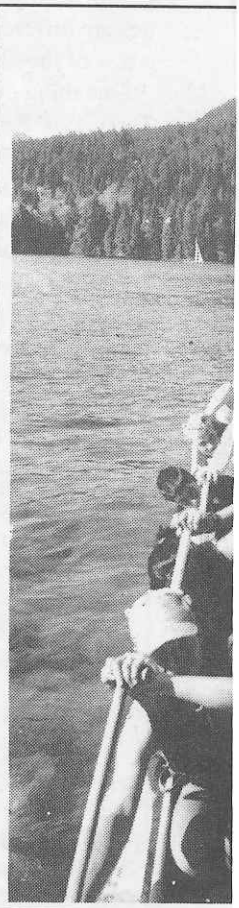
Last year's Dragon Boat team finished in 5th place in the A finals in the Alcan International Dragon Boat Festival, missing fourth place by a tenth of a second.

The team, comprised of both Gleneagle and Pinetree students, holding the name of the "T-Birds", practised from early fall until the final weeks of June. The fairly unknown sport consists of 24 people in a large-sized boat, stroking a 650m race.

The Chinese derived sport is run through the Lotus Club, which has its base camp at Barnett Marina Park. Practising first in outrigger boats, and moving on to the Dragon Boat, the team held practices first at every Sunday morning, and in March grew to three practices a week, on Tuesdays and Thursdays as well.

Competitions include various outrigger races, and proceeded to go on to the International Dragon Boat Festival, which runs in late June at the Plaza of Nations. Races continue to run through the summer, and year round. For more information, please contact **Doug Mancell**.

This year's team is planned on as being similar to that of last year, in that practices will be held on the same days, and competitions will be alike to last year's.



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...b, make your mark

Golf

Anyone interested in joining the golf team should contact **Frank Gigliotti**. The team will start up in the middle of March and is looking for committed, and responsible students who can afford to miss a little bit of school. Anyone in grades 9 to 12 are welcome to join. The goal for the golf team this year is to qualify for the Western Conference Championships for either the junior or senior team.

Ski, snowboard team

The Ski and Snowboard team starts its season the first week of December. Tryouts will be held and there are spots available for people who want to join the team. The team is always looking for new talent at the intermediate and advanced level. The racing is recreational and the first race of a five race schedule takes place just before Christmas.

Last year the team barely missed the Provincials, placing third in the Fraser Valleys. The team races out of Blackcomb and Whistler and the Provincials will be held at Apex in Penticton. Anyone who is interested should contact team coach **Brian Unger**. For those who are interested in recreational ski trips to foreign places, contact **Lance Castonguay**.

Ski, snowboard club

Last year the Ski and Snowboarding club took trips to Blackcomb, Big White, Apex and Silver Star then also took an over night trip to Sunpeaks. On the agenda for this year is a trip to Whistler three times, a two day trip to Sunpeaks a three day trip to apex and a two day trip to Big White. The cost to join the club is only five dollars and the first meeting should be held at the end of October. If you are a beginner you can take lessons through the school at Grouse mountain. Everyone is welcome to join the club, so what's stopping you!

Roller hockey

The roller hockey team is looking for students who want to have fun. The season will begin in May and continue until the middle of June. There will be two to six games held this year. The play is continuous and the games last for one to one and a half hours. Anyone interested in joining contact **Wayne Reid**.

Cheer, dance

The Cheer and Dance team is looking for students who are athletic, committed, and not afraid to take risks. This year's team will consist of two seasons, one starting in a couple of weeks to December and the other starting in December to April. Tryouts for the first season will be held in a couple of weeks so look for postings around the school. Practices are held twice a week from 3 to 5pm. For more information contact coach **Pauline Fleming**.

Weight room

Gleneagle's weight room will be open every day for the staff and students. The gym will be open every morning and most days after school as long as there is a staff available for supervision. If you are looking for the opportunity to get in shape then you should contact **Mark Tustin** in the gym.

Edge

The Edge is the independent voice of the students at Gleneagle Secondary produced by the Journalism 11 / 12 class. The Edge is a 1999 international first place award winner from the Quill and Scroll Society. The Edge puts out ten newspapers during the course of a year covering what's happening around the school, news, sports and opinion pieces.

The class is in block B and if you are interested in being involved contact advisors **Paul Odermatt** or **Lisa Dube**. Letters to the editor are also welcome, look for announcements cut off dates.

Multi-nations

A goal of the multi-nations club is to promote multiculturalism. Every month, the club tries to bring a new culture to the school.

Last year, they occupied the kiosk with events like celebrating the Chinese New Year. These events include surveys and games that get students involved.

Next year, the club hopes to continue this to prevent racism. All interested students should contact **Debbie Bouska**.

Band

Do you enjoy playing music? Do you want to share your talent? Then join Gleneagle's very own band. Gleneagle has a junior band, which includes grade 9 and 10 students, and a senior band, which includes grade 11 and 12 students. **Brent Hughes** and **Evan Bueckert** conduct both. There are gym performances throughout the year on district band nights, and festivals.

Jazz band

Have an urge to play the blues? Then join Gleneagle's jazz choir. In order to join the jazz choir, you must already be in a band during school. Practices are held in the morning during the week. If interested, you can talk to **Evan Bueckert** or **Brent Hughes**.

Choir

Join a group with enthusiastic people ready to sing. Join Gleneagle's choir. If you join, you will be singing with a large group of 50 people. You will have opportunities to show your talent by trying out for solos. The choir performs in festivals, music nights here at the school, graduations, and usually partake in a tour. For more information, contact **Evan Bueckert** and **Brent Hughes**.

Jazz choir

Jazz up your life with the vocal jazz stylings of Gleneagle's own jazz choir. Practices are held Tuesdays, Thursdays, and every second Friday after school. **Brent Hughes** and **Evan Bueckert** run the program.

Peer counselling

The Peer Counselling club will be introducing students to awareness. They will then be going to Scott Creek and doing presentations for the students. Contact lead member in the group **Indira Dhaliwal** for more information.

History trip

Pending student interest, a History Twelve European Tour is tentatively being considered. The tour would include London, Paris and the D-Day beaches. The trip would take place during Spring Break of 2001 and is open to any grade twelve history students. Any students interested in this tour should contact **Brian Unger**, history twelve teacher, in the Socials Department.

Drama

With several productions last year, and high achievements at Metfest, a collection of performances by schools around the Lower Mainland which is held annually in September, the drama department welcomed full audiences to their performances.

These included productions such as Blood Wedding, which stood as their spring play, and had rehearsals going from early September until the mid-May opening. Other productions included Maria LaLorna.

Many actors gathered for these productions, as well as stagecraft classes, which helped to build props for the play itself.

For next year, many more plays are planned. Drama instructor, **Richard Dixon**, and department head, has over 23 years of experience teaching.

Anyone interested can contact him in the drama office for audition times, or to find out how you can get involved in any aspect of the numerous drama productions scheduled for this year.

Outdoors club

The outdoors club will be looking to have another successful year with trips ranging from weekend outings, to week long horseback riding trips to a month long adventure canoeing in the Yukon. The club's goal is to introduce students to the outdoors and hone their outdoors skills. The group leaders are **Phil Wright**, **Isabella Jakubiec**, and **Rick Thompson**.

Gifted program

At the moment this program is looking for grade nines who have been in past programs such as the Challenge program at Scott Creek. This program is run by **Quirien Mulder ten Kate** and **Dianne Silzer**, and students are usually picked on nominations by teachers.

If you are interested consider that you must be willing to accept a height degree of responsibility and be willing to devote the time necessary to pursue an in-depth project and participate in a variety of activities.

Yearbook

The yearbook committee is a class that is led by **Don Fuller**. The students of this class are the ones responsible for putting together pages of memories for yet another school year. They can be seen walking around the school trying to capture moments worthy enough to be put into our memory book, known as the yearbook.

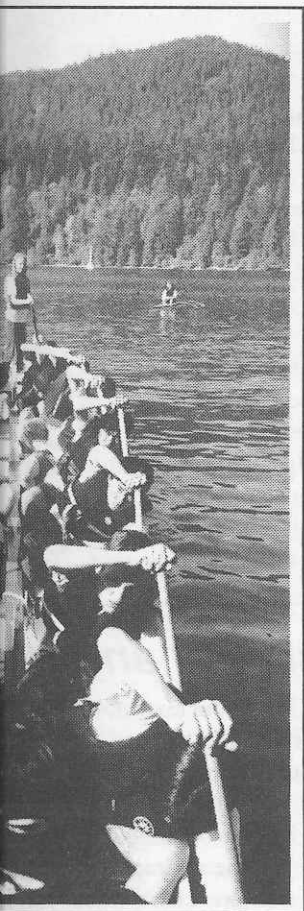
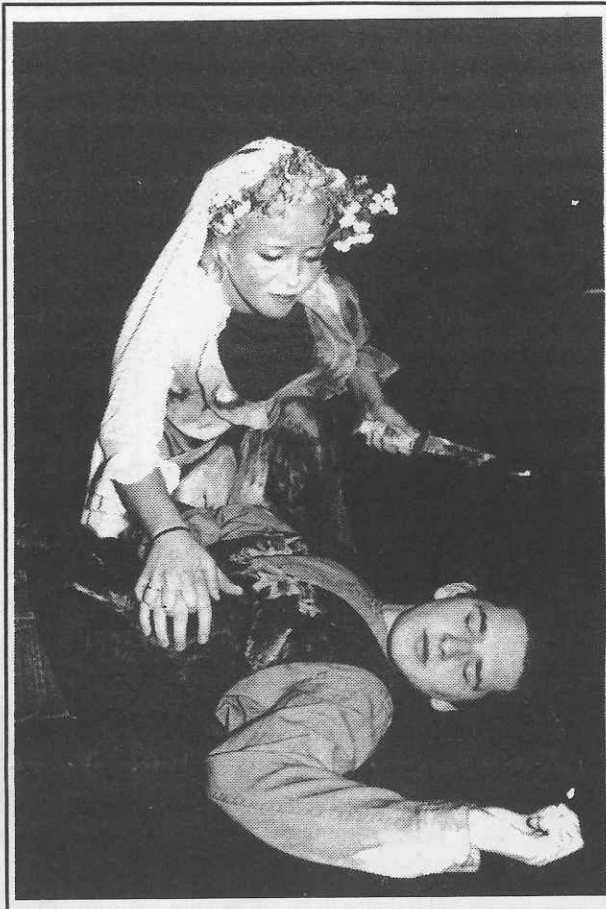
Some photography, art and computer skills are taught in this class and the students are always aware of special events that are happening around the school. Students have to be willing to devote some of their personal time. The end result is reward enough!

Environmental club

Field trips and experiments are all a part of the environmental club. The club is often outdoors doing experiments and learning about the environment.

Last year, they worked in the Scott Creek and the Terry Fox Creek, testing water quality, monitoring life in the water, and inspecting problems. They got their stream keepers training from a course at Douglas College.

Grants have been received allowing for more activities this year including a frog and worm watch. Sea lion and grey whale watching field trips are also expected to run. Interested students should contact **Quirien Mulder ten Kate** to join.



you said it!



"What should every Gleneagle student know?"



Teachers always give you the most homework the first week!
Kira Olson, grade 10



There's always a huge line up for every girl bathroom, even the tec. wing!
Farhnaz Yekanifard, grade 12



Be sure to keep moving in the halls to avoid collisions!
Lianne Hufsmith, grade 12



Respect grade 10's next year!
Darren Parish, grade 10



The school is like a food chain, know who's on top! (grade 12's)
Martin Wlodarski, grade 12

Grade nine orientation brunch set for Sept. 5

Grade nine students will be welcomed into Gleneagle on September 5, with a pancake brunch as an activity associated with the annual grade nine orientation program. Making Connections, another activity associated with orientation week will be held on Tuesday, September 26 and Wednesday, September 27.

"The idea is for the grade nines to connect with one another and the school," said teacher **Chris King**, program coordinator, "It should be fun, educational, and rewarding."

The grade nines will be divided into two groups and they will take turns participating in the events held on each of the two days. During one of these days, the grade nines will attend an interactive presentation called *How to be a Winner* by **Chris Johnson** from Douglas College.

There will also be an activity

called *Team Challenge* presented by the P.E. department and small speeches will be given by the administrative staff and councillors.

The grade nines will spend the next day canoeing from Rocky Point Marina to Belcarra. On land, there will be a variety of games and obstacle courses. Lunch will be provided on both days at the school and at the park.

According to **Amanda Williamson**, grade 10 "The canoe trip last year was a fun experience and I meet a lot of new people."

Vice Principal **Dennis Secret** adds that, "It's essential for middle school students to have some kind of orientation. I hope they get a sense of what this place is about and I'm also hoping that it begins to dawn on them that this is the last leg of their journey through public education."

Provincials replace playground games

I have followed Gleneagle throughout its life span and now I join it in its fourth year. It seems like only yesterday I was overwhelmed by its great size and it's seemingly endless possibilities.



Jessica Ross
edge columnist

Since then I have learned the ropes and I am finally entering my senior year. Now if I want to gaze at the much loved older guys I have to venture off the school grounds, as opposed to before when I could simply glance down the halls and see guys that were so much older and "cooler" than the guys my own age. When I was in grade nine I could not believe how mature the grade eleven and twelve guys were. But now I think I have a better perception. They were just as immature as I am!

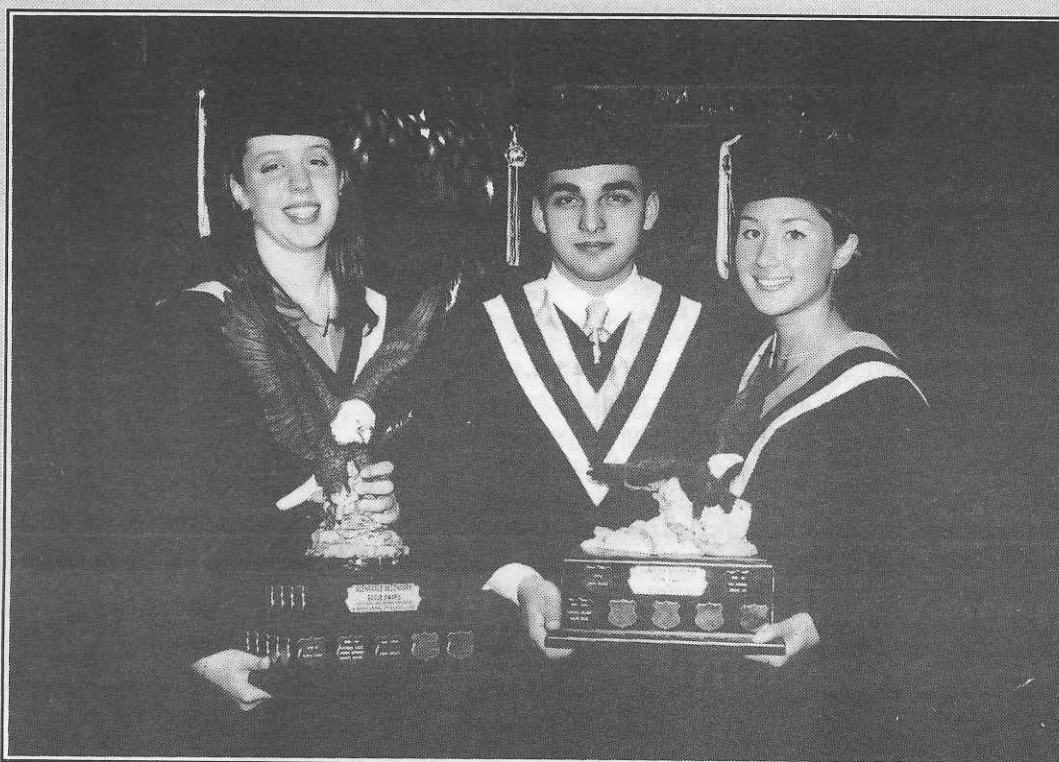
Way back when I was still in an elementary world of recess and slumber parties, I used to think that my day would never come. I never imagined that it could be my turn to be top dog at my school or my day to count graduation credits and try on a cap and gown.

But as time does, it flew by and here I am preparing myself for one more year in the wonderful public school system.

I have survived through twelve years of school supplies and Christmas breaks. I have no more "big kids" to look up to or to be jealous of. I have become that "big kid" and now I have to deal with the responsibilities that come along with being in charge.

After the next ten months I will truly and finally be in charge of my own destiny. No one can tell me to take a language eleven, or an applied skill, or even a fine art. I will decide what is best for me and my future plans.

My future plans will then have to consist of more than just what to wear on a field trip or whether or not to go to the spring dance with friend X or friend Y. At the time these decisions seemed life altering, ew but now, in the nearly final scheme of things, they seem shallow and frivolous.



Award winners of the class of 2000: Erin Myles, winner of the Eagle Award, along with Saleh Tousi and Krystle Bluhm, winners of the Talon Awards pose with their prizes at the commencement ceremony.

Awards available for all to win

Awards for outstanding achievement are given out annually to students who achieve high percentages academically, while maintaining a healthy attitude and work ethic throughout the school year.

Last year, the grade 9 outstanding achievement award went to **Cindy Chiang** and the grade 10 award went to **Mindy Barkman**.

Elliott Bogusz, grade 11 was chosen for the award, for the third year running and **Eun Soo Jeoun** was honoured with the grade 12 outstanding achievement award in the senior class.

Athletic awards are also given out, and are not solely based upon skill level and points scored throughout the season. Instead, sportsmanship ranks

high on the list of criteria for this award as well. **Stevie Schnoor**, received last year's grade 9 female athletic award, while **Mike Groff** and **Marcus Ho**, shared the award for the grade 9 boys. **Leanne Carey** took home the grade 10 female athlete of the year award and **Mike Anderson**, received the same award under the male category. Grade 11 student **Patricia Kretz**, who participated in a total of six sports throughout the year, won the award under her category and, **Jonathan Wiskar** received the award for the grade 11 boys category.

In the senior girls category the award was shared between **Ashlee Richardson** and **Kari Hornvedt**.

Doran Turner earned himself the honours under the senior boys' category.

The larger awards were presented

to students of the graduating class during the commencement ceremony.

The Talon Award, is given out annually, and is based upon school involvement and service accomplished throughout the school year. **Saleh Tousi** and **Krystle Bluhm** shared this award last year.

The Eagle Award, Gleneagle's most prestigious award, is given out each year to the most well rounded student, who achieves high grades, is involved in sports, school activities, and the community.

The award was given to **Erin Myles**, who maintained a 93% average, while executing many student council activities, and participating in a kickboxing class throughout the year.

Survive high school with sense, sensibility and fun

School can be a long and boring 10 months, but there are always ways to spice up your life here at Gleneagle. Here are five helpful hints to keep your life as fun and easy as it can be during these times of adolescent turmoil!

5. There's always a team, club,

or group to participate in so get off of your butt and do something!

4. There's a Zack Morris in every class room so enjoy the show for they will soon get kicked out.

3. Know when to shut up: no one likes to hear you fight a losing battle for the next ten minutes.

2. Guard your text book with your life or you will be working the rest of your life to pay it off.

1. Get a year book: you may not want it at the beginning of the year but it will be an important part of your treasure chest when you're ancient.