

Vancouver Interline Club 1967-2017



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GREETINGS FROM THE MAYOR:



On behalf of City Council and the residents of Richmond, I would like to extend sincere greetings, and welcome you all to the *Vancouver Interline Club's 50th Anniversary Celebration*, being held on Friday, May 5, 2017 at the Richmond Curling Club.

The Vancouver Interline Club was established to foster and promote goodwill and build relations between personnel on all levels of the local offices, and also to promote a better understanding between airlines personnel and interline clubs throughout the world. This is sure to be a wonderful opportunity for participants to network, learn, and share information.

For those of you visiting Richmond, I hope you will find the opportunity to enjoy the restaurants that are abundant in our city, as well as our many shopping destinations and recreational facilities. Richmond is also home to an abundance of natural parks, gardens, and miles of dykes to walk and explore.

Best wishes to all the organizers who have worked so hard to make the *VIC's 50th Anniversary Celebration* the success I know it will be.

Malcolm D. Brodie
Mayor

President's Message

I joined the Vancouver Interline Club at the Christmas party in 2012 which was being held at the home of Judith G. We didn't know many people there but immediately I was made to feel welcome.

That is the way our club is; it's like a family.

I have been lucky enough to attend two WACA tours, one to Bali, Indonesia and the other was last year when I attended the 49th AGA in Cannes, France, and also the celebraton of the World Airlines Clubs Associations 50th Anniversary. The WACA pre-tour of the Italian Riviera and the post tour of southern France were spectacular!

I've met some wonderful people from all over the world. WACA truly seems like an extension to an even bigger family.

I'm the current president of the Vancouver Interline Club and I am following in the footsteps of a long list of men and woman dating back to 1967 who shared a common vision of uniting airline employees locally and internationally.

When I found out that 2017 is the 50th year of our club, I got excited with the idea of having a big, family reunion. Who would believe we managed to have the first 3 presidents join us at this Gala tonight!

It's hard to imagine that I was only 6 or 7 years old when this group was formed. I hope I have the opportunity to be with VIC for a long time to come and want to encourage all airline retirees and current employees to join our great family.

Yours in Interlining
Freddie Whiting, President
Vancouver Interline Club



1967 – 2017

History

The idea of an interline club in Vancouver was conceived in 1952 with a few interested airline parties. The club became a legal entity in 1964 with 30 members.

It was on February 28th 1967 that a formation meeting was held with 12 airlines present. The constitution was based on the Winnipeg and Los Angeles clubs.

The first function was a dance in the Georgia Hotel on March 30th 1967

In April the first newsletter was printed and the membership reached 235.

By the end of 1972 the membership had climbed to 1000 members.

The 70's, 80's and 90's were glory years for the interline movement.

In 1978 and 1996 Vancouver hosted the WACA AGA.

In the late 90's came the amalgamation of airlines, followed by layoffs, which had an effect on the interline movement.

As the airlines no longer sponsored events the membership declined rapidly.

Thanks to the dedication of a few determined members, VIC survived; although much smaller but just as enthusiastic.

Now we are celebrating our 50th anniversary!

VIC LOGOS



1967



1978



1996



2015

HIGHLIGHTS

- 1967** Feb. 28th the club was formed
Mar. 30th first club event Hotel Georgia 300 + in attendance
April first newsletter
- 1972** First Spring Fest, large group of Jamaicans attended
- 1974** VIC membership is 1624, organized 12 dances, 600 average attendance
9 cocktail parties with 250 average attendance
WACA has 36 clubs, AGA is in NICE
- 1975** Leila Sorroitti, CP Air Vancouver, won the Airline Beauty Contest in Miami
Membership is 1500 members, dues increased to \$5
- 1978** 11th WACA AGA Vancouver
VIC organizes monthly dances, regular cocktail parties and dinner parties
- 1982** 10th Annual Spring Fest
- 1984** First Wet 'n' Wild Weekend \$60 at the Richmond Inn
- 1986** VIC Wet 'n' Wild Weekend in Tucson
- 1988** VIC Wet 'n' Wild Weekend in Tucson
- 1987** May, hosting the Spring Fest
- 1990** July, VIC Wet 'n' Wild Weekend in Las Vegas
- 1992** Hosting the WACA Bowling Tournament
Nov. 25th Anniversary Party
- 1993** May Apple Blossom Wine Tour
- 1994** Wet 'n' Wild Weekend \$150
- 1996** 29th WACA AGA Vancouver
- 1999** Gold Rush Trail and Apple Blossom Tour \$599
Best Member Club of the Year and NA Club of the Year
- 2000** Hosting the North American Meeting
- 2002** April, West Coast Experience \$775
North American Club of the Year
- 2012** May, hosting the North American Meeting
Awarded Club of the Year
- 2017** May 50th Anniversary Party

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VIC Presidents 1967 until now

1967 Evelyn Dunning
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70 Penny Cooke
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73 Sten Linde
74 Libby Slocombe
75 Jim Lim
76 Diane Geraghty
77 Sten Linde
78 Ed Semple
79 Bob Hill
80 Elaine McKenzie
81 Eric Moilliet
82 Bob Hill
83 Joe Lee
84 Al Williams
85 Manfred Bonn
86 Con Canavan
87 Joan Milton
88 Mel McKenzie
89 Sheila Read
90 Irene Smith
91 Eric Moilliet
92 Ann Senko
93 Ron Shackelly
94 Sheila Read
95 Dave Henrikson
96 Paul Tyrkus
97 Irene Smith

2000 Sheila Read
01 Sharon Revel
02 Paul Tyrkus
03 Judith Guevara
04 Judith Guevara
05 Val Welling
06 Sheila Read
07 Sharon Revel
08 Judith Guevara
09 Patricia Hackett
10 Lalit Lal
11 Sharon Revel
12 Judith Guevara
13 Sheila Read
14 Inge Hansen
15 Sharon Revel
16 Fred Buchi
17 Freddie Whiting

First VIC President
Evelyn Pharoah Parker
(Dunning)



Looking forward to connecting with Interline friends at the 50th Anniversary Party!
Hope to see you there. Regards, Evelyn





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