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## Varsity Outdoor Club

University of British Columbia  
VANCOUVER 8, B.C.



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Dear Grads,

Once again it is time for the Grad Letter. We hope that it finds you hale and hearty and interested in the activities of V.O.C. This year the membership is about 160 strong and we are working on many old and new ideas for a bigger and better club.

For the past few years we have been very crowded in the clubhouse behind Brock with forty to fifty people being jammed in at lunchtime. During the summer, the president drafted a brief for a new clubhouse on campus which has been submitted to the proper university officials. V.O.C. plans to build this clubhouse and it is hoped that office space, storage space for climbing equipment, etc., and a large common room can be included. In the meantime, the cabin committee has repainted the clubroom, hung new drapes, and put slip covers on the chesterfields.

Work on the Seymour cabin is progressing well. The main room has been redecorated, a room downstairs for late parties is nearly finished, and a patio is being set in under the alcove outside. The trail to the parking lot is being improved. You will be pleased to hear that the debt on the cabin will be paid off this year.

The club Library is really beginning to grow as we have copies of many excellent books and are trying to obtain many more. We are now in the process of getting up-to-date on journals of other climbing clubs and exchanging journals with other outdoor clubs all over the continent. If you have any suggestions about the club Library, please let us know.

The Annual V.O.C. Reunion Banquet of 1960 will be held in mid-March. We invite you to attend and meet many old V.O.C.'ers as well as present members. Also, if you are interested in the photography competition, please write for details. It was very successful last year and it is hoped that even more grads will participate this year.

The Second Volume of the Varsity Outdoor Club Journal is now at the printer's. This year, a large section on the Canadian Mt. Logan expedition is contained in the Journal. However, expenses are heavy. The Journal this year is costing \$700.00, for the 500 copies we are printing. As in the past, our policy is to give the grads our yearly "publication". This we wish to continue, but we are feeling the pressure of increased printing costs of the much improved Journal. Since the current members buy their copies and Grads receive free most of our copies, we are unable to cover our costs from club operating funds. Grad donations to help offset increasing expenditures are always appreciated. We hope you will be able to help us meet them. If you wish to be certain of receiving a Journal this year, could you please drop us a line stating you wish a Journal, before the end of January. The number we mail out to Grads may be limited. Copies will be mailed in February and limited extra copies will be available at Journal price.

In an attempt to help club members obtain summer employment, in mountain areas if possible, we are wondering if any Grads would be in a position to hire or are considering hiring summer workers could you please contact us soon. We will pass information on to the proper student members and they can contact you. Do not hesitate to write for further information.

Addresses of the old Grads, and V. O. C. climbing reports are on hand for your benefit, These reports include references for and descriptions of routes used and include detailed descriptions of the few first ascents which the club has made recently, If you want some information, just drop us a line and we'll send it to you, Also, if you know of a Grad who has not been receiving the Grad letters and Journals, could you please send us his name, address, and graduating year,

Hope to hear from you soon.

Yours truly,

Don Brown, President. Sandra Caldwell, Archivist.

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