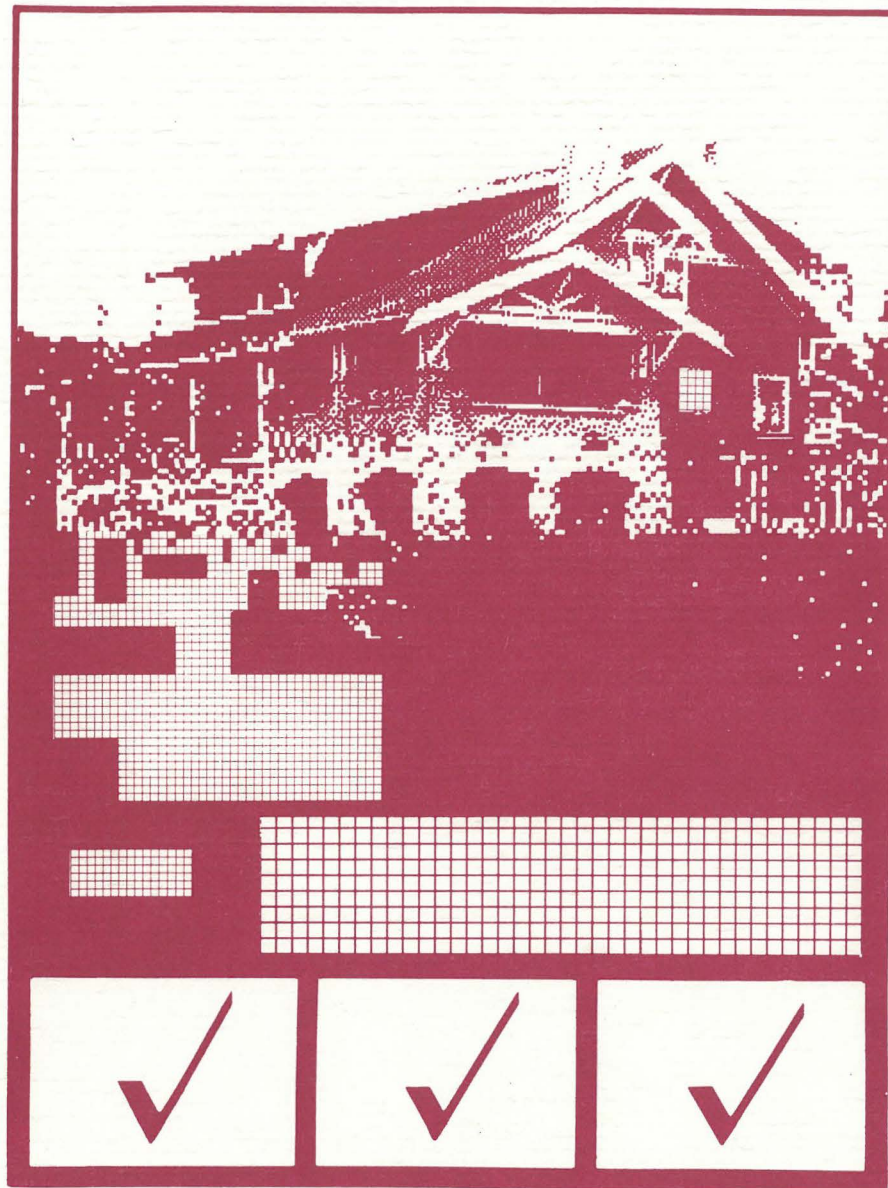


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INTRODUCTION

The rich and varied character of West Vancouver is a result of the unique landforms and distinctive plantings that may be found within the District.

There are some very special trees, both native and introduced, that warrant our particular attention. West Vancouver is indeed fortunate in having many old and record specimens, and some of the finest remaining stands of large virgin trees in the Lower Mainland.

Trees are a growing and tangible link with the past, as their lifespan often exceeds that of other living things. For this reason trees are sometimes planted to commemorate a civic event, as shown by several of these inventoried sites.

Botanically interesting trees also enrich the community through their exotic appeal, and should be respected as part of an overall heritage landscape. Prime specimens of native trees also allow us to understand some of the natural forces that shape our environment.

The following resources were included in the inventory:

- 19 Individual specimens
- 3 Groups of Street Trees
- 5 Parks
- 1 Golf Course

This inventory attempts to compile a record of the historic landscape features in West Vancouver that have historical, botanical and landscape merit in the community.

Inventory Methodology:

The Heritage Landscape Inventory has been undertaken as part of the West Vancouver Heritage Inventory Project. It was initiated with two main goals:

1. To conduct a broadly-based survey of the landscape resources of the District, based on a visual survey and on previous research.
2. To survey inventoried buildings in order to determine if any had important period plantings that augmented the character of their sites.

The landscape resources were first surveyed as part of the overall windshield survey of the District. A number of sites were chosen for further study; further sites were isolated through previously-prepared lists of heritage resources. Designated heritage walks were surveyed for other possible sites; public nominations also yielded further information. Background research was then conducted through the sources listed in Appendix A of this report. Finally, owners were contacted to ensure that they had no objection to their landscape resources being included.

Individually surveyed buildings were all assessed as to their setting and any associated landscape features. This more general information is contained within the main body of the inventory. Several sites were chosen for further study, however, and have been cross-referenced back to the main inventory master document. Landscape and setting were part of the contextual criteria used for the evaluation of the inventoried buildings.

Once the landscape sites had been chosen, field work, including documentary photographs, was undertaken for each resource. The measurements given for height and width were estimated, and are approximate only, while the D.B.H. (Diameter at Breast Height) could be reached, and was measured. Inventory forms were then prepared for each site, including full descriptions and research information. All background material on each site was then placed in individual files, which have been deposited with the District, along with additional photographs, and catalogued negatives.

This report is a compilation of the individual inventory forms completed for each site.

Conclusions and Recommendations

This inventory is not definitive; it was not possible within the mandate of this project to exhaustively cover all of the important landscape features of the District. It is, however, a comprehensive compilation of previous information, and does include a number of newly identified sites. It will serve as a permanent record for those trees included, and as a base for further research.

It is recommended that the significant landscape resources identified in this inventory, and others identified in the future, be recognized and protected in some form.

Further work also needs to be undertaken on some of the listed sites. Lighthouse Park is an incredibly rich resource, both for its history and its landscape, and it is hoped that a full study could be undertaken of the entire park area. In the way in which Lighthouse Park is a significant natural landscape, the Capilano Golf and Country Club is important as a man-made landscape; further study into its background, design, and current layout should prove most rewarding.

It is anticipated that there are other sites which should be identified and documented. Examples of this would be the Sequoia tree at 1365/1373 Gordon Avenue, and the California Redbud at the rear of 2316 Lawson Avenue, which were brought to our attention but could not be included in the inventory at this time. It is recommended that the inventory be updated, and the situation of the inventoried sites should be monitored on an on-going basis.

There are a number of threats to the security of these important landscape resources, which may be quickly summarized as follows:

1. There has traditionally been a conflict between the desire for a park-like setting, and the desire to clear trees away to improve the view. Certain resources should be identified which should not be sacrificed for view considerations. In addition, tree-topping should be discouraged, as it limits the life expectancy of trees and diminishes their form and aesthetic appeal.
2. Another major threat is the severe pruning sometimes undertaken to clear the paths of Hydro wires; the trees on 17th Street and on 13th Street have suffered from this treatment.

Specific recommendations and suggestions for heritage resource policy are included in the overall policy suggestions of the main inventory. In general, it is hoped that these valuable landscape resources will be preserved and enhanced, as they are such an important part of the character of West Vancouver.

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen..X Group/Association... Tree..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen..X Deciduous... Shrub...
Coniferous..X Site Features... Landscape Remnant..X Avenue...
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: 1,110 years of growth; total age estimated at 1200 years (Stoltmann).

This magnificent tree is one of the oldest and largest in Canada. A native of western North America from Alaska to Oregon, the Yellow Cedar grows from sea level to alpine reaches. At an elevation of 2900 feet this tree has grown slowly through the snow and cold mountain winds to reach its present age of 1200 years.

Yellow cedar is a soft, pale yellow, very fragrant wood that resists rot and insects. It has traditionally been used for carving and is a favourite of boat builders.

The frames for many World War I planes were built with tough, light B.C. yellow cedar. Coastal natives used yellow cedar for canoe paddles and ceremonial masks. Very good condition.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: None.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Stoltmann; Rupert Harrison.

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES:

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Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue...
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: The Walnut family has 6 species that are native to North America and about 15 other members of the genus that are indigenous to other parts of the world. The Japanese Walnut, as the name implies, is native to Japan. This tree was planted in 1964, when the municipal gardens were installed and another Japanese Walnut was planted near the play area at Dundarave Park at about the same time (See also Dundarave Park). Graceful specimen, underplanted with mahonia and rhododendrons. Very good condition.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: West Vancouver Municipal Hall, 750 17th Street.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Heinz Berger, Rupert Harrison

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: "Inventory of Buildings, Structures and Sites, 1984" Tree #4.

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3.0 DESCRIPTION

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Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue...
Area... Residential..X Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: Presumably planted at date of house construction (1939). This specimen has a major trunk with seven main branches, and has the potential to grow to a magnificent specimen tree. These majestic deciduous trees are slow growing and attain great height and spread, being extremely long-lived (up to 800 years). They are a Eurasian and North American representative of White Oak, valued for their timber. In May, the female species flowers in hanging catkins, which produces an oblongish fruit (acorn) that coincides with their dull reddish autumnal leaf colour. The holly hedge surrounding the property and the stone steps enhance the character of the house.
Good condition.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: Lawson House - 680 17th Street

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Rupert Harrison

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: "The Guide to Garden Shrubs and Trees"
"Trees of North America"

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3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen... Group/Association..X Trees..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous... Shrub...
Coniferous..X Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue..X
Area... Residential..X Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: The Planning Department convinced the developers of this apartment complex to retain this wall of Redwoods. This bank consists of 10 Redwoods, 1 Pine, and 1 Copper Beech, giving a stately wooded effect. There are compatible plantings of birch and vine maple, with an understory of ivy. Probably planted at the time the estate was landscaped. The original house was built in 1911.

Good to very good condition.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: Spuraway, 235 Keith Road

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Heinz Berger, Rupert Harrison

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES:

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3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen..X Group/Association... Tree..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue...
Area... Residential..X Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: These graceful and elegant specimens, located in partial shade, allow filtered sunlight through this hillside garden. This slow-growing Japanese and Korean tree has thin, delicate decorative foliage. Small purple flowers in flat-topped clusters appear in late spring. Leaves turn bright-red or purple-red in autumn. Fruit is keylike with incurved wings, usually in erect bunches. Leaves are 5 to 7 lobed, and deeply cut.

The specimen is multi-stemmed and in excellent condition.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: "Stonehaven", 4648 Piccadilly Road South

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Gordon DeMond (Owner)

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: "Guide to Garden Shrubs and Trees"
"West Vancouver Tree Book"

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3.0 DESCRIPTION

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Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue...
Area... Residential..X Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: Located on the water side of the house, this tree may date to the age of the house. It is an unusual specimen with grafted top; ultimate height is approximately 40' for ungrafted specimens. Leaves are up to 20cm long, and are alternate, double-toothed, and lop-sided. The fruit is surrounded by a leafy wing.

The Camperdown Elm is commonly used as a street tree in Europe, with its distinctive tortuous growth and mushroom shape. Excellent condition.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: "Stonehaven", 4648 Piccadilly Road South

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Gordon DeMond (owner)

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: "Trees of North America"

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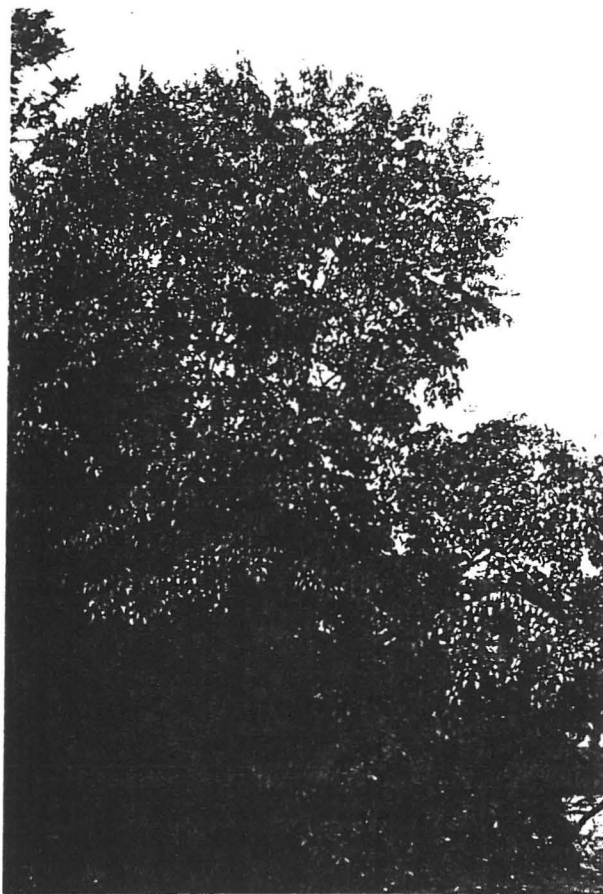
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RESOURCE TYPE D: LANDSCAPE RESOURCES



1.0 LOCATION

1.1 SITE NUMBER: 7

1.2 LOCATION: 200 KEITH ROAD (Klee Wyck Park)

1.3 LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot: Block: Plan: 5254

DL: 763 South 40 Acres PCL 5

1.4 PRESENT OWNER AND ADDRESS: District of West Vancouver,
750 17th Street, West Vancouver, B.C.
V7V 3T3

2.0 IDENTIFICATION

2.1 BOTANICAL NAME: Davidia involucrata

2.2 COMMON NAME: Dove Tree, Handkerchief Tree or Ghost Tree

2.3 FAMILY NAME: Nyssaceae, Nyssa family

2.4 SIZE: Height: 50' 0" D.B.H.: 3' 0" (each trunk) Width: 46' 0"

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen..X Group/Association... Tree..X
Park..X Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue...
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: Located near the pool at Klee Wyck Park, the
Davidia has three main trunks. The graceful branching of this
large ornamental tree makes it an excellent choice for a park
setting. The large white involucral bracts bloom in late May or
June, and look, especially in moonlight, as if the tree is
covered with white doves or handkerchiefs.
Very good condition.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: "Klee Wyck", 200 Keith Road

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES:

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: Gardner, Peepre, "Street Trees".

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RESOURCE TYPE D: LANDSCAPE RESOURCES



1.0 LOCATION

1.1 SITE NUMBER: 8

1.2 LOCATION: 4767 PICCADILLY ROAD SOUTH, St Francis in the Wood

1.3 LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot: 9 Amended Block: 1 Plan:
DL: 811

1.4 PRESENT OWNER AND ADDRESS: The Parish of St Francis in the Wood,
4767 Piccadilly Road South,
West Vancouver, B.C., V7W 1J8

2.0 IDENTIFICATION

2.1 BOTANICAL NAME:

2.2 COMMON NAME: Native trees - see Section 3.2

2.3 FAMILY NAME:

2.4 SIZE: Height: D.B.H.: Width:

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen... Group/Association..X Trees...
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous..X Site Features... Landscape Remnant..X Avenue...
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: Caulfeild's contoured roads are densely lined with vegetation. Interspersed among the native trees, the Cedar, the Douglas Fir, Maple and Dogwood, are Oak trees rumoured to be brought from England and planted by Mr Frances William Caulfeild. Good to very good condition.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: St Francis in the Wood, 4767 Piccadilly Road South.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Heinz Berger

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES:

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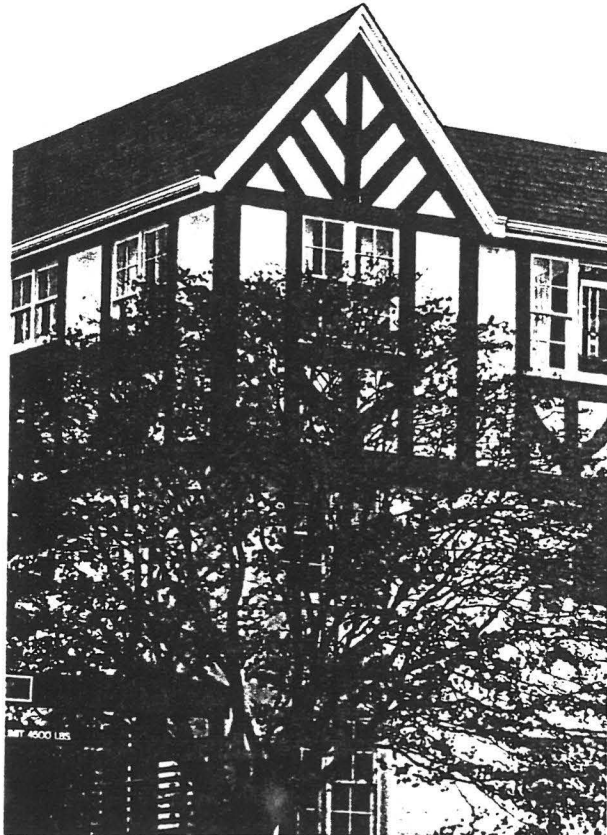
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RESOURCE TYPE D: LANDSCAPE RESOURCES



1.0 LOCATION

1.1 SITE NUMBER: 9

1.2 LOCATION: 565 17th STREET (Hollyburn Manor)

1.3 LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lots: A&B of 6 Block: K Plan: 5992
DL: 775

1.4 PRESENT OWNER AND ADDRESS: Stanstead Investments Ltd.,
RR #3, Churchill Road, Ganges, B.C.,
VOS 1E0

2.0 IDENTIFICATION

2.1 BOTANICAL NAME: Acer palmatum c.v. 'Atropurpureum'

2.2 COMMON NAME: Japanese Maples (Purple)

2.3 FAMILY NAME: Aceraceae

2.4 SIZE: Height: 20'0" D.B.H.: 3 stems @ 1'6" ea. Width: 30'0"

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen... Group/Association..X Trees..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue..X
Area... Residential..X Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: A slow growing Japanese and Korean tree valued chiefly for its decorative and colourful deep red foliage. It flowers in June with small, purple, flat-topped clusters, producing keylike incurved wings of fruit. These low-branching specimen trees create an elegant and graceful image. The original English contractors placed these two trees symmetrically on either side of the property. The low front stone wall in conjunction with the placement of the maples reflects a formal English garden style, appropriate to the building. Excellent condition.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: Hollyburn Manor, 565 17th Street

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Rupert Harrison, Miss Nelly Cyril,
Heinz Berger

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: "The Guide to Garden Shrubs and Trees"
"Trees of North America"

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3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen... Group/Association..X Trees..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen..X Deciduous... Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant..X Avenue...
Area... Residential..X Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: A curving driveway lined with Holly trees marks the original home of J.B. Mathers, an early member of West Vancouver's Council. The driveway originally ran further south of Kings Avenue; the remaining trees may still be found on the other side of the street. The trees lining the drive create a spectacular sense of entry.

These evergreen trees are native to West Asia and Europe, including Britain, where they were planted for shelter and ornament. The attractive winter berries were highly prized for traditional European Christmas celebrations. Male and female flower on separate trees; the male flowers on the upper twig, females below. The flowers ripen to four seeded red berries in November. Glossy, wavy and sharply spiny leaves enhance the appearance of the berries. Older trees may be almost spineless, as has occurred on some of these specimens. The trees are mostly multi-stemmed, and are in very good condition.

Other original landscape remnants include:

- a) Golden Delicious Apple Trees, probably planted for domestic use, down the eastern edge of the property.
- b) Specimen Magnolia, Magnolia soulangeana, Magnoliaceae Family, by the front entrance.
- c) Massive Western Red Cedar stump, Thuja plicata, covered with ivy, Hedera helix, in rear yard. May be from a pre-settlement specimen.

Hollies in good condition.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: 1547 Kings Avenue

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Heinz Berger, Rupert Harrison

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: "Trees of North America"

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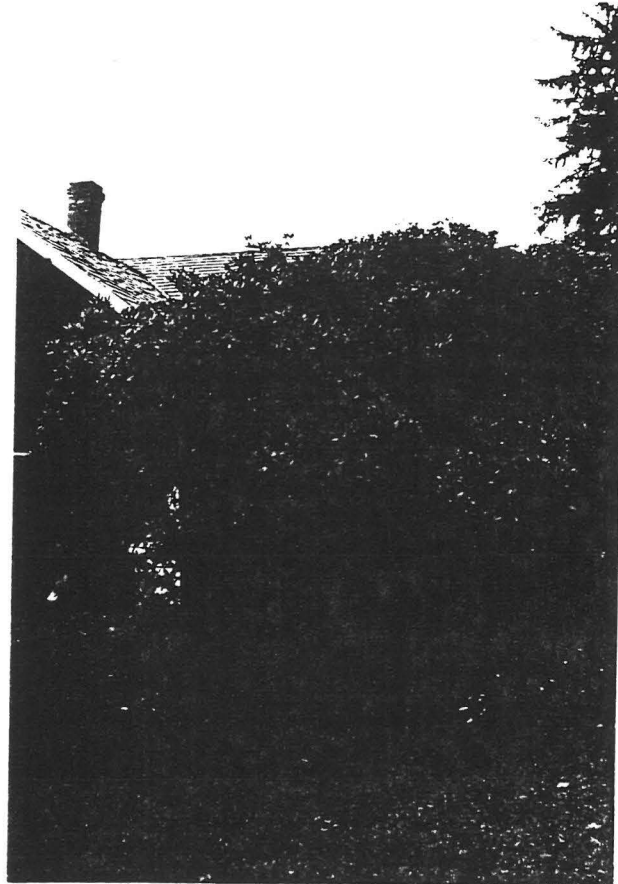
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RESOURCE TYPE D: LANDSCAPE RESOURCES



1.0 LOCATION

1.1 SITE NUMBER: 11

1.2 LOCATION: 1195 12th STREET

1.3 LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot: 4 ex.W 50' Block: A Plan: 7234
DL: 1065

1.4 PRESENT OWNER AND ADDRESS: Robert T. and Patricia C. Tipping,
1195 12th Street, West Vancouver, B.C.,
V7T 2N4

2.0 IDENTIFICATION

2.1 BOTANICAL NAME: Rhododendron 'Everestianum.'

2.2 COMMON NAME: Rhododendron (Hybrid)

2.3 FAMILY NAME: Ericaceae

2.4 SIZE: Height: 23' 0" D.B.H.: 8 stemmed @ 1'3" Width: 30' 0"

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen..X Group/Association..X Tree...
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen..X Deciduous... Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue...
Area... Residential..X Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: This large multi-stemmed rhododendron creates a spectacular show in May with its profusion of massive purple blossoms. The original specimen may have been purchased from George Fraser Nurseries in Ucullet c.1911 (info from owner).

The Rhododendron is in excellent condition.

The landscaping of this site is very reminiscent of typical English treatments of the period. In addition to the rhododendron, there are:

- a) a large Hydrangea (H. paniculata grandiflora)
- b) a very large Camellia (Camellia japonica)
- c) three very large English Holly (Ilex aquifolium)
- d) small boxwood hedge (Buxus sempervirens) in front.

The associated plantings also reinforce the original character and setting. New topiary boxwood is consistent with the style and type of plantings.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: 1195 12th Street

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Mrs Pat Tipping (owner)

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: "The Guide to Garden Shrubs and Trees"

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3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen..X Group/Association... Tree..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue..X
Area... Residential..X Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: Pacific, Western or Flowering Dogwood are common names for our provincial floral emblem. The white flowers usually open in May; in autumn the leaves colour bright red and yellow. This tree is the oldest recorded dogwood in West Vancouver.

Very old specimen; in good condition; some splitting evident.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: None.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES:

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: Stoltmann, "West Vancouver Heritage Trees".

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3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen..X Group/Association... Tree..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue...
Area... Residential..X Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: This Snowbell Tree is the only known specimen of this type in the Lower Mainland. It is a native to China and Japan, where it is grown as an ornamental for its graceful and elegant form. Clusters of white flowers open in July. In the autumn it is a blaze of yellow foliage with attractive hanging fruits.

Very good condition; appears to be very healthy.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: None.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Heinz Berger

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: Gardner, Peepre: "Street Trees".
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3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen..X Group/Association... Tree..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue..X
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: The Sweetman family planted this tree in 1922 (INV. II). At this time it is the largest known mulberry tree in the Vancouver area. Native to China, and cultivated in other Eastern countries and Southern Europe as the food plant of the silkworm. Foliage is shinier and less downy than the common mulberry. The prolific branching pattern is unique. Flowers are in separate catkins, males in longer spikes than females, which are 1/2" long. Fruits are about 1/2" to 1" long, usually white or pink, although sometimes dark purple; they are blackberry-like in form. The wood is brittle and prone to breakage; Japanese crutches are sometimes needed for support, and these trees are especially susceptible to breakage under heavy snow loads. The planning department was able to convince new owners to retain the tree when the original house was torn down for a gas station. When the gas station was removed for a commercial development, they again persuaded the owners to retain the tree. Good condition; requires some attention. Age 65 years.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: None.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Heinz Berger

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: "Inventory of Buildings, Structures, and Sites, 1984", Tree #1.
"Trees of North America"

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DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER
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RESOURCE TYPE D: LANDSCAPE RESOURCES



1.0 LOCATION

- 1.1 SITE NUMBER: 15
- 1.2 LOCATION: 1305 MARINE DRIVE
- 1.3 LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Boulevard (city)
- 1.4 PRESENT OWNER AND ADDRESS: The Corporation of the District of
West Vancouver,
750 17th Street, West Vancouver, B.C.
V7V 3T3

2.0 IDENTIFICATION

- 2.1 BOTANICAL NAME: Acer platanoides
- 2.2 COMMON NAME: Norway Maple
- 2.3 FAMILY NAME: Aceraceae, Maple Family
- 2.4 SIZE: Height: 30' 0" D.B.H.: 3' 9" Width: 35' 0"

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen..X Group/Association... Tree..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue..X
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: A plaque on the stone planter located by the corner of the Shell Service Station identifies the Jubilee Maple planted in 1962 in celebration of the West Vancouver Golden Jubilee. This is the sole remaining tree from the prominent Ambleside Street Tree Project. The widening of Marine Drive necessitated the removal of these plantings. Good condition. Age 25 years.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: None.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Heinz Berger, Miklos Baranszky-Job

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: Gardner, Peepre & Associates, "West Vancouver Street Tree Management".
"An Inventory of Buildings, Structures and Sites, 1984". Tree #3.

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3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen..X Group/Association... Tree..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen..X Deciduous... Shrub...
Coniferous..X Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue...
Area... Residential..X Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: Originally grown as an ornamental tree in Europe and North America, this specimen tree creates a pleasing feature at the starting point of the "Village Walk". This is a female tree. Its form is solitary, erect and green, and develops four to seven inch long cones, resembling coconuts, in autumn. It has an unusual low-branching form with a symmetrical branching pattern. Located on the grounds of the Mariner Apartments, it is a remnant from the landscaping of an earlier building. Excellent condition. Age unknown.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: None.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Heinz Berger, Miklos Baranszky-Job

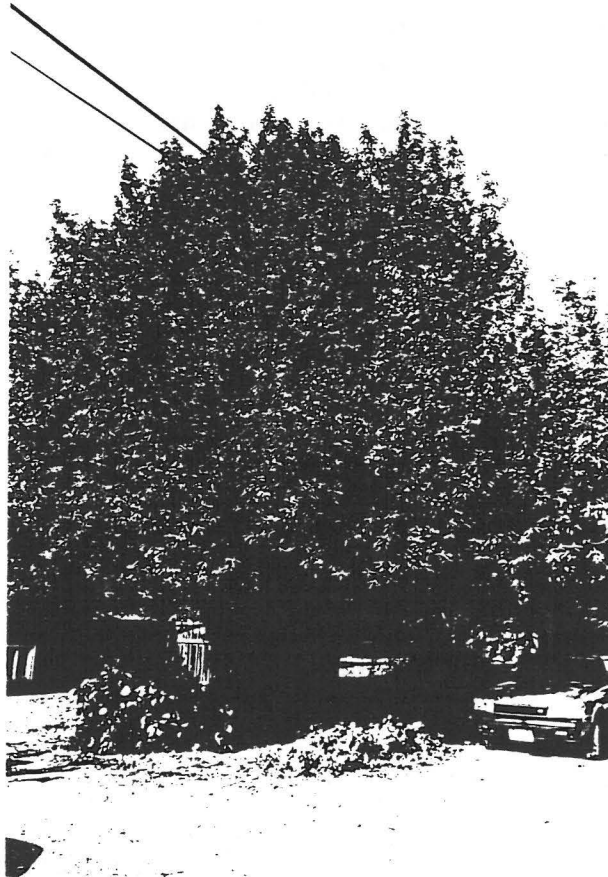
5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: "Trees of North America".
Gardner, Peepre & Associates. "West
Vancouver Street Tree Management: A Review
and Recommendations". District of West
Vancouver, September 14, 1982.

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RESOURCE TYPE D: LANDSCAPE RESOURCES



1.0 LOCATION

1.1 SITE NUMBER: 17

1.2 LOCATION: 787 22nd STREET (Behind Wetmore Motors)

1.3 LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot: D of 1 & 3 of A Block: 5 Plan: 4532
DL: 554

1.4 PRESENT OWNER AND ADDRESS: Edward Ludlow Wetmore,
3665 Marine Drive,
West Vancouver, B.C., V7V 1N3

2.0 IDENTIFICATION

2.1 BOTANICAL NAME: *Umbellularia californica*

2.2 COMMON NAME: California Laurel, California Bay, Headache Tree,
or Laurel of San Marcos.

2.3 FAMILY NAME: Lauraceae

2.4 SIZE: Height: 40' 0" D.B.H.: 9' 0" Width: 47' 0"

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen..X Group/Association... Tree..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen..X Deciduous... Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue..X
Area... Residential..X Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: This beautiful specimen tree has developed four stems from a single trunk. Native to the coastal region of California and Oregon, it was highly prized for its timber. The highly aromatic foliage is said to induce headaches when inhaled. It flowers in early spring in two to four clusters of ten flowers. The decorative fruits are one inch long, and ripen from yellowish green in August and September. The leaves are smooth and pale green, which fades to yellow or orange before falling in their second season. This tree was planted as a seedling in 1917, and there is another specimen planted in the rear yard.
Excellent condition. Age 60 years.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: None.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Stephen Sinclair, Harry Webb

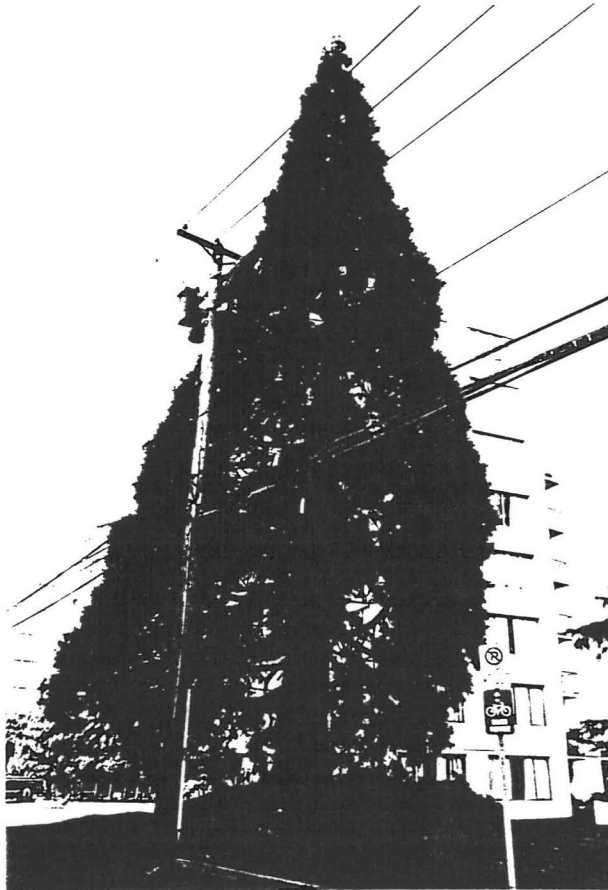
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RESOURCE TYPE D: LANDSCAPE RESOURCES



1.0 LOCATION

1.1 SITE NUMBER: 18

1.2 LOCATION: 2025 BELLEVUE AVENUE

1.3 LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot: 4,5,6 Block: 5 Plan: 5168
DL: 775

1.4 PRESENT OWNER AND ADDRESS: Westwind Investments,
c/o Prospero International, 3rd Floor,
127 E. Pender St., Vancouver, V6A 1T6

2.0 IDENTIFICATION

2.1 BOTANICAL NAME: Sequoiadendron giganteum

2.2 COMMON NAME: California Redwood, California Big Tree, or
Wellingtonia

2.3 FAMILY NAME: Taxodiaceae

2.4 SIZE: Height: 75' 0" D.B.H.: 13' 0" Width: 40' 0"

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen..X Group/Association... Tree..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen..X Deciduous... Shrub...
Coniferous..X Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue..X
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: These are thought to be the largest-growing trees in the world. They are native to the western slopes of the Sierra Nevada, California, and are cultivated as an ornamental planting in the Eastern United States and in Europe.

This tree was originally planted by Mr and Mrs Frank Jackson in 1923, who brought it as a seedling from Kamloops in a shoe box.

The attractive scale-like foliage has an aniseed-like smell when crushed. Male and female flowers are produced on the same tree. Females produce tiny green conelets, that mature in two years into three inch long cones which may remain on the tree for up to twenty years.

Very good condition. Age 64 years.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: None.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Miklos Baranszky-Job

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: Gardner, Peepre, "Street Trees".

"Inventory of Buildings, Structures, and Sites, 1984", Tree #2.

See West Vancouver Memorial Library

Photograph 763.WVML: shows the tree shortly after planting.

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DATE: October 1987

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3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen..X Group/Association... Tree...
Park..X Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous... Shrub...
Coniferous..X Site Features... Landscape Remnant..X Avenue...
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: Coast Spruce or Sitka Spruce grows in a narrow range along the coast of British Columbia, usually within 50 miles of seawater. In humid growing conditions the Sitka Spruce grows tall and straight, which makes it a valuable timber tree for producing clear straight-grained lumber. This tree, perhaps the largest Sitka Spruce in West Vancouver, was recently topped by the Parks Department.
Fair to good condition. Integrity compromised by topping.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: None.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES:

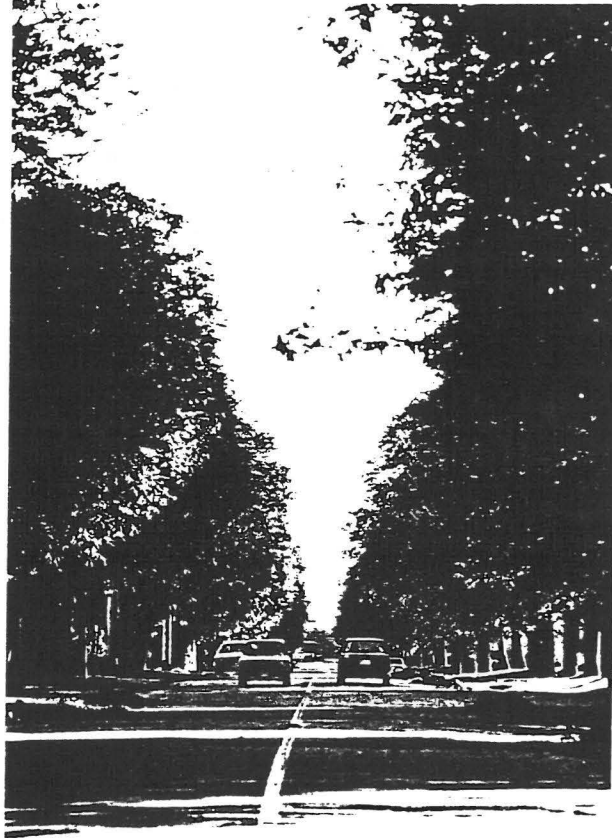
5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: Gardner, Peepre, "Street Trees".
Stoltmann, "West Vancouver Heritage Trees".

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RESOURCE TYPE D: LANDSCAPE RESOURCES



1.0 LOCATION

1.1 SITE NUMBER: 20

1.2 LOCATION: 17th STREET (UPPER SEGMENT)

1.3 LEGAL DESCRIPTION: (Boulevard)

1.4 PRESENT OWNER AND ADDRESS: The Corporation of the District of
West Vancouver,
750 17th Street, West Vancouver, B.C.
V7V 3T3

2.0 IDENTIFICATION

2.1 BOTANICAL NAME: Aesculus hippocastum

2.2 COMMON NAME: Horse Chestnut

2.3 FAMILY NAME: Hippocastanaceae, Aesculus Family

2.4 SIZE: Height: 42' 0" D.B.H.: 1' 6" Width: 37' 0" (Varies)

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen... Group/Association..X Trees..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue..X
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: Planted in honour of a visit to West Vancouver in 1935 of Lord Baden Powell and his wife. Plaque at corner of 17th St. and Esquimalt Avenue:

"THESE TREES SPONSORED
BY
CITIZENS OF WEST VANCOUVER
AND PLANTED BY
WEST VANCOUVER BOY SCOUTS
MAY 24 1935"

This double row of 73 chestnut trees is unique to West Vancouver. More than any other ornamental shade tree planting in West Vancouver this avenue of street trees has been the subject of heated debate. While the trees create an historic avenue to the municipal offices, their intrusive roots and leaf litter diminish their positive attributes. The visibly harsh pruning on the east side of the street has resulted in a diminished form, which detracts from the symmetry of the planting.

Condition varies from fair to very good.

These trees are native to Greece and Albania. The flowers are white, with a yellow patch turning to red on the petal bases, and form clusters up to 12" tall. The fruits have hard spines and split in October to release conkers. May grow to 100 feet tall.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: Municipal Hall, 750 17th Street
Lawson House, 680 17th Street

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Robin Gardner

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: "Hollyburn Historical Walk" - Stop 9.
"Trees of North America"

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DATE: October 1987

PHOTOGRAPHIC NEGATIVE NUMBER: Roll L-1: 5-8
Roll L-3: 2-3

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RESOURCE TYPE D: LANDSCAPE RESOURCES



1.0 LOCATION

- 1.1 SITE NUMBER: 21
- 1.2 LOCATION: TAYLOR WAY (ENTRY TO BRITISH PROPERTIES)
- 1.3 LEGAL DESCRIPTION: (Boulevard)
- 1.4 PRESENT OWNER AND ADDRESS: The Corporation of the District of
West Vancouver,
750 17th Street, West Vancouver, B.C.
V7V 3T3

2.0 IDENTIFICATION

- 2.1 BOTANICAL NAME: Prunus 'Kanzan'
- 2.2 COMMON NAME: Cherry, sometimes 'Kwanzan'
- 2.3 FAMILY NAME: Rosaceae
- 2.4 SIZE: Height: varies D.B.H.: varies Width: varies



3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen... Group/Association..X Trees..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue..X
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: Planted by the Guinness Family to enhance the development of the British Pacific Properties. The original plantings have been interplanted with new trees when the old ones have been removed.

A popular cherry for streets and gardens. The names are derived from a Chinese character meaning 'sacred mountain'. The flowers open in late April or early May. The leaves are dark-reddish with autumn colour of golden, or sometimes red.

Planted 1935 (See 5.2)

Good condition.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: None.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Heinz Berger.

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: "Trees of North America".

-See Vancouver Public Library Historical Photographs Division Photograph #14998; showing the freshly planted ornamental street trees. Taken by Leonard Frank, September 1935.

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SURVEYED BY: S.R. & E.W.

DATE: October 1987

PHOTOGRAPHIC NEGATIVE NUMBER: Roll L-1: 0-2

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen... Group/Association..X Trees..X
Park... Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant..X Avenue...
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: This grove of apple trees at the sixth hole, Apple Way, of Gleneagles Golf Course, are all that remains of Peter Larson's turn-of-the century ranch. Larson lived in North Vancouver, and ran the North Vancouver Hotel. Until the PGE started in 1914. Larson took a launch to get to his West Vancouver property. When the railway began, it stopped opposite the ranch at Larson Station.
8 apple trees/ golden delicious & gravenstein; 1 cherry
Good to very good condition for age.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: None.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Rupert Harrison.

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES:

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DATE: October 1987

PHOTOGRAPHIC NEGATIVE NUMBER: Roll L-1: 19-20

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen... Group/Association..X Tree...
Park..X Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous... Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue...
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: The Copper or European Beech is a tall and well-formed specimen, and its majestic stature and dense shade are among its attributes.

Native to Europe, it is cultivated for timber, shade and ornament. The edible nuts are a source of oil, which was extracted in Germany during the two World Wars for the production of margarine.

Flowers open in May with numerous drooping clusters of males, and 1 or 2 female clusters at the tip of each shoot. The ripe fruit releases triangular nuts in September or October.

The Old Cedar Grove is part of the remnant landscape, which has been enhanced by log-top benches with stone footings. Some valuable rare species of rhododendron specimens were acquired from a famous rhododendron breeder in Royston.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: War Memorial Arch (See West Vancouver Heritage Inventory)

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Heinz Berger.

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: Gardner, Peepre, "Street Trees".
Phillips, "Trees of North America"

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DATE: October 1987

PHOTOGRAPHIC NEGATIVE NUMBER: Roll L-1: 9

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen..X Group/Association... Trees..X
Park..X Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue...
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: Contrary to popular belief, this is not the tree planted by John Lawson. It is reminiscent, however, of those symbolically important trees, and could be retained as a reminder of the earlier specimens, which were removed when the children's playground was enlarged.

John Lawson first settled in Canada in Ontario where it was impossible to grow his favourite tree - the holly. When he was transferred with the railway to Vancouver, he noticed holly trees growing wild near the Agassiz station. He dug them up and planted them in front of his home in Vancouver on Pacific at Burrard. When he later moved to West Vancouver, he transferred the trees to either side of his front door, naming his house on the beach Hollyburn House. In time Lawson gave the name Hollyburn to the Postal Station, which was located in his real estate office. It became the name by which the area between 16th and 19th Streets was known. When the FGE was launched, the Postal Station names were given to the stations: Ambleside, Hollyburn, etc.

Fair to good condition.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: Hollyburn Pier (See West Vancouver Heritage Inventory)

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Heinz Berger, Rupert Harrison

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES:

City of Vancouver Archives, Photograph Out. P.78 N.6, shows the original Holly trees in 1931.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC NEGATIVE NUMBER: Roll L-1: 3-4

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen... Group/Association... Tree...X
Park..X Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue...
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: Specimen 1: *Catalpa Speciosa* - The Western Catalpa is a deciduous tree with large heart-shaped leaves. Fragrant white flowers open in June and July. The long brown 'beans' which hang on the tree all winter, making it easy to identify, open in the Spring to release the seeds. The irregular form of this tree is a result of its close proximity to the concession building. Fair condition.



SPECIMEN 2

2.0 IDENTIFICATION: SPECIMEN 2

2.1 BOTANICAL NAME: Juglans ailantifolia

2.2 COMMON NAME: Japanese Walnut

2.3 FAMILY NAME: Juglandaceae, Walnut Family

2.4 SIZE: Height: 40' 0" D.B.H.: 6' 0" Width: 30' 0"

3.0 DESCRIPTION

Specimen 2: *Juglans Ailantifolia* - Native to Japan, this unusual specimen has a graceful form enhanced by its seaside location. Uncommon to this region, the tree produces male catkins up to twelve inches long, with two inch walnuts. It was planted in the children's playground to keep flies and insects away and provide loosely filtered shade.

The tree was damaged by vandals, and was restored by the municipality. Branches from the top were grafted below and above the cuts. Scars are now barely visible. The tree is smaller than normal due to the stress caused by the bridge graft over the wound. Very good condition.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: Peppi's Restaurant, 150 25th Street.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Miklos Baranszky-Job, Heinz Berger, Rupert Harrison.

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: Gardner, Peepre, "Street Trees".
Taylor, "Guide to Garden Shrubs and Trees".
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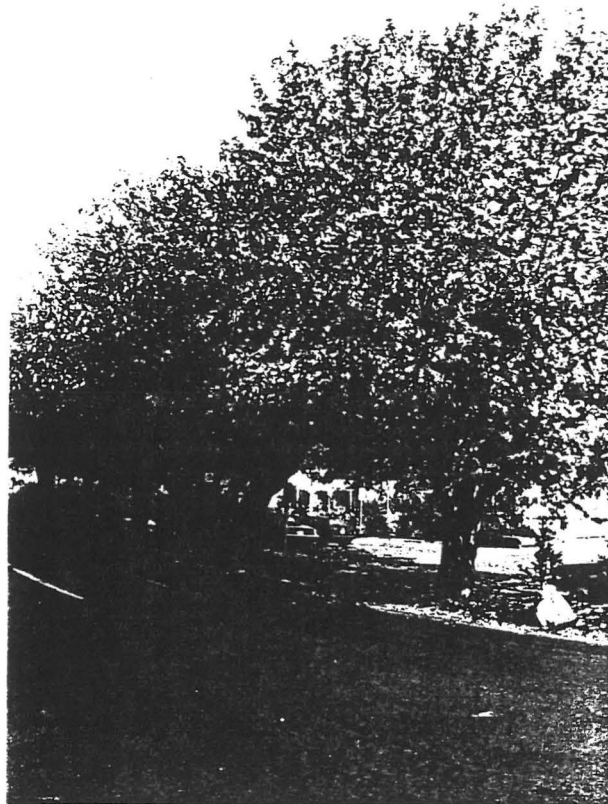
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PHOTOGRAPHIC NEGATIVE NUMBER: Roll L-3: 21 (Bean Tree)
Roll L-3: 22 (Japanese Walnut)

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen... Group/Association..X Tree..X
Park..X Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous..X Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant... Avenue..X
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: Specimen 1: Acer Platanoides - The Norway Maple is native to Europe. It is cultivated in parks, streets and shelterbelts in Europe and North America. Yellow clusters of flowers open in early April. The fruits have horizontal wings which ripen from green to brown, and persist on the tree throughout the winter. This tree is surrounded by a round stone sitting wall, built by Heinz Berger, retired Parks Manager. This maple is planted on the site of the original Ambleside concession stand and is called the 'Concession Maple'. (See also Jubilee Maple, Site 15)



SPECIMEN 2

2.0 IDENTIFICATION: SPECIMEN 2

2.1 BOTANICAL NAME: Acer saaccharinum

2.2 COMMON NAME: Silver Maples (5)

2.3 FAMILY NAME: Aceraceae

2.4 SIZE: Height: 40' 0" D.B.H.: 9' 0" Width: 26' 0"

3.0 DESCRIPTION

Specimen 2: Acer Saaccharinum - In conjunction with the Concession Maple there is an existing avenue of five maples, which create a pleasing street canopy over 13th Street, and marks the entrance to Ambleside Park. These are a remnant of the old plans for street trees prior to the 1960's. Continuous pruning has resulted in poor general form for these trees.

Ambleside park was once A garbage dumping ground; now it is an intensively used seaside park. During the Second World War, Ambleside was used as part of the Narrows North military site, including machine gun emplacements, all of which have now been removed. (See West Vancouver Heritage Inventory for more details).

These trees have recently (January 1988) been severely pruned to clear a path for Hydro wires; their form and aesthetic value has been compromised.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: None.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Heinz Berger.

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES: West Vancouver Community Plan, 1979.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC NEGATIVE NUMBER: Roll L-2: 26

Roll L-4: 3

3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen... Group/Association..X Trees..X
Park..X Landscape/Vista... Evergreen... Deciduous... Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnants..X Avenue...
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION:

Specimen 1: These massive trees are exceeded in height only by the California Redwood, and are the largest trees in Canada. Native to North America from Canada south to California, it is cultivated for its timber. Old trees lose the form of a broad sloping pyramid, and develop heavy crooked limbs and a flattened irregular top. The huge upper branches are called 'candelabras' on older trees. These trees were discovered by David Douglas in 1829.

Douglas Firs grow in dense stands on the coast, and are associated with Western Hemlock and Western Cedar; they dominate these smaller trees.

The west end of Lighthouse Park marks the Coastal Douglas Fir bioclimatic zone. It is thought that the Hemlock will replace Douglas Firs, as they cannot adequately transpire in the shade. The cones ripen in the fall, and are 2" - 3" long; the bracts are triple-pronged and easily visible.

This specimen is approximately 400 years old, and is in excellent condition.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: Point Atkinson Lighthouse,
Junior Forest Wardens Camp (See West
Vancouver Heritage Inventory).

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Elaine Graham, Heinz Berger

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES:-Lyons, "Trees, Shrubs and Flowers".
-Stoltmann, "West Vancouver Heritage Trees".
-District of West Vancouver, "Lighthouse Park
Self-Guiding Trail"

SURVEYED BY: Shan Ripon and Elisabeth Whitelaw.

DATE: October 1987

PHOTOGRAPHIC NEGATIVE NUMBER: Roll L-2: 4-5 (Douglas Fir)
Roll L-2: 6-7 (Western Red Cedar)
Roll L-2: 13 (Arbutus and Lodgepole Pine)



SPECIMEN 2

2.0 IDENTIFICATION: SPECIMEN 2

2.1 BOTANICAL NAME: Thuja plicata

2.2 COMMON NAME: Western Red Cedar

2.3 FAMILY NAME: Thuja, Family Cypressaceae

2.4 SIZE: Height: 190' 0" D.B.H.: 23' 0" Width: Undetermined

3.0 DESCRIPTION

Specimen 2: Native to Western North America, the cedar was known as the 'Tree of Life' to the West Coast Indians; they used the bark for baskets and clothing, the lightweight wood for houses, cooking boxes, canoes and totem poles, and the roots and branches (withes) for coarse fishnets, lashings and baskets. Due to its resistance to decay, European settlers used this wood for shingles, siding and posts, and it is still valued today as a lumber commodity.

The leaves are scale-like, dark and glossy above, and paler beneath. The distinctive bark is stringy, and the trunk is fluted at the base. The frond-like branchlets impart a feathery appearance to the form. The yellowish-green colour marks this tree from other dark-green evergreens.

These specimens are approximately 200 - 300 years old, and are in very good condition.



2.0 IDENTIFICATION: SPECIMEN 3

- 2.1 BOTANICAL NAME: Arbutus menziesii/ also adjacent to
Pinus contorta var. latifolia
2.2 COMMON NAME: Arbutus/ adjacent to Lodgepole Pine
2.3 FAMILY NAME: Madrone/ adjacent to Pinaceae

3.0 DESCRIPTION

Specimen 3: An indication of the transition through the valley to the drier site conditions of the Coastal Rocky area. This mixed forest of Lodgepole Pine and Arbutus on a rocky outcrop complements the gnarled and beautiful form of the Arbutus tree. The Arbutus is Canada's only native broad-leaved evergreen; its distinctive mature orange-red bark peels annually in large papery sheets. The thick, leathery, glossy leaves, 3" - 6" long, prevent water from remaining on them, thus protecting themselves from damage to their coating during winter. They flower in May in clusters of creamy white bell-shaped flowers; birds seek the orange-red berries that follow in the late summer. The Lodgepole pine also grows stuntedly along the shoreline here, and the Douglas Fir can perpetuate itself in the shade because the rainfall is lower on this side of the park. Although these may not yet be considered heritage trees, they emphasize the uniqueness of this site's natural features.

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4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: Point Atkinson Lighthouse,
Junior Forest Wardens Camp (See West
Vancouver Heritage Inventory).

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES: Elaine Graham, Heinz Berger

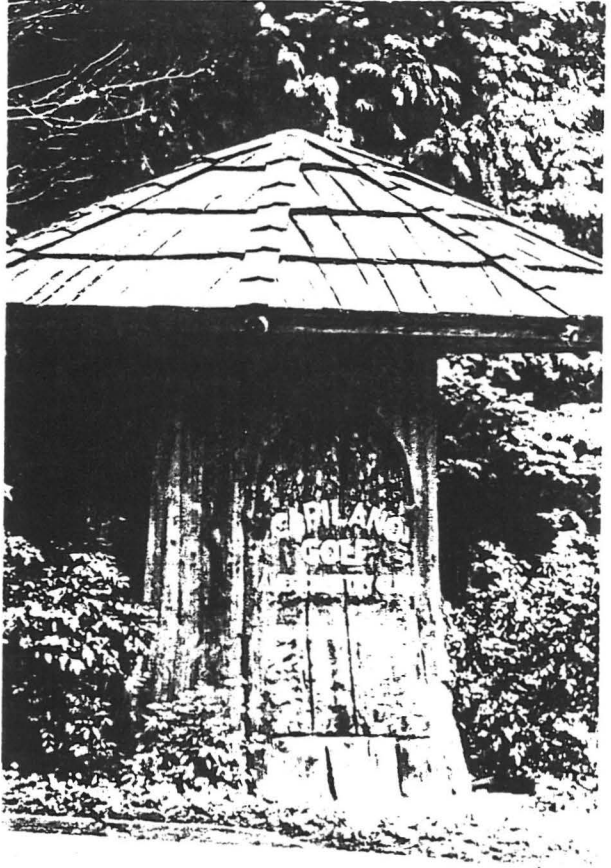
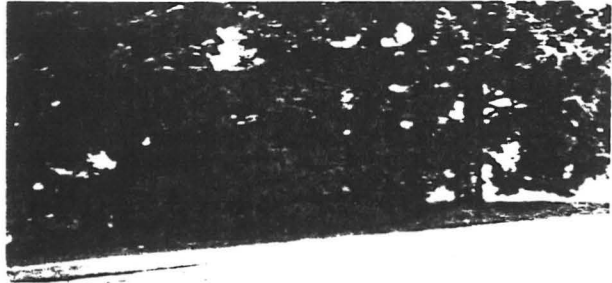
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3.0 DESCRIPTION

3.1 TYPE OF RESOURCE: Specimen... Group/Association..X Tree...
Park... Landscape/Vista..X Evergreen... Deciduous... Shrub...
Coniferous... Site Features... Landscape Remnant..X Avenue...
Area... Residential... Other...

3.2 DESCRIPTION: The layout of this golf course was one of the first steps in the development of the Capilano Estates, now known as the British Properties. The design of the course was undertaken by Stanley Thompson of Thompson-Jones Co. Golf and Landscape Architects of Toronto. A.J.T. Taylor also hired J.F. Dawson of the famous firm of Olmsted Brothers Landscape Architects of Brookline, Mass. to work with Thompson. The course fairways and greens were completed to the 12th hole by 1935. (INV I) The course was fully open in 1937, although the clubhouse was not completed until the next year. The course was prominently featured in all of the Capilano Estates advertising for many years, and was considered one of the major assets of the development.

This is a very significant designed landscape, connected to well known designers. It espouses a natural approach to design, and takes full advantage of sloping contour, spectacular views, and natural settings. It makes extensive use of native plantings, highlighting its naturalistic feel. The rustic-style "mushroom cap" entry sign is typical of the type of detailing employed by the Olmsted Brothers.

The course was not fully surveyed as part of this Inventory: it is recommended that a comprehensive study and examination could be undertaken in the future, of the extensive features of this site. It may be desirable to mark the overall significance of this site with a plaque, describing both the historical significance of the role of this course in the development of the British Properties, and the special aspects of its landscape.

4.0 CONTEXT

4.1 ASSOCIATED BUILDINGS: Capilano Golf and Country Club Clubhouse,
420 Southborough Drive.

5.0 RESEARCH INFORMATION

5.1 RESEARCH SOURCES:

5.2 RESEARCH REFERENCES:-North Shore Heritage Advisory Committee
Report, 1984 (INVENTORY I)
-UBC Map Division, 624.9a
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APPENDIX A: SOURCES OF RESEARCH INFORMATION

Vancouver Public Library:

The Historical Photographs Division was searched for documentary photographs.

West Vancouver Municipal Records:

Information was provided by the Planning Department and the Parks Department regarding previous research data. Rupert Harrison was also an important source of information.

West Vancouver Library:

The Library contains a number of relevant publications on landscape features in West Vancouver.

Private Sources:

A number of individuals provided information about individual resources, the foremost among them being Heinz Berger, Parks Department Manager (Retired). We wish to thank all concerned for their assistance in conducting this project.

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