

Piano: easy at any age

So you've always wanted to play the piano! That's a wish shared by many non-musical adults, according to veteran piano educator Patricia Taylor Lee, a consultant to the National Piano Foundation.

"Over the past 20 years, literally hundreds of people have told me they have a secret desire to play the piano," says Dr. Lee. "People at parties, at meetings, on planes and buses - when they find out I'm a piano teacher, it's the first thing they say."

Some people, Dr. Lee learned, "want to play show tunes for their friends at parties, or hymns at church. Others love classical music - they'd give anything to be able to play a Chopin waltz."

"But they all share a common misconception: That piano lessons are too difficult, that you can't learn piano when you're an

adult."

Actually, says Dr. Lee, adults make excellent piano students, superior to children in many ways. "Adults are self motivated. They study piano because they want to, not because their parents schedule them into it. This gives them an immediate advantage over most children."

Older students also have longer attention spans, says Dr. Lee. "An adult's intellectual powers and analytical abilities improve his or her capacity to learn. There's no truth to the theory that adults learn more slowly than children. In fact, an eighty-year-old can learn at about the same rate as a 12-year-old."



Piano playing is no longer child's play. A recent survey indicates there are over 18 million amateur adult pianists with a median age of 28.

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Classes will be held each Monday evening at the Recreation Centre commencing September 9 and running to January 9th (2 week break for Christmas). For more information and to register please contact the Recreation Office at 924-2317.

Liquor Management Policy

The Recreation Department with the assistance of the Alcohol Research Foundation will commence development of a liquor Management Policy in September. If anyone is interested in assisting in the development of this policy or wishes to sit on this committee they should contact the Recreation Office at 824-2317 before 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 11th.

Ice Time
All groups requesting ice time for the 1985/86 season are reminded of the meeting to be held Wednesday, September 11th at 7:00 p.m. All requests should be specific with days and times required and are to be handed into the Recreation Office before 5:00 p.m. Monday, September 9th. It is our intention to have the ice ready for October 14th.

Skate Exchange
The Schreiber Parks and Recreation Department is planning a Skate Exchange early in October. If you or anyone you know would like to get in on this please keep watching this paper for specific times and dates.

Babysitting Course
The Schreiber Recreation Department will be offering a Babysitting Course in October. The course is designed to provide training for baby-sitters in child-care, child behaviour and safety and to outline the obligations and rights of baby-sitters and employers. It is open to girls and boys ages 12 and over. If you would like more information please contact the Recreation Office at 824-2317.

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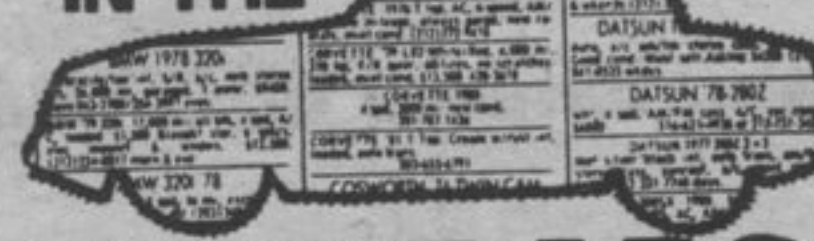


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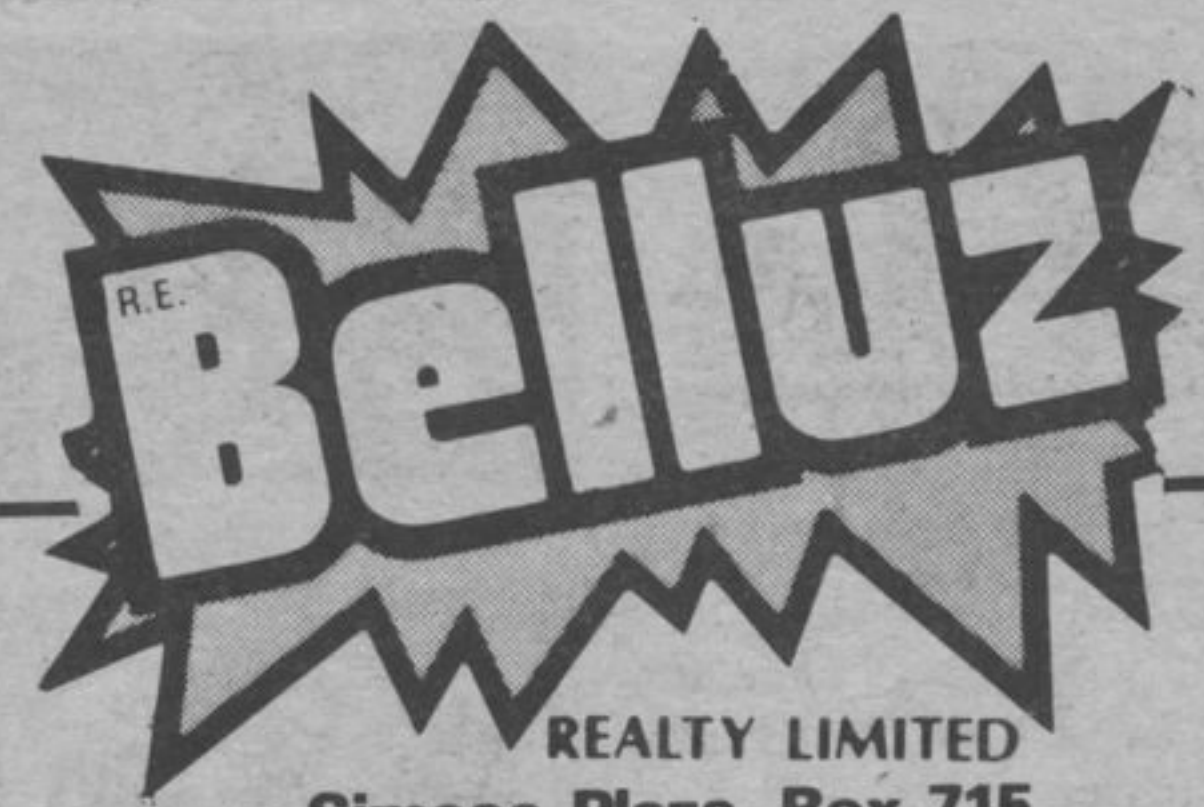
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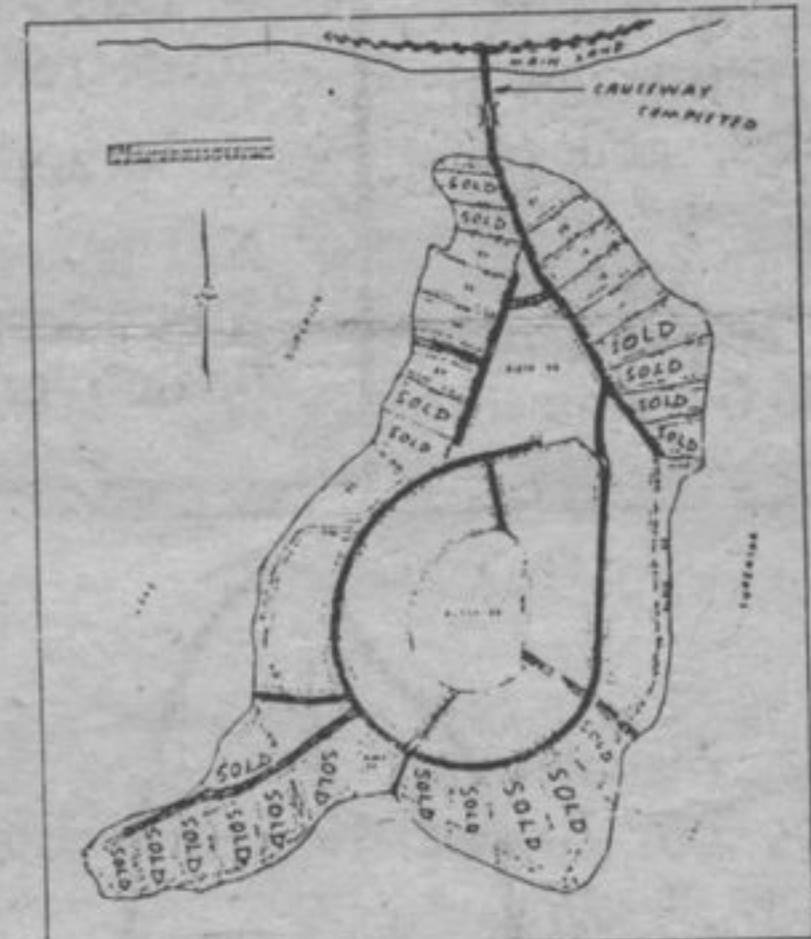
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