

## **Long-standing partnership with City of White Rock**

In 1966, the City of White Rock granted the Peace Arch Curling Club a land use lease at the nominal cost of One Dollar a year for the new, member-owned curling facility at the Centennial Park site. On June 10, 1967, Mayor Douglas at the controls of a frontend loader turned the first sod.

## **Peace Arch Curling Club was formally registered as a Society in conformity with provincial statute on July 25, 1966**

## **Sale of bonds and shares helps fund building**

On May 19, 1966, curling enthusiasts met at Mann Park Lawn Bowling Clubhouse to discuss the building of a new curling rink. Under the chairmanship of Lew Lewis, the financial committee sold 300 debentures at \$100.00 each in record time. Additional funds were raised through the sale of bonds for the construction of the original \$100,000 Peace Arch curling building.

Curling in the new facility began with an inaugural club bonspiel in February 1968. It was won by the Art Whittet rink made up of Vi McLaren, Florence Wall, and Bill Simmers, son of widely known local curlers, Walter and Mary Simmers.