

# 150 Years of British Columbia History

## Crossword Puzzles

**Historica Foundation of Canada** in partnership with **London Drugs** and the **Canadian National Railway** developed a 2008 Calendar that presents a day-by-day account of events in BC's history. This calendar was circulated to schools around BC as part of the celebrations for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of British Columbia's founding in 1858.

Better Classroom Guidebooks has used the information in the Historica Foundation of Canada's calendar to create a series of crossword puzzles that teachers can use in conjunction with the calendar.

For the convenience of the students and teachers who may not have direct access to the 2008 Historica calendar and its collection of facts, BC Guidebooks has recorded the facts for each month and included them with each month's crossword as a reference for the crossword users.

Clues for multi-word puzzle answers are preceded by a note that the answer consists of more than one word. For instance: "(3 words)" at the start of a clue indicates that the answer will be three words or initials. *CanadianPacificRailway* is treated as three words as is *CPR*. Similarly, *JohnAMacdonald* is treated as three words and so is *JAMacdonald*.

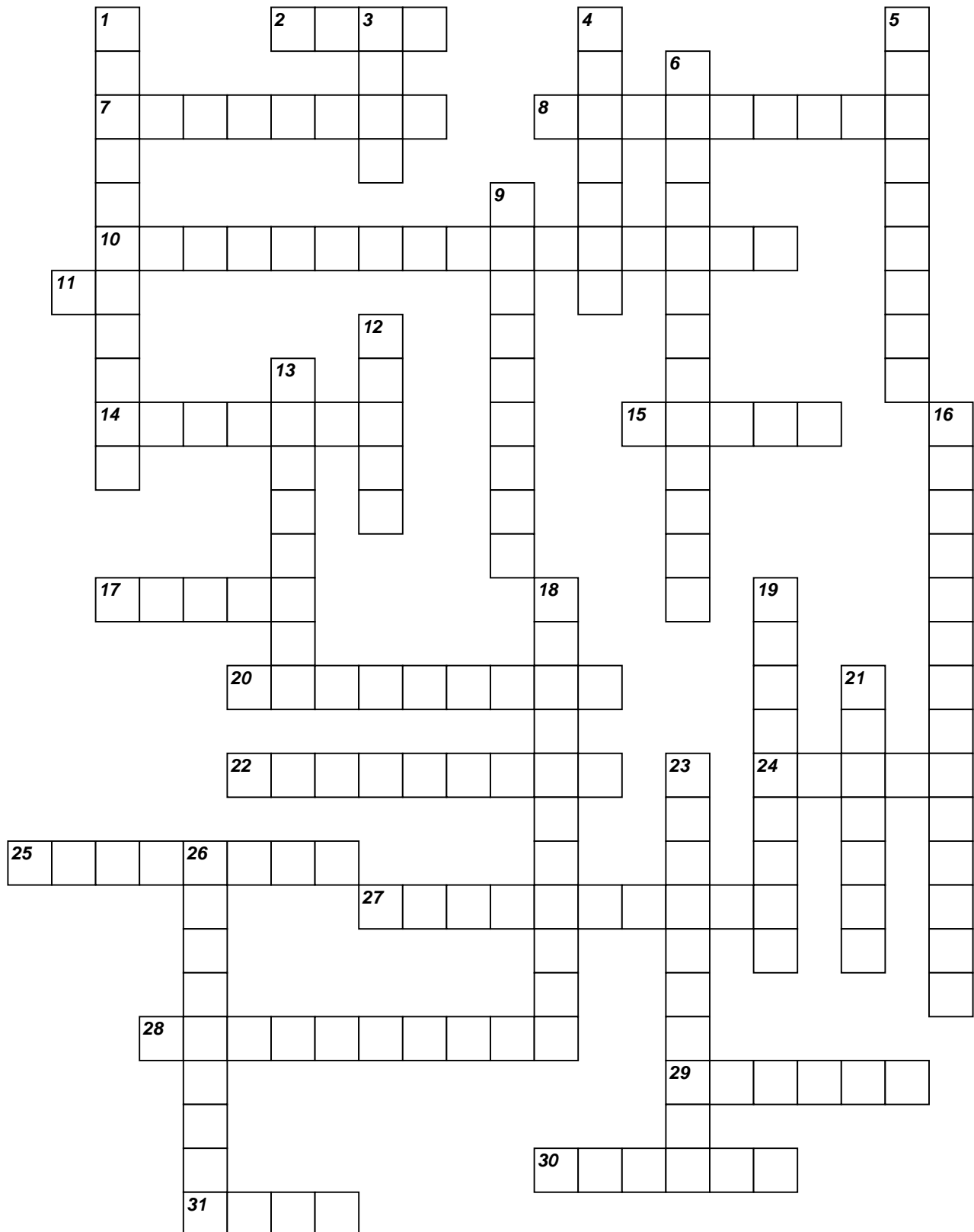
The **British Columbia – 150 Years Calendar** is a great teaching aid. I hope that these crosswords help you and your students use it.

Sincerely

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## Events in September



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### **ACROSS**

- 2 It destroyed much of New Westminster.
- 7 One of the architects of the first buildings at Simon Fraser University.
- 8 This baseball team won the Pacific Coast League's championship twice.
- 10 (3 words) It was the first European vessel built on the BC coast.
- 11 (2 words) Lieutenant Colonel Peck, VC, had this role while serving in the army.
- 14 The crew of the "Greenpeace" protested this kind of testing in the Aleutian Islands.
- 15 BC premier W.A.C. Bennett opened a powerhouse at a hydro-electric project on this BC river.
- 17 He wrote the first significant analysis of the impact of social class on Canadian society.
- 20 He was the third-leading Allied flying ace of the war.
- 22 (2 words) An agreement named after this pass granted the CPR a subsidy in return for reduced transportation rates for wheat and flour.
- 24 The name of a Japanese baseball team in Vancouver.
- 25 He was BC's 16th lieutenant-governor.
- 27 The ship "Phyllis Carmacks" was given this new name.
- 28 (2 words) A highway linking this coastal valley to the interior was completed.
- 29 The crew of the "Greenpeace" was arrested by the US Coast Guard at this Alaska island.
- 30 One of the architects of the first buildings at Simon Fraser University.
- 31 A train carrying this cargo derailed east of Yale, BC.

### **DOWN**

- 1 He was the first Aboriginal person to serve as BC's lieutenant-governor.
- 3 One of these occurred in Vancouver to protest Asian immigration.
- 4 This Vancouver park had initially been intended for use by the military.
- 5 A standoff between the RCMP and armed natives took place at this lake.
- 6 (2 words) She was the first woman president of a major Canadian university.
- 9 It was the home town of Olympic gold medal winner Percy Williams.
- 12 BC agreed to build this number of dams in BC as part of the Columbia River Treaty.
- 13 The Aboriginal name of the actor who received an Oscar nomination for his role in the film Little Big Man.
- 16 (2 words) It is the oldest city in Western Canada.
- 18 (2 words) PM Diefenbaker opened this highway at Rogers Pass.
- 19 (2 words) He won the Leeds International Piano Competition in the UK.
- 21 The first 100 students arrived to begin classes at this college outside Victoria.
- 23 (2 words) He was the first rock star to perform at GM Place.
- 26 They won the North American Soccer League Championship.

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Solution:

The crossword puzzle grid is filled with the following words:

- 1. **STARTER**
- 2. **FIRE**
- 3. **RISE**
- 4. **SET**
- 5. **GUN**
- 6. **PEACE**
- 7. **ERICKSON**
- 8. **CANADIAN**
- 9. **VICTORY**
- 10. **NORTHWEST AMERICA**
- 11. **MOUNTAIN**
- 12. **THURSDAY**
- 13. **THURSDAY**
- 14. **NUCLEAR**
- 15. **PEACE**
- 16. **NEW WEST**
- 17. **MARSH**
- 18. **TRINITY**
- 19. **JOHN**
- 20. **COLLISHAW**
- 21. **PEACE**
- 22. **CROWSNEST**
- 23. **BERRY**
- 24. **ASAH**
- 25. **WOODWARD**
- 26. **WARD**
- 27. **GREENPEACE**
- 28. **BELLACOLA**
- 29. **AKUTAN**
- 30. **MASSEY**
- 31. **SILK**

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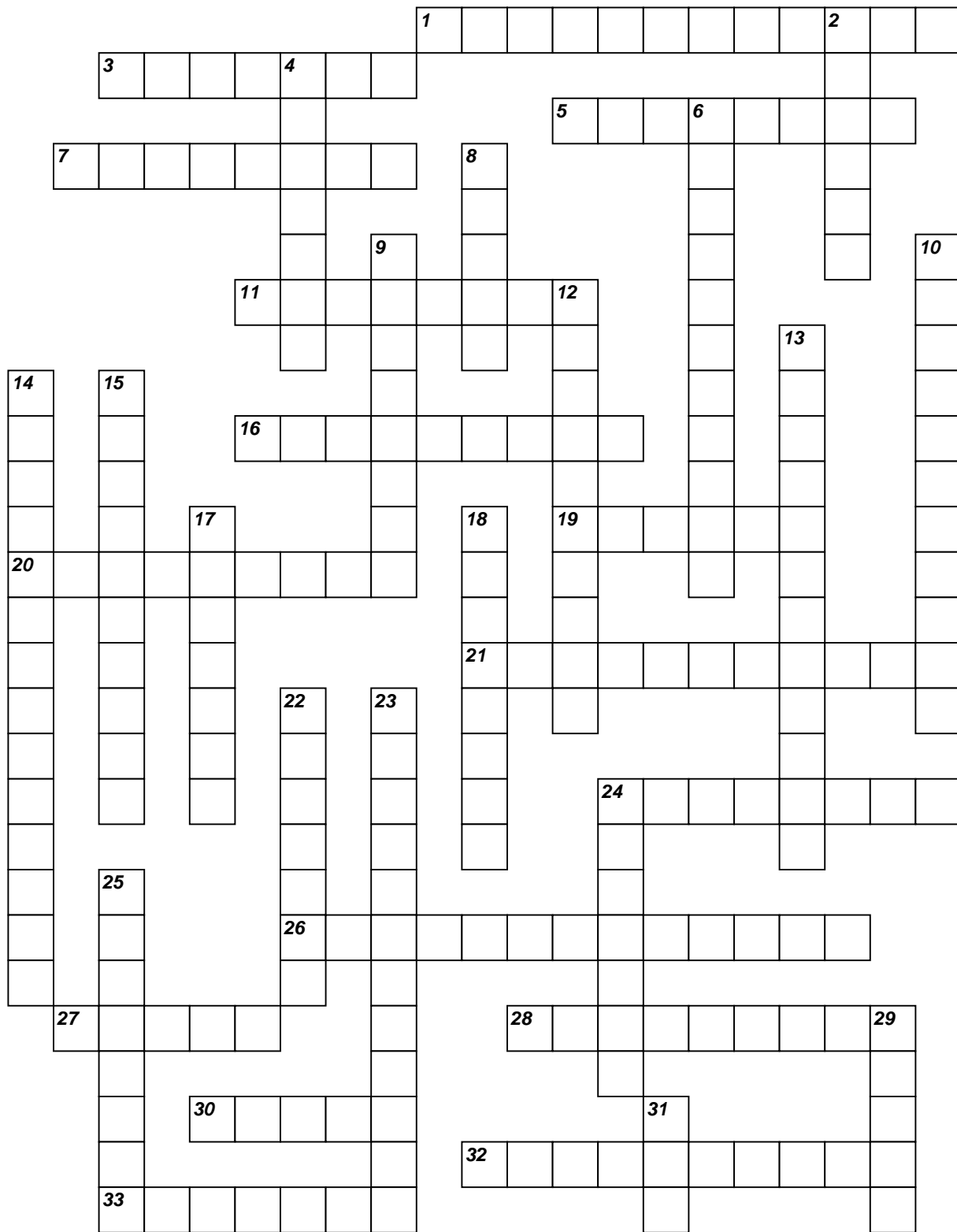
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- Sep 01, 1974 Pauline Jewett became president of Simon Fraser University and the first woman president of a major Canadian university.
- Sep 02, 1918 Lieutenant Colonel Peck, who was MP for the Prince Rupert area while serving in the army, was awarded the Victoria Cross for leading an assault under intense enemy shelling at the Drocourt-Queant Line.
- Sep 03, 1962 Prime Minister John Diefenbaker officially opened the Trans-Canada Highway in Rogers Pass.
- Sep 04, 2007 PM Stephen Harper announced the appointment of Steven Point as BC's lieutenant-governor. A respected judge, Point was first elected chief of the Skowkale First Nation at age 23.
- Sep 05, 1941 The Honourable William Culham Woodward was installed as BC's 16th lieutenant-governor.
- Sep 06, 1897 By the Crow's Nest Pass Agreement, the CPR was given a cash subsidy of \$3.3 million in exchange for reducing rates on grain and flour.
- Sep 07, 1907 Several hundred people rioted through Vancouver's Asian district to protest Asian immigration to Canada.
- Sep 08, 1979 The Vancouver Whitecaps defeated the Tampa Bay Rowdies 2-1 in New York to win the North American Soccer League Championship.
- Sep 09, 1965 Simon Fraser University opened in Burnaby, BC. Arthur Erickson and Geoffrey Massey designed the dramatic building with its famous Academic Quadrangle.
- Sep 10, 1985 The Vancouver Canadians, (now the Sacramento River Cats) won baseball's Pacific Coast League title, the first for the city after 20 years in the league. The Canadians would win the title again in 1989.
- Sep 11, 1898 A fire that started the previous night destroyed a large part of the oldest city in Western Canada, New Westminster.
- Sep 14, 1928 Olympic gold medal winner Percy Williams came home to one of the most remarkable homecomings in Vancouver history.
- Sep 15, 1971 The ship "Phyllis Carmack", rechristened "Greenpeace", departed Vancouver to protest nuclear testing in the Aleutian Islands, Alaska. The voyage marked the beginning of the Greenpeace movement.
- Sep 16, 1964 The Columbia River Treaty came into effect. The controversial treaty called for the construction of 3 dams in BC in return for a share of the extra power produced in the United States.
- Sep 17, 1995 A tense standoff between RCMP and armed natives of Gustafsen Lake, BC ended. The protesters claimed that the land was sacred territory.
- Sep 18, 1941 The Vancouver Asahi played their last baseball game as the Japanese community was banished to exile on farms and internment camps.

- Sep 19, 1995 Hometown rock star Bryan Adams staged the first show at Vancouver's BC Place in front of 18,000.
- Sep 20, 1788 The "North West America", the first European vessel built on the west coast, was launched. It was used in the trade for sea otter pelts.
- Sep 21, 1927 Ten railway cars carrying a valuable cargo of silk went off the rails east of Yale. Five of them ended up in the Fraser River.
- Sep 22, 1984 Burnaby's Jon Kimura Parker won the prestigious Leeds International Piano Competition in the UK, in a televised performance.
- Sep 23, 1981 Tes-wah-no, the Salish chief known as Chief Dan George, died at North Vancouver. He worked as a longshoreman before he began his acting career. He received an Oscar nomination for his role in the film Little Big Man.
- Sep 24, 1906 Social scientist Leonard Marsh, a professor at the UBC School of Social Work, was born at London, England. He wrote the first significant analysis of the impact of social class on Canadian society.
- Sep 25, 1974 The first 100 students arrived to begin classes at the Lester B. Pearson College of the Pacific, outside Victoria.
- Sep 26, 1953 The Freedom Road (now Highway 20) linking the Bella Coola Valley to the interior was completed. Initially rejected by the BC government as too difficult to build, the project was taken up by Bella Coola residents.
- Sep 27, 1888 Stanley Park was officially opened. The land had been set aside as a government reserve for military purposes.
- Sep 28, 1968 BC premier W.A.C. Bennett opened the Dr. Gordon M. Shrum Powerhouse, part of the \$485 million Peace Canyon hydro-electric project at Hudson's hope, BC.
- Sep 29, 1976 WWI air ace Raymond Collishaw of Nanaimo died at Vancouver. He was the third-leading Allied flying ace of the war.
- Sep 30, 1971 The crew of the "Greenpeace" was arrested by the US Coast Guard at Akutan Island, Alaska.

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## Events in October



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### **ACROSS**

- 1 (2 words) This poet grew up in Prince George.
- 3 One of the rowers who won a gold medal at the Tokyo Olympics.
- 5 The subject of Roderick Haig-Brown's writing.
- 7 One of the terminals of a trans-Pacific telegraph cable opened by Sanford Fleming.
- 11 (2 words) He conducted the Vancouver Symphony's first concert at the Orpheum Theatre.
- 16 (2 words) She was the first woman cabinet minister in the British Empire.
- 19 Esteban Jose Martinez seized several trading vessels in this sound.
- 20 UBC professor Michael Smith won the Nobel Prize for his work in this field.
- 21 (2 words) He finished 3rd in the 100 m dash at the Tokyo Olympics.
- 24 The site of one of the terminals of a trans-Pacific telegraph cable opened by Sanford Fleming.
- 26 BC was one of 5 provinces that rejected this accord.
- 27 One of the two men who were first to cross Canada by automobile.
- 28 (2 words) She was Canada's first prima ballerina.
- 30 This team was the first to beat the Canucks.
- 32 (2 words) It was the first play performed by the Vancouver Playhouse Theatre Company.
- 33 He established UBC's music department.

### **DOWN**

- 2 (2 words) This RCMP ship was the first to sail the Northwest Passage in both directions.
- 4 The Governor General for whom a Vancouver park is named.
- 6 (2 words) His NDP government enacted legislation that ended labour disputes in BC's forestry, pulp, food and propane industries.
- 8 The typhoon that blew down one-fifth of all the trees in Stanley Park.
- 9 (2 words) Astronomer John Plaskett pioneered research on the rotation of this galaxy.
- 10 (2 words) This British Columbian won the National League's batting championship.
- 12 He designed the provincial courthouse in Vancouver.
- 13 (2 words) Bill Vander Zalm led this party to victory over the NDP.
- 14 (2 words) 343 people aboard this ship died off the Alaska coast.
- 15 One of the rowers who won a gold medal at the Tokyo Olympics.
- 17 Iona Campagnolo was the first woman elected president of this national party.
- 18 The city in which the most authentic example of traditional Chinese palatial-style architecture in North America is located.
- 22 (3 words) The British Columbia Sports Hall of Fame is located in this building.
- 23 (2 words) She wrote the novel "The Double Hook".
- 24 This country's representative sided with the United States in the Alaska-Canada boundary dispute.
- 25 (2 words) An airplane belonging to this airline was blown up on a flight between Canada and England.
- 29 One of the two men who were first to cross Canada by automobile.
- 31 (3 words) This act was proclaimed into law.



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- Oct 01, 1946 Poet Sharon Thesen, who has been short-listed for the Governor General's Literary Award 3 times, was born at Tisdale, Sask. She grew up in Prince George.
- Oct 02, 1963 The curtain was raised on the first production by the newly formed Vancouver Playhouse Theatre Company, Brendan Behan's "The Hostage".
- Oct 03, 1999 Maple Ridge baseball player Larry Walker, while playing for the Colorado Rockies, finished the season as the batting champion of the National League with a .379 average.
- Oct 04, 1993 The BC Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, hailed as one of the strongest in the world, was proclaimed.
- Oct 05, 1930 The revived Vancouver Symphony Society (now the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra) gave its first concert at the new Orpheum Theatre under conductor Allard de Ridder.
- Oct 06, 1901 Harry Adaskin, the eldest member of a prominent musical family, was born at Riga, Latvia. In 1946, he arrived at Vancouver to establish the music department at UBC.
- Oct 07, 1975 David Barrett's NDP government enacted sweeping back-to-work legislation, ending a series of labour disputes in the province's forestry, pulp, food and propane industries.
- Oct 08, 1929 Lois Smith, Canada's first prima ballerina, was born at Vancouver.
- Oct 09, 1970 The Vancouver Canucks played their first NHL game, losing to the Los Angeles Kings.
- Oct 10, 1911 The provincial courthouse opened in Vancouver on Georgia Street in an impressive building designed by Francis Rattenbury. Today, the building houses the Vancouver Art Gallery.
- Oct 11, 1863 Politician Mary Ellen Smith, who was the first woman member of BC's legislative assembly and the first woman cabinet minister in the British Empire, was born at Tavistock, England.
- Oct 12, 1962 Typhoon Freda hit Vancouver around midnight, with winds greater than 100 kph. The storm lasted about 4 hours, killing 7 people and blowing down one-fifth of all the trees in Stanley Park.
- Oct 13, 1993 UBC professor Michael Smith won the Nobel Prize in chemistry for his research on site-directed mutagenesis. He shared the prize with American scientist Kary Mullis.
- Oct 14, 1912 Thomas Wilby and Jack Haney arrived in Vancouver after completing the first crossing of Canada by automobile.
- Oct 15, 1964 UBC pair George Hungerford and Roger Jackson won a gold medal in rowing at the Tokyo Olympics. The same day, North Vancouver's Harry Jerome finished 3rd in the 100 m track final.
- Oct 16, 1944 The RCMP ship "St. Roch" arrived in Vancouver from Halifax via the Northwest Passage, the first ship to have sailed the passage in both directions. The ship is open to the public at the Vancouver Maritime Museum.

- Oct 17, 1941 Astronomer John Stanley Plaskett died at Esquimalt. As director of the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory north of Victoria, he pioneered research on the rotation of the Milky Way Galaxy.
- Oct 18, 1932 Politician Iona Campagnolo, who was the first woman elected president of the national Liberal Party, was born at Galiano Island.
- Oct 19, 1976 Roderick Haig-Brown, who was one of the most popular writers about the outdoors on the continent, died at Campbell River.
- Oct 20, 1903 The settlement of the Alaska-Canada boundary dispute denied Canada access to the sea in either northern BC or the Yukon. The British representative endorsed the American claim, touching off a wave of protest in Canada.
- Oct 21, 1971 The British Columbia Sports Hall of Fame opened in the BC Pavilion at the Pacific National Exhibition. It is currently located at BC Place, Vancouver.
- Oct 22, 1986 Wilhelmus "Bill" Vander Zalm led the Social Credit Party to an overwhelming victory over the NDP in the BC election.
- Oct 23, 1983 The Guan Yin Buddhist Temple or International Buddhist Temple in Richmond was dedicated. It is the most authentic example of traditional Chinese palatial-style architecture in North America.
- Oct 24, 1909 Writer Sheila Watson, best known for her classic novel, *The Double Hook*, was born at New Westminster.
- Oct 25, 1918 The worst shipwreck in Northwest coast history occurred when the Canadian Pacific ship "Princess Sophia" sank in a severe snowstorm off the Alaska coast. All 343 people aboard were lost.
- Oct 26, 1992 BC joined 4 other provinces and the Yukon in rejecting the Charlottetown Accord in a national referendum.
- Oct 27, 2000 RCMP agents arrested two suspects, Ripudaman Singh Malik and Ajaib Singh Bagri, in the 1985 bombing of Air India flight 182 from Canada to England that killed all 329 passengers and crew.
- Oct 28, 1798 Spanish naval officer Esteban Jose Martinez, whose seizure of several trading vessels in Nootka Sound during the summer of 1789 touched off a confrontation with England, died at Loreto, Mexico.
- Oct 29, 1889 Governor General Lord Stanley (who also gave his name to the Stanley Cup) dedicated Stanley Park.
- Oct 31, 1902 The trans-Pacific telegraph cable was completed from Bamfield to Brisbane, Australia, with the first message sent to Canada by Canadian innovator-engineer Sir Sanford Fleming.