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Among the various folk club newsletters, we highly recommend Vancouver's Rogue Folk Review, for its size and its graphic interest. True, the articles in it tend to be devoted to performers on their way to Vancouver, and occasionally sound a bit too much like pre-concert sales pitching for general reading, and in any case may just break your heart if you don't live in western BC and realize that you won't get to Vancouver to catch Andy Irvine's East Wind trio before he packs it in and continues as a solo.... But the Review regularly features concert/cassette/CD reviews and occasionally other items as well.

A recent issue included Judy Rockliff's "UK Folk Festival Primer," which seems a useful guide to the somewhat different customs across the ocean. If you’re going to Britain any time soon, you might want to look at it; I don’t know whether they print an overrun, but it’s in the July 1996 (10.8) issue.

Canadian membership in the Rogue Folk Club (which includes the Review) costs $16.00. Write to Rogue Folk Club, 2982 West 3rd Avenue, Vancouver, BC V6K 1N1.

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**Canadian Folk Festival Directory**

### ALBERTA

- **Meadows, Calgary.**
  - Annual since 1976
  - Curtis Reid, c/o Spruce Meadows, RR#1, Calgary, Alta. T2J 5G5
  - Bus.: (403) 974-4261, Fax: 974-5226
  - "This event is host to the Festival of Nations, with performers from 11 countries and hundreds of exhibits, activities and food services. In the Masters, the world's best compete in show jumping for over $1,000,000 in prize money."

### BRITISH COLUMBIA

- **First annual**
  - (604) 423-3700, 1-888-422-8754
  - August 31 and September 1, 1996
  - SUNSHINE FOLKFEST. Palm Beach, Powell River
  - (604) 485-4207
  - September 1996 (date unspecified)
  - NATIVE AWARENESS DAYS. Friendship Centre, Fort St. John
  - (604) 785-8566
  - September 13 to 16, 1996
  - SALTMARSH. Sidney
  - Tony Lattimer (Artistic Director), (604) 656-9539
  - The first annual Maritime Arts and music Festival, on the waterfront at Sidney, B.C. A maritime folk celebration of fiddle tunes, sea ballads, dance and performing arts, with large and small stages, and a trade fair throughout the site
  - September 14 and 15, 1996
  - CHINESE MID-AUTUMN FESTIVAL. Grouse Mountain, North Vancouver
  - (604) 984-0661
  - October 1996 (date unspecified)
  - STORY TELLING FESTIVAL. Rockwood Centre, Sechelt
  - (604) 785-8566

- **Travel Manitoba, 700 - 155 Carleton St., Winnipeg, Man. R3C 3H8**
  - September 8, 1996
  - RENDEZVOUS DAYS. Fort Dauphin Museum, Dauphin
  - (306) 638-6050

- **includes music, traditional games, demonstrations and foods.**
- **September 12 to 21, 1996**
- **OKTOBERFEST. Convention Centre, Winnipeg**

- **Annual since 1978**
  - Terry O'Reilly, 375 York Ave., Winnipeg, Man. R3C 3J3
  - Bus.: (204) 957-4516, Fax: 943-0310
  - "The largest indoor Canadian festival, featuring the finest in Bavarian delicacies, and domestic and imported beverages, including beer, wine and spirits."

### MANITOBA

- **Annual since 1976**
  - (204) 774-4200
  - OKTOBERFEST, Coliseum, Prince George
  - (604) 562-1215
  - October 3 and 4, 1996
  - OKTOBERFEST. Plaza, Kimberley
  - (604) 427-3666
  - October 12 and 13, 1996
  - OKTOBERFEST. Legge Hall, Mackenzie
  - (604) 997-3900
  - November 23 and 24, 1996
  - MEDIEVAL MARKET. Williams Lake Junior Elementary School, Williams Lake
  - (604) 392-9300
  - December 1996 (date unspecified)
  - NATIVE WINTER FEASTS. Friendship Centre, Fort St. John
  - (604) 785-8566
Another occasion for merry-making was the box social; the fundraiser that always preceded the Christmas concert. One hundred percent of the kind-hearted gentlemen vied for the pretty young school maids. If she had a boyfriend, they showed him no mercy. But if he was smart and wise to their game, he would bid on several other boxes to confuse them, encouraging the bachelors to bid up, thus increasing the total funds raised for the concert as well as providing part of the evening’s entertainment.

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