

### Oil & news in 1990:

- Gulf War temporarily spikes oil price up to C\$40/bbl
- Home/Gulf/IPL split
- Horizontal drilling technology matures
- TCPL moves head office to Calgary



### 1990 Highlights:

- IBM introduces a line of workstations using RISC chips
- Meech Lake Accord fails as Manitoba and Newfoundland don't ratify
- Jean Chretien becomes leader of the Liberals
- "Twin Peaks" and "Seinfeld" are big TV hits

## 1990 Doodlebug a "solemn" affair

Low oil and gas commodity prices appeared to put a damper on the normally boisterous Doodlebug Golf Tournament. Despite Chairman Bruce Fenwick and Committee's best efforts, usual troublemakers were subdued (see two items below).

Jim Russell won the coveted "Mr. Doodlebug" trophy for an unprecedented fifth time in the last six tournaments. Grant Jorgensen won the low net trophy, and Murray Olson received the Ted Rozsa Award honouring his 25 year's attendance.



### Banff Springs Hotel, Aug. 24, 1990

1997 Doodlebug Chairman Ralph Lundberg investigates the optical properties of champagne corks at this year's Doodlebug Golf Tournament in his makeshift laboratory.

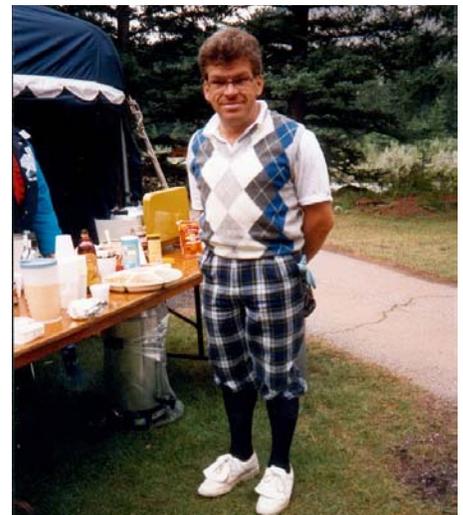
The well-respected geophysicist concludes that, "while the ocular cavity of a male hominid of northern European extraction accommodates traditional French champagne corks remarkably well, the general opacity of the material used, while excellent for preserving bubbly, is somewhat less desirable as an optical magnification device."

Furthermore, "The corks do nothing to ameliorate the side-effects of excessive champagne consumption, notably dizziness, nausea, and lack of social restraint."

### Banff Springs Golf Course, Aug. 25, 1990

Ray MacDonald (known as "RayMac" to only his most intimate friends), already notorious as one of the most shy and introverted Doodlebuggers, appears even more subdued than normal, reflecting the malaise afflicting the geophysical service sector this year.

Also known about town for his somewhat unorthodox sense of fashion, Ray here appears uncharacteristically tasteful and elegant, sporting some stylish plaid knickerbockers and an understated yet strongly masculine wool vest with a conservative "diagonal squares" pattern that today's modern woman finds so handsome and irresistible.





## What happened this year?....

World Wide Web debuts, popularizes Internet.  
Gen. Manuel Noriega surrenders in Panama (**Jan. 3**).



Yugoslav Communists end 45-year monopoly of power (**Jan. 22**).  
Soviet Communists relinquish sole power (**Feb. 7**).  
South Africa frees Nelson Mandela, imprisoned 27 ½ years (**Feb. 11**).



Violeta Barrios de Chamorro inaugurated as Nicaraguan president. Hubble Space Telescope launched (**April 25**).



U.S.-Soviet summit reaches accord on armaments (**June 1**).  
Western Alliance ends cold war and proposes joint action with Soviet Union and Eastern Europe (**July 6**).  
U.S. Appeals Court overturns Oliver North's Iran-Contra conviction (**July 20**).



Iraqi troops invade Kuwait and seize petroleum reserves, setting off Persian Gulf War (**Aug. 2**).



East and West Germany reunited (**Oct. 3**).  
Republicans set back in midterm elections (**Nov. 8**).  
Gorbachev assumes emergency powers (**Nov. 17**).



Leaders of 34 nations in Europe and North America proclaim a united Europe (**Nov. 21**).  
Margaret Thatcher resigns as British prime minister (**Nov. 22**).



John Major succeeds her (**Nov. 28**).

Lech Walesa wins Poland's runoff presidential election (**Dec. 9**).

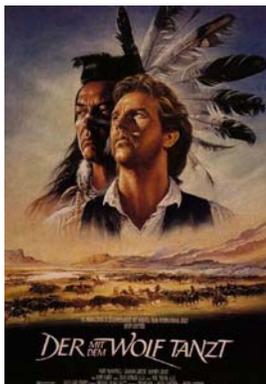


Haiti elects leftist priest as president in first democratic election (**Dec. 17**).

# 1990



*McDonald's opens in Moscow*



*Despite Kevin Costner's mind-numbingly dull narration, "Dances With Wolves" wins the Best Picture Oscar, and is wildly popular in many countries, especially Germany*

