

PARK LOTS 37, 38, 39 --PARK STREET



For many years this charming English style cottage on Park Lots 37, 38, and 39 was known as the 'Abra' place. Originally it belonged to John Tucker who obtained the deed from the Crown in 1882. Before the First World War it was purchased by Andrew Edward Abra. His family had come from England when he was just four years of age and settled near Bognor. Later Mr. Abra lived on a farm in Derby Twp. now owned by E.C.King. In Sarawak they gardened for a few years but Andrew Edward preferred to farm, so the property was sold to a family of Brown's. But after 15 years the place reverted to Mr. Abra. By this time Mr. Abra was 70 years of age and had retired to 14th St. W., so he sold the Park St. lots to his son Russell.

Russell and Winnifred Abra had one son, Stewart, Both father and son were proficient at carpentry, and made improvements and additions to make the cottage a very comfortable and attractive home. Russell Abra died in 1953, and in 1956 Mrs. Abra sold to J.P.Georgas. She went to live in Owen Sound, and later on retirement from the G. and M. Hospital went to live in British Columbia.

Stewart Abra built on 16th St. in the Rockview Heights Subdivision, where he lives with his wife Mabel and daughter Shirley.

The property on Park St. was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. T.M. Jones from the Georgas', in 1973. THEY SOLD TO WAYNE AND DONNA THOMPSON. OCT 1992.

THE FAMILY ROOM WAS MADE INTO A BEAUTY SALON WHERE DONNA CARRIES OUT A HAIRDRESSING BUSINESS. A GARAGE WAS ALSO ADDED. THEY HAVE 2 CHILDREN LORI AND SCOTT

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STEWART ABRA DIED SEPT 2004