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Two golfers and a trophy



He hasn't always played golf, explained Ted Parsons. He took it up years ago when he was 77. He needed something to do. So he played into his 90's. On Saturday evening the Ted Parsons Trophy was won by Tom Butt, of Fulford. In the picture are seen Tom Butt,

left, the winner and Ted Parsons, the donor. It was Awards Night at Salt Spring Island Golf Club.

Christmas blood clinic

Christmas Blood Clinic in Ganges will be offered as a New Year gift.

Peter Bingham, Salt Spring Island Legion Blood Clinic chairman, reports that it will be staged on January 22.

There will be no let up. It will be open to donors from 2 pm until 8 pm.

Protest

Trust served with writ

Islands Trust and three members of the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee were served with a Supreme Court writ last week calling for the invalidation of the Salt Spring Island Community Plan.

Writ was initiated by Yvette Valcourt, of the Valcourt Business Centre.

Petition to the Supreme Court asks for the invalidation of the by-law on the grounds that proper notice of the public hearing was not given and that the by-law contravenes Section 702 (2) (f) of the Municipal Act.

This section requires the council to be aware of the maintenance

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Islands polls

Saturday's election results

Islanders named 12 local trustees to the Islands Trust, three trustees to the Gulf Islands School Board, one regional director to the Capital Regional Board and approved one referendum on Saturday.

To accomplish these results, they turned out in record numbers to the polls.

While many polling stations reported a busy day, the voting booths in the School Board Office at Ganges were repeatedly overwhelmed with the crowds seeking to vote.

The day was busy from the first and the staff of the polling stations spent from 8 am until near midnight sorting out the routine and the results.

In charge of the vote was Returning Officer Jean Vodden. Mrs. Vodden was returning officer for the school district and deputy for the regional district.

Islands Trust election resulted in the following appointments:

Salt Spring Island
Bud Kreissl and David Lott

Galiano
Bill Duncan and Ron Thompson

Mayne Island
Isabel Geehan and John Mundie

North Pender
Emil Leblanc and Gordon Wallace

South Pender
Jean Noble and Bill Norton

Saturna Island
John Gaines and Jim Money

School Board elections were on two islands:

Pender Islands:
John Zacharias

Salt Spring Island:
Charles Baltzer and Ivan Mouat

Capital Regional Board seat was vacant on Salt Spring Island following the death of Jim Bryce.

Elected was Mike Clement.

SATURNA ISLAND WATER BY-LAW

CRD Advance	Yes	No	Rej
Saturna Island	98	14	3
Total	105	18	3

Jaws and the Grey Cup

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Link comes on Sunday morning

What's the connection between the Jaws of Life and the Grey Cup? Ask a Rotarian on Salt Spring Island and he will bring out his \$20 Grey Cup breakfast tickets.

On Sunday morning the stags will be out at Fulford Hall eating a massive breakfast and settling down to watch the Grey Cup.

In addition to enjoying such refreshments as they may seek, the watchers will also be entertained to a series of draws. Each name drawn is one less for the top prize. Last name drawn is the winner of

the \$1,000 top prize.

The breakfasters will compete for the draw prize. The Rotarians will take the proceeds from the draw and allocate them to the purchase of the Jaws of Life for the Salt Spring Island Fire Department.

Jaws are a device for opening up the crushed body of a motor vehicle in order to extricate the crushed bodies of the occupants.

Any Rotarian on Salt Spring Island has all information on Sunday's event.

Following are the poll-by-poll results through the islands:

SALT SPRING ISLAND - REGIONAL DIRECTOR

	Aust	Clement	Valcourt	Rejected
Advance - Ganges	9	24	34	0
Central	70	245	177	9
Fulford	43	94	91	10
SBO - Ganges	160	350	344	21
Totals:	282	713	646	40

Votes Counted: 1641

ISLANDS TRUST TRUSTEES

(No Salt Spring ballots cast at CR Board Advance Poll)

SALT SPRING SBO Advance	Central	Fulford	SBO	Total
Hitchcock	19	87	44	205
Kreissl	24	249	65	320
Lott	22	179	108	335
Sutcliffe	33	215	62	313
Wilson	19	135	109	279
Rejected	1	11	10	34
Votes Counted: 1627				56

GALIANO	CR Board Advance	SB Office Advance	Island	Total	Votes Counted
Duncan	2	1	117	120	219
New		0	108	108	
Thompson	4	1	129	134	
Rejected			3		

MAYNE ISLAND					
Geehan	0	3	216	219	375
Mundie	1	2	201	204	
Sprague	0	0	179	179	
Wood	0	1	120	121	
Rejected			1	1	

NORTH PENDER					
Leblanc	1	3	165	169	337
Passmore	1	5	145	151	
Wallace	0	5	256	261	
Rejected			5	5	

SOUTH PENDER					
Brooks	4	2	21	27	77
Griffiths	4	2	16	22	
McKenzie	3	0	10	13	
Noble	3	0	49	52	
Norton	4	0	49	53	
Rejected			1	1	

SATURNA					
Gaines	8	0	76	84	134
Money	10	0	71	81	
Sheffield	5	0	70	75	
Rejected			3	3	

GULF ISLANDS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Salt Spring Island Trustee Election

[Votes counted - 1657]

	S.B.O.	Central	Fulford	Advance	Total
Baltzer	456	248	101	30	835
Chipman	127	78	52	15	272
Mouat	358	236	148	26	768
Tessman	259	151	30	19	459
Williamson	304	178	78	27	587
Spoiled	1				1
Rejected	13	8	4		25
TOTALS	1518	909	413	117	2947


PENDER ISLANDS AREA

[Votes Counted: 405]

SB OFFICE Advance	North Pender	South Pender	TOTAL
Stanley	0	83	28
Zacharias	9	241	44
Spoiled	1	0	1
Rejected	0	6	3
Totals:	10	330	76

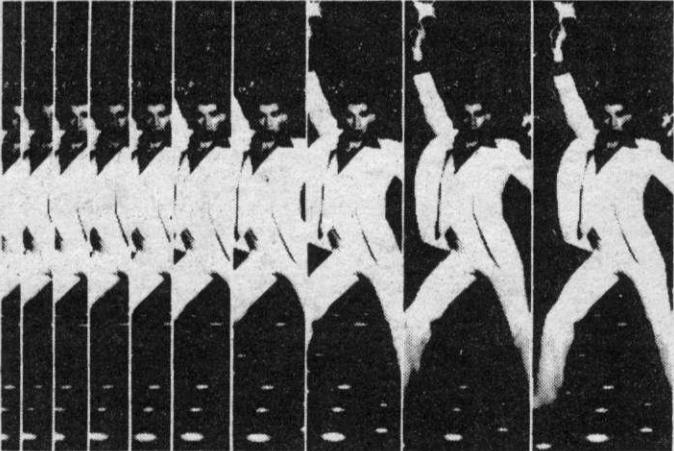
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**Richardson
 granted
 Doctorate**

David Joseph Allyn Richardson of Ganges has been granted a Doctor of Philosophy by the University of British Columbia. Richardson, one of more than 1,000 fall graduates at the university, completed his Bachelor of Arts at UBC and a Masters in Science at Toronto. The degrees go to students who completed their requirements at UBC's spring session, which runs from May through July, during summer session in July or August, or otherwise over the summer months.

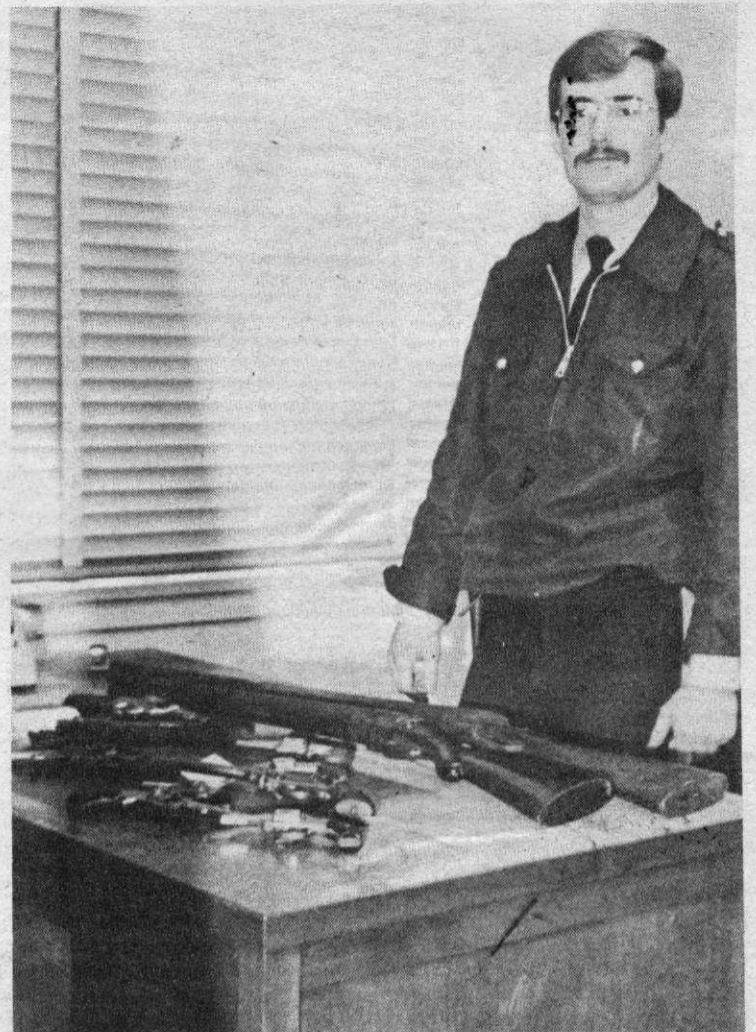
**Hikers heading
 for Olympic Park
 in spring**

Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club is planning a trip to Washington Olympic National Park for the end of May or beginning of June, 1979. One hike, seven miles return, will lead from Ozelle Lake along a forest trail to the beach at Cape Alava on the Pacific Ocean. This will include a visit to an archaeological dig in progress by Washington State University. Hurricane Ridge and early alpine flora will be on the agenda for the third day before returning from Port Angeles to Victoria. The extent of the walk will depend on snow and weather conditions at Hurricane Ridge, elevation 5,300 feet. Headquarters for two nights will be at the lodge at lovely Lake Crescent, within the park boundaries.

**Fisherman hit
 for angling
 without license**

David Matthew Joseph was charged November 17 with fishing without an angling license. Joseph was charged after catching two fish out of Stowell Lake.

RCMP officer is collector



CONST. D. SIMMONDS

**Residents take advantage
 of gun amnesty program**

Salt Spring Island residents are taking advantage of the national amnesty program for those in possession of restricted weapons, according to Ganges RCMP. CST. D. Simmonds reports that to date this month two shotguns and seven revolvers have been turned in to the Ganges detachment, and a further seven guns have been registered by their owners. The program, which lasts throughout November is designed to allow anyone owning an unregistered restricted weapon to either turn them in or register them without fear of having charges laid. The section in the Criminal Code dealing with possession of unregistered restricted weapons allows for a maximum penalty of five years in jail or a \$500 fine. Firearms falling into the restricted category include semi-automatic weapons with barrels less

than 18½ inches long, or pistols or other weapons designed to be fired by one hand. Sport rifles and shotguns do not have to be registered. The collection of guns building up at the RCMP detachment runs the gamut and includes a pair of pistols more than 100 years old. One was designed for use of powder ammunition.

Simmonds says that while some of the firearms will be destroyed, others will be retained for use in various historical and museum displays.

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TO BE FRANK . . .

by richards

Province of British Columbia is investing \$80,000 to intensify research into the development of a red seaweed farming industry in the province. It was Martin Woodford who established a seaweed industry at Sidney 20 years ago and who forecast at the time that seaweed would one day be a major concern on the coast here.

It's all in a name and when Victor Howard Clement was printed as Victor Herbert Clement the only thing that could be said in its favour was that nobody knew the difference, because everyone knows him as Mike Clement. And that was very obvious on Saturday!

An old editorial friend told me last year that if he had his time over again he would be a radio reporter. If you misspell a word it is misspelt for ever. Whereas if you mispronounce it, the pronunciation is forgotten in 15 seconds. On the other hand, I did hear repeated reference to a Sunday radio program to Pox Canada. And I know he meant Parks Canada, but it stays with me.

Another oddity on radio: in reference to a mooted development project. A small group of local residents are firmly opposed, but labour leaders are all in favour.

Tuppy Agar's my boy! He knows just where he's going. There he was, a week ago, buying candles as if he knew what was going to happen when. That's one shrewd cookie!

Talking of beating the weather: there was the Trading Company getting their new check-outs in just in time for the cold blast to come in off the water!

I like to sleep nights. It's a habit I picked up as a kid. I don't really like getting up and for years I've softened the blow by using a radio alarm. Instead of the strident bell jarring my sensitive ears, I am seduced into wakefulness by the sexy accents of a CBC chick. Good for Women's Lib! But I am now on my third clock radio. They don't only wake me in the morning, they keep me awake half the night! It's a signature tune: Grunk...grunk....grunk...grunk: clonkety, clonkety, clonkety, clonkety, CLONKETY, CLONKETY....then silence for another three minutes.

It was the CBC television news that informed me recently that it was believed....I didn't hear another word. I was worried. It was believed by whom? Not by me! But who was it doing all this believing that the announcer referred to? He didn't let us in on the secret.

Years ago, the magistrate would ask a man before deciding on a sentence whether he was married. Today the judge asks the same question in its current form.

Have you any dependants?

The post office has lost credibility. If music halls were still the norm, the post office would be the butt of every comedian's jokes. But it can't be wrong every time. Like the letter I got this week. Said I must reply before October 31. And the date stamp on the envelope was November 13! It's like fairies. We don't believe in ferries and we don't believe in post offices. Don't forget that every time you say that, another letter dies!

I didn't write this: it's by anonymous. Some rhymes are fine for filling space And others can a wall deface We all enjoy some wit, but really! Your "poetry" doesn't scan, John Healey!

And to prove it, the writer said so: Dear Frank: If your deductive light won't dawn, Just simply show it signed: Anon.

Tom Gossett was tied up the other day. And he wanted to come apart. He was busy hauling feeds and seeds and such when the tractor and trailer became as one. There was no divorce court in the land could separate them! The joint between tractor and trailer were solid. Tom crawled underneath and picked at it with a hammer. everyone around had a try, but no way was that coupling going to give way. He did the only thing he could do. He called Hugh Porter and directed him to burn the fifth wheel out of the tractor to separate them. Hugh didn't like the idea at all. Both would be useless afterwards, he pointed out. Some lugubrious heads nodded agreement. Had they tried to break the coupling apart? They were almost indignant. They had tried everything except burning. Hugh was not eager to get to it with the torch. He picked up a hammer and followed the trek to the truck. A sharp tap and the coupling fell apart. It all goes to prove that it's not a bit of good just having the tools. You've got to have the papers to go with them!

Pity the poor Frenchman! He said re-vay-yay and got up in the morning. The British forces called it re-vall-ay and got up under protest. The Yanks said re-er-ley and got out quick. And 50 million Frenchman can't be wrong!

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NOVEMBER 27 MEETING

Planning group to consider future

BY GAIL SECOR

The Salt Spring Community Planning Association will devote its Nov. 27 meeting to discussion of the nature of its future operation. Consideration will be given to the role the association will play in the Island planning process, to the kinds of goals it will set for itself, and to the way its monthly meetings will be organized. The association welcomes input from the public. The meeting will be Monday at 8 pm in the School Board office.

The Planning Association was formed a decade ago by islanders to provide strong local input into the planning process then being initiated by the Capital Regional Board. The association's fourteen member board has been elected annually since then at meetings open to any Salt Spring resident or landowner. Its constitutional policy has been to inform the community on planning issues, to obtain public opinion on planning matters and to act as a locally based communication channel between the community and planning authorities.

Working in conjunction with the CRD planners, the association prepared the Salt Spring Community Plan. It then sponsored a series of public meetings to gain approval of the plan. Since that time the association has devoted most of its monthly meetings to preparation of subdivision and zoning by-laws, a Ganges plan and Ganges sewer and to measures to protect water quality in the lakes. The association has contributed members to committees working on these questions and held public meetings in order to involve the community in these issues.

As the task of establishing a community plan and the by-laws to implement it nears completion the planning association finds its areas of concern are changing. Some believe the association should expand its educational role.

It has been suggested that a program committee be struck to plan the monthly public meetings to include lectures and films on planning subjects with the aim of encouraging greater public attendance. Subcommittees might then

do much of the business which now takes place at the meetings. Distribution of a planning newsletter has also been proposed.

Critics have charged that the association has outlived its usefulness and should dissolve itself. Others argue that the association should see itself primarily as a watchdog charged with responsibility for guarding implementation of the Community Plan. Still others feel the association should draw on local knowledge and planning expertise to initiate planning proposals.

The planning association is intended to be a channel for community interest in planning and needs public participation in directing its future. The association urges you to attend this meeting.

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Quiet exhaustion

The hustings are quiet and the heat of local political dispute is at a close. For another two years local trustees of the Islands Trust are in office and likely to remain there until the fall of 1980.

There are some lessons to be gained from a quiet election.

It is notable that almost every candidate for the Islands Trust in six islands was fervently in support of maintaining the present status of the islands. Almost every candidate in those elections supported the concept of the Agricultural Land Reserve and spoke in warm favour of the Land Commission as an agency for the preservation of farmland.

These features of the contest are significant for the fact that newly elected local trustees from these southern islands are firmly elected on this policy.

The incident would be of less significance if a smaller number of voters had attended the polls. But the turn-out was very high and the large number voting obviously felt they had a stake in the administration of their islands.

Last week the voters of Vancouver were invited to elect their new representatives for the next two years. Less than half of the eligible voters took part.

It would be difficult to challenge the assumption that the large attendance at Saturday's polls was indicative of the concern felt by islanders for the preservation of their home communities. It would be equally difficult to challenge the submission that these Gulf Islands are linked by a common desire to safeguard the rural amenities as yet so evident.

There are other sidelights to the campaign.

The islands are not enamoured of youth. Wherever a young candidate appeared, he was chopped. On Pender Island and on Salt Spring Island, the youngest candidates were rejected for the Gulf Islands School Board. Mr. A.G. Chipman, of Salt Spring Island and Mr. Bruce Stanley, on Pender are both young men. And both are out of the running. Similarly, the youngest candidate for the Salt Spring Island seat on the Capital Regional Board was Mr. Strickland Aust. He was the bottom name on the ballots.

In the Islands Trust campaign, the youngest candidate on Saturna was Mr. John Gaines, who is now a general trustee and a local trustee-elect. His election would indicate that not even islanders are inflexible!

There are other, lighter aspects of the campaign and of the voting.

Careful organization and preparation for the campaign did not necessarily bring a reward. Still more odd was the manner in which one ballot would bear a vote for each of two diametrically opposed candidates. It showed island voters are united in one concern.

They all want to stay as sweet as they are!

A pleasant contrast

It is rather pleasant to freeze slowly on the islands.

Parts of all the islands have been deprived of power during the windy week end. Some were cold for extended periods. And they shivered.

The mercury plummeted and the wind rose and the Arctic air howled over the hills and the water.

It was, as every islander will assert, a tough, tough week end of weather.

And what are the statistics? There was frost. The mercury fell to as much as five degrees of frost!

It was not the islands weather that shook us up. It was the perishing metric scale. The announcer reports that the temperature is two degrees above zero and the average islander is fearful of opening the back door. But zero has gone up.

Our grim week end was scarcely cold enough to damage the pumpkin!



Letters to the Editor

CROW SHOOT

Sir,

In reply to the article in the Driftwood, "Where are the Birds?" in which you ask for readers' opinions, we, in the Vesuvius Bay area, would welcome a crow shoot to cut down on the enormous flocks of crows.

They are pests! We have been unable to keep them out of our fruit trees. They attack fruit while it is still unripened, damaging any fruit they don't eat.

Only the bravest of small birds come back to our area of recent years because of these prolific crows. We have found several young birds with their heads chopped off by the crows.

Each year there are more and more of them. A crow shoot, in our opinion, would help the balance of nature.

Stan and Gwen Wakelyn,
Tom and Betty Sharland,
Ed and Ruth Gavin,
Mae and Bill Pike,
George and Anne Dunaway,
Ed and Barbara Maguire,
Dorothy and Wm. Irwin,
Doris and Philip Dockerill,
John and Margaret Thomson,
Sydney C. McNulty,
E. Harry Duke and
J.L. Clements,
Ganges,
November 13, 1978

NOW'S THE TIME!

Sir,

Now that the elections are over I feel like I would like to wish everyone who was voted in, the best of luck!

Perhaps the Island will be entering into a period of harmony and goodwill.

In commercial fishing, where there is a lot of rivalry, fishermen still manage to help one another and this is like a code which is greater than personal feelings.

In other words, you would help a fellow out even if you didn't like him. It's very heartening, really!

GEOFF HOWLAND
Ganges, BC
November 20, 1978

NOT FOR THE BIRDS!

Sir,

NO! Driftwood is not for the birds, but it seems as if they might be able to read it. Within a day or so of reading your item "Where are the birds?" last week, we noticed a very marked increase in the number of birds at our feeders - and a greater variety than we

have had for the last couple of months. We, too, had noticed how few birds were coming and had particularly missed the larger ones like the towhees, red-winged blackbirds, thrushes etc. Now as I look out the window there are at least six red-wing blackbirds jostling for a position, as well as a couple of towhees, one robin, several purple finches and many other smaller birds. We were getting quite worried about them, particularly about the blackbirds as some of them have been feeding here for years.

Incidentally we have heard the frogs 'rivetting' for some weeks - other years it seemed to be early in January before they made their presence known - could it be a sign of an early Spring?

GRACE A. WRIGHT
Lang Road
RR 1, Ganges
November 13, 1978

CONGRATULATIONS!

Sir,

I, on behalf of all my many supporters, wish to congratulate our new Regional Director "Mike Clement", we also wish him and his committee a very honest, sincere successful year!

We sincerely wish to work together, with you and your committee, in the hopes of seeing democracy in action.

Our doors are always open, just

like you mentioned to me yesterday, that your door is also open.

For the first time, I believe an election for this position, ran at such close proximity, and we believe it is good, and in working together, as groups, then we feel that the island will regain the strength and democratic input, it truly deserves in all decisions of any importance for all members of this community! who have made this election result possible, whether it be for any and all candidates!

Many thanks especially to those who supported me in this changing time on the island! I will continue with your help to voice and bring forth your views to our Regional Director, and I am certain that only good can come of it.

For those who have not yet filled out the questionnaire, sent to you through the mail, please fill them out, sign them and return them, so that your views, can be truly expressed. If you have not received one, please pick one up at my home, between 2 pm and 10 pm any day of the week, or phone 537-2394, and one will be forwarded to you!

Y. VALCOURT
Ganges,
November 19, 1978

PLEASE HELP THEM!

Sir,

I would be pleased if you could publish this for an old time subscriber.

To those who have cats or
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Church Services

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 1978

ANGLICAN			
St. George's	Ganges	Parish Eucharist	9.30 am
Beaumont Folk Mass			
St. Mary's	Fulford	Morning Prayer	11.15 am
Daily: Mon.-Fri.			
St. George's	Ganges	Morning Prayer	9.00 am
Weekly: Wednesdays			
St. George's	Ganges	Holy Communion	9.00 am
ROMAN CATHOLIC			
Our Lady of Grace	Ganges	Holy Mass	9.00 am
St. Paul's	Fulford	Holy Mass	11.15 am
UNITED			
Dr. V. McEachern	Ganges	Worship Service	10.30 am
537-5817	Box 330	Fellowship Hour	11.30 am
537-5812(church)	An Hour of	Sharing and Caring	6.30 pm
COMMUNITY GOSPEL			
Rev. S. Hildebrandt	Sunday Sch.	all ages	10.30 am
Box 61, Ganges	537-2622, -5757	Evening Service	7.00 pm
Bible Study & Prayer		Thursday	7.00 pm

Mon., Nov. 27th - Community Carol Choir Practice at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church on Drake Road.

MAYNE ISLAND

St. Mary Magdalene Sundays Rev. John Dyer 11.30 am
Community Church Community Church Pastor J. Rodine 539-5710
Sunday, 3 pm in the school
Bible Study Friday in the homes.

GALIANO ISLAND

St. Margaret's Galiano Sundays 9.00 am

Letters to the Editor

[From Page Four]

kittens: please be careful to whom you give them. Sometimes, people love kittens, and hate cats, and when kittens arrive at the mating age, they dump them anywhere around the countryside, or try to drown them in the lakes, rivers or sea.

Sometimes they are rescued and given good homes, but many times, they die tragic deaths from exposure, hunger and mutilation by cars, and from other animals.

Please remember that cats are not wild animals and they do not go underground in cold weather, like rats, rabbits and foxes or sleep in hollow trees like bears.

A few months ago, some tourists on a beach on Salt Spring Island heard some very loud shrieks, and found some small kittens, on the beach, apparently abandoned by their owners, being eaten alive by crows. Some of them were dead or had to be put to sleep, and three did, luckily, manage to get a good home.

When the cats' guardian angel on Salt Spring Island, goes out at all hours of the day and night, although she is very ill at times, she sometimes finds baby kittens dead on the ground from exposure or disease. Lately she saw a little one with it's little paws out in front of it, as if it were praying. It was dead from the cold! One dog was found dead, tied by a short chain to a tree in the woods, far from any home, so no one could hear him crying, as he died!

Please get your cats and dogs neutered and spayed. If you are on restricted incomes, there are several organizations, besides the S.P.C.A., which can help you with the expense. The following do it: The Pet Population Control, The Cats Protection League and the Greater Victoria Animal Crusaders.

[Mrs.] M.V. HAMILTON
56 Sims Avenue
Victoria, BC V8T 1JZ
November 17, 1978

NOBODY LOSES

Sir,
As a resident of Salt Spring Island, I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all those persons who offered themselves as candidates in the elections just over.

It was reassuring indeed to know that such a fine group of people cared enough to go to the trouble and expense to make sure that the important affairs of the Island would have competent and intelligent hands at the wheel.

On this occasion, I felt we were luckier than usual, for no matter who was elected, each or any

candidate had much to offer and the final outcome was sure to be to the benefit of the Island.

I would also like to say to those who were not elected, that I hope they will not be daunted by the outcome, and will again, when opportunity offers, make themselves available for the electors' choice. After all, in elections, there are no defeats or wins; some are elected and some are not, it's as simple as that.

BEVIS WALTERS
Box 484, Ganges
November 20, 1978

THEY WILL DO FINE JOB!

Sir,
I would like to thank my supporters and all those who voted for me.

Also thanks to the Driftwood for the all-candidates meeting, and the newspaper coverage.

Congratulations to Dr. Kreissl and Dr. Lott. I know they will do a fine job for the Island!

WM. E. HITCHCOCK
RR 2, Cranberry Rd.
Ganges
November 20, 1978

BLOOD

Sir,
There have been a number of inquiries concerning the date of the next blood clinic, which in the past has been held in late November or early December.

Information has just been received from the Canadian Red Cross Society that the next blood clinic, at the Legion Hall, Ganges, Salt Spring Island, will be held on Monday, January 22nd, 1979, to run continuously from 2 pm to 8 pm.

We would appreciate this information be made known to the community through the Driftwood.

We look forward to another record blood clinic.

Yours Truly
PETER BINGHAM
Chairman
Blood Clinic Committee
Branch No. 92,
Royal Canadian Legion
Ganges, Nov. 20, 1978

FEEL FREE!

Sir,
I take this opportunity to thank everyone who supported me in my bid for representative from Salt Spring on the Island's Trust.

I would also offer my congratulations to Dr. D. Lott with whom I look forward to working, and to all the candidates who presented themselves and expressed their views.

I would also congratulate all voters who exercised their franchise, for this alone can assure the maintenance of our form of responsible, representative government.

I would hope that every resident will feel free to express his views to me in order to aid me in carrying out my responsibilities.

L.J. KREISSL, JR.
R.R. 1, Margaret Drive
Ganges
November 19, 1978

Galiano Island

BY MARY ELLEN HARDING

With these cold and wintry days, we are most thankful to the crews of B.C. Hydro, who must surely work hard to keep our power on. It is not so pleasant to go out to fix the lines, but they do so, and our outages have been very few.

The sympathy of all her friends go out to Mrs. Betty Fairbank, whose father passed away last week, in California. She has flown to California.

We are also so sorry to hear that Mrs. Devina Baines is presently in hospital in Victoria. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

GALIANO LIONS

Galiano Lions were pleased to have Zone Chairman Ron Drayton, of Saanich, over on November 16 to their dinner meeting. President Roy Harding welcomed him, and asked him to induct a new member into this club. James Robertson is now the newest member of the Lions.

It was decided to give a substantial donation to the children's Christmas party, and other business was also attended to.

The dinner was cooked by Lionettes president, Mary Knudson, helped by Mary Harding.

FIREMENS BALL

The Firemen's Ball, held at the nicely-decorated Galiano Hall on Saturday, Nov. 18 was a great success.

A sellout crowd came to enjoy the dinner, prepared by the members of the Galiano Rod and Gun Club, headed by president Hank Knudson and his wife, and several of the members.

The crowd of 100 danced to the music of Peter Darling and friends. They all had a really nice time.

The Galiano Weavers and Spinners will have their pre-Christmas exhibition and sale at the Galiano Hall on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 25.

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Gala evening promised for Crafts Faire preview

BY MARY WILLIAMSON

Friday, December 1 will be the special preview and grand opening of this year's Christmas Crafts Faire. From 8 pm to 10 pm the Community Centre and Family Centre on Ganges Hill will be buzzing with multifarious activities.

But before you get there you should know that free transportation will be provided from the K & R parking lot. So don't try to park on the hill (the RCMP and other drivers don't like it!) or in any of the adjacent driveways. Drive to the K & R and take advantage of the shuttle service provided by Bill Hitchcock and his taxis and/or mini-bus. The admission cost at the door includes the cost of transportation.

Also included in that modest sum is the wine and cheese and whatever other delicacies are being served.

There will also be two short concerts provided by the Salt Spring Recorders and Strings (specifically Joan, Sheila and David Stacey, Maggie Schubart and Margaret Fisher) directed by Jean Knight.

At 8.20 pm the proposed program will include three pieces by 16th century composer Giles Farnaby: "Pawles Wharfe", "Tower Hill" and "Tell me, Daphne." Handel's Minuet from "Berenice and a Bourret from his Fireworks

Music, and two short pieces by John Dowland: "If my complaints" and "now, O now I needs must part."

At 9.20 pm another short concert will consist of a Sonata in D minor by James Paisible (this has five very short movements). A trio will play six short Elizabethan songs and dances of approximately one minute each and two pieces from Anthony Holborne's Suite - Galliard and Night Watch. The last piece will be played by the full quintet.

What a combination! A chance to hear first-rate local musicians, to buy first-class local crafts, to keep our Christmas shopping money on the island, and to meet friends over a glass of wine and/or a cup of coffee. And if you can't decide what to buy, come back on Saturday between 10 am and 5 pm.

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DEAR VOTERS OF SALT SPRING ISLAND

I should like to thank all of you who voted for me in the recent election and all who have called since then to wish me well.

I am greatly encouraged, indeed honoured, by the confidence that has been expressed.

And to you who did not vote for me, I should like to say that as Regional Director, I hope to earn your confidence too, by working for the betterment of the whole island.

Yours truly
V.H. [Mike] Clement
Regional Director Elect

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Annual Meeting & Elections

Monday - November 27, 1978

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| *Hoskin, E.D.E. | Thompson, I. |
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Members of the public are invited to attend, make nominations and vote. 46-1

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Supreme Court writ

Petition seeks recognition of Valcourt brief to Trust

Owners of Valcourt Business Centre, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Valcourt have served a writ on the Islands Trust.

The Supreme Court petition will be exercised if the Trust passes the new Salt Spring Island Community Plan, By-law 15.

Yvette Valcourt told Driftwood that the couple had presented a brief to the public hearing in Ganges, enquiring into the new Zoning By-law and Community Plan for Salt Spring Island.

"We asked the Salt Spring Island Trust Committee for equal rights and recognition of our situation," said Mrs. Valcourt.

It was to no avail, she added. "Our objections fell on deaf ears. We were pushed into a corner and we had no alternative but to retaliate."

They have some experience of

presenting briefs and having them lost, she said.

She recalled the early days of planning on Salt Spring Island, when she presented a number of briefs to a hearing.

THEY WERE LOST

"Looking back almost eight years," she recalled, "some of the people at the time of that first by-law wanted to be included in the zoning map as existent users. But the transportation system broke down somewhere and the briefs presented on Salt Spring Island never got to the planning department in Victoria."

"Those briefs were lost and those people were lost. And they are still left out in the cold, with no hope of ever being heard or receiving democratic justice!"

No briefs are being lost this time, noted the Ganges business-

No license

Karen L. Plessner, of Pender Island, was fined \$35, the indicated penalty, for driving without a license.

Incident occurred on Pender Island on September 2.

woman.

"The writs will see to that!"

Whether the writs are to be exercised rests with the Trust. Both Phil and Yvette Valcourt were firm on that. If the Valcourt brief is acted upon, the writs will be allowed to lapse.

The new zoning by-law and Community Plan have dictated their policy, said the two property owners.

SECOND HIGHEST

The Capital Regional Board has ruled that the Valcourt Centre must pay the second highest contribution to the sewer project, explained Yvette Valcourt.

At the same time, the Islands Trust isolates the property from the Commercial development permit area.

"We say they can no longer dictate such undemocratic policies!"

Mrs. Valcourt drew an extension of the pattern she protests.

"If the Islands Trust is successful in creating such injustices in our community, then Heaven help the other little man, with hopes and dreams of his own!"

The small entrepreneur who wants to establish himself as a competitive enterprise is the source of better service and better prices, insisted Yvette. That's

where it all starts, she said.

"We say that no monopoly should exist. And we make no excuses for our democratic position."

Golden-agers bowling team



Four bowlers seen in this picture are the five who went to the provincial finals of the Golden Ager tournament. Taking part were Ed Allen, Walter Brigden, Olive Tre-

gear, Lucy Moore and Cyril Beach. Peggy Bean was not at the Leisure Lanes on Sunday when the picture was taken.

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Commercial construction up

Construction of family residences on Salt Spring Island was down in October compared to the same month last year, reflecting an overall decline in home building activity on the island to date this year.

Applications for two single family dwellings on Salt Spring were received during the month just passed, while permits for similar construction last October tallied up to five.

By the end of October of this year building permits issued on Salt Spring for the year to date had a total value of \$5,007,789, up from last year's total of \$3,443,506.

Although home construction has decreased this year to 50 from 82 applications for permits to erect commercial-industrial facilities have shot from one last year to 10

this year.

Housing construction on the Outer Islands has also dropped this year. On Pender Island 33 permits have been issued, compared to 40 for the year to date in 1977. Galiano shows a drop to 15 from 23 for the same time period, while permits to construct single family dwellings on Mayne have dropped from 30 to 28. Only three new single family dwellings have been built to date on Saturna this year as opposed to five for the same time frame in 1977.

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Mouat's Mall

He hears the message on ferries

Don Lockstead echoes Driftwood in criticism

When Driftwood expressed regret that BC Ferry Corporation would incite popular resentment towards the people of the islands, no response was forthcoming. Ferry signs have been erected, at great cost to the patrons, advising travellers that the ferries depend on taxpayers' contributions.

One other voice has echoed Driftwood. It was not that of the Government, but of the Opposition. Here are the views of NDP MLA, Don Lockstead, of Mackenzie.

Yet another sign has been put up on the ferries. It reads: "The cost of your journey is subsidized by the taxpayers of British Columbia. In 1978 the amount of the subsidy will be \$46.6 million."

The message, which greets those who wait in the line-up to the cafeteria, is insult added to the injury done to the people of the coast and Vancouver Island in the three years Social Credit has badly managed the ferry system.

It was, after all, this government that doubled the ferry rates in one step in July, 1976, thereby substantially raising our cost of living and crippling our tourist

industry. It was this government that reduced ferry service. It was this government that sold three of the ferries to eastern financial interests after they had already been bought and paid for by the taxpayers of British Columbia who are now having to lease them back again.

Now this same government tops off that deplorable record with a little sign which in effect tells the people of the coast and Vancouver Island they are some sort of welfare bums riding on the back of "the taxpayers".

TAXPAYERS, TOO

Well, it may surprise the Socreds to learn that the people of the coast and the island are taxpayers too. These taxpayers are well aware of the fact that the ferry system does not make a profit --

just as hospitals, schools and highways don't make profits.

Can we now expect to see signs on the highways to the Cariboo telling the residents of that good Socred riding that the cost of their journey is subsidized by the taxpayers of British Columbia? Because it is, just as much as any ferry route.

And while we are putting up signs, perhaps there should be one on the door of Premier Bennett's office, reading: "The cost of this office is subsidized by the taxpayers of British Columbia. In 1978 the amount of the subsidy will be \$754,000."

AN INSULT

But if the new signs that have gone up on the ferries are an insult to the people who use them, they are also a sad admission that the

Socred government simply does not understand that the ferry system is an essential part of the transportation network of this province -- many parts of which are separated from each other by water. Consequently they cannot see running ferries as an essential part of government service.

Instead they think they are running some kind of cut-rate cruise ships sailing between Aca-pulco and Pango Pango and that the layabouts who are the passengers should be reminded that they are getting away with something they don't deserve.

Well, if that's the impression the Socreds are trying to leave, it just isn't working. As a fellow passenger in the cafeteria line-up observed: "If that's supposed to make me feel guilty, I don't".

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Louisa and Bert Hilckman of Camp YaWaCa have announced that despite their departure from the camp at the end of this month, they will host one more time the Christmas dinner for senior citizens and handicapped islanders that has proven to be such a success over the past two years.

The YWCA owner of YaWaCa, has made the hall available for Sunday, December 10 and the dinner has been set for 2 pm on that date.

Co-ordinating the affair will be Marg Simons of the Salt Spring Island Community Centre.

As was the case in previous years, the aim will be to make the occasion a true community celebration both for the guests and for the many people who will be helping out. Hopefully it will again be a non-partisan people-experience, full of good Christmas feelings. Louisa and her friends have promised to outdo themselves in the kitchen and she welcomes all possible assistance.

To find out how you can help contact Marg Simons at the Community Centre or, until November 30 only, Louisa Hilckman at YaWaCa Outdoor Centre.

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Library association to seek expansion funds

The Salt Spring Island Library Association has decided to launch a public appeal in an effort to raise funds for expansion of its operations in Ganges.

At a meeting Friday afternoon the group looked at a variety of alternatives open to it in light of the new financing formula for libraries worked out by the provincial government.

Association members were told that under the new financing scheme Salt Spring would receive increasing amounts of money from the government each year, but all of the funds must be used for the purchase of books.

Don Kirkland told the meeting that during 1977 the association purchased books with a total value of \$1,904. This year, he pointed out, the library is eligible for grants totalling \$5,410 and by 1979 the government grant is expected to increase to \$8,820.

UNTIL 1980

"We have until early 1980 to get our house in order," Kirkland told the meeting. "Right now our library is 1,000 square feet, and if we're to qualify for the government grants by 1980 our facility has to

have 2,800 square feet."

Kirkland explained that the size of a library and its eligibility for government financial assistance is based on census figures.

In addition, Kirkland told the meeting, increased size means increased operating hours of the facility.

"There would be nothing forcing us to have paid library help," he said. "but I think we have to face the fact that with the increases the day is going to come when we would probably have to have a full-time librarian."

ALTERNATIVES

Library board member Ron McQuiggan told the meeting that the association is faced with several alternatives to deal with the new financing formula. McQuiggan told the association members that as of November 15 the board had entered into a firm contract with Spencer Marr to purchase his property adjoining the land where the library now stands.

"We thought that looked pretty good, but we thought we needed time to think about it," McQuiggan told the meeting. "We were very concerned about the financial as-

These golfers are the prize-winners...



Golf winners from left to right, back row are Marg Frattinger, Jean Cunningham, Kas Black, Bev Menzies, Miriam Jeffery, and Anne Sober.

Front row sitting: Connie Hardy and Irene Hawksworth.

pect of the whole thing."

McQuiggan pointed out, however, that Marr intends to inhabit the house on the property until next spring, thus giving the association "six or seven months to decide what we're going to do next."

MARKETABLE

McQuiggan pointed out that because the Marr property is zoned commercial it would be marketable for at least its purchase price should the library association be unable to work out financing for additions to its present building.

"There are several alternatives to choose from when it comes to the house on the property," McQuiggan pointed out.

He suggested that the house could be moved next to the library building and used as an addition to the facility.

"Or we could pick up both buildings and move them to the back of the property and build on to the front," he said. "And finally, we could look at selling both buildings and erecting entirely new premises. It would all depend on the amount of cash we've got to play with."

CONSIDER THEM ALL

McQuiggan suggested that the library association could consider a number of routes in order to obtain the money required for building additions.

"The Capital Regional District is quite willing to support a referendum if we supply them with an architect's estimate of what we want to do," McQuiggan pointed out. "But the other approach has a lot of appeal for us. That's going the donation route -- taking whatever money is donated and doing the best job we can to add to the library. That way, we would maintain control of the entire operation ourselves."

Those attending the meeting expressed clearly that they felt the local appeal for monies would be the best route to go.

A taste of carborundum

To lead a lazy life, I find,
Is fun if you're that way inclined,
But idleness can be a bind,
To those who have a nose to grind.

-JOHN HEALEY

Golfers gather on Saturday for annual awards dinner

On Saturday evening while many were busy voting, Salt Spring Island golfers had completed their civic responsibilities and were busy taking part in their awards night.

The year's trophy winners were presented with the evidence of their prowess on the golf course.

Under the direction of Jack Fraser and Irene Hawksworth, the trophies were allocated to the golfers while others applauded.

Following were the winners:

LADIES

Connie Hardy, Wilson Cup, club championship; Irene Hawksworth, Rose Bowl; Jean Cunningham, Bank of Montreal Cup; Bev Menzies, Brooks Cup; Marg Frattinger, Marg Johnston Cup; Anne Sober, Marg Frattinger Cup; Miriam Jeffrey, Eager Beaver Cup; Kas Black, Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce Cup.

MEN'S

Mac Mouat, Crofton Cup, club championship, Mouat Cup, Morris Cup; Bob Atkins, Tom Butt Trophy; Tom Butt, Parsons Cup; Chuck Woolley, Dods Trophy; Marvin Russell, Jensen Cup; Jack Fraser, Schwenger Cup.

Dinner was prepared by the ladies. A small Klondyke night followed dinner.

Police have suspect

Tony Capadouca of Richmond has reported the theft of an undetermined number of crab traps from Ganges Harbour.

Capadouca, who has been fishing in this area for the past three weeks, reported the loss of his traps, valued at \$60 each, on November 15.

Ganges RCMP say they have a suspect from out of this area who is to be interviewed.

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Golf winners from left to right; Marvin Russell, Chuck Woolley, Jack Fraser, Tom

Butt, Bobby Atkins, and front row, Mac Mouat.

Various island roads

Paving contract let for two islands at cost of \$177,419

Nanaimo firm has been awarded the contract to pave a number of miscellaneous roads on Salt Spring Island and North Pender Island.

Hub City Paving was the lowest of four bidders in the amount of \$177,419 to pave 6.77 kilometres of road.

The project will employ 15 workers.

If the weather holds out the project will be completed in two to three weeks.

Materials will be shipped to the islands by scow.

Total cost of the project will be \$200,000. This figure includes engineering, supervision, materials and labour.

On Salt Spring Island the project covers parts of North Beach Road, Rainbow Road, Mansell Road, Reynolds Road, St. Mary Highlands, Fort St., Blaine Road, Booth Canal Road and Cudmore

Road.

The contract covers 1.2 kilometres on North Pender Island. Included will be Privateer Road, parts of Canal Road and Aldridge Road intersection.

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Who to blame for Canada's position?

BY T.C. DOUGLAS, M.P.

In apportioning blame as to who is responsible for our present national disunity it is not fair to put all the responsibility on one side. But there is no doubt, in my mind, that the Trudeau government must accept a major share of the blame for the present disarray in our federal-provincial relations. Let us take a look at the record of the last ten years.

In the election of 1968 Bob Stanfield and I, on behalf of our respective parties, advocated some type of particular status for Quebec which would have recognized that 80 per cent of its people are French-speaking and it has a different legal system from the rest of Canada. We argued that some changes regarding language, communications and immigration could be worked out which would have given Quebec the opportunity to preserve its culture and identity while remaining within Canadian

Confederation.

I believe that had such a policy been adopted ten years ago the Parti Quebecois might never have come to power. Instead of pursuing this course Mr. Trudeau poured scorn on such a proposition, assuring English-speaking Canadians that "Quebec was just a province like all the others" and would be treated accordingly. That went over big in English Canada because here was a French Canadian who was prepared to put Quebec in its place. I believe a

golden opportunity was missed in 1968 and it is significant that Claude Ryan, the Liberal leader in Quebec, is now advocating a particular status for Quebec, an idea which his federal leader rejected ten years ago. It may not be too late to work out such a formula, but if we have passed the point of no return, the blame lies squarely at the door of the Trudeau government.

INFRINGING PROVINCIAL RIGHTS

The fires of national disunity were further fueled when Ottawa unilaterally declared that royalties paid to a provincial government were no longer deductible as an expense for corporate income tax purposes.

The provinces, who are responsible for the development of natural resources and must spend large sums of money to make development possible, have always depended on royalty payments as a major source of their revenue. Suddenly, without any consultation whatsoever, the provinces were told that resource developers would not be allowed to treat these payments as expenses. However, if these same developers are paying royalties to the C.P.R. or some private entrepreneur such a deduction will be permitted.

Is it any wonder that the provinces considered this to be a declaration of war by a federal government determined to put the provinces in the position of being mendicants dependent upon Ottawa's grudging generosity.

PRO-RATIONING POTASH

Another action which alarmed and provoked the provinces has to do with Saskatchewan potash. In 1969 Premier Thatcher, heading a Liberal government, decided to pro-ration potash production to protect the producers at a time when world supplies exceeded demand. Every marketing board in the country is familiar with such a process known as "orderly marketing". The potash producers agreed with one exception, and the Federal government gave its blessing to the proposal.

When the NDP came to office in 1971 they continued this practice until 1974 when world conditions made pro-rationing unnecessary. In the meantime one company, Central Canada Potash, commenced court action against the Saskatchewan government and, after losing before the Saskatchewan Court of Appeal, took the matter to the Supreme Court of Canada.

At this point the Trudeau government, in the person of Otto Lang, Minister of Justice, entered the case on the side of the potash company, which prompted five provincial governments to line up with Saskatchewan. Without arguing the merits of the Supreme Court decision, which denied the right of a province to pro-ration a

natural resource, one cannot but question the judgment of the federal government in opposing the provinces on a matter which they themselves had earlier approved.

Even more serious is the fact that a precedent has been set which could call in question the right of the western provinces to conserve their dwindling gas supplies or deny the Ontario and Quebec power utilities the authority to regulate the production and export of electricity.

OIL PROFITS

Some of the provincial governments are concerned about the Supreme Court decision regarding Saskatchewan oil income tax legislation. In the past five years oil prices have risen from \$3 per barrel to over \$12. Saskatchewan took the position that the multi-national oil companies should not be allowed to seize all of this unearned windfall and so they imposed an oil income tax to ensure that some of these revenues went to benefit the public to whom the resources properly belonged.

Again, the province was upheld in the Saskatchewan Court of Appeal but lost out before the Supreme Court of Canada. This decision has caused alarm among the provincial authorities. If potash and oil are to be treated differently from other resources, what is the rationale for such action?

The provinces see this as the first step in an attempt by Ottawa to deny them the right to manage their own resources and to restrict their authority to derive revenues from those resources for the benefit of their people.

CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION

These fears have been compounded by the legislation introduced by the Prime Minister proposing to amend Canada's constitution with respect to the role of Her Majesty the Queen, a completely revised Senate and a new method of selecting the Supreme Court. All of these are items which directly affect the provinces, but Mr. Trudeau has made it clear that he is prepared to push this legislation through Parliament with or without the concurrence of the provincial governments.

Most serious of all is that Phase II of the constitutional amendments has not been discussed either by the Premiers or by Parliament. The Prime Minister has said that Phase II will outline the division of powers between the Federal and Provincial governments. The provinces take the position that we ought to have all the proposed changes before us

prior to being asked to pass any part of the constitutional package into law.

On this point I agree with the provincial Premiers. No one can intelligently make a judgment on part of a new constitution until all of it is available for consideration. This is particularly true when we are dealing with the areas of jurisdiction between the two levels of government.

NEED STRONG FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

My criticism of the manner in which the Trudeau government has mis-handled federal-provincial relations does not arise from any provincial rights sentiment on my part. I have always believed that the federal government must have all the fiscal, monetary and industrial powers necessary for Canada to act as a nation and not as a collection of semi-autonomous states.

I disagree, for instance, with those provinces who argue against entrenching a Bill of Rights in the new constitution. Such things as freedom of speech, assembly and religion as well as guarantees of freedom from arrest without charge and imprisonment without trial are too fundamental to all Canadians to be left to the whims of changing governments.

I think the provinces are right in asking that the principle of equalization of revenues be entrenched; but surely the rights of each citizen to be treated equally and fairly before the law is just as important, if not more so.

We need a strong federal government but not one that throws its weight around and seeks to invade areas of jurisdiction which have been recognized for over a century as belonging to the provinces. The ten Premiers have shown commendable flexibility and I have no doubt that a consensus can be reached providing Trudeau and Lalonde will drop their abrasive and petulant tactics. It is time for them to recall the old saying, "You can catch more flies with honey than you can with vinegar".

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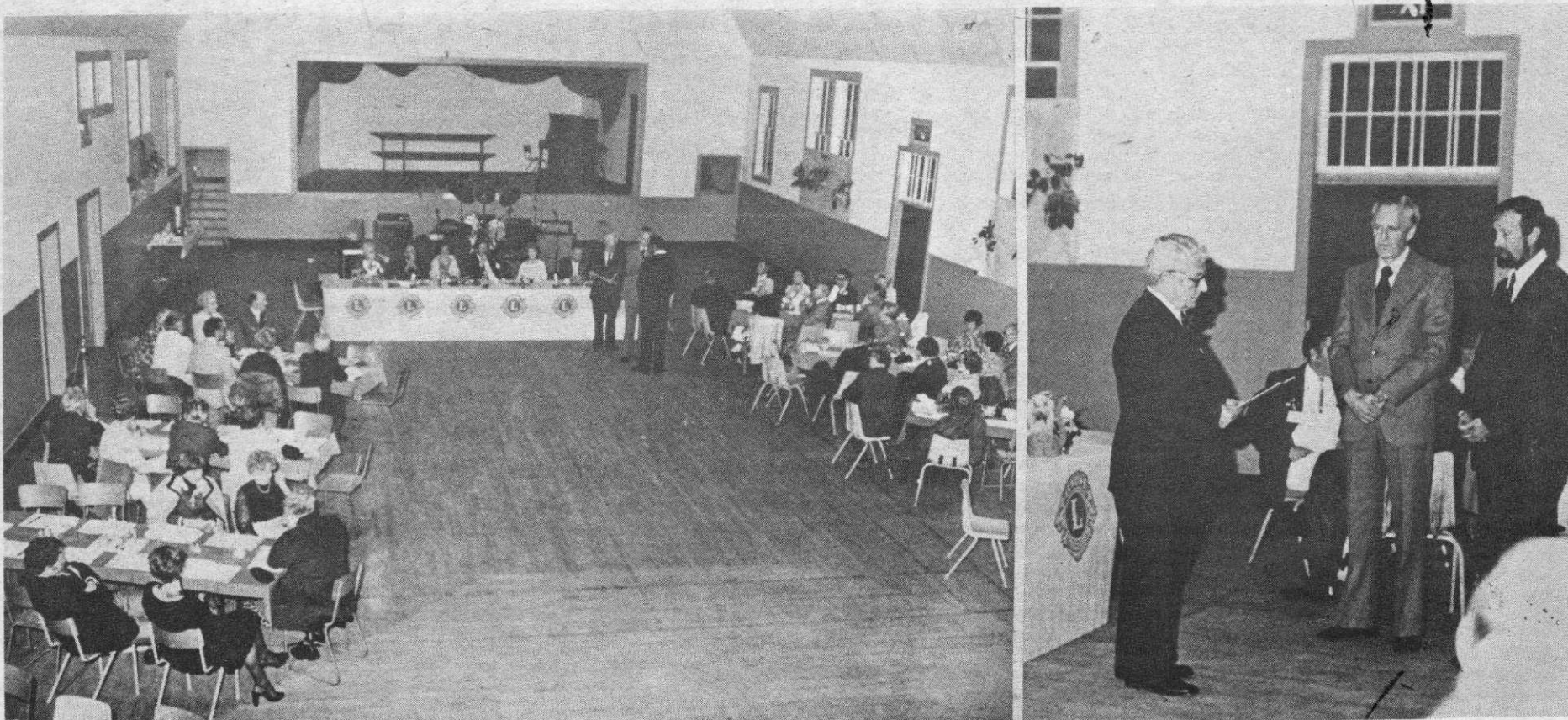
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Past president Gil Humphreys officiated with the support of

another past-president, Ian Brown. New member was Bob Nicholls, of Ganges.

Picture on the right shows the three men engaged in the formalities. The main picture shows the same three men with the gathering of Lions as seen from the balcony of the Fulford Hall.

The president of the club, Ron McQuiggan was seated at the head table, watching and taking no part in the ceremony.

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FERNWOOD Elementary School News

VOLLEYBALL

The new house games consist of volleyball. Since there are so many grade six and seven girls that want to play volleyball, Mr. Marsh and Mr. Prendergast decided to have two teams. One grade six team which is coached by Mr. Prendergast and a grade seven team which is coached by Mr. Marsh.

The house standings are the Broncos tied with the Colts, at 110, Mustangs 105, Stallions 103. On December 2 the Fernwood girls are going to a volleyball tournament. The tournament is in the Salt Spring Elementary gym.

- Lynn Spittle

PROFESSIONAL DAY

Friday, November 24 students in Fernwood Elementary have no school. The teachers are having an in-service program "Professional Day".

The students are all waiting for this day to play with their friends, watch television and go off-island.

Report cards are coming up in the middle of December.

- Peter Collins

MUSIC

Our new music teacher's name is Mrs. Newman; she is teaching at both schools, and she is doing very well.

She is teaching from kindergar-

ten and up, including grades six and seven. We're singing Silent Night in German. Brenda Bromly and Karen Saunders especially like that.

The piano we have isn't in very good condition, but with Mrs. Newman's voice you can't tell because her voice is so perfect. I hope we'll be as good as she says for the Christmas concert.

- Kirsten Christianson

CHESS TOURNAMENT

Last week Salt Spring and Fernwood schools started a chess tournament. From Mr. Prendergast's grade six class are Ken MacPherson and David Lacey, the winner being Ken.

Brenda Shepherd and Xandra van Hamersveld played. Xandra won that one. Lynn Spittle and Mike Cue played; the victor was Mike. The next game was played by Kirsten Christianson and Linda Quesnel. Linda won.

Next came Laurie Simard and Sarah Stelter. Laurie beat Sarah. Wendy Ronne and Barbara Broughton played after that. Wendy won, but it was a long game. Peter Collins and Darren Garner played and Darren won.

There is only supposed to be a class winner so we aren't done yet.

Ken and Xandra played and Ken finally had her check-mated

Prophetess of good living

Phyllis Coleman is the Salt Spring Island prophetess of good diet and proper exercise. As a Yoga teacher of long standing, she was guest on the CHEK TV show, Barton and Company on Wednesday.

The Island yoga exponent talked with Barton about her "Bright Farm and Healing Centre". She described her principles of relaxation and health.

after a long game. Mike Cue and Linda Quesnel played and Linda won. Laurie Simard and Wendy Ronne had their play-off and Wendy won. Darren went to the finals automatically because there was an odd amount of players.

Ken MacPherson and Linda Quesnel will have a game and Wendy and Darren will play. The winner of those games will play each other and the winner of that match is our class winner.

That winner will play other classes from Fernwood and the Fernwood winner will play Salt Spring's winner. The winner of that match will play several schools on Vancouver Island.

This chess tournament is sponsored by CFAX.

- Xandra van Hamersveld

A NEW HOUSE GAME

Fernwood and Salt Spring are both taking part in a set of volleyball matches at lunch hour. We can't wait to get to our new school; the ceiling will be a bit higher for playing.

On December 2 there will be a volleyball tournament here at Salt Spring Elementary. In house games we use beach balls, but in the games we use volleyballs. Everyone enjoys this sport. It's really teamwork and getting the ball over an eight foot high net.

- Barbara Broughton

STUDENT COUNCIL

A student council for Fernwood has been formed. Students from grades 4, 5, 6 and 7 have been chosen by their classmates. They were elected to help make rules, et cetera for Fernwood Elementary. Four students from each class were elected. The first meeting was spent deciding on houses and house games for the new school. It was decided that there will be two houses, grade 3 included. A naming contest will be held to name these two houses.

Boys and girls will play separately, as usual. The house system will begin with the move into Fernwood.

At present, Fernwood is acting as a fourth house called Broncos. Our house games will not be played in season but randomly.

The student council seems to be a good idea.

- Sarah Stelter

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"The Wedding": excellent, hilarious, first-class entertainment!
"EQUUS": Sick; if you like seeing the eyes cut out of six living horses in a row you might enjoy it.

BOOK REVIEW

"The Thornbirds" by McCullough; a very thick book. The first one-third is a very interesting review of life in early Australia.

To sell the book the author inserts a romance with no less than a Cardinal.

The author makes the mistake of tracing the lives of the hero and heroine then their children's lives and then to add insult to injury, the lives of the grandchildren.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR WOMEN

At Salt Spring I met two Victoria and Sidney based seagoing women. They worked several months on and several months off as deckhands on a Canadian weather ship.

The Soviet and English ships have married couples on ocean-going cruises. The U.S. Navy has just now allowed their WAVES to report for sea duty. By 1984, the American Navy expects to have 5,000 women on ocean going ships, 9% of all Navy women.

Coffeeing with a friend, he told me that he had his two junior high children in private school.

He said, "I don't like the atmosphere of the public school

with rubble on the grounds, loungers at the entrances, with cigarettes hanging out of their mouths, coarse language, overt necking in the halls....."

In contrast, in the private schools, the children go to work at 8.30 and work until 4.30 and then they do another two hours at night. The energies are used up in addition in compulsory sports with all of them on teams.

The teachers respect the pupils and the pupils respect the teachers.

I said, "Well, that's the kind of school I went to, but it was a public school."

Along came the 1940's and the religion of the large school unit swept the land. The children were bussed in from a large area to a central unit, where they were given extras and frills that were considered to be good for them such as shop work, chemistry laboratories, sports equipment and radio and television aids.

It hasn't worked and it costs more money.

I said to him, "Well, what are you going to do? The big plants are there. The buildings will last for years." "Burn them down," he said.

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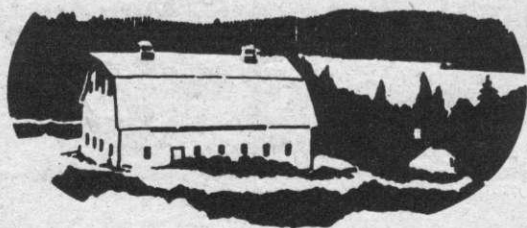
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POSTSCRIPT

Voting patterns more interesting than results

BY SHIRLEY CULPIN

There weren't very many surprises out of Saturday's elections on Salt Spring, but there were a few interesting deviations in voting patterns that have raised the eyebrows of some.

The most intriguing, of course, has to be the surprisingly strong finish of Yvette Valcourt in the run for the Salt Spring seat on the Capital Regional District board.

The vociferous businesswoman trailed winner Mike Clement by a mere 67 votes, and thoroughly whopped third place finisher Strick Aust by 364 ballots.

David Lott proved that there's substance in the idea of running as a team, as he edged out Charles Sutcliffe by 21 votes.

Lott teamed up with Quentin Wilson for the campaign. The pair dominated the polls at Fulford with 109 and 108 ballots respectively in their favour. They were well ahead of all other contenders at that polling place.

While Wilson lost votes at other polls, however, Lott continued to gain, and ended up second from the top of the poll behind Bud Kreissl by only 14 votes.

Charles Baltzer returned to the political arena with an impressive mandate of 835 votes. He topped the polls for the school board, with incumbent Ivan Mouat winning the second seat open with a tally of 768 votes.

Although Mary Williamson trailed Mouat's total by 181 votes

to finish in third place, she was encouraged by her placement. The spunky writer will no doubt be back to contest the run for the board next year. Not an unhappy prospect.

Chip Chipman took an unenviable thumping at the polls, indicating that people are more interested in track records and alternative classes than they are in communication problems among the educational hierarchy.

All-in-all, it was a lively election offering a wide range of candidates. Let's hope they continue on that route.

Bill Hitchcock, who was one of the five contenders for the two Salt Spring seats open on the Islands Trust, was seen on board the afternoon ferry out of Long Harbour Saturday. The fact that he wasn't even sticking close to home on election day would indicate that he either figured his goose was cooked, or that he was a shoo-in for one of the seats.

No sweating it out at home for this fella. Which was just as well: he ended up at the bottom of the polls anyhow. After all, why waste an entire Saturday worrying about it all?

A political pundit of the first order obviously I am not. But I figure my predictions in this space last week, which proved 60 per cent accurate (when it came to the winners, anyhow....) weren't all

Mayne School new teachers

BY ELSIE BROWN

Activities at Mayne School have been varied and interesting since the beginning of the fall term.

We would like to extend a belated welcome to Tony Rogers, new principal at Mayne school. Mr. Rogers left a teaching position in Vancouver to come here. He has also taught at the Armed Services school at Baden-Baden, Germany for several years.

New teachers include Mrs. Louise Soreng, formerly of Lac la Hache, Bill Gallaher from the mainland and Ian Cocker of Mayne Island. Others on the school staff are Pat James, Pam Edge, Cathy Takagaki and Ken Hardy.

A general meeting of the Mayne School Association was held on October 10 and plans were made to hold a school community supper. The committee decided on using an Italian theme and Friday, Nov. 24 has been chosen for the date. A decision to undertake fund-raising projects was made and ideas were discussed.

FIELD TRIPS

In September, Grades 3-7 went on a field trip to the mainland. It included a visit to the Lynn Valley Ecology Centre and the Salmon Spawning Run on the Capilano River. The teachers feel there is considerable educational value gained from these trips.

On October 19 Elementary School students travelled to Pender Island to see a play "There and

that bad. They were certainly better than those made by my colleagues in other media outlets throughout the province.

Back again", performed by the Bastion Theatre Group.

Grades 6-7 plan to attend the King Tutankhamen Exhibition in Seattle some time this month.

SPORTS

The Elementary Soccer Team has been playing against teams on Galiano, Saturna and Salt Spring Island. They won the Sportsmanship Award at Ganges recently. Congratulations to them on this achievement!

Secondary students played against Pender Island students on Mayne October 26.

STUDENTS COUNCIL

President is Angela Byrnes (Grade 9). The members organized a Soup Day last month which was very successful and they hope to make it a regular feature. They also

hope to arrange a noon-hour film programme.

ACTIVITY NIGHT

Friday evenings are devoted to a variety of games organized by the parents. Students up to Grade 5 attend at 7 pm to 8.30 pm. Grade 6 and up are there from 8.30 pm to 10 pm.

Health and Nutrition Education is being planned on the suggestion of Resident Nurse, Linda McKewan. Representative parent committee will be responsible for the organization of this programme.

Regular assemblies give an opportunity to each class to contribute items for the programme.

Publication of a school booklet outlining the school's philosophy was published in September. It is hoped to make it a monthly project.

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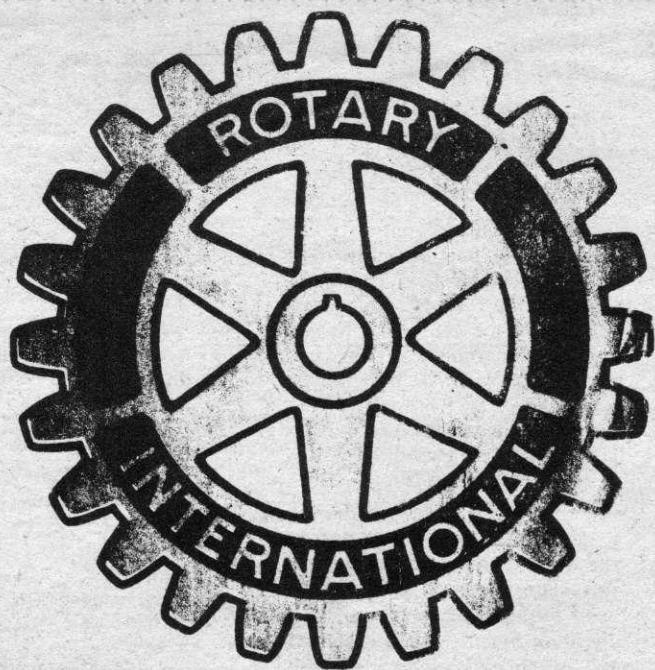
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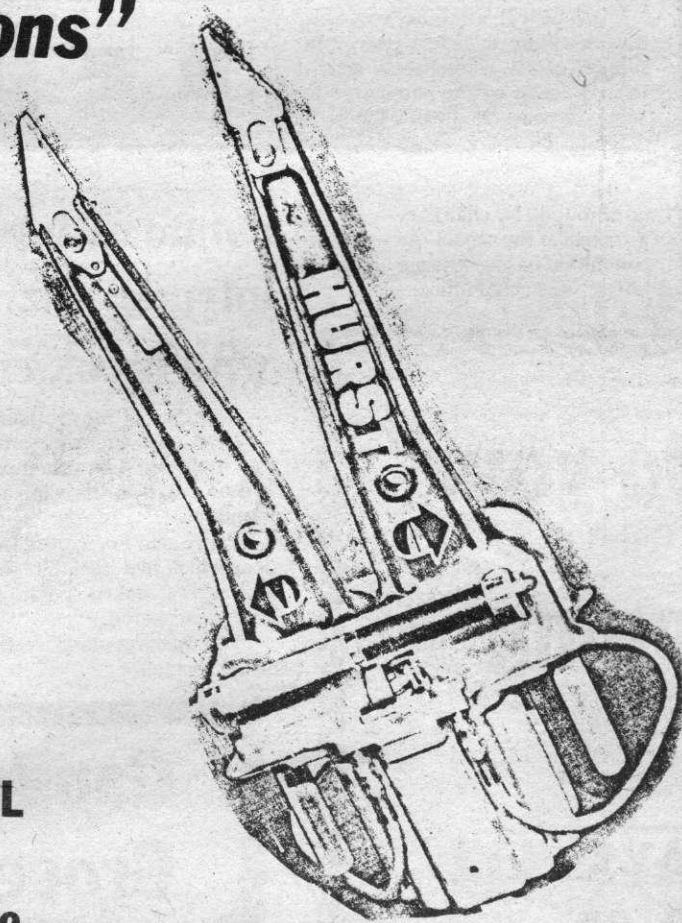
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School advisory group study variety of areas

At the initial suggestion of principal Tom Watson, the Salt Spring Elementary School Advisory Committee has been created. The committee is composed of eight parents, one teacher elected by the school staff and the principal or vice-principal, and will likely eventually include two student representatives as well.

The purpose of this committee is to promote the free exchange of ideas between the school and the community relating to school pro-

grams and policies. The School Advisory Committee will examine the educational philosophy, policies, programs and facilities of both provincial and local authorities and have the opportunity to suggest alternatives.

The committee members include chairman Dr. Ralph Miller, Paul Minvielle as secretary, Karen Archer as teacher representative, Tom Watson and/or Glenn Woodley, Kathy Hall, Barbara Smith, Ariadne Sawyer, Jezrah Hearne, Gill Cobanli and Hilary Cronin.

The committee has met several times and has completed a draft charter which will be presented for approval at an open general meeting at 3.30 pm Monday, November 27 in the elementary school library. All interested parents, staff and others are encouraged to attend.

In addition to establishing the terms of reference and ground rules for the committee's work, the meeting will be devoted to further

Changed plea cops penalty of \$350 fine

James D. Hull, of Ganges, changed his plea to guilty when he appeared in Ganges Provincial Court on Wednesday, last week, before Judge D.K. McAdam.

He told the court that he had been advised to make a guilty plea to driving with a breathalyzer reading over .08.

Offence occurred on July 26. He had previously pleaded not guilty. Hull was fined \$350.

exploration of areas of concern and the establishment of initial priorities. Issues which have already been brought to the committee's attention include traffic safety in and around the school grounds, family-life education, enrichment programs for the bright child, adequate assistance for the physically or emotionally handicapped and the learning disabled child and school-related individual and family counselling. The committee will also look at communication with and information about the school board; curriculum essentials; family grouping (alternative classes) facilities, outside playground facilities, funding and approval of special educational or recreational events, and increased professional development and consulting time for teachers.

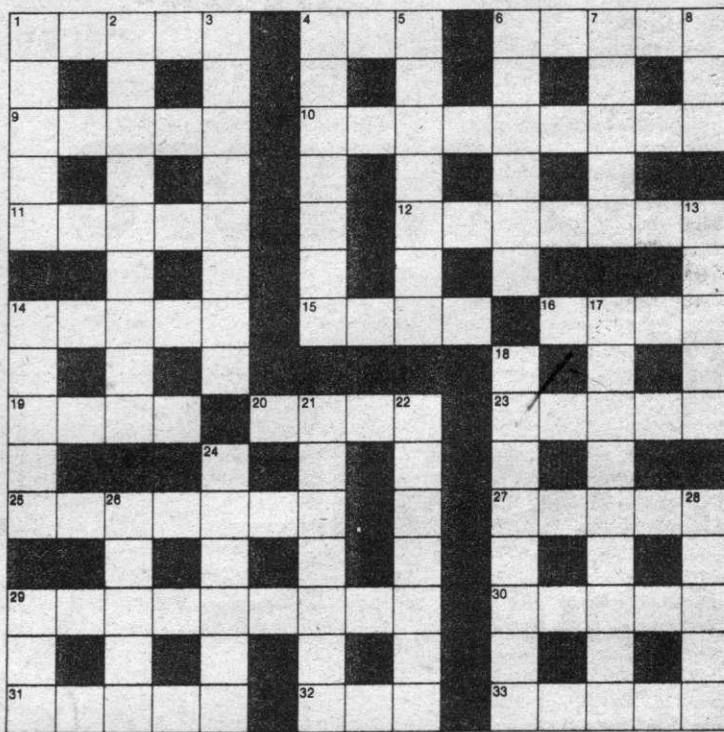
On November 9, the committee made an informal presentation to the school board supporting the proposal to close Kanaka Road.

Anyone with any other concerns who is willing to invest energy in support of the committee's activities, is asked by the committee to come forward at next Monday's meeting.

The committee can be contacted through the chairperson or the principal at the school. As well, the committee has a message and mail box in the school office.

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6 National _____
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| 9 Quebec farewell | 31 Color | 14 Prevaricating |
| 10 Amuse | 32 Tot up | 17 Not a pair |
| 11 Rest | 33 Boy's name | 18 Calgary event |
| 12 Solicitor General
who abolished
death penalty | DOWN | 21 Florida raceway |
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snowman | 2 World wide | 24 Former Mani-
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Potato eating intruder charged with break, enter

Glen Fry of Mayne Island was charged with breaking and entry this week when he was discovered in the kitchen at Rita's Inn at 10 pm Monday.

Police said Fry walked in a back door which had been left unlocked and ate a baked potato before being discovered.

The cafe was closed at the time of the incident.

Problems of a prosodist

Who spends his time Searching for a rhyme That's un-sublime.

Learning that tinkles Rhymes with crinkles Gives him wrinkles

And makes him drool When jewel fits fool As well as mule.

Or a match for chirp Is a little twirp With a great big burp.

- JOHN HEALEY

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