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Up, up and away!

Bolingbroke bomber flies off

A \$35 airplane took off from the beach on Isabella Point Road on Saturday morning

and flew back into its own history. The plane was a Bristol

Bolingbroke Mark II, World War II pattern.

David Maude was on hand to dispatch the machine on Saturday. His father, Ashley Maude had been there when it arrived on Salt Spring Island in 1946. The Bolingbroke was a war surplus machine, sold off when the military establishment at the Sidney airport was disbanded.

It was not a new plane. A new one was worth more. It would have cost \$50 and \$50 was a lot of money at the end of the war.

Over the years various parts had been removed until latterly there remained part of the fuselage, the wing roots and the landing gear. The fuselage had been clipped immediately behind the stubs of the mainplanes and a shattered cockpit leaned into the sand.

NEGLECTED

But battered as it is and neglected for 35 years, the relic was enough to attract the Victoria Interplanetary Society. The society acquired the machine for a reported \$500 and is already looking into plans to reconstruct it. Once it is rebuilt it will take its place in an aviation museum. The society also has plans for such a museum and the rebuilt Bolingbroke may be the first exhibit.



Bell helicopter hovers above derelict aeroplane as flight engineer Ian Duncan reaches up for the dangling cable to hook it up to the harness.

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Residents meet with Hodgson

Islanders' transportation woes outlined to ferries chairman

After months of delay, representatives of Gulf Islands ferry users talked to B.C. Ferries chairman Stuart Hodgson last week.

Bev Unger of Salt Spring and Tom Toynbee, chairman of the Salt Spring Island transportation committee, met Hodgson in his Victoria office to present the case of islanders.

Hodgson listened to the pair, presented B.C. Ferries' side of the picture and promised another meeting soon.

"I'm optimistic that we'll get somewhere on this problem," said Toynbee.

Unger presented the corporation chairman with a list of complaints which she has collected over a five-year period. She asked

that the ferry company give more consideration to islanders in such matters as co-ordination of ferry schedules and the bus service from Swartz Bay to Victoria.

Hodgson claimed himself to be a non-political appointee with concerns about improved service over the entire ferry system.

The corporation loses a considerable amount of money on the Gulf Island service now, said Hodgson.

Toynbee outlined the stand of the transportation committee which wants to see the dropping of residents cards in favour of books of tickets, on sale to anyone, with no expiry dates.

The committee would also appreciate consistent fares throughout the entire ferry

systems, both the one run by B.C. Ferries and the highways ferries which serve other islands on the coast.

The government could establish a clear policy on ferry service to all the Gulf Islands, suggested Toynbee. As the matter stands, the two ferry services operate under two sets of rules.

Unger offered the suggestion that the ferry corporation might improve service by concentrating on vessels of adequate size to serve the islands rather than spending large amounts of money on the large boats.

The date of the next meeting with the corporation chairman has not been set.

Provisional budget shows 32% increase

Inflation could be pushing the Gulf Islands School Board into a 32% budget increase for 1982 and that's just to stay at the same level of service as now offered.

The provisional budget for district operations was unveiled by staff this week and the price tag came to \$4.7 million with no additions in staff, teachers or programs.

The 1981 budget amounted to \$3.6 million and the difference between the two comes to a staggering 31.5%.

Not included in the total is the debt servicing, bank and United States exchange charges. Those items come to another \$482,000 approximately.

The provisional budget received approval of the board in order for it to be submitted to the ministry of education in Victoria by the November 15 deadline as set by that body.

The largest item in the provisional budget is the teachers' salaries. The staff budget committee estimated the cost of paying the teachers for next year to be \$3.1 million, an increase of 35%.

The provisional budget was prepared on a zero-base concept which is defined as maintaining the current level of service.

It was presented to the board

with three totals. The first set of figures showed a requirement of a 17.4% increase in costs to set the level of service at 10% less than this year.

The third figures included approval of requests for various extras and come to a 42.9% more than 1981.

The preparation of the details of the provisional budget and submitting it to the ministry may prove to be an exercise in futility.

While such budgets are useful to both the school district and the ministry to achieve an idea of the next year's operating expenses, the provisional budgets are not binding.

Will Peck, board secretary treasurer said, "When we get around to looking at the provisional budget line by line and converting it to a program budget, there will have to be a lot of number crunching."

The final 1982 operations budget must be prepared by February at which time Gulf Islanders will know just what staying in one place will actually cost.

Two all-candidates meetings at Ganges

All-candidates meetings are springing up all over.

The seekers of trusteeship for the school board for Salt Spring Island will meet their potential voters on Monday, Nov. 16.

The session will be in the Salt Spring Elementary School library and is set to kick off at 7:30 pm. Each will speak and the public gets an opportunity to ask questions.

The affair is jointly sponsored by the Parent Advisory Committees of Salt Spring and Fernwood schools as well as the Gulf Islands Teachers Association.

Later that same week, on Thursday, Nov. 19, all candidates for all positions on Salt Spring will meet and greet the voters in a public assembly.

Candidates for the Capital Regional District board of directors as well as the potential school trustees will gather in the activity centre at the Salt Spring Elementary School.

The meeting begins at 8 pm and is a co-effort of the Salt Spring Community Society and the Chamber of Commerce.

The Chamber has several cars lined up to drive people to the polls. As of press-time, the service will be limited to the Ganges and Central areas. Fulford and the north end will be added if sufficient cars are volunteered.

Campbell's expenses \$6,397

Regional directors run expensive.

The Capital Region's investigation of expenses incurred by directors has shown islands directors running at the top of the list.

In 1980, Outer Islands director and board chairman Jim Campbell was paid a total of \$21,712.60. This was made up of the basic \$15,315.08 as director and chairman and a further \$6,397.52 for additional expenses.

Salt Spring Island Director Yvette Valcourt, whose account sparked the enquiry into the payment of expense accounts, received \$6,372, basic pay, with a further \$1,888.87 expenses, to total \$8,260.87.

Original enquiry into expenses resulted in a call for a repayment to the board of moneys claimed for purposes which the auditors did

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Memories of another plane and another day

BY FRANK RICHARDS

The Coast Guard heaved and the remains of a Bolingbroke arose into the air at Fulford Harbour. The 2,800 pounds of wartime battleplane rose slowly over the heads of the handful of watchers and gained speed as it moved over the water towards Vancouver Island.

It was the last time the old medium bomber had flown since the 1940's. The last time it flew it had wings and perspex windows and turret. And a crew of air force men flew it.

This time it hung from the belly of a plane that had never been invented in the day of the Boley. The corroding remnants of a once proud fighting machine were being transported like a butchered cow, to be renovated and added on until an aviation museum is in possession of an authentic wartime Bolingbroke.

The Coast Guard helicopter came in with the early hours on

Saturday. As soon as the fog cleared the plane arrived.

The local residents who attended the last flight of the Bolingbroke were saying goodbye to a familiar sight on the beach.

To a handful of second war veterans on the island the old plane brought back real-life memories. To such as John Crofton it brought back the camaraderie and the excitement that was learning to fly in the wartime Royal Canadian Air Force. The Salt Spring air force veteran trained on Boleys.

LAUGHTER AND DEATH
To me, it brought back memories of laughter and the sudden quiet of death.

In 1939 I joined a squadron of the Royal Air Force. I held the rank of Aircraftman, first class. There is only one rank junior in all of the then great Royal Air Force. I could have been aircraftman, second class. I was a technician and I was to assist in the maintenance of the notably fast

Bristol Blenheim. And the Bolingbroke was fashioned in Canada after the pattern of the Blenheim.

The Blenheim was fast for its day, with a top speed better than 300 mph. Two engines and three men kept it in the air, mostly. It was a tricky beast to handle, with its high landing speed and its habit of stalling rather fatally if the pilot let the speed fall below the critical point.

The newcomer to the squadron home field was shown around the station to see the various sites on every side of the airport where a Blenheim had crashed and taken its toll of flying crews.

I didn't fly them. From time to time I flew in them, but not regularly.

LIVING WITH THEM

But I followed a technical trade which had no long history of association with a particular section so I was attached to the radio section. And in the early days of the second war the radio section included all air crew who rejoined in an extra six cents a day, danger money, paid them to fly as wireless air gunners. Later in the war their successors would be commissioned, but in the early days of fighting they flew as aircraftmen or corporals. Some were sergeants, but few air gunners reached senior NCO rank. Not in those days.

Before Christmas we were in France at the village of Bethinville. The planes stood out in the field, so cold that some of the motors resisted all attempts to start them.

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It is 42 years ago. And I have to admit that in those 42 years I have forgotten names.

Even the names of my old "oppos" have been lost in the haze of passing years.

There was Red McFadden and

Steve Brodie, the American and there was George Sweetnam who lived through it. And there were another 20, or more, who didn't.

The Blemheims, too often, came home with bullet holes across the

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Bolingbroke bomber

From Page One

It is the second Bolingbroke to leave the island with a museum in mind. The more finished of the two planes which came to the island in 1946 went to the National Aeronautical Museum in Ottawa several years ago.

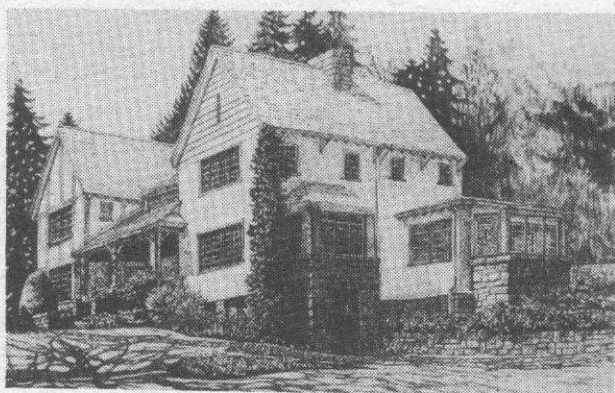
The plane which left on Saturday for Vancouver Island was acquired by Harold and Edward Lacy and they kept it on the shores of Fulford Harbour for the 35 years since it arrived.

The other Salt Spring Island Bolingbroke came to the island in care of Ashley Maude, who stored it on his parents' property on Morningside Drive, flanked by the Kittihawk which he also acquired. The Maude airplane was kept intact and in 1964 Ashley Maude presented it to the museum in the national capital.

Warplanes are becoming increasingly valuable as they are scarce and eagerly sought. A wartime Hawker Hurricane from the Strathallan collection in Scotland was recently sold for \$560,000, recalled Maude, this week.

The Kittihawk which was his pride and joy was hauled over to Patricia Bay several years ago. It has, since, been overhauled and cleaned up. The fighter plane left Salt Spring Island without wings. It is now complete.

The transportation problem was resolved on Saturday when the Coast Guard came to the rescue and hauled it to the airport with one of its Bell 212 helicopters. Skipper Robert Jones and engineer Ian Duncan raised the heavy old wreck without hesitation.



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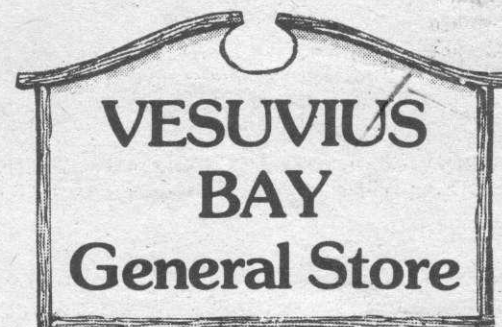
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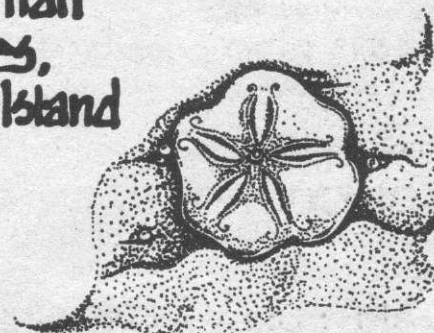
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The IRA are out on the rampage again in Britain. It put me in mind of the time I was in England on a holiday several years ago. I went to a local pub in the city centre of Birmingham and I was frisked by a guard before being permitted to enter. No baggage was allowed in the bar. We then sat down in a comfortable room and drank a beer. The significance of the place was that it had been bombed a few days before and the evidence was still there. I watched each newcomer with great care. If he looked like a bomber I swallowed and anxiously checked that my brother had also seen him and given him a clean slate. It was a horrible experience to realize that there was a paper bag at the table and the next five minutes were spent with my eyes glued to the bag to ensure that when its owner went, it went. Finally the drink was gone and we went our way. As my brother said, "There was nothing to it. You don't think about being attacked!" Who didn't? He didn't. But I thought of nothing else until we left.

I remember the Remembrance Day when it froze. About 1960 it was. The parade at Sidney was transferred to the community hall and the paraders were warm for the first time all morning. The weather was unkind to the travellers. Dozens of cars parked outside the airport while their owners were away lost their motive power. The cold froze radiators which had not yet been topped up with anti-freeze. The memory was a beautiful one. I remembered it while I worked outside in my shirt sleeves on November 2, enjoying the sunshine.

He buys B.C. Liquor rye whisky, said Pat. He didn't know what brand it was. So I looked it up. If it's light it's Park and Tilford and if it's "fine old" it's by Calvert's of Canada.

I used a cup last week for tea. By the time I wanted the cup on Monday morning an enterprising spider had already spun across it a couple of times.

Somebody gave me a clipping on men's lib and how to assess the extent of a man's liberation. I shouldn't have read it. I answered the questions like it said. And the answers were all wrong. I'm not only not liberated, but after that test I'm not even sure I'm a man! I even use shave lotion for the wrong reasons!

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Five seats open on commission

The Parks and Recreation Commission on Salt Spring Island is on the look-out for people anxious to serve.

The commission will be holding its annual general meeting and elections on November 30 at 8 pm in the Salt Spring Elementary School library.

With five positions open, the commission is seeking candidates for the jobs. Interested parties should contact Bev Unger, Tom Watson or John Crofton, members of the nominations committee.

While other communities in the Capital Regional District accept those appointed by that board, Salt Spring Island holds elections for the positions on the commission.

The names of those people successful in the elections are given to the CRD for appointment.

Three current members of the commission, Pat Akerman, Jim Ballantyne and Edith Sacker, are seeking re-election. Jack Albhouse

and Alan Hardie have each declined to seek another term.

The top four vote-getters are appointed to a two-year term while the fifth person receives a one-year term.

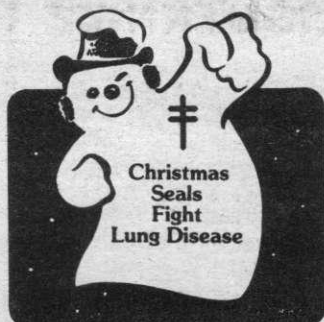
The commission is seeking those persons interested in recreation as defined in the broadest sense of the word. The nominees should be interested in culture, sports, leisure activities as well as a wide variety of recreational pursuits.

Chamber to urge islanders to vote

The Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce will be conducting a "get out and vote" campaign from its office in Ganges on election day.

The chamber executive decided on the campaign at its meeting November 4.

Transportation to the polls will also be available in the Ganges and Central areas from 10 am on voting day, Saturday, Nov. 21. People wishing transportation are invited to call 537-5252 or 537-5259.



South Pender Island Trust Committee NOTICE OF MEETING

There will be a meeting of the South Pender Island Trust Committee to consider various items of business concerning South Pender Island, at the conclusion of the Public Hearing on November 27, 1981, in the North Pender School and Community Hall, North Pender Island, B.C.

M. LEE,
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER.

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ISLANDS TRUST South Pender Island Trust Committee NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons who deem their interest in property affected by the following proposed By-law will be afforded an opportunity to be heard on the matters contained therein at a Public Hearing to be held in the North Pender School and Community Hall, Pender Island, on FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1981, commencing at 8:00 p.m.

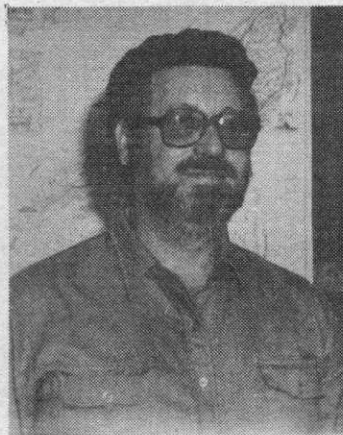
Proposed South Pender Island Trust Committee By-law No. 8, being Amendment By-law No. 2, 1981, is a By-law to amend South Pender Island Trust Committee By-law No. 4 cited as "Zoning By-law, South Pender Island, 1980".

The purpose of the By-law is to delete from the Agriculture (A) Zone and add to the Rural 1 (R1) Zone that part of Parcel "C" (DD 79609-1), Section 20, South Pender Island, shown on Plan No. 1, which is part of the By-law.

The proposed By-law may be reviewed at the Pender Island Post Office, B.C., between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Tuesday to Saturday inclusive, and 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Monday. A copy of the proposed By-law may also be reviewed at the Islands Trust Office, 848 Courtney Street, Victoria, B.C., during the normal working hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday inclusive.

M. LEE,
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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Jack Albhouse for School Board

I have lived on Salt Spring for the past 11 years and in that time, three of my children have been or are still enrolled in the school system, from Kindergarten through Grade 12. I have always been very active in school,

sports, church and youth activities and have served on the Chamber of Commerce. For the past eight years I have been a volunteer Director of the Salt Spring Island Parks & Recreation Commission, a job which I have much enjoyed and which has brought me very valuable experience.

It is time to step aside from that. I have decided not to seek a further term and would like to continue my interest in the Community through the School Board. I believe that education opens doors to any individual, at any age, and that the experiences of a student during his school years may be the crucial key to his entire development and future. In running for the Board I am aware of the responsibility, conscious of the major needs of our students and aware, too, of the importance of obtaining value for the money we have to spend. I have the time to serve and I ask for your support on Election Day. Thank you.

Jack Albhouse.

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The nation looks at Westminster

It wasn't the end. And it certainly wasn't the beginning. But the accord reached by the anglophone premiers and the prime minister over the constitution was a step forward in the long struggle to bring home Canada's soul.

The accord was a tribute to the participants. For whatever reason, the disputants in the battle accepted compromise and reached a workable decision.

Westminster has no occasion to dally and the national constitution will come home to Canada. It will arrive amid a furore of demands and protests, but it will come home to be examined, amended and adopted here in its home.

It is most unfortunate that the only dissentient premier should be Rene Levesque. But he or his successors will have ample opportunity to make their point and to bring the rest of Canada to share their concerns.

It would be absurd to interpret the national accord as a conclusion. But it represents the first time in a decade that nine premiers have been looking the same way as the prime minister. This, surely, holds hope for the future?

We will remember them

On Wednesday we mark Remembrance Day. Canadians from coast to coast will remember the days of triumph and the days of death. They will remember places and people and the places have been blasted off the face of the earth and the people were blown up with them. The Canadians who were there will remember vivid incidents and the Canadians who came along in time of peace and have never heard an angry explosion will wonder what it all was like.

We will remember the dead. And we will remember the injured who lost everything else except their lives. We will remember ravaged lands and ravaged races.

And we will devote half the world's wealth to furthering our potential for destruction.

Is this memory? Is this devotion to the destructive the only message they left us?

Remembrance Day is marked on November 11 in token of the final day of the Great War of 1914-1918. We are urged to remember the dead who gave up everything in the conviction that the society they knew depended on their sacrifice.

Once a year we pay them tribute. And the rest of the year the wealthy nations of the world are so busy writing the sequel to past wars that they scarce have time to look back.

Our memories are short.

The annual vote

A year ago the electors of Salt Spring Island rejected a referendum calling for Sunday shopping. They went to the polls and they said, "No!"

Stores opened on Sundays and there was no apparent change in the commercial life of the island.

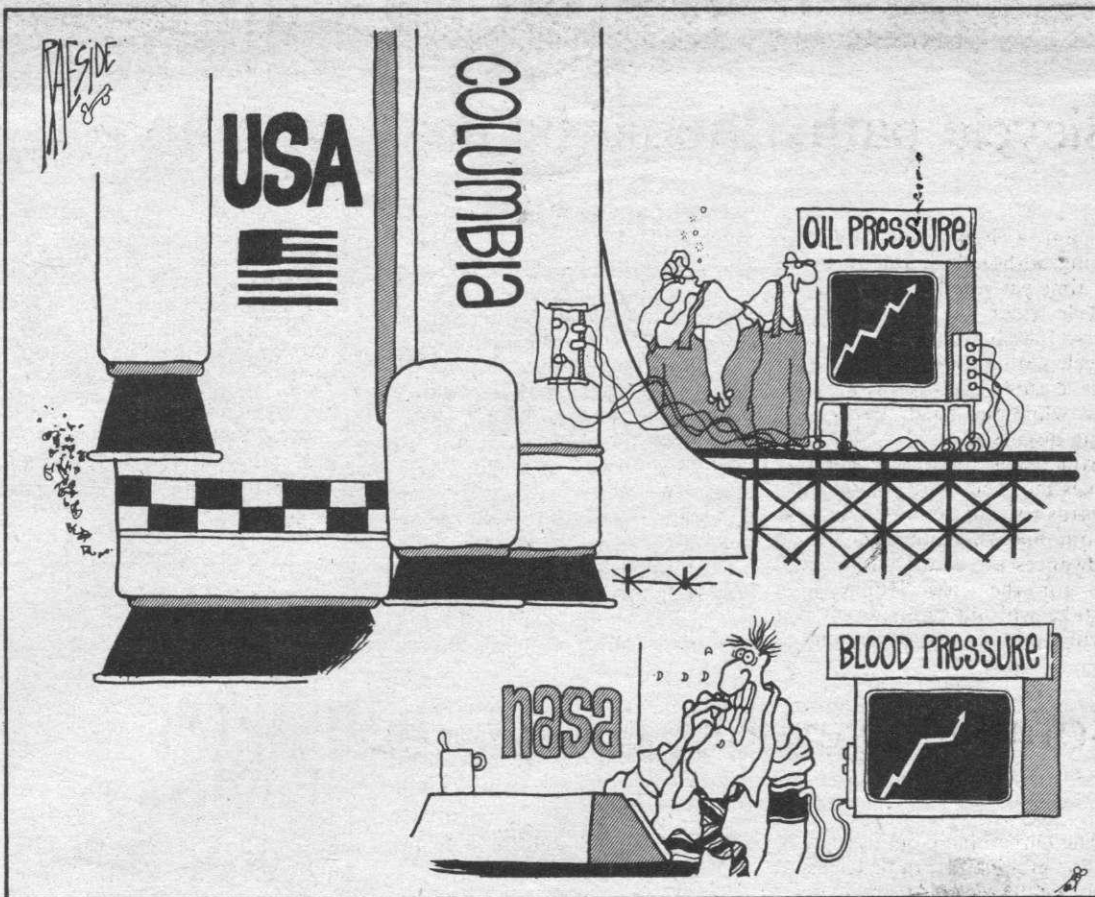
Next week the electors of Salt Spring Island will be invited to support a referendum for Sunday shopping.

It's threatening to become a habit.

And think of the delightful choice offered to voters. They can vote aye or nay. Knowing, of course, that the way they vote will not make a tittle of difference to the shopping pattern of the island in the future.

If they say "yes", then the stores will be open for Sunday shopping. And if they say "no", then the stores will be open for Sunday shopping.

It's an ingenious system, isn't it?



Bill Webster

Sanctified island bovines and their excremental bricks

Several years ago, someone published examples of man's wisdom collected from alley walls and toilet stalls. One particular graffito read: "Sacred Cows make great hamburgers."

Islanders, I've noticed, treat local sacred cows with the same delicacy as people elsewhere. One of the more sanctified of island bovines seems to be the Sewer Alternatives Committee. But having seen that particular collection of cattle in action, I understand why.

Months of sharp observation has led to the conclusion that their main task in life consists of writing letters. And they certainly do write letters, to editors, elected officials, anybody, with the frequency of cows called to answer nature by a feast of fresh grass.

OFF THE STREETS

At least the literary effort keeps them off the streets, although, as with cows, they aren't concerned about the splash from their droppings.

One feels compelled to labour through those letters with the optimistic view that, just once, one of them will say something rational.

Of course, one always finds hopes dashed. They don't offer outright lies, mind you, the letters are framed more along the lines of...well deceit, fraud or sleaze are such strong words to describe the content.

An outstanding example of their method appeared several weeks ago. A letter to the editor purported to expose, from court records to be sure, the large number of mistakes in the late lamented Ganges sewer petition.

The author conveniently

forgot to tell readers that what he was attempting to pass as information was actually a rehash of the opinion of a defense lawyer.

NOT FACTS

Opinion ain't facts. Trite as that statement seems, some supporters, or is that all, of SAC haven't yet grasped the idea.

And then there is the group's hatchet-man. This master of innuendo springs to the defense of their neat but garbled tunnel-view of the world at the mere hint of a contrary statement.

Say good day to him on the street and: zingo a four-page, single-spaced tract on how wrong you are and how right his cohorts are.

The protest began, lo these many years ago for whatever reason. The screams of outrage continue. One cannot miss the similarity to children in their rantings, although children do have a firmer grasp on reality. They pushed and shouted and shoved and acted surprised when the Victoria government moved to end the nonsense.

MORALS LACKING

Morals are also lacking in their actions. One wondered at the story of a retired lady on Scott Point who was fearful of having to pay thousands of dollars for the Ganges sewer. Until one discovered that another of their poison pen artists lives on Scott Point.

And so it goes.

As if having to listen to local yowls is not enough, we now have the spectacle of defenders of the common good coming out of left field to join the fray.

Last summer at the now

infamous public forum of inflationary attendance figures, we bumpkin islanders were warned to beware of experts. We should take comfort in that warning for it was uttered in absolute sincerity complete with tears for our plight.

The warning came gift-wrapped in TRUTH, or at least that version available to the three guest panelists.

THEY WERE CONCERNED

They, those three comrades who sought not political gain, wished only to express their concern. Yes. They were concerned.

Fearful were they that we might not see the light and might not know the true way.

Uneasy were they that we not appreciate the gift of smell, the better to enjoy Ganges Harbour.

Concern they showed, lest we become dissatisfied and not wish to remain, forever, in the 19th century.

Ye fishes and little gods, two decades of 'drivel' is enough. Pray with me brothers and sisters. Pray they each develop writer's cramp.

That may be the one way of saving them the embarrassment of publicly creating excremental bricks whenever their position is challenged.

And to the first letter-writer who suggests I'm a stalking horse for anyone—a dried cow chip.

Actually, I'd sooner write about hallowed slugs. They at least enjoy life and, unlike sanctified bovines, are harmless.

Letters to the Editor

Bicycle paths should be dealt with now

Sir,

I am a homeowner on Salt Spring, although unable to reside full-time yet, and I've been an avid bicycle rider on the island for years. I wish to add my vote for bicycle path allowances. I strongly believe this should be dealt with now while the road planning is being discussed.

Still trying to cycle in the city makes me even more aware of the hazards of the bicycle and the automobile when not enough road allowances are available. It is too late for the city. Hopefully a mistake will not be made on Salt Spring and a sensible mode of

transportation will be encouraged to survive.

I agree it is not feasible for everyone but if the path is there, the willing and the able will be encouraged to use their bodies and their bicycles. In turn it may lead to a decrease in automobile traffic.

On the island I have felt the adrenalin from the brush of a car too near my left side, and I have had my skill at riding the line between pavement and gravel tested. It is stressful, time consuming and it takes the enjoyment away from being where you are.

I have smelt the foliage, the

ocean; heard the sounds of nature; visually become aware of life around me; felt the air, rain and sun on my body and felt my lungs and quadriceps respond to the necessity to help to get me to where I'm going.

I will continue and hopefully with the aid of more road allowances for bicycles others will be encouraged to experience what I do on two wheels rather than four wheels.

BEVERLEY JOHNSTON,
3855 Kincaid Street,
Burnaby, B.C.
November 4, 1981.

Some suggestions for improvement

Sir,

The Directorship of this island is up for grabs and Frank Richards and Yvette Valcourt are in their corners awaiting the bell.

Emerging rather hazily from a 10-day throat virus I had to stay indoors and contemplate life in general. Suppose I had had a chance to be in the running for the directorship. My knowledge of how far a Director can go regarding the many improvements and problems that beset this island would fill an egg-cup. However, I am permitted to dream and I do feel that pressure could be brought to bear on the remedy of the following problems:

1. Abolish all car parking, as currently existing, outside the Trading Co. and Miller and Toynbee. There is plenty of room

at the rear. As to the front, one parallel parking space reserved for the disabled.

2. A tarmac parking lot at the Marshall Wells complex. Currently it resembles a battlefield.

3. All scales in all stores to be uniform and accurate for the customer as well as the cashier.

4. Appropriation of the Harbour House by the authorities. Convert it for recreational and meeting purposes e.g. all the service clubs to share the dining room and kitchen facilities. The beer parlour to be converted into a theatre and the cocktail bar remain as is. The pool to be enlarged and open to the public. For additional revenue there is room for a small nine-hole pitch and putt course. The months of June, July and

August to be available to the tourists as most of the service clubs shut down for the summer.

5. A Federal Government office to cope with UIC, Income Tax queries and returns; Canada Pension Plan; War Vets' allowances.

6. An all-out effort to realize the good intentions of the Legion and the Service Clubs to run a bus service for the disabled and aged.

7. Licence be granted for an enterprising outfit, person or firm for a commercial bus service to serve both the North and South of island.

Think about it. Just my viewpoint and dreams but nothing is impossible.

BRYAN SMITH,
Ganges.
November, 1981.



Tony Richards

YOUNG SON OF A FRIEND arrived home from school one day recently with a tale about a classmate's father who had gone hunting the previous evening.

My friend promptly enquired of his son how it was possible to go hunting after daylight.

"Oh, he used his hunting flashlight," was the reply.

THE SALT SPRING ROTARY CLUB is turning its attention to the island's youth and how it can involve itself in youth activities here.

Something that may be of interest to those involved in the discussion is a sign I saw in a small grocery store in Victoria last week.

It read: "No more than five students permitted in store between noon and 1 pm."

It says something for local youth that no such signs can be found here.

ON THE SAME DAY my wife and I had dinner in what appeared to be a fancy Victoria restaurant. After we finished our meal we decided we would have been better off at an A & W or Macdonald's.

When I ordered Tournedos the waitress gave me a blank look and asked what they were. After pointing them out to her on the menu she admitted that she was new and had not yet read the bill of fare.

The only good part of the meal was the salad. The Tournedos tasted like they'd been soaked in HP Sauce overnight, the carrots were only recognizable by sight and the cauliflower was cold.

The Yorkshire pudding which was served with my wife's still-bleeding prime rib was unlike any I'd ever seen. It was like a piece of very hard rubber to

the touch and not even a pair of pliers could have dented its surface.

(They might perhaps appreciate Greenwoods' famous recipe for flaming Yorkshires. It's the only thing I can think of that would have rendered it edible).

So if you should happen to be going out for dinner in Victoria some evening, don't be misled by posh and expensive appearances.

THE ARCTIC AMAZONS are upset.

I got a short note from them this week (they're based at Galiano) expressing objection to Bill Webster's tirade against the Slugs.

"We take exception to the attack on the Slugs by this Webster character," they wrote. "The Slugs are all gentlemen and intellectuals and understand the cosmic significance of the game and we always enjoy playing with them. Sincerely, The Arctic Amazons."

While we're on the subject, I don't believe I reported on a note we received from an off-island subscriber last year. He observed that one of the reasons he was renewing his subscription was to keep up with the Slugs' activities.

THE SLUGS' ACTIVITIES are certainly rather more entertaining than letters to the editor.

Personally, I can't wait for completion of the sewer outfall. That would be the most suitable route through which to direct some of the ignorant ravings which occasionally appear elsewhere on this page. The sewer issue generates more crap than the plant will ever be capable of treating.

If the arguments continue much longer our office will be in dire need of a treatment plant. Our septic field will give in if I am forced to vomit much more.

He seeks opportunity to continue serving island

Sir,

When Frank Richards asked me to serve as his alternate in the event he is elected on November 21, 1981 as CRD Regional Director for Salt Spring Island, I felt pleased and honoured. I accepted as I believe Frank has the knowledge, the contacts, capabilities and fairness to represent effectively all residents of the Island.

He believes in the long held view, as I do, that politics is the art of the possible and that to make objectives possible good communications with all people, groups and political parties is essential.

One of his objectives is to promote the orderly progress and development of Salt Spring as governed by the Community Plan. I want to help him meet his objective because if it is not met the terrible effects of "ribbon development", stagnation and decay can set in and water supplies destroyed.

For over 80 years the family I come from has dedicated itself to serving this community, our community. I wish to have the opportunity to continue in this tradition. After 30 years of government service in Canada and overseas I regard myself as well qualified.

During the past year, since I returned to the Island as a full-time resident, I have served as a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission, the Royal Canadian Legion as both a general and an executive member, the Mahon Hall Restoration Committee, the Sea Capers Committee and the Committee for the Preservation of Lake Maxwell.

My involvement with these organizations has kept me well informed about the interests and concerns of Island residents in all locations and all age groups.

As a Canadian Forces pensioner I have strong sympathies with and a good understanding of the

worries of those who are attempting to live on a pension. I am concerned also about the younger generation, who have come to settle here, especially with regards to their recreation needs.

Therefore I ask all voters on election day to mark their ballot for Frank Richards as Regional Director.

In so doing they will be giving us both the chance to pursue common goals in the service of Salt Spring Island.

JOHN CROFTON,
Box 126,
Ganges.
November 6, 1981.

He supports Richards

Sir,

I support Frank Richards because, if elected I feel there will be a return to:

Objective administration.
Desire for co-operation.
Sanity within the CRD.
Effective leadership.
Honest representation for Salt Spring Island.
Harmony and a truer reflection of the real character of this community.

He deserves your support as well as mine.

LES RAMSEY,
106 Collins Rd.,
Ganges.
November, 1981.

We remind readers that we reserve the right to edit letters for brevity, legality and taste.

Letters to the editor must be signed, and should be addressed to The Editor, Gulf Islands Driftwood, Box 250, Ganges.

Waiting room should be open in time for first sailing

Sir,

At Fulford Harbour the waiting room is not open at the time of the first sailing and I would like to know why this is so. There are quite a few early morning travellers nowadays who are on the first trip in the morning, and as winter approaches there will be times when it is less and less pleasant to be standing around in the dark when it is raining and blowing, or freezing or snowing.

Even if there was only one person waiting out there, the only decent and considerate thing would be to open up the waiting room for them. It is being heated 24 hours a day at the taxpayers' expense and locked so you can't use it.

If everyone sits in their cars and trucks for 20 minutes with the engines running, you can imagine the amount of fuel that is being wasted. Just to keep warm when there is a nice waiting room right alongside the parking lot. It doesn't make sense.

It would only take a ferry employee 10 seconds to unlock the door to the waiting room on their way by. You should not be indifferent to the comfort and well being of the travelling public who are the first to arrive.

Everything should be done to encourage the early morning traveller as this would make it less likely that there would be an

overload on the 8:15 am sailing.

I am bringing this matter to your attention so that it can be quickly remedied.

GEOFF HOWLAND,
Bow 14,
Box 14,
Ganges.
November, 1981.

Heart-warming response to fair

Sir,

We would like to express our thanks for the heart-warming response to our Fair, to the craftspeople who made it possible and the patrons who made it worthwhile.

For making it special we must thank Gill and Sue for their marvellous food and Dwayne, John, Reid, Marion, Neil and the others who provided the delightful music.

Thanks also for all the support and encouragement we received from the community from the outset.

THE KINGFISHER CO-OPERATIVE,
Fulford Harbour.
November, 1981.

More letters to the Editor

'Irregularities' were determined through legal research

Sir,

I realize the whole sewer petition controversy is confusing to islanders. Nevertheless, I feel compelled to answer George Heinekey's letter questioning Andy Orkin's analysis of petition irregularities. Mr. Orkin is on holiday.

Firstly, Mr. Orkin's analysis was taken from a letter by solicitor Robert Price to the CRD Board. The findings in that letter were determined by thorough legal research done for the examination of discovery of Dennis Young in his now defunct libel suit against

Yvette Valcourt.

Secondly, no lawyer would make a mistake about crown foreshore leases which are not eligible for a vote. Mr. Heinekey was obviously given the wrong map at the assessment office. We stand by our analysis.

Thirdly, may we again repeat, if the petition was really valid, why was it necessary for the CRD to go through all the immoral and unconventional manoeuvres it did to attempt a sewer installation?

SARAH J. PINCOTT,

R.R.1 Ganges.

November 9, 1981.

Campbell 'all-time winner'

Sir,

I notice in Saturday's *Times-Colonist* that Jim Campbell, the former CRD Chairman — and the current chairman of the Finance Committee that reviewed Mrs. Valcourt's expense claims — is "the all-time winner of the region's expense sweepstakes."

The article notes that when he was board chairman in 1980 he "got with minimal explanation and no receipts" the sum of \$6,397.50. His 1980 expense account includes such items as \$492 for his Empress Hotel room during the period November 1 - December 11 and "meals, etc. November 5, 6 and 7 \$72." In November 1980 he attended a Union of B.C. Municipalities convention and submitted "on a piece of paper" a claim for \$190 for entertainment.

(He recently returned this sum to the CRD).

It should be noted by all that Mrs. Valcourt's expenses that were questioned were all related to expenses incurred in her work on the Ganges sewer and on CRD committee work — typing, duplication, postage, telephone calls, etc., — all with receipts and of a non-personal nature.

I will be watching to see how the board deals with Jim Campbell.

BETTY P. DELMONICO,

Box 1373,

Ganges.

November 8, 1981.

Contention false

Sir,

The Sewer remains as a basic issue in this election in that Frank Richards supports the CRD program whereas Mrs. Valcourt continues to demand a public referendum.

It is important therefore that the truth be revealed regarding the cost sharing on the sewer. The contention by the sewer supporters that it is only the people in the sewered area that will pay is totally false.

In fact, the percentage of annual revenue contributed by Public Buildings will amount to 31%. So in truth the people outside the sewered area, all throughout the Island, will contribute close to one-third the amount of that contributed by those in the core who obtain the direct benefit.

There are 516 household equivalent units in the sewered area, of these 167.5 are public buildings. For instance Lady Minto and Greenwoods are 94 household equivalents, the schools are 37. These Public buildings will be charged \$307 annually per household equivalent.

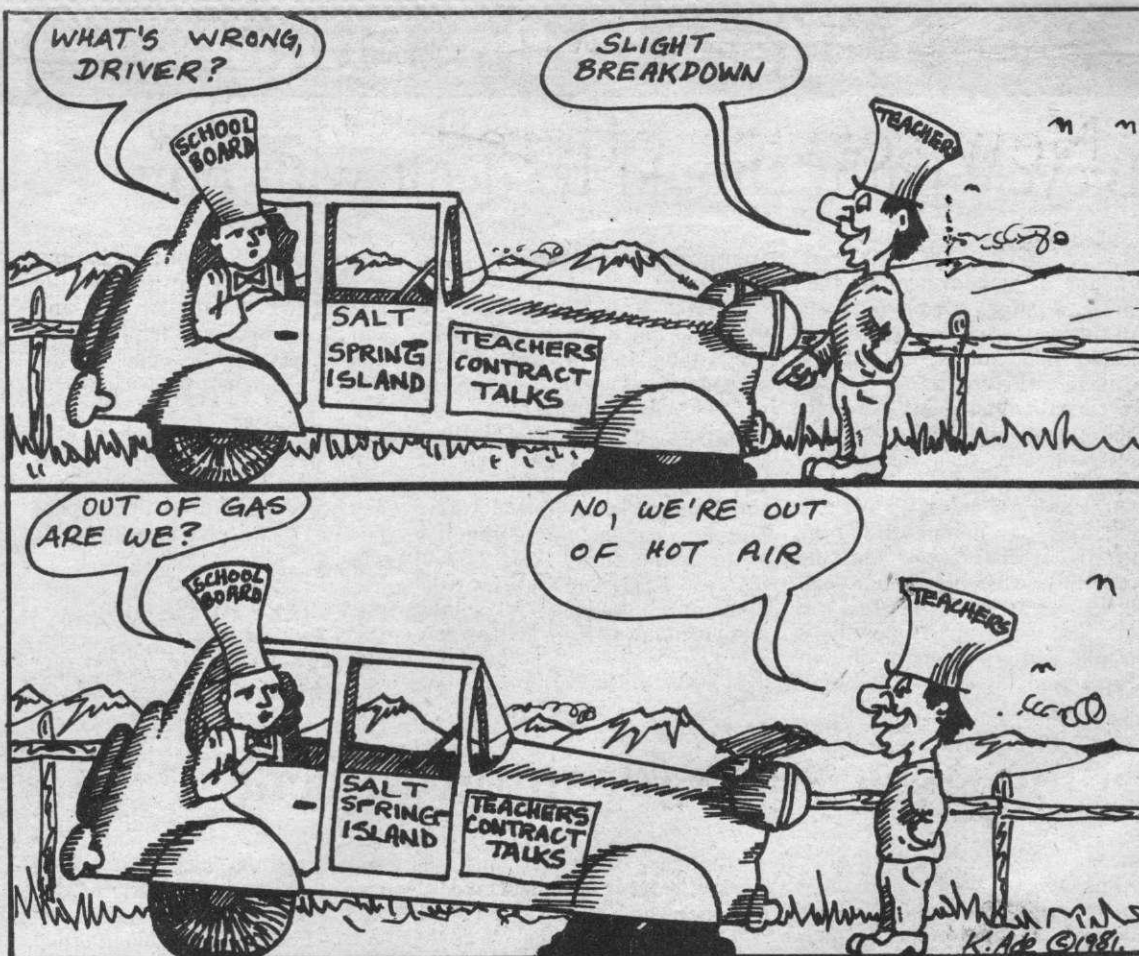
So taxpayers all over the Island will be paying a significant portion of the annual users charge for the sewer. And if you think otherwise up to this point you have been hoodwinked again.

P.A. TIERNAN,

Old Scott Rd.,

Ganges.

November 8, 1981.



School board reporting questioned

Open letter to Frank Richards, Candidate, CRD directorship.

Sir,

In your recent campaign flyer you tell us that you were president of the Chamber of Commerce, reported for 30 years the deliberations of municipal councils, school boards, etc., and that you "represent no special group or faction."

For example, reporting on school board meetings.

In 1972, the health officer stated to our school board the "urgent need for reconstruction of the (school's) sewage disposal system" (it poured — and still pours — the raw sewage direct from the septic tanks on to the beach, without benefit of a drain field), and the board responded with the resolution "to replace the present...system with a sewage treatment plant and disposal field" (Minutes, July 17, 1972).

Then in *Driftwood*, August 24, you reported as follows: "Hold Back on School Sewers. Plans to go ahead with a sewage treatment system at Ganges schools will be held back until the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce sewer scheme has been pursued. On Monday Gulf Islands School District agreed that they would take no action towards the construction of their own system while there remained a possibility of a community sewer. Frank Richards gave a brief report on the progress of the Chamber's plan."

But the minutes for that board meeting, August 21, 1972, record: "Mr. Baltzer said in reply to a question from Mr. Richards of *Driftwood*, (who had been requested by the chairman to comment on this as he is a member of the group studying this), that he would be in favour of a community sewer system in principle provided it would be indicated that the Board would be involved satisfactorily. The Board

concurred. It was pointed out that the Board minutes contain a resolution to proceed with the first phase of the required system."

Not a word, Mr. Richards, in your news item about you having prompted the Board to renege on its commitment, that it was your skilful presentation against which the lone voice of one duty-minded trustee was of no avail. And your reporting over the years on the controversial sewer issue has been in keeping with this misleading practice.

Do you really think we shall vote

for a man whose official CRD-director's reports would be equally misleading through slant and omission?

And do you really think we shall vote for a man who asserts that he "represents no special group or faction" but who acts on behalf of the businessmen and places their interests over the obligation to protect the health and safety of our students and the community at large?

DR. HERMANN KIRCHMEIR,

Ganges.

October 7, 1981.

Questionable ethics

Sir,

Apparently Yvette Valcourt is such a threat to the quiet corruption of the system that Dennis Young, the CRD's hired employee, is allowed or encouraged to attack her with the expense account ploy. I didn't blame them for wanting to cover up the cheating on the petition, but I was astounded when the CRD asked (and our so-called "Responsible Citizens" approved) that we be deprived of our rights under the Municipal Act and denied access to the courts.

Sacred Hugh Curtis was happy to oblige. That most of the world is mis-governed by the rich is obvious, but somehow one hoped,

perhaps naively, that at this grass roots level, open and democratic government could be achieved.

It is said that we islanders are confused about the issues and that is possible, since most of our information comes to us in *Driftwood*. But now the person who has consistently given us a distorted view of CRD activities is openly seeking the seat of the person he has maligned.

His tactics over the past year may have been legal but the ethics are questionable. When you support Yvette Valcourt, you're giving democracy a chance.

BETH HILL,

R.R.3 Churchill Rd.,

Ganges.

November 8, 1981.

Two questions asked of candidate

Sir,

In Mr. Richards' pre-election manifesto he says that he wants to see peace between the CRD and the Islands Trust, and also the people of Salt Spring Island. I am not sure why he twice mentions the Trust but perhaps it is simply envy — by and large the people trust the Trust for what it is trying to do — to preserve and protect this Island. Nobody, well almost nobody, trusts the CRD or believes that it has any real interest in Salt Spring Island.

Perhaps if Frank would answer the two following questions publicly and unequivocally, then the people of Salt Spring would have a better idea on whose side he is more neutral:

1. Is he in favour of the invidious Bill 31 that deprives the citizens of Ganges of their right to vote and their access to the courts?

2. Is he in favour of the CRD's executive director exceeding his authority by harassing our elected director, and being supinely backed up by the board?

How about it, Mr. Richards?

DAVID LOTT,

Ganges, B.C.

November, 1981.

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New service offered



Beverly Thomas and Dave Jones

BY ELEANOR HARRISON

Two young people who have shown initiative in the Gulf Islands are Beverly Thomas of Pender Island and Dave Jones of Sidney.

Bev opened the Pender Islands Gopher Service on September 19. Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday she makes a trip to Sidney and Victoria, making pick-ups and deliveries for her Pender Islands customers. For those who are working it saves time and wages and it is also a convenience for residents who don't want to spend a day catching ferries. It fills a need on the island and thus has proved successful.

Saturday saw the official opening of Dave's Appliance Centre, a branch of the Sidney operation. A wine and cheese party was held in the afternoon in the

new premises at Hope Bay, the former office of Pacific Coast Lands. The store will be open for business Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday with Dave present on Saturdays.

Dave's Appliances will have mainly second-hand, re-conditioned appliances in stock, ranging from toasters and kettles to stoves and fridges. They will also feature some new appliances.

A full repair service on all appliances, both large and small, will be offered.

The premises are adjacent to the Hope Bay wharf so there is easy access by boat for customers from Mayne and Saturna with small appliances for repair.

Football pre-empt's program

Local high school students who were to appear on television Sunday were pre-empted by a football game.

The show, BCTV's *Student Forum*, will be aired on Sunday the 14th instead, at 1 pm on Channel 6.

Topic of the program is rape. Students were joined in the discussion by Wendy Case of the Salt Spring Community Centre.

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Need to care for veterans, values they fought for

BY JIM MANLY

Remembrance Day should remind us of some important unfinished business.

To begin with, we need to improve provisions for the men and women who served in the struggle against militarism and totalitarianism.

Ironically, the government completely ignores one group of veterans because they were ahead of their time. Volunteers who served with the Mackenzie Papicau Battalion in Spain get no veteran's benefits because Canada didn't take fascism seriously until Hitler marched into Poland.

In spite of numerous motions calling on the government to give veteran status to the Mac-Paps, the government continues to ignore their contribution to freedom and democracy.

Over the years, veteran NP Stanley Knowles has fought for improved benefits for Canada's veterans and for their wives and widows. As veterans grow older their disabilities cause more problems and create more of a burden.

CONTINUE TO SUFFER

Their wives, some of whom spent years caring for these men, continue to suffer from the neglect of the government which acts on our behalf. Last year the government changed the Pension Act to give pension benefits to widows of veterans who had received a disability pension of 47% or less.

A recent Senate report echoes Mr. Knowles' concern and makes several recommendations that would improve the situation for veterans and their families.

All M.P.'s have heard horror stories from veterans about horrendous delays in processing pension applications by the department of veteran affairs.

According to the Senate report:

"...the complete process of adjudication can take a total of at least four years from the day a claim is filed until a final decision, on appeal, is made on its merits."

MORE THAN 11 MONTHS

"Within the past year, the average time to adjudicate a first application has risen to more than 11 months and to more than seven months for widows. At the same time, a backlog of approximately 4,000 cases waiting for a decision on final appeal has built up."

Present legislation allows veterans only \$100 interest per year before their pensions are affected. The report recommends that "the annual exemption for income derived from bank deposits, bonds and dividends be raised to at least \$500." This would allow veterans to save a few dollars "to pay funeral expenses, debts or to leave to a spouse."

Finally, the report urges further study of inequalities such as the way veterans are compensated for their time spent as prisoners of war.

At the very least we owe it to our veterans to ensure that they and their spouses receive proper pensions. But more than our need to care for our veterans, we need to care for the values for which they fought.

MASSIVE BUILD-UP

At present we are witnessing a massive arms build-up which threatens to destroy our world in a nuclear holocaust. Canadian security cannot be achieved through an escalating balance of terror.

Trying to counter this threat, some people have advocated peace tax legislation by which taxpayers could request that the portion of their income taxes which normally goes to defense be allocated for peace research or peace keeping. Canada could take the lead in this.

I fully endorse this concept as one way that ordinary Canadians could help to de-escalate the arms race.

In support of this I have introduced a notice of motion calling on the government to: "...consider the advisability of allowing residents of Canada who pay income tax to transfer a portion of their tax to a United Nations fund that is used for peacekeeping and of having this amount calculated by taking the percentage of the national budget allocated to defence, which is

currently 9.2%".

People who desire further information about the peace tax proposal should write either to my office or to Edith Adamson, 1831 Fern Street, Victoria V8R 4K4.

Our veterans gave their lives and their health to maintain the possibility of a decent world for us and our children. The struggle for that decent world has not yet been won and we all need to become actively involved.

Phillip Swift

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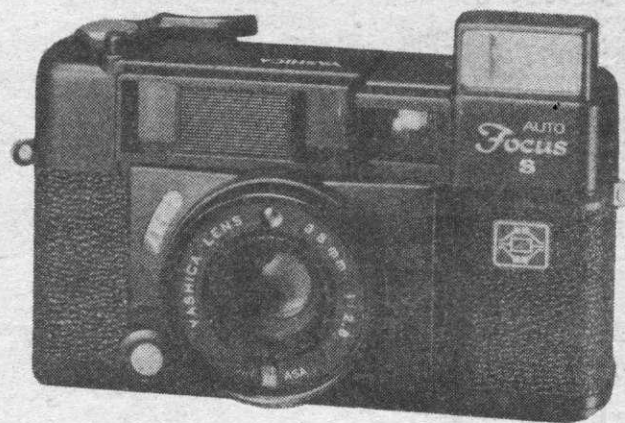
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Tourist information volunteers

Salt Spring Island is unique, says speaker

Tourist traffic on Salt Spring Island was sharply lower this past season. During the 1980 summer the Tourist Information Bureau of the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce served 9,373 visitors.

This year, with the office opening a full month ahead of time, the number of enquiries stood at 6,690. This represents a drop of 2,683 less than last year's activities.

The comparison was given by Co-ordinator Marjorie Cuttall at last Thursday's dinner for the volunteer staff.

There are tourist information services everywhere in the province, but the Salt Spring Island operation is different. In other communities the bureau engages a staff and pays salaries and costs out of its substantial revenues.

On Salt Spring Island there is no revenue and the bureau engages no extensive, high-paid help. The tourist information service in Ganges is manned by volunteers, mostly women. More than 50 islanders take part in the bureau through the summer, offering information, printed material and help.

The tourist learns what he wants to know and the volunteer enquiry clerk learns new facts every day about his (or her) island.

GRATEFUL

It was the opportunity of the Chamber of Commerce to express its gratitude on Thursday evening. Volunteers filled the tables in the main dining room of the Kanaka Place. With wives and husbands, they were the guests of the executive of the chamber for the evening.

About 80 took part.

Three people were singled out for a vote of thanks. They were Marjorie Cuttall, co-ordinator, chamber president Bert Elford and chamber secretary Pat Kirk.

One other expression of appreciation was made when the guests called for the appearance of Jackie Hagan, proprietress of the restaurant, to take a bow and enjoy the commendation of the patrons.

It was the "most wonderful dinner and assembly we've had,"



Bureau volunteers at dinner



Jeremy Ball

said the co-ordinator. It was an opportunity for the chamber to express thanks, although inadequately, explained Elford.

Tourism is No. 1 employer in Canada with 8.1% of the national labour force tied up with the hospitality industry, reported Jeremy Ball, of the ministry of

tourism. It is also the No. 3 industry in all of British Columbia.

OTHER PLACES
He reviewed the tourist industry in relation to all of British Columbia and he took a quick look at other communities.

"I went to Hawaii two years ago," he told the assembly, "but I won't go again!"

He felt he wasn't welcome.

He cited the instance as an example of the importance of making people welcome and urging them to come back next year.

It is all a matter of friendliness. "Friendliness is more than hoping they'll come back: it is helping them!"

The tourism spokesman showed a movie of the province's tourism.

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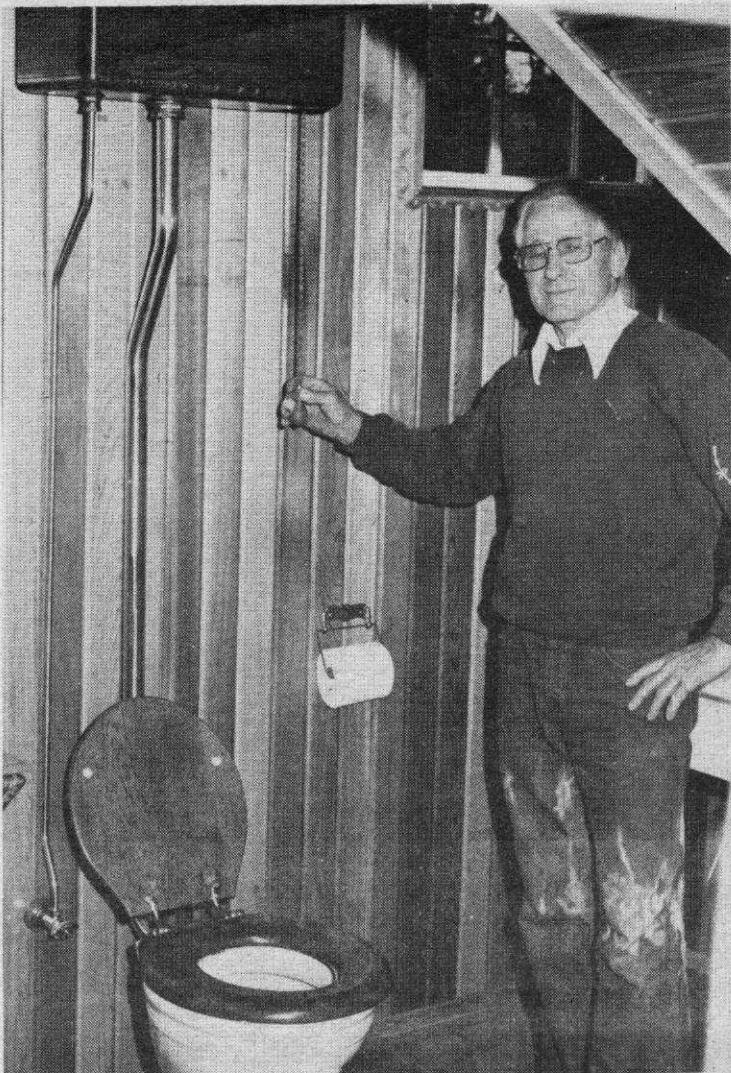
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Old toilet in Ganges home

Cliff Lawson of Upper Ganges Road on Salt Spring Island demonstrates his new flush toilet. The overhead tank with its chain flushing mechanism is an American antique. The box on the wall and the seat are of oak. The brass fittings were made or adapted by the versatile Lawson to couple up the old with the new.

During the Great War Maj. and Mrs. F.C. Turner acquired the property and lived there for many years.

The Lawsons are working through the house, renovating and bringing back structure and furnishings to the Victorian-Edwardian style.

The toilet came from Louisiana by way of California. It was made in 1890 in Kansas City.

The oak and brass appointed pottery enjoys a place in honour in the washroom. It shares room with a porcelain pedestal sink basin which only dates to the early 1900's.

Cliff and Paddy Lawson are living in the old Turner home on Upper Ganges Road. The house is one of the oldest on Salt Spring Island, having been built for Catherine, daughter of the pioneer minister-historian, Rev. E. Wilson.

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1. SHE SUCCEEDED ON THE TRANSIT LEVY — and fought for the exclusion of Salt Spring from those unfair Hydro surcharges in order to finance bus service in Victoria. She circulated a petition and spoke for the many hundreds of residents who signed, stating it was unfair for us to pay for a service which no islander (not even our own Senior Citizens) could use.

2. SHE SUCCEEDED ON THE NOISE BY-LAW — and opposed the inclusion of Salt Spring into a city-oriented by-law that would have restricted the activities of farmers, home-builders and workmen. She is currently polling local views in order to draft a Noise Control By-law appropriate to our island way of life.

3. SHE SUCCEEDED ON THE PROCEDURAL BY-LAW — and introduced a resolution that the CRD adopt a clear, written set of rules for conducting some of the regional business. The Procedural By-law has been adopted. She is currently proposing the formulation of specific written policies for expense claims procedures and for the distribution of documents and data necessary for committee work.

The CRD is predominantly composed of urban, commercially developed areas.

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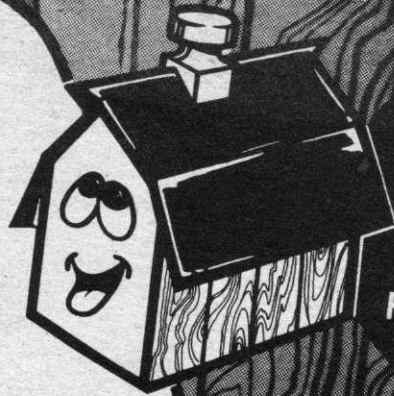
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GALIANO NEWS

Well fed columnist gets Garden Club award

BY BASIL AND
KATHLYN BENDER

One of the advantages, or disadvantages, depending on the state of one's digestion, of being a *Driftwood* columnist is the number of meals one can consume while attending functions that should be reported.

After a pot-lucky day on Wednesday with two smorgasbords to eat, we felt fortunate to have former reporter Mary Harding to cover dinner events on Thursday and Saturday.

Garden Club

On November 4 the members of the Garden Club celebrated the end of their first season as a club in a most happy way, by holding a smorgasbord luncheon.

Prizes were then presented to Dorothy Lupton, Margaret Robson, Jessie Bellhouse and Alistair Ross for receiving most points for their show-bench exhibits during the course of the season. A special trophy, the "Felicia", donated by Alistair Ross and awarded for the most prevaricative reporting on a gardening topic, was bestowed on *Driftwood* for its misleading article on bonsai pots.

The Galiano bureau chief was left speechless when presented with this ingenious two-hole construction.

Door prizes were picked by Devina Baines and won by Pat Park, Fern Nicholson, Rene Howard, Audrey Simas, Mary Gustin and Tilly Bamford.

Congratulations go to president Aini Haksi, secretary Tom Liddell, program convener Elspeth King and show-bench convener Alistair Ross for a most successful first season.

The Garden Club will now stay dormant until the first meeting of the new year on the second Wednesday in February.

Senior Citizens

The second of Wednesday's pot-lucks was the Senior Citizens' supper held in Page Drive Lounge beginning at five o'clock. Twenty-four people assembled and were treated to a delicious meal organized by Dorothy Woodbridge, Dorothy Estabrook, Alexandrine Sidders and Grace Jackson. President Les Woodbridge and Al Estabrook were responsible for the arrangements and decorations.

Following the meal the diners were entertained by a number of impromptu anecdotes and community singing accompanied by Connie Parminter on the piano. The evening concluded with bingo conducted by Frank Greenhalgh.

In the excitement two pairs of stainless steel knives and forks, handles decorated with a single swirl, are missing. Please phone 5702 if you know their whereabouts.

Pearson College
Visitors

Pearson College of the Pacific draws its students from all over the world so the eight youngsters who were guests of Galiano families last week made a cosmopolitan addition to the island's population.

Rodrigo Mino from Peru stayed with the Ken Silveys; Sechaba Chakela from Botswana with the Jeff Gaylors; Hans Guttman from

Sweden with the Ken Hardys; Neveen Abdel Rahman from Cairo with Elizabeth Brinson; Suk-Ming Fong from Hong Kong with the Ken Minettes; Hendrik Bindsleve from Denmark with the Laurie Gaylors; Helen Ward from Lytton with the Hall Tingleys; and Margaret Snyder from Parry Sound with Dr. and Mrs. John Hales.

The students visited Galiano School where Neveen contributed a memorable belly-dance, tried their hand at golf and were taken for a sail by Ron Ree.

Social gatherings enlivened the week, one of which will be long remembered by a local gentleman as when driving one of the young guests home, he managed to get his wife's car stuck in a strange driveway. When he telephoned her to come and collect him and found she had already retired for the night, he was more than a little discombobulated.

Soccer Tournament

The last of the season's inter-island soccer tournaments was played on Mayne Island last week. Competing schools were Galiano, Mayne and Saturna.

In the first game Mayne defeated Saturna by a score of 3-1. The Mayne team, far from being tired, were now in full flight and attacked the newly arrived Galiano team from the first kick-off of the second game. By the half they were leading two to nil and appeared to have the game in hand. In the second half the Galiano team were inspired by a goal by Rene Besler from a powerful long shot which found the net.

Now back in the game they harried the Mayne defence. Although only in grade 4 Alvin James scored for Galiano and played exceptionally well throughout the tournament. The game was decided by a Rodney Crocker goal in favour of the Galiano team.

The final game was between Saturna and Galiano, who needed only a tie to emerge the champions. Saturna were off to a fast start and by half-time were three goals up, and the situation for Galiano appeared hopeless. This desperate state of affairs continued until within two minutes of the final whistle.

In the last two minutes of the game Galiano scored three times, one by Alvin James and two more by Rodney Crocker. This dramatic climax to the tournament enabled Galiano to emerge the victors from the three-team round-robin.

Potential Methuselah

A certain venerated and venerable gentleman living in the Retreat Cove area is addicted to birthdays. His colleagues of the North End Community Club, obtaining some misinformation from one of their number, decided to spring a surprise birthday party for him at his home.

Their arrival with flowers, card and candle-lit cake caused bewilderment, consternation and, as the situation was explained, hilarity. The event turned into a most delightful non-birthday party.

The next of this gentleman's non-birthday parties may be scheduled for November 14 to coincide with the Northenders' Craft Fair. To show their continuing esteem for their

president and his efforts on their behalf, the Community Club is liable to organize another celebration despite the modest doctor's desire for anonymity.

He himself declares his next birthday is in April. If he continues his three birthdays a year pace and each one counts, he will soon rival Methuselah in age although he appears as spry as a youngster of 50.

Nature Notes

Carry a Plastic Bag

Lillian Beckwith in one of her charming books about the Hebrides advised beach-walkers to carry a rope. Its purpose was to assist in the carrying of treasures found upon the strand.

On Galiano, forest trail-walkers might be advised to "carry a plastic bag". It is at this time of the year that mushrooms are most abundant, and although a basket is the preferred receptacle a man feels too conspicuous with one on his arm, but a bag will slip into the pocket until required.

Forest mushrooms are one of the edible agaricus family, closely resembling the more familiar meadow mushroom but found in dense coniferous woodland. The white-gilled pine mushroom is also

found in this environment and is edible, but as there are a number of white-gilled species whose edibility is doubtful, it is probably wiser to forego these.

Easy to identify are lactarius delicious with carrot-coloured cap and gills staining green. Blewits are common and easily recognized by the pale mauve gills.

CONSIDERABLE CHANGE

In the past month there has been a considerable change in our bird population, particularly on the water. Some of the wintering ducks are back in the bays; small black and white buffleheads, mallards, harlequins and flocks of scoters with their noisy, whistling take-off when disturbed.

At least three species of grebe, western, eared and the small pied-billed, can be seen in local waters. Black oyster-catchers can be heard whistling as they fly low over the water, even if the observer is not close enough to see the brilliant red bill.

An unusual sighting for Galiano was seen recently on the far side of the valley: a group of half a dozen white geese, very probably snow geese.

Telephone Stickers

In an emergency it is vital to obtain help as quickly as possible.

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Lions district governor Bernie Lynn, Reg Cornwell and zone chairman Bill Wilson.

Marie Black passes away after serious illness

BY DEVINA BAINES

Mrs. Marie Black of North Galiano and White Rock, B.C., passed away in New Westminster on October 19 after a serious illness.

She was 63 years of age and was well-known and loved in the community. She was the wife of "Blackie" C.G. Black, well-known lacrosse player, who was one of the first to be named to the Sports Hall of Fame.

Both Marie and Blackie were good community workers, often

doing kind things quietly and unknown to others.

In addition to her husband, she leaves to mourn her son Kerry, two daughters, Colleen and Tracey, and four grandchildren and numerous friends.

A memorial service was held on October 21 in New Westminster. Any donations in her memory may be sent to the Cancer Society.

Blackie, who suffered a severe stroke two years ago, is presently staying in Port Alberni with daughter Colleen.

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Lions entertain

BY MARY HARDING

Galiano Lions know how to have a lot of fun, especially when there is a reason to have a combined ladies' night, and at the same time entertain guests.

This all happened on November 5 at the Galiano Rod and Gun clubhouse, when the Lions entertained district governor Bernie Lynn and his wife of Port Angeles, and zone chairman Bill Wilson and his wife of Saanich.

Lions president Reg Cornwell welcomed the guests, and presented them with a corsage for the ladies. More than 20 Galiano Lions plus their ladies were in attendance, a record crowd for this occasion.

Cooking of the baron of beef dinner was done by the Lionettes. Serving was done by Jackie Besler, Cathy Baines, Gina Wilson and Flo Hawbolt.

Bernie Lynn presented Reg Cornwell with a plaque to recognize the 10% increase in membership for this year.

Following a short meeting, entertainment began. Beginning with three Lions ladies singing a capella, Pat Weaver sang one of his many funny "logger songs", bringing a great cheer, then it was Bob Knowles' turn.

He and Pat sang several songs, then Art Wood, the master of ceremonies, played the Hammond organ and sang also. He had composed an appropriate song in honour of the lady guests.

Then came the treat for the evening. The "Dandy Lions" were going to play, assisted by a Lions lady, too. They were Reg Cornwell and Gerald Nicholson on saxaphones, Art Wood on the drums and Mrs. Reg Cornwell on the Hammond organ.

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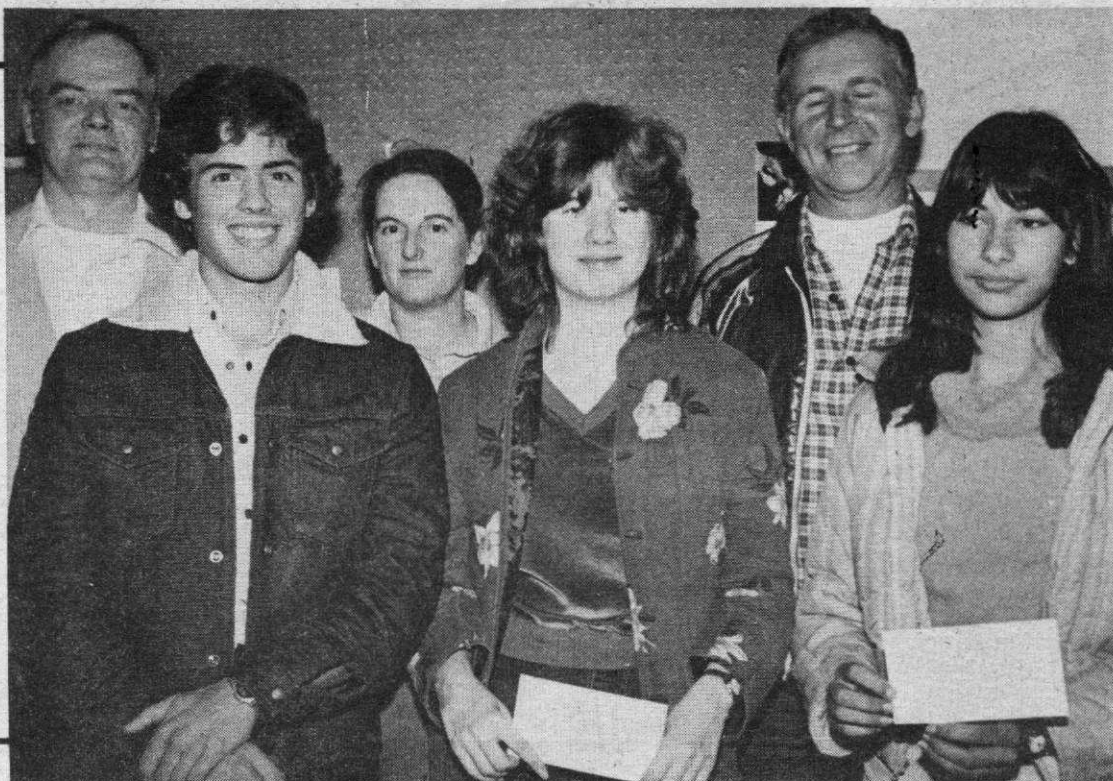
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The Salt Spring Rotary Club made three presentations to Gulf Islands Secondary students recently when the winners of the Grey Cup Poster Contest had been announced. Left to right are Don Harrison, Rotary director, Chris Cottrell, third prize winner of \$15, Caroline Hamilton, art teacher who arranged the contest, Kelly Mullan, first prize winner of \$25, Doug Foerster, Rotary president, and Simmy Schnarr, second prize winner of \$20. Winning entries and runners-up are posted in store windows throughout Ganges.



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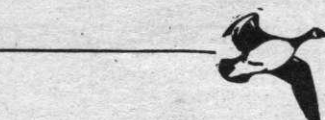
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Memories of another plane

From Page Two

fuselage and a dead man in the gun turret. Sometimes, most times, they never came back at all.

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The reminiscences became less forceful and less varied as the days passed. There were less and less messmates to keep us posted.

They were my friends and towards the end they envied me for the greater likelihood of my living through another day. They ribbed me about it, but they never complained.

I remember the days and the empty beds and the auction sale of their possessions, when more and more Rolls razors and all the odd items a man accumulates would be auctioned off and the proceeds sent to his dependents or his parents.

THEY NEVER CAME BACK

We got drunk together and we

told jokes together and we ate the inedible meals together. And they flew off in the fastest medium bomber in the RAF. And one-by-one they failed to come back.

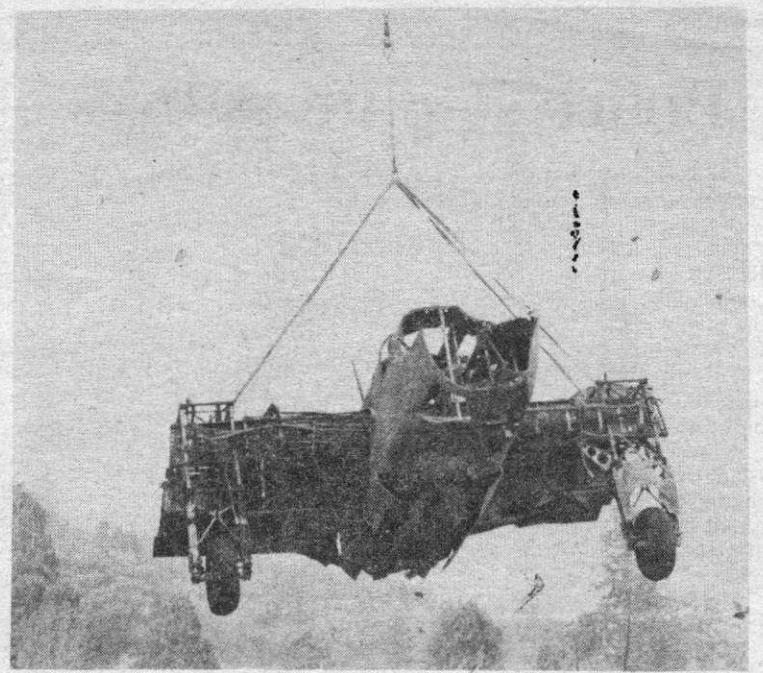
When the hull of the Bolingbroke rose from the Fulford beach I was reminded of the broken fuselages and the broken bodies I had seen in those months in just such another machine.

How fitting, I thought, that this should happen just as Remembrance Day nears.

November 11, Remembrance Day, was established to remind us, down the years, of those who have gone and how they went. And here was I, remembering.

Nameless friends, so many of them, who went to their death boisterously, drinking excessively, laughing delightedly, loving life.

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Police step up patrols

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The pitlamper shines a bright light into the eyes of a deer and pots away.

A recent incident on Mayne Island revealed pitlampers at their shining best. Two residents of that island became suspicious of shots at night and checked the situation out.

They followed a car and notified police who went to the address and discovered the hanging carcass of a deer.

Two men had two rifles including a semi-automatic.

Pitlamping is illegal and the use of firearms on Mayne is against the law.

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KICK-OFF**Lots of weekend soccer action at Portlock****BY MALCOLM LEGG**

One look at the Scoreboard and it becomes obvious it was another busy week of soccer on our fields as all teams saw action.

Some of the best action came on Sunday as our association featured four games at Portlock Park and some fine performances were displayed.

The Kicks opened Sunday's games dropping a 4-2 decision to Prospect Lake. After falling behind 4-0 the Kicks rallied, giving their opponents a second-half scare with two goals and had enough chances to pull out a tie.

United followed the Kicks and also fell 4-2 to Lansdowne. Once again they fell behind 3-0 but stormed back early in the second half to narrow the gap to one goal. A late tally by Lansdowne squashed Salt Spring's hopes for a tie.

Next the Sockeyes played and came away winners, 3-0 over Castaways. Strong positional play and lots of scoring chances highlighted the win.

The final game of the day was the most entertaining as the Wranglers tied Lansdowne 2-2. For the Wranglers it was a solid game considering this team beat them 7-2 last time out.

INTRA-ISLAND

This week I thought a look at intra-island standings would interest everyone as we have reached mid-season in league play.

Firstly, a look at the six-team senior loop.

My early prediction was that the Sounders would be league leaders but by all appearances the league is well balanced and at the moment the Dodgers are the team to beat.

The Sounders are a solid second and hope to move into first should the Dodgers falter. The big surprise comes in third and fourth place as our two girls' teams, the Kickers and Sockers, are strong

challengers for top spot.

For the Fury and Stingers their work is cut out to move up but

considering they are the youngest teams they are remaining competitive.

TEAM	WON	LOSS	TIE	POINTS
Dodgers	3	0	2	8
Sounders	3	1	1	7
Kickers	2	1	2	6
Sockers	0	1	4	4
Fury	1	2	1	3
Stingers	0	4	0	0

The junior section looks as follows:

TEAM	WON	LOSS	TIE	POINTS
Panthers	4	0	0	8
Green Machine	3	1	1	7
Demons	1	3	0	2
Eagles	0	4	1	1

At present the Panthers are burning up the league and look like they will be hard to topple. The Machine are a strong second-place team and with improvement could challenge the Panthers for top spot.

The Demons and Eagles are well back for now but if recent performances are an indication, they could close that gap before Christmas.

It looks as though some of the old-timers are going to have another go on Sundays again.

So whether you are a star or rookie, want to play some good ball or just exercise — come on out every Sunday at 2:30 pm. Contact Mike Testart for information.

Our association will be offering our referees' course in about a week under the instruction of Lin Beattie, our head official.

As a fully qualified instructor Beattie will cover the rules of the game and how to officiate. The course is open to anyone interested in officiating or just learning the rules of the game.

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Div. 1: Salt Spring United 2 (C. Cottrell - 2), Lansdowne 4
Div. 2: Salt Spring Kicks 2 (P. Cottrell, J. Howell), Prospect Lake 4
Div. 4: Salt Spring Strikers 2 (G. Speed, B. Terrick), Duncan 3
Div. 5: Salt Spring Wranglers 2 (J. Minvielle, M. Brown), Lakehill 3
Salt Spring Wranglers 2 (M. Brown, T. Owen-Evans), Lansdowne 2
Div. 6: Salt Spring Sting 0, Juan de Fuca 1
Womens: Salt Spring Sockeyes 3 (S. Spence - 2, S. Terrick), Castaways 0

INTRA-ISLAND:**Senior:**

Kickers 1 (J. Moger), Sockers 1 (L. Hynes)
Fury 5 (D. Lee, J. Pinchin, D. Topping - 2, P. Hatch), Stingers 0
Dodgers 1 (D. Kirkpatrick), Sounders 1 (B. Berry)

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Demons 1 (J. Neilson), Green Machine 2 (C. Fairbrother, S. Nelkin)
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Losing streak over for Sockeyes after victory over Richmond



Scenes from Sockeyes' game on Sunday

BY MERVYN SCOBLE
Salt Spring Sockeyes 3,
Richmond Roders 0

On Sunday at Portlock Park the Sockeyes snapped their two-game losing streak, beating the Richmond Roders by 3-0.

Salt Spring dominated from the outset but were unable to convert their obvious supremacy until the second half. Jan Hull in the Sockeyes' goal touched the ball three times in the opening period while her opposite number thwarted a number of scoring opportunities at the other end.

Frequently, in such situations, a team becomes frustrated and allows the opposition to come back into the game. Salt Spring, however, stuck to their game plan and eventually their methodical build-up paid dividends.

Susanne Terrick opened the account in the 50th minute with her first goal of the season, a low shot to the corner from 12 yards. Shauneen Spence added to the tally in the 55th and the 61st minutes to give the Sockeyes a well deserved victory.

This was a particularly pleasing display with our girls playing as one cohesive unit, demonstrating the importance of team play in soccer.

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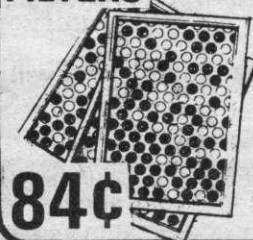
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Two games big steps forward after early-season slump

BY ED DAVIS

The past weekend was a busy one for the Wranglers. The team saw action in Victoria on Saturday in a close match with Lakehill, and on Sunday we took on the Landsdowne Spitfires in a hot game at Portlock Park.

Sunday's match was a real barn-burner which saw the Wranglers return to form of old when they took early control against a team that gave them their worst thrashing ever only two weeks ago. Actually, both games on the weekend were giant steps forward for the Wranglers who have been caught in an early-season slump.

In Saturday's game against Lakehill the Wranglers broke in a new goalie, Mason Scown fulfilled the task admirably for the first time out.

Wranglers opened the scoring early in the first half, and held on to it through until the half-time whistle. First goal was scored by Michael Brown, a regular in the goal action. Jason Bush joined the front line for the first time in this game and played well for his first effort on the forward line.

TWO QUICK GOALS

Second-half action saw the Lakehill boys jump into the lead with two quick goals. Action was virtually end to end during the second half with a lot of shots on goal by both teams. When the dust settled the Lakehill team edged out the Wranglers by one goal. Final score: Lakehill 3, Wranglers 2.

Sunday's game was a make-up game which came about due to an early foul-up by the league officials in Victoria. Seems they sent us to our first game earlier this year against the wrong team!

Two weeks ago the Wranglers took on the Spitfires in Victoria and it was a real lopsided contest. At the time the Wranglers were set back by a couple of injuries, all minor, but nonetheless just outward enough to cause disastrous line changes.

Sunday's match with the Spitfires was the Wranglers' best game to date, and while it ended in a tie, it was a major moral victory in that the boys came together better as a team than they ever have. Final score: Wranglers 2, Spitfires, 2.

TO SHADOW GOLIATH

Game plan for the match was to have our long-distance runner Sean Albhouse become a shadow to Goliath, a very big player on the opposing team. If he got by Sean a minimum of two Wranglers were to go for him.

Mason Scown, our second largest player, was making his second start in goal in an attempt to snag the high shots this roving giant seems to get off from way out on the wing. With the plan set and the boys fired up the game kicked off and within minutes Goliath picked up a pass, just barely got kicking room and rifled one into the top corner, seemingly rendering our game plan ineffective.

That, however, turned out to be Goliath's only goal. Early in the half, Sean got on to his pattern of moves and virtually rendered him

ineffective for the rest of the game. Sean's drive earned him the Wrangler of the Game title. Sean not only out-hustled his check for most of the game but managed to steal most of the passes sent his way.

TIED IT UP

Minutes after the Spitfire goal, the Wranglers tied it up with a goal by Ryan Stewart and then took the lead with another goal by Tim Owen Evans.

In the second half the Wranglers really poured on the attack. They had one goal disallowed and just missed numerous drives. Late in the game the Spitfires pulled off the tie with a high bouncer.

Goalkeeper Mason Scown gets second honours doing a good job while adapting to a new position.

Next weekend the Wranglers are off to Victoria to meet Gordon Head.

DOWN THE GUTTER

Brewery closure forces bowler's departure

BY KEN COLLINS

We have had to say goodbye to one of our most popular bowlers. Jean Stevens and her husband Les have left us to reside in Edmonton, Alberta. We wish them well in their new surroundings and look forward to their return in 18 months' time.

Les was one of the people who got caught up in the shutdown of the Labatt's Brewery in Victoria, and with just 18 months to go to his retirement has had to look for employment with Labatt's at Edmonton.

Here are the better scores of the week: Jean Jenkins, 762; Helene Carey, 731; Terry Jenkins, 746; Denis Corcoran, 844; Jim Taylor, 823; and this writer with 706 and 717.

We had 300 games from Jim Bird, 301; Denis Corcoran, 304; and Jim Taylor, 301.

The lady bowler of the week was

Jean Jenkins and for the men it was Denis Corcoran.

For the Golden-Agers it was Nellie Herbert with 685, and Geoff Baker with 673.

I thought you only had sandbaggers in golf, but we have found one in the men's bowling on Monday. The team that carries this sandbagger week after week knows who I am referring to.

So smarten up, you sandbagger, and get your you-know-what into gear and give your team a bit of help.

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Div. 5C: S.S. Wranglers vs Gordon Head, Sat. Nov. 14, 1:00 pm, Victoria.

Div. 6C2: S.S. Sting vs Gordon Head, Sat. Nov. 14, 11:00 am, Victoria.

Women: S.S. Sockeyes vs Gordon Head, Sun., Nov. 15, 11:00 am, Victoria.

Intra-Island:

Senior:

Thurs., Nov. 12 - Sounders vs Fury, Ganges

Tues., Nov. 17 - Fury vs Dodgers, Fernwood

Thurs., Nov. 19 - Sounders vs Sockers, Ganges

Thurs., Nov. 19 - Stingers vs Kickers, Ganges

Junior:

Thurs., Nov. 12 - Panthers vs Demons, Ganges

Tues., Nov. 17 - Demons vs Eagles, Fernwood

Thurs., Nov. 19 - Panthers vs Machine, Ganges

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Trip a total disaster; team good for nothing bums

Ineptitude rules: Slugs are back to normal

BY HIMIE HYSTERECTOMY

Ah yes, things do indeed appear to be at last returning to normal. This is not to say that the Vancouver trip was a total disaster, although it was, or to suggest that the Slugs are no more than a bunch of good for nothing bums, which is also true; but rather to celebrate the return to the fold, the re-emergence of the prodigal son, to the good old days; ineptitude rules — the real Slugs are back.

It must be made clear, though, one cannot and must not place the blame on the shoulders of our beloved social director.

MOST PATHETIC TEAM

He tried, he really did. Didn't he line us up with the shabbiest, most

pathetic team this side of the Sidney Psychos? Didn't he spend all his waking hours trying to rustle up a second game after Jukes and Watson failed him?

Wasn't it he who loitered outside washrooms, coffee shops, even bars waiting to challenge dwarfs, women, pee wees — anyone just so we could get some pleasure out of paying \$137 an hour for the privilege of playing in a low-class cow barn?

And really, wasn't it he who made the noble, but futile attempt to keep all the team's young hooligans on the straight and narrow against all the temptations of the big city? His intentions were truly lofty...the results, unfortunately, less than.

STARTED INNOCENTLY

Really, though, it all started so innocently — a trip to the big city — quality opposition in a quality setting — a quiet weekend of hockey, sight-seeing and quiet prayer. What happened?

Well Mel, Ray and Danny decided they'd rather fondle rifles than fiddle with hockey pucks. Then suddenly Stringer and Watson contracted mysterious last-minute viruses that forced them to miss the ferry. And Akerman had the misfortune of attending another family reunion.

Add this to the usual cast of inept and erratic skaters and it spells trouble.

The other team, the Bloedel Bums, weren't bad, although we were a little concerned when they gave their goalie a standing ovation every time he stopped the puck. Unfortunately, every time we put one by him, they'd put one (or more) past our somnolent goal tender.

FLATTERING

The result, a 7-6 shellacking at their hands, with the score flattering the Slugs.

The second game, however, was a classic. End to end rushes, goals in bundles, great stick work and spectacular goal tending (spectacularly bad). Unfortunately, when there are only 10 players on the ice, and they're all Slugs, what else can you expect. At \$14 a piece for ice, it was not only exhilarating, but expensive. The worst part was we had to hock all of Farm Boy's gear after the game just to pay for it.

NURDS AGAIN

Oh well, so much for the big leagues. Next week while we busily prepare for the Scorpions, we have the pleasure of a return match with the Nurds from Nanaimo, the same guys who so convincingly snapped our nine-game winning streak.

Should be fun! But before I forget, speaking of fun, condolences to the wives and girl friends of the fearless Slugs — what

a dynamic group.

In the big city, all by themselves, lots of spending loot, and...what? In bed at 7:30 pm on Saturday

night. Hughes was catatonic. Legends die hard...and so did the Slugs.

Slug owner's handbook — Part VII

Sitting up, begging can be taught with patience

BY IMA SLUG

This portion dedicated to Richard Nixon, the trickster's trickster.

When your slug has finally mastered the basic tricks and you and your pet have developed that bond of closeness unique to the slug-man relationship, you may wish to teach your pet some of the more difficult responses.

Sitting up and begging can be taught if you are willing to invest much time and patience. This can be a wonderful crowd pleaser at dinners and parties. Shaking hands, too, is popular but you must be very sure to grasp the feeler rather than the eye stock.

Many an ambitious slug owner has discovered this error too late.

The two most difficult tricks to teach your slug are: "Jump" and how to do push-ups. You can make the first trick more spectacular if you teach this response while pushing your pet toward a ring of salt.

A few slugs have mastered the second trick, the extremely difficult feeler push-up. This is not only a clever trick, but it also helps keep your animal in top shape. Remember, though, using a frying pan is cheating.

Next week, stalking the wild slug.

Slugs are considering basketball instead

Although there are suggestions that the local chapter of the SPCA may attempt to seek a court order blocking it, a grudge basketball match between the famed Salt Spring Slugs and the equally inept high school Scorpions has been tentatively scheduled for Friday, Nov. 20 at the secondary arena.

Led by the ferocious body checking of Pat "Mad Dog"

Gaines, Scott "Boom Boom" Bergstrom and a host of others and backed by stellar goal tending by part-time student Mark "Farm Boy" Hughes, the Slugs are heavy favourites to annihilate the game but overmatched Scorpions, led by one of the original seven dwarfs — Larry Roy.

Next week, a player by player profile of the pre-pubescent Scorpions.

Training techniques of interest to Soviets?

RCMP and Canadian Forces spokesman remain silent today following reports of the sighting of a Russian submarine aground in Ganges Harbour Sunday. Citing "national security", officials declined all comment except to tersely state that the incident was "under investigation".

The sighting, first reported by local sewer activist, hockey buff and nationally syndicated columnist Bill Webster, is rumoured to be linked to the upcoming Slugs-Scorpion charity basketball game, although at press time this was unconfirmed.

Highly placed intelligence sources have suggested that recent Soviet activities may be linked to interest in the unusual training techniques utilized by Team Slug as they prepare for

the November 20th grudge match.

Others, however, speculate that it may in fact be Russia's concern with the outcome of the upcoming regional director's election.

This latest rumour, coinciding with the visit of American warships to local waters, lends credence to suggestions that either or both of these issues are also considered to have major global implications, and are of major concern to U.S. foreign policy.

Interviewed in Washington, Secretary of State Alexander Haig denied any such link but hinted that there might be a major policy statement forthcoming if and when President Reagan returns from holidays.

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Water's for drinking; let's make sure it stays that way! Let's have more co-operation from higher up to keep the water flowing and ready and fit to drink.

Let's have the region involved in the transportation bit and get the province to establish a policy on ferries to all islands, not just ours! Let's back the islands transportation committee!

Sewers need monitoring. The two projects on Salt Spring Island must be tightly checked and kept up.

And don't forget to vote on November 21.

Choose your Alternatel



JOHN CROFTON

RICHARDS, Frank

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Galiano golfers stage dinner, awards presentations

To celebrate the presenting of awards to this year's winning golfers, a gala dinner was held at Galiano Lodge on Saturday. More than 80 people came to enjoy the gourmet meal.

Welcomed by president Al Lantinga, presenting of trophies was done by ladies' captain for the past year, Linda Carpini, and men's captain Frank Sarson. Darts captain Marnie Burton was unable to attend, but it was announced that winners of the Darts Stafford trophy were Sheila Ripley and Frank Greenhalgh.

Happy winners were: Men's Scratch Golf, Harold Keenlyside; runner-up, Peter Darling. Ladies' Scratch Golf, Phyllis Stafford; Men's Club Championship, with handicap, Dr. T.F.H. Armitage; runner-up, Frank Sarson. The Price Cup Ladies' Handicap was won by Linda Carpini; runner-up, Marge Sarson. Irene Lee Trophy winners were Marge Sarson and Bill Willander; runners-up, Linda Carpini and Steve Parlee.

Nixon Rose Bowl (36-hole gross) was won by Phyllis Stafford; runner-up, Marge Sarson. The Cottrell Trophy for Accuracy was won by Jack

Wright; runner-up, Marge Sarson. Liver trophy for nine-hole golf, Jean Wint; runner-up, Arla Saare. The Barner trophy, Alex Phillips; two runners-up, Dr. Morley Whillans and Reg Cornwell.

Tothill trophy, most improved player, (new golfer) Helen Hoole. Ferguson Award for most improved handicap, Linda Carpini; a second, Denny Parlee. Mike Beach Memorial winner, Dr.

Morley Whillans; runner-up, Dal Bradley. The president vs. vice-president's trophy was won by the vice-president, Elspeth King.

Juniors handicap was won by G. Hartley; juniors champion, D. Donaldson.

Holes-in-one were made during the year by Bill Paterson, Hall Tingley, Alex Phillips, Charlie Dodwell and Morley Whillans.

STORY AND PHOTOS
BY MARY HARDING



Irene Lee Trophies are presented to runners-up Steve Parlee, left, and Linda Carpini by Frank Sarson.



Frank Sarson presents trophy to Phyllis Stafford, Ladies' Scratch Golf and Nixon Rose Bowl winner.

Galiano

From Page Twelve

District to distribute telephone stickers listing emergency numbers for fire, police and ambulance.

Peter Dunn, Galiano ambulance co-ordinator, stresses that the ambulance number will also put the caller in immediate contact with the Poison Control Centre in Victoria from which information on antidotes may be obtained.

Peter will have extra stickers available at the B.C. Ferry booth at Sturdies Bay. All emergency numbers are also listed inside the cover of the telephone directory.

Coming Events

This Saturday, Nov. 14, should be a productive day for specialty shoppers. They should first visit the South Community Hall for the Spinners and Weavers Sale which opens at 11 am and then drive up to the North End Community Hall, where the second Annual Craft Fair should be in full swing by two o'clock.

On Wednesday, Nov. 18, from 2 to 4 pm in Page Drive Lounge, Galianoites will have a unique opportunity to hear island painter Elisabeth Hopkins speak about her art. She will illustrate her talk by showing some of her original paintings.

Also on Wednesday, all residents will have a chance to meet the candidates in the forthcoming election at a public meeting organized by the Chamber of Commerce in the South Community Hall to begin at 7 pm sharp.

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Staged by Pender auxiliary

More than 100 attend bazaar

BY ELEANOR HARRISON

The annual bazaar of the Ladies' Auxiliary, Pender Island Legion Branch, was held on Saturday afternoon at the Legion Hall. A crowd of well over 100 attended, many of whom were there when the doors opened at one o'clock.

The bazaar was officially opened by Mrs. Helen Muse, the zone representative for south Vancouver Island, which covers eight auxiliaries, one of which is

that on Pender. She was accompanied for the day by several guests from the zone.

Mrs. Muse, who is very popular at Pender, was introduced by Mrs. Thelma Lambeth, president of the Pender branch.

Mrs. Roseanne LeBlanc was in charge of the bazaar this year and had many able helpers. The bake sale table was very well supplied but the goods disappeared almost like magic: it was a star attraction

as usual.

Beautiful knitted and crocheted articles were very popular and were quickly picked up by eager customers. Prizes were won by Verda McCann of Pender, Brad Ross-Smith of Pender and Letty Hamilton, Victoria, who won the tiffany lamp shade made by Jack Little. Joyce Radomiska, Victoria, won the doll and wardrobe made by Alice Arrowsmith and Leona Binnie of Duncan won the afghan.

Damage \$200 from pipe-and-run

The accident had all the markings of a pipe-and-run, which is a Salt Spring version of hit-and-run.

David Heatherington, of Fulford, was driving south near Hundred Hills when a 1972 or -73 dark green pick-up, General Motors product, approached.

A pipe was sticking from the box of the vehicle and struck Heatherington's 1975 Ford pick-up in the grill. Damage was estimated at \$200.

Police are continuing the search for the dark green pick-up.

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P.S. Is this the alternative to the sewer???

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North Galiano

BY DEVINA BAINES

About two weeks ago we were pleasantly surprised by a visit from Mrs. Edna Robinson from Merritt, B.C., Mrs. Sally Robinson from Salt Spring and Dorothy Sunderland from Kelowna.

Mrs. and Mrs. Woody Coward have been on a holiday and business trip to Arizona.

Cod season closes on November 15 and the fishermen are having trouble trying to get out fishing in all this windy and foggy weather.

The sympathy of the whole North End goes out to Blackie Black and family on the loss of his lovely wife Marie.

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Trustees hesitant to borrow money

Board won't take plunge on swimming pool proposal

Plans for the Salt Spring swimming pool are proceeding but the school board will not take the plunge.

The Gulf Islands school trustees listened to a presentation by representatives of the Parks and Recreation Commission but decided not to reopen the issue of support for the project.

The school board at an earlier meeting had voted not to become involved in the funding of the swimming pool.

"With so many capital projects going now," said Pender Island trustee John Zacharias, "we should be hesitant to get involved in what I might term a desirable frill."

Bev Unger, for the Parks and Recreation group, told the board members that the experience in Sidney after the pool had been built there showed a decrease in the number of juvenile criminal offences.

A BONUS

She termed the pool as a bonus for the school board which would help in the education of children.

Jim Ballantyne explained the proposed plans for the pool. Ballantyne told the board that once the plans have been approved by the provincial government, copies would be available for public viewing.

Dr. Hugh Borsman told the

board that the 1,000 children in the Gulf Islands School District need a swimming pool. He said that available time at existing pools within travelling distance of the Gulf Islands was becoming increasingly more difficult to book.

He asked the school board to reconsider the refusal to take part in the project in light of possible voter approval.

Could the board, he asked, in good conscience ask for use of the pool after refusing to support its construction?

When and if the Salt Spring voters approved the pool, the Parks and Recreation people would have to consider the board as just another customer, said Borsman. Any rental agreement would have to be set up under those terms, he told the board.

NOT IN JEOPARDY

The school board had received a letter from the ministry of

education indicating that a request for funds to aid in the building of the pool would not jeopardize the funding of other capital works projects.

The ministry has money available for such requests over and above the regular budget costs of education.

The Gulf Islands School District could be eligible for a grant to cover 25% of the costs of the pool, according to a ministry formula.

With a total cost of \$1.4 million for the pool as an estimate from the Parks and Recreation Commission, the school board could ask for up to \$350,000.

The problem in the view of the board would be the financing of the grant. The ministry, under current policy, would pay half while the school district would cover the remainder. With interest rates so high, the board is hesitant to become involved in borrowing money.



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Expenses

From Page One

not accept as strictly chargeable as expenses.

Last meeting of the board learned that the auditors had taken a new look and come up with another \$512, repayable.

Other directors were indignant that a further demand might be made and called for a check of all accounts.

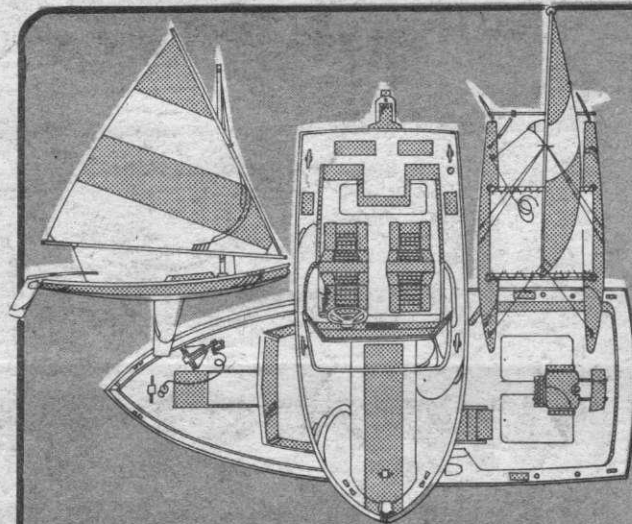
Campbell repaid voluntarily an overpayment of \$261.22. He explained that the refund arose from one incident when he took out his colleagues for dinner and subsequently learned that he did not have the authority to claim such a cost. He also repaid \$60 claimed in error and a further \$11.22 which he had claimed for mileage at one cent a mile beyond the allowable rate.

Both Islands directors have now repaid claims collected in error.

Campbell was renting a room at the Empress Hotel when he was chairman and was obliged to find accommodation in Victoria. He attributed most of his high expense account to this rented room.

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